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Rosh Hashanah Greetings From

Ben Prossin



Once again a New Year greets us and the future beckons with high hope in this joyous high holiday season. As we look to the future, it is incumbent upon us to review the past year—to take stock, learn from our mistakes, be satisfied with our successes and to proceed with confidence and vigor toward new challenges, fresh opportunities!

The Atlantic Jewish Council can be proud, I believe, of its accomplishments during the past season. As we now move toward the Atlantic Jewish Council's 5th anniversary in April, 1980, we see a revitalized regional lay leadership sincerely working for an improvement in the style and quality of Jewish life in the Atlantic Provinces. Cultural activities, entertainment, United Jewish Appeal, Project Renewal, social programs, educational involvement, SHALOM magazine, television and radio programming, Camp Kadimah, regional and commemorative programs, national Jewish and Zionist organizational affiliations, provision of administrative services to local Jewish groups, coordination of community activities—these are only some of the activities and involvements of the Atlantic Jewish Council. From time to time we may not accomplish what we would like in the manner in which we would like. However, on the whole, I think the Atlantic Jewish Council is functioning well and basically doing a good job for our communities.

Your comments and suggestions are more than helpful and your participation is eagerly sought.

The Atlantic Jewish Council looks forward to a year of continued good relationships with major national Jewish organizations, in particular the Canadian Zionist Federation, the Canadian Jewish Congress, the United Jewish Appeal, Hadassah-Wizo, and Canadian Young Judaea. To all our fellow organizations, please accept warmest New Year greetings.

The coming year will be filled with challenges and problems for world Jewish communities. Israel will be under great pressure from many sides as the peace process moves forward to the next stage. Let us resolve to remain united and determined that our support for Israel shall remain firm and dedicated. Let us hope and pray that a true, just and lasting peace comes to the Middle East. Let us further resolve that we will strive to improve the quality of Jewish life in our own communities in Atlantic Canada.

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone a healthy, prosperous, and happy New Year.

LeShana Tovah TeKatevu.

**Shalom,
Ben Prossin
President**

Atlantic Jewish Council

Rosh Hashanah Greetings From Avrum Weiss

Executive Director, Atlantic Jewish Council



*Avrum Weiss
Executive Director
Atlantic Jewish Council*

I am completing my first year as Executive Director of the Atlantic Jewish Council. I have visited many communities, some more than others. I have tried to understand the concerns of the communities and to provide programs for enjoyment. This has not always been easy and not always successful. There are many questions about the future of the Jewish communities of Atlantic Canada which need to be confronted openly and honestly. I think that we can succeed, together, but we must try.

Most of you support a strong Atlantic Jewish Council. There is an increasing need for the communities and the

Atlantic Jewish Council to develop a closer and more effective relationship. Communities and organizations are represented on the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Jewish Council. This responsibility should not be taken lightly; for if we are to survive and prosper as a Jewish community—stem the tide of assimilation—then we must have committed and dedicated Jewish people serving on our board.

What the Atlantic Jewish Council is able to accomplish is directly related to our capacity to raise funds. The regional United Jewish Appeal campaign must increase dramatically if we are to continue to fight our battle for survival.

As we enter this new year, 5740, we must not use the excuse "What is the other guy doing" or "I am only in it for myself." Each of us must examine ourselves and decide whether we are going to be a soldier in this battle or a casualty. We can no longer afford to be the enemy.

This is indeed a somber year for all of us and a year of great decision. Our future rests on our ability to define our problems, wrestle with solutions and decide on a course of action.

Joan, Ethan, and Benjamin join me in extending our warmest wishes to you and your family for a New Year filled with good health, happiness, love, and success.

IN MEMORIAM

LOUIS B. SIEGEL

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With the death of Louis B. Siegel on August 24, 1979, the Atlantic Jewish Council lost a dedicated, vigorous and long-time leader.

Lou Siegel, known to many of his friends and associates as "Layvick", had been involved with community concerns since his youth. Born in Glace Bay, N.S., he resided for the

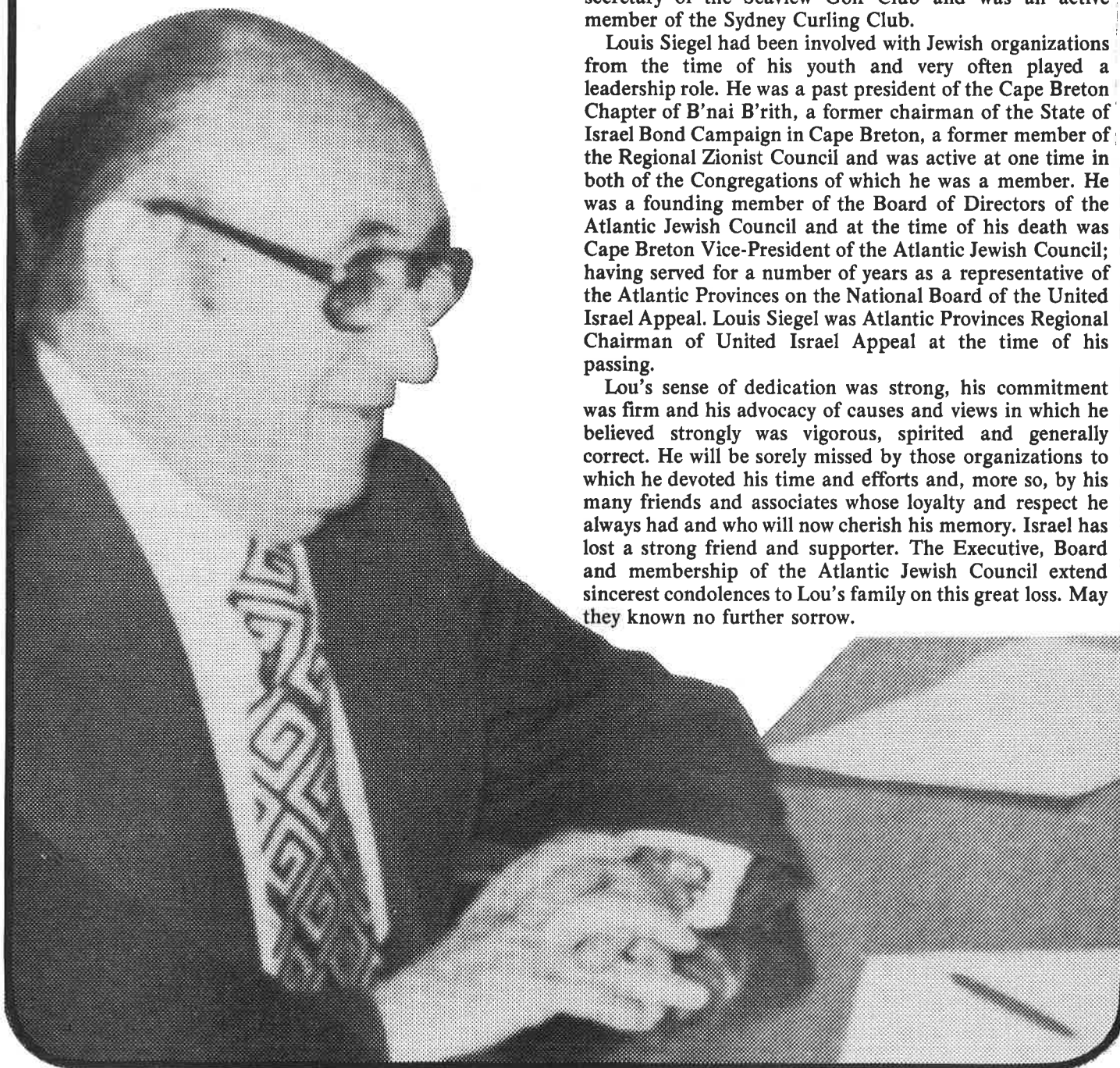
past twenty-five years in Sydney, and was Vice-President of Stott Aluminum Corporation at the time of his death.

Besides his wife Helene, he is survived by two sons, Sandy and Richard, and one daughter, Shirley Mae. Also surviving are four brothers—Nate, Irving, Joseph, Morton, all of Toronto and one sister, Leah Mendelle, of Montreal. Surviving as well is Mr. Siegel's mother, Dora, of Toronto. He was predeceased by his father, Benjamin, and sister, Sara. Funeral services were held in Sydney on Sunday, August 26, 1979 with burial in Glace Bay.

Lou was a member of the Congregation Sons of Israel of Glace Bay and the Temple Sons of Israel of Sydney. He was a member of the Sydney Rotary Club and Tyrian Youth Masonic Lodge of Glace Bay. He had served as financial secretary of the Seaview Golf Club and was an active member of the Sydney Curling Club.

Louis Siegel had been involved with Jewish organizations from the time of his youth and very often played a leadership role. He was a past president of the Cape Breton Chapter of B'nai B'rith, a former chairman of the State of Israel Bond Campaign in Cape Breton, a former member of the Regional Zionist Council and was active at one time in both of the Congregations of which he was a member. He was a founding member of the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Jewish Council and at the time of his death was Cape Breton Vice-President of the Atlantic Jewish Council; having served for a number of years as a representative of the Atlantic Provinces on the National Board of the United Israel Appeal. Louis Siegel was Atlantic Provinces Regional Chairman of United Israel Appeal at the time of his passing.

Lou's sense of dedication was strong, his commitment was firm and his advocacy of causes and views in which he believed strongly was vigorous, spirited and generally correct. He will be sorely missed by those organizations to which he devoted his time and efforts and, more so, by his many friends and associates whose loyalty and respect he always had and who will now cherish his memory. Israel has lost a strong friend and supporter. The Executive, Board and membership of the Atlantic Jewish Council extend sincerest condolences to Lou's family on this great loss. May they known no further sorrow.



New Year Message By Rabbi Leo Heim, D.D.

Dear Friends:

According to a Talmudic legend, as the time approached for the beginning of the year, the angels would gather around the Lord and ask Him, "When is Rosh Hashanah?" God would figuratively shrug his shoulders and respond, "You are asking Me? Let's ask the court on earth." God didn't set the time; it was the court that set a time.

Paradoxical! the real beginning of the year does not depend on the calendar alone—it depends on us. We are the ones who are to make a new start, and only if we really will it will thus truly be a new beginning of a new year.

If we want this to be **our** Rosh Hashanah we must first examine the ideals by which we really want to live. So much of the year we move without a sense of direction and work without any clear goal; our senses are dulled and our standards are confused. Now that we pull ourselves away from our daily grind and stand in the presence of God, we can ask ourselves, "What do we really want out of life?" "What do we need to do in order to be proud of ourselves as human beings?"

Soon we will bid one another: "A Happy New Year". What a strange phrase amidst turbulence all over the world! There is so much that cries for man's concern; man's destiny is in the hands of fellow humans. How can we experience happiness in these troubled times?

The truth of the matter is that happiness is to be found within ourselves in the context of our relationship with our fellow man. We need each other if we are to be happy. There must be a chain of giving and receiving. This unites man. The earth receives and gives. Not a handful of rain descends from above without the earth sending up two handfuls of moisture to meet it. No one can exist with himself. A person's heart should be guided not only by the dictates of what is best for him, but also by what is best for those around him. It is in reality, one for all, and not **all for one**.

The real secret of happier living is "to give oneself away". and this need not be reserved for special events or emergencies, but for the every day, little things that can help relieve someone's pain.

The only hope for the dawn of a better tomorrow lies not



in the preaching but in the actual daily practice of brotherhood, man to man. The life one lives speaks more loudly than the words one utters.

So, "when is the New Year?" When you and I will decide it to be a truly **new** year, new in determination, and full of vigour to give to life the very best of our very self.

"The day is short, and the task is great", say our sages. Blessed to be free in this glorious but challenging age. We must seek fulfillment in the deeds we profess daily, by giving of ourselves to the causes of K'lal Yisrael and humanity. Israel faces very challenging days ahead; the Jews in Iran, Argentina, the Soviet Union, the plight of the "Boat People" and man in general, are desperate for a spark of freedom, and await our assistance. Let this New Year's promise mean that, like Abraham, each of us will exclaim: Hineni - Here I am, ready to do my very best for the good of mankind. In that manner we will remind God when Rosh Hashanah this year will be observed.

With personal best wishes to each and all in the Atlantic Region, I bid you a Shanah Tovah.



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The Challenge Of The New Year—5740

by Jack Rose
National President
United Israel Appeal of Canada

Dear Friends:

For the first time in thirty-one years, world Jewry greets the New Year with a Peace Treaty between Israel and her most populous and powerful neighbour, Egypt.

Although comprehensive peace has not automatically or instantaneously resulted, there are grounds to hope for a permanent relaxation of tensions and the eventual establishment of normal relations between Arabs and Israelis. While the crisis of war and the struggle for physical survival may be diminishing, Israel now confronts the awesome tasks and financial burdens of military re-deployment in the Negev, the relocation of Sinai settlers

and the growing need for increased Jewish settlement in the Galilee, coupled with the challenge of Project Renewal with its goal of bridging the growing gap between Israel's "have's" and "have not's".

The New Year 5740, therefore, confronts world Jewry with the challenge of sharing this awesome financial burden with the people of Israel. Ours is an historic and sacred partnership. For more than three decades Canadian Jewry has shared with the people of Israel the anguish of their struggle for survival. Today, as we stand on the threshold of a New Year and of a new relationship between Israel and Egypt, may we continue that partnership by assisting Israel to meet the heavy financial cost of peace.

May the New Year, 5740, be one of fulfillment and wellbeing for you and all Israel, and may it bring us all nearer to that day of peace and justice which is the age old hope of our People.

New Year Message

from Mrs. Clara Balinsky
National President of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo

With the shortening of our summer days and the return of our members to their workday lives, the mood is very much one of a new year about to begin. The possibility of new beginnings is an optimistic balance to nature's autumnal retreat.

Rosh Hashanah gives us cause to rethink our priorities in a rapidly changing world. It provides us with an opportunity for thought and makes us ponder today's concerns and tomorrow's hopes.

But even in a rapidly changing world, two hopes remain constant. We still pray for good health—ours and our loved ones'—and for peace—for Israel and the world. To quote Rabbi Hillel, "All the rest is commentary."

On behalf of the members of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo, I want to wish the Jewish community of the Atlantic Provinces a very healthful and peaceful New Year. Le'shanah tovah tikataivu.



Clara Balinsky

Dry Bones



President's Message

Shaar Shalom Synagogue, Halifax

As we approach The New Year 5740, we pause and reflect on the past. As Jews of the Congregation of Temple Sons of Israel, have we seriously considered our obligations? Have we honoured our obligation to our Synagogue and our Jewish Community? Has our input into Jewish life been satisfactory? Have we derived satisfaction from our efforts? What has been the value or quality of our Synagogue life? Is it meaningful?

All these queries can be resolved positively, and all facets can be meaningful. At this time, let's resolve to direct our

thoughts to peace and harmony, and our actions toward the benefit and betterment of our community and mankind.

At this time, I should like to extend a **healthy and satisfying New Year** to Rabbi and Mrs. S. Simson and the executive and members of our Synagogue. Let's pray for a year of peace and reconciliation for all mankind.

Steve Sherman
Temple Sons of Israel
Sydney
Nova Scotia

President's Message

Glouce Bay Congregation

Dr. Philip Simon

With the oncoming High Holidays my first impulse is to extend best wishes for a healthy and happy new year.

Let us hope that a just peace will prevail in Israel and Torah will dominate the state's progress.

The small communities face difficulties in maintaining traditional Judaism. Let us hope that in the ensuing year each member will feel the great obligation upon him for active participation and support in synagogue and community undertakings, in order to provide us with the strength necessary to perpetuate our noble heritage.



Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir:

Last April, a group of women from two Hadassah chapters in Halifax had the opportunity to hear a talk by Professor Yuri Glazov. Professor Glazov, who was born a Jew and converted to Christianity at the age of 29, left Russia six years ago with his wife and three children, none of them Jewish, with a visa for Israel. He never went to Israel, but rather chose to travel to the United States and, three years ago, took up residence in Halifax, where he teaches at Dalhousie University.

Knowing his antecedents, my husband and I were quite shocked to hear that Hadassah had actually asked him to give a lecture. My husband immediately contacted the persons in charge of the booking of lectures, and was told that Professor Glazov's personal convictions should not interfere with our feelings, given the fact that he had not been asked to give a lecture about Jews, but about life in Russia. We were assured that he would not deal with the Jewish problem at all.

I went to the lecture, ready to hear all about "Everyday life in Russia", as the talk was entitled. I was quite shocked when, from the very beginning, I realized that all I was going to hear about was "Jews of Russia". So much for a "good lecturer" who sticks to his subject.

But as he talked, my alarm grew. In one hour (instead of the 25 minutes he had promised us), and through countless sentences, mostly incomplete, he told us the following:

Jews in Russia are persecuted, and therefore do not want to be Jewish anymore. Jewishness means nothing to them.

There are no more Rabbis in Russia, and those who claim to be Rabbis are all members of the KGB. When Jews leave Russia, whether to go to Israel or to America, they are unhappy and long for their homeland, Russia. In Russia, they are known as Jews; when they emigrate, they are known as Russians, still somehow persecuted. By trying to bring Jews out of Russia, we make all Russian Jews miserable, the ones who leave are unhappy, and the ones who stay are persecuted more than ever. The best thing the West can do for the Jews of Russia is to leave them where they are and forget about them. And the best thing the Jews of Russia can do for themselves is to assimilate as quickly as possible and to forget that they are Jewish. Sooner or later, there will be no more Jews in Russia: they will be either deported, assimilated or killed.

When he was asked if he considers himself lucky to be in the West now, he was quite hesitant about replying, and then said that he was somewhat glad that his children could grow up in America, but as for himself and his wife, their hearts were in Russia, their friends were in Russia (or in Boston and New York), and that the only thing Canada was giving him is a job which allows them to eat. He added: "What do you think Nova Scotia can mean to me? What am I doing here?"

In relating the example of three of his Russian Jewish friends, one who emigrated to the U.S., one who emigrated to Israel and one who stayed in Russia, Professor Glazov made it clear that the happiest of the three was the one who

stayed in Russia. According to him, the one in the U.S. complains of the lack of culture, and the one in Israel complains of being segregated as a "Russian". It is true that, out of the thousands of Russian Jews pouring out of Russia each year, some never adapt to their new homeland and do indeed wish to return. But is it only because they are Russians? Or only because they are Jews? Isn't it a natural human feeling to regret the past, especially for middle aged and older people, to hang on to what they have always known? To feel uprooted and lonely in a new country? To idealize the place where they spent most of their life? If one asks emigrants from any part of the world, I am sure the proportion of unsuccessful settlements is the same, regardless of race, nationality or creed.

It is also true that the Russian Jews remain Russians in Israel, but don't the Moroccan Jews remain Moroccans, the Yemenite Jews, Yemenites and the American Jews, Americans? Or is it only the Russian Jews who suffer from this "segregation"?

As for the suggestion of leaving the Russian Jews to their fate in Russia, isn't it very easy for Professor Glazov, from the comfort and security of his Canadian home, to tell us, Jews, to forget our brothers in Russia? Did he feel the same six years ago, when he applied for his own exit visa?

To be Jewish is to be aware of other Jews and to be concerned about them. The readiness of Jews to intercede for one another is as old as their history, and Professor Glazov is not going to change that.

Denise Nevo
June 1979

While Hadassah agrees with Mrs. Nevo's concern for the plight of Russian Jewry and the importance of Western support for our brothers and sisters behind the Iron Curtain, it is also felt important that our membership listen attentively to the opinions of those with whom they might not agree in order that we may be better informed.

Halifax Hadassah-Wizo Council

Dear Mr. Weiss:

Further to our telephone conversation re: advertisement appearing in the June issue of Shalom magazine, the "Bare Facts" are—this is a most disgusting method of putting a point across.

My first reaction to the ad is one of revulsion and common sense allows me to make a mental note that Citadel Motors is the last place one would lease a car from, if a leased car was a dire necessity. This is a most debasing form of advertising and certainly has no place in the Shalom, maybe in Playboy where one can delete the desk from the picture.

My second reaction is that the advertising committee must be hard up for ads and if such is the case, may I suggest that a nominal fee be assessed to cover the cost of the magazine. I am most positive that enough of our community members would be most happy to pay this subsidy in order to avoid being subjected to this type of insult in the future.

Trusting the executive committee will exercise better taste in the future.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Lou (Betty) Roza

Dear Sir:

Many thanks to your organization for providing our community with such fine entertainment last night, July 24, 1979. The Chai Singers and Dancers Ensemble were not only beautiful to watch, but wonderfully pleasant to the ear.

These youthful performers are delightful and skilled entertainers. The capacity audience at the synagogue was completely captivated by them.

We realize circumstances were such that this troupe was unable to get to Camp Kadimah to meet our own singers and dancers. We look forward to continued entertainment of this caliber.

I'm sure I speak for everyone who was present when I say thank you again for this fine evening. We look forward to their return engagement in the near future.

Sincerely,
Ralph Garson
Halifax, N.S.


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GREETINGS FROM MIZRACHI

by Lenore Schelew

As we approach the High Holy Days, it is with great pleasure, once again, that the members of the Miriam Leiff Chapter of Mizrachi are able to bring greetings to their many friends throughout the Atlantic Region.

Let me tell you a few things about Mizrachi of which you may not be aware.

At the present time, Mizrachi supports, in Israel, 18 nursery and day care centers, 2 vocational schools, 2 community centers, 4 children's villages and additional facilities are always being planned because there is such a great need.

Also, Mizrachi is now affiliated with a world religious zionist women's organization called EMUNAH. Emunah means faith, and it is Mizrachi's hope you will continue to have the faith you have so generously exhibited for many years. Mizrachi is the only religious zionist organization in Atlantic Canada. With your help, the faith for which our forefathers gave their very lives will continue to light the way to the teaching of our Torah.

Since last year, as you know, Mizrachi discontinued their

annual tea. Instead, we ask simply that you remember Mizrachi during the year at Yiskor time with a donation, and this can easily be arranged by calling Doris Stone, President of Mizrachi in Halifax.

And the work, and the need, continues.

In Halifax, however, only once a year are you asked for your support and that time is now! This year's campaign will be under way as you read these words. Have you been approached yet? If not, you will be by the dedicated and hard working ladies of Mizrachi. Please be as generous as you can to this once a year campaign so that the children in the nurseries, the teenagers in the vocational schools, the adults who make use of the community centers and those living in the children's villages can say Todah Rabah, thank you. Thank you for your Emunah, for your faith and understanding of the needs that exist.

Thank you for your generous support. Please accept our warm greetings and sincere wishes to all for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year—LeShanah Tova Tikatavu!

Change Over In Halifax Hadassah-Wizo

by Barbara Paton

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks to the Council and members with whom I worked the past two years.

It is with both a sense of accomplishment and of incompleteness that I am now winding down from my term as President of Council. We planned and completed many projects, both fund raising and educational.

Our past year started off with a tribute to **Sophie Forman**, an honored and respected member. Guest speaker was **Cecily Peters**. I wish to extend my thanks to **Evette Bowman** for the excellent job she did in coordinating the evening.

Our calendar project for Hadassim was ably completed by **Lenore Schelew** and **Shella Zive**. **Maxine Cordon** and **Doreen Gordon** ran a successful Israel Bond Campaign in November.

The Medical Services Tea held at the home of **Barbara Paton** was convened by **Miriam Jacobson** and **Marianne Ferguson** for the second year and was a rousing success. Our guest speaker was **Dr. George Mencher** who had just recently returned from Israel and his research project in Hearing and Speech in newborn children.

A clothing sale in the fall was convened by myself, but with great co-operation from a great many of our members. Special thanks to **Leona Freeman** who was by my side continually assisting in every way.

Our Youth Aliyah Campaign was chaired by **Leona Freeman**, assisted by **Ruth Goldbloom**. I would like to commend these girls and their entire committee for the excellent campaign they conducted with efficiency and speed.

The Public Affairs Committee under the capable direction of **Anita Dubinsky** and **Leah Epstein** arranged an excellent Seminar. **Mark Reznick** from the Canada Israel Committee, **Dr. Abrahamson**, and **Professor Amnon Cohen**

were all excellent and those who attended found it a very worthwhile experience. These two ladies also conducted a year-long study session with participants presenting papers at each meeting.

Our newspaper **Hayom** flourished under our capable editor **Bette Ross**. Many thanks to her for keeping the membership informed. Bette has been editor for the past 5 years.

Special thanks to **Sylvia Rockman**, **Betty Miller** and **Sandra Hoffman** who keep the records of our gift cards and specific gifts. This every day business is the bread and butter of our organization.

My special thanks to **Barbara Rafuse**, our Treasurer, and **Sara Yablon**, Recording Secretary. Those 2 cooperative ladies were most helpful whenever I needed immediate information.

Our Bazaar was an outstanding success with crowds of people in attendance and a wonderful spirit of co-operation existed. I thank the many people who were responsible.

My thanks to the Chapters' Presidents, for it was only

Halifax Hadassah-Wizo

SHALOM AND ALL GOOD WISHES
THROUGHOUT THE COMING YEAR



Outgoing President Barbara Paton

through their effort that the entire membership was made to feel part of a whole, and this of course ensures continued success of our organization. They were:

Avivah	Lois Block
Golda Meir	Miriam Jacobson
Barbara Goldberg	Barbara Lubetsky
Orah	Barbara Flering and Doris Stone
Tikvah	Gertrude Shane

I began by stating that I was feeling a sense of incompleteness. This comes about when one studies the problem of Israel. She is faced with ever increasing expenses to provide maintenance for existing structures and continually needs new schools, day care centres and kindergartens which provide care for children. Israel continues to need more money for medical and service clubs. Our work is not finished. Golda Meir stated, "I would like to think that someday when our dreams have been fulfilled, they will say it was Jewish Women giving of their time and money, giving truly of themselves that made the difference."

To our new President and her slate, I offer my support and assistance to complete the work started many years ago. We in Halifax are most fortunate to say Shalom to:

President	Sheila Zive
Vice Presidents	Leona Freeman
	Lenore Schelew
	Bette Ross
Treasurer	Barbara Rafuse
Recording Secretary	Sara Yablon
Corresponding Secretary	Maxine Cordon
Financial Secretary	Norma Saltzberg

In the past year we have sent Lenore Schelew to the 1st Annual National Leadership Conference in Toronto and Shirlee Fox to the Annual National Public Affairs Conference in Jerusalem. These women, I'm sure, will be a great assistance in the areas of leadership and education.

Shirlee Medjuck, Regional Representative, and Shirlee Fox, Vice Regional, have been available when called and were most helpful in innumerable situations. It is important for the organization to have such dependable ladies.

We had, on August 7, an in-depth leadership Seminar with Lily Frank, Executive Vice President. Our opening is scheduled for September 18, 1979. We will honor women in Israel and in Canada for National Hadassah-Wizo Month.



Incoming President Sheila Zive

We are at this time encouraging people to attend the National Convention in Vancouver.

In closing, I would like to say that I have personally gained from this experience; it has been invaluable and rewarding. A Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

HALIFAX HADASSAH-WIZO

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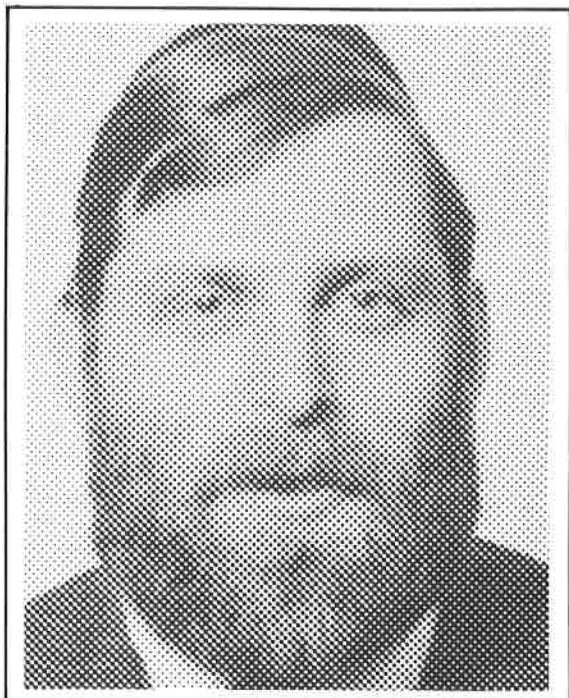


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RABBI STANLEY GREENBERG שליט



On Sunday, August 12, 1979 Rabbi Stanley Greenberg was killed in a tragic auto accident on his way to Camp Kadimah. Rabbi Greenberg (known to many as just Stanley) had just completed his duties as Rabbi for the Moncton Jewish Community. He and his wife Cookie were accepting a new position as the educational directors of the Shaar Shalom Synagogue in Halifax.

Rabbi Greenberg's influence was already beginning to be felt through his involvement with Young Judaea and Camp Kadimah.

His knack of being able to sit and talk with people about any subject, issue, or concern endeared him to many people. Rabbi Greenberg was able to help people think about where they were as Jews. Everyone was either challenged by him in conversation, or just by his presence. The brief amount of time that he spent among us has left a profound mark on the lives of many Jews in Atlantic Canada.

In recent days many people have declared that because of Rabbi Greenberg, they have either decided to continue to examine their own Jewish commitment or are taking steps to increase it. This is a great tribute and a great memorial to a man, who for the first 19 years of his life, was an uncommitted Jew. Stanley will be loved and missed by all who knew him.

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by Bette Ross, President

SISTERHOOD NEWS

On May 15th we held our Annual Mother and Daughter Banquet in the Beth Israel Auditorium and what a lovely evening it was. Lenore Schelew and Miriam Zatzman, ably assisted by Shirley Wolman, Barbara Gaum, Annalee Cohen, Lil Aronson and Sheila Zive gave us a beautiful dinner, before which Rabbi Pritzker made Hamotzi and afterwards Rose Pritzker led us in the benshing. After the meal Sisterhood gladly congratulated new parents and grandparents and a memorable list of graduates.

Life Membership Chairperson, Evette Bowman presented life membership pins to Hedda Medjuck and Miriam Zatzman from their husbands and children and in absentia, to Lee David from her husband and children. President Bette Ross told the gathering that the Juanita Sable Memorial Fund is now closed and the money will be used to purchase a collection of books for the library, suitably inscribed. Sisterhood is going to purchase electric Shabbos candelabras for hospital use by Jewish patients in memory of Juanita.

Annalee Cohen, on behalf of the Nominating Committee, presented the following slate of officers for the coming year:-

President	- Bette Ross
1st Vice President	- Lenore Schelew
2nd Vice President	- Rose Pritzker
Treasurer	- Tanya Webber
Recording Secty.	- Marsha Astroff
Corresponding Secty.	- Sue Rubin
Financial Secty.	- Clara Dankner

There being no nominations from the floor this motion was passed without further ado.

The draw for the Tupperware door prize was picked by a visitor, Mrs. Celia Epstein of St. John's, Newfoundland and Miriam Zatzman was the winner. Just dessert for three days of cooking, Miriam. Use it well.

Then followed our program,—a musical selection of songs and dances beautifully performed by the young ladies of our Hebrew School. They were: Arlene Conter, Toni Fried, Syma Gaum, Tia Goldstein, Stefanie Green, Hila Koren, Sharon Koren, Miriam Korn, Risa Loebenberg, Beth Luner, Suzy Luner, Cindy Pink, Shira Rubin, Robin Shore, Shelley Webber, Daniel Vaughan-Weller, Maxelle Yablon and Miri Yarkoni. Many thanks to Bunny Shore for her double bass accompaniment and to Yona Korn and Evelyn Luner for arranging such a delightful programme. We are also grateful to Don Schelew who donated candles for the head table and to Marlene Green who so capably took care of reservations. With so much willing help we could hardly help but have a successful and pleasant evening.

Our last meeting was held on June 5th and was the closing meeting for the year. The new executive was installed and refreshments served, Sisterhood style. It was a good way to finish the business year.

Coming Events

Before the year's end, Sisterhood hopes to have a Pre-Chanukah Gift Fair and a Chanukah Dance.

In February, our old friend, Mr. Dressup will be here to relieve the winter blues.

Before we know it, May will be here and with it another Mother & Daughter Banquet.

The Ada Zebberman Chapter of Halifax's Womens ORT

by Barbara Alberstat

The final and largest fund-raising project of Halifax Women's ORT was held on April 25, in the form of their Annual Art Auction, at the Holiday Inn, Robie Street. A great convening job was done by Donna Gorber and her crew of many helpers. Many thanks.

To those of you who missed this evening, we will hopefully be doing it again next year, so watch for a similar date.

Great planning and excitement climaxed the evening of May 9, 1979 when the Ada Zebberman Chapter of Halifax Women's ORT celebrated its ORT DAY, with a lovely evening convened with expertise by Linda Raskin and Gail Green.

The opening remarks and welcoming were made by Gail, followed by a lovely supper. The Israeli ORT Students fashions were modeled by our own ORT members: Tanya Webber, Harriet Shulman, Sharon Ross, Ardith Offman, and Didi Merovitch, with Annette Strug giving the personal

commentary. The fashions were well received from the sounds of clapping and ohhh's and ahhh's.

Dianne Uslander spoke on ORT's 100 Anniversary plans for the fabulous convention in Israel. She then dismissed the outgoing executive and President, Kathy Jacobson, and presented her with a plaque on behalf of Halifax Women's ORT, and installed the new executive and President, Rene Dankner.

Kathy gave a roundup of ORT's activities over the past two years under her presidency, thanking all the members of the executive and board and members for their support and following, and giving her pledge of support to the new president and her board. Kathy presented Donna Gorber and Barbara Alberstat with awards for their years of service to the organization.

Rene Dankner then gave her acceptance speech with the thought that the circle is only as strong as its weakest link, and with her thanks to the previous board and president for

their continuing support, and the hope that there will always be a strong circle for a greater growing ORT chapter. A very successful evening was concluded with closing remarks by Linda Raskin.

The members of Halifax Women's ORT, (Ada Zebberman Chapter) congratulate their new President and Executive and Board.

President—Rene Dankner

1st Vice-President—Linda Coleman

2nd Vice-President—Sharon Ross

3rd Vice-President—Linda Raskin

Recording Secretary—Donna Gorber

Corresponding Secretary—Rita Lazar

Treasurer—Gail Green

Financial Secretary—Sandy Gordon

The opening of "Second Hand Rose" and its success was certainly the highlight of ORT's year. A great deal of credit and thanks go to Rene Dankner, Gay Silverman, Phyllis Bluestein, Myrna Blumenthal, Bryna Solomon and their great crew of co-workers.

Plans are underway and phone calls are going out for the sale of "Flowers for Yom Tov." Elaine Goldstein and Carole Ginsberg are the convenors of this project. If you have not been called and would like to order a centerpiece or potted mums, you still have time to place your order by calling 429-3018 or anyone on the above board.

A Good Yom Tov to all. A Healthy and Happy Year.

New B'nai B'rith Lodge Formed in Halifax

The newly formed Halifax local of the Canadian B'nai Brith, Citadel Lodge No. 3099, has had a very busy spring and summer getting organized formally and socially. The seventy members of this newest lodge in Canada chose their executive members last April 24, 1979. Chosen for the lodge's president was Michael Sherman, while Gerry Bluestein was elected 1st vice-president. Lowell Shore and Borace Jacobson were given the 2nd vice-president positions. The treasurer duties were given to Edgar Wolman and the recording secretary position to Stephen Luner. At this meeting it was also decided that our community volunteer service project would be to assist the Nova Scotia Home for Colored Children. Jerry Blumenthal was appointed the co-ordinator for the lodge's volunteer projects.

On May 27, 1979, at the Hotel Nova Scotian, Citadel Lodge and its executives officially received its charter. Hy Lampert, President of B'nai Brith District No. 22, was on hand to present the lodge with its new charter.

On June 13, 1979, at a general meeting, Nova Scotia's Education Minister, Terry Donahoe, spoke to the lodge at length about religion in the public school system. At this meeting, several social events were planned for the summer months including recreational activities such as golf, baseball, and a special barbecue.

The special barbecue was held on July 15, 1979, and the large turnout experienced an extremely good time.

Other events have also been planned, including a Charter



LEFT TO RIGHT: Hy Lampert, President of District No. 22 B'nai Brith; Gerry Bluestein, 1st vice-president of Citadel Lodge No. 3099; and Michael Sherman, President of Citadel Lodge No. 3099.

Night in early September at the Nova Scotian Hotel. This evening will officially kick off the 1979-1980 season.

Citadel Lodge continues to look for new members. If you are interested in the lodge and its activities, please call Gerry Bluestein in Halifax. The upcoming months promise to be very exciting.

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Mr. Prossin is President of the Atlantic Jewish Council and has been involved for many years in various leadership capacities with a number of Jewish and Zionist organizations.

Special guest speaker for the evening will be the Honorable Joseph R. Smallwood, former Premier of Newfoundland. Mr. Smallwood has just completed an extensive tour of Israel.

Further details will follow shortly. Information may be obtained by contacting State of Israel Bonds office at 5675 Spring Garden Road, Halifax, N.S.—Phone 422-7491.

STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

We are pleased to announce that Mr. Martin Chernin has accepted the position of Chairman for Sydney, N.S. State of Israel Bonds and Mr. Abe Calp the position of Chairman for Saint John, N.B. State of Israel Bonds Kol Nidre Appeal. Mr. Chernin and Mr. Calp will be responsible for the 1979 Campaign in their respective communities.

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YARMOUTH HADASSAH-WIZO NEWS

by Ruth Pink

After a long spring and winter hibernation, the Yarmouth Chapter of Hadassah came alive in the month of May with a BANG!

They started the month off with their Youth Aliyah Concert evening. Taking advantage of the Atlantic Jewish Council's offer of an entertainer, a concert evening of song and lively music was provided by "Ezra" and his charming accompanist. They topped the evening with a presentation of Israel's song winner, "Hallelujah". Results for Youth Aliyah were most gratifying.

The Spring Gift Shop followed with Helda Gilis gathering clothes and customers together. She does everything but

shorten hems to make the customers happy.

On one of the rainier days in the year our Childs Day Tag Day was held. Proper publicity re its dedication to "Year of the Child" brought forth an excellent group of taggers. Gert Star convened the affair and spent two days taking children back and forth to their stations. The good of the cause resulted in NO COLDS and an increase in receipts.

The year's activities concluded with a Give and Get luncheon in June.

After years of trying to have a realistic budget for this small chapter, our wishes were granted, and this year we will have the satisfaction of surpassing that figure.

NEWS FROM SYDNEY

by Helene Siegal

Now that vacations and Passover have slipped once more into the past, Sydney Hadassah will be concentrating on their annual bazaar to be held on Wednesday, May 2nd.

This bazaar which is under the sponsorship of the three Cape Breton Chapters, Sydney, Glace Bay and New Waterford, is being very capably convened by Ruth Simon and Fanny Nathanson. As 1979 is known as the Year of the Child, the theme will be: "We care, we share" showing Hadassah's never-ending concern with children all over the world particularly those of Israel.

All officers of the bazaar are busy arranging their different booths, and everything points to a very varied, colorful, and well-stocked display. Every success is wished to all.

For many years the children of Sydney have had the pleasure of attending a model Seder. This year's Seder proved as interesting and as enjoyable as in other years. Twenty-two children and parents attended the Seder conducted under the able leadership of Rabbi Wisemon and the convenorship of Mrs. L. Schneiderman, Mrs. B. Friedman, and Mrs. A. Prossin. The children who have had the opportunity of attending this annual event will hopefully recall, as they grow older, the rituals in which they took part and the songs that they sung. Thus tradition, which is so much a part of the Jewish religion will be preserved for the generations to come.

Congratulations on the engagement of Benzie, son of Mrs. Pearl Bernick and the late Sam Bernick to Bela Browner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zev Browner of Holon, Israel.

Congratulations on the engagement of Bruce, son of Mrs. Eva and the late Dave Elman to Nancy Adelsberg of Southfield, Michigan.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Sam Mendelson on their 30th anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Miller on their 40th anniversary.

On April 8th a meeting of the Cape Breton Jewish war veterans was held in the Temple Sons of Israel, Sydney. Gar Meltzer of St. John addressed the group on behalf of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada. The purpose of this

meeting was to interest local Jewish war veterans in forming a group to affiliate with the larger Maritime group.

Among those present at this meeting were: Pinky Gaum, Seymour Harrison, Sam Karrel, Sam Dubinsky, Garson Lecker, and Harold Sadofsky of Sydney; Archie Shore of Glace Bay; Al Bernick of New Waterford. A list of some fifty names was compiled as possible members of the Cape Breton group and they are to be contacted in the near future.

The Cape Breton chapters are again to be congratulated

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on the success of their 11th mini-bazaar which was held on May 2nd. The convenors, Ruth Simon and Fanny Nathanson along with all their co-workers are to be commended for their great efforts and their creativity. Never was the vestry of a Shul more attractive, not only because of the produce to be sold but also because of the interesting displays. Much is concentrated on this day and as it draws to a close in spite of the trials, tired feet, and weary bones, a feeling of gratification spreads over us, that we, in some small way, are making our contribution to Israel.

May and June are the two months in which most community endeavors are brought to a close for the year, and so it is here in Sydney. Our sisterhood had their final closing in the Temple Sons of Israel Synagogue in the form of a

dessert luncheon. It was announced that new silverware had been purchased, and that a complete set of milk dishes had been bought through the kindness and generosity of Mr. Nate Spinner and family in memory of the late Marilyn Spinner. More than thirty women attended, decked out in their best spring finery making this a gala event. Ladies, have an enjoyable summer.

Even though Israel is the focal point of our efforts, there is also a need to be attentive to those who are in our community. Our hospitality committee visited our shut-ins during Purim and Passover and traditional treats were distributed by Sonya Leith and Rita Schwartz. We also held an annual party at the Spring Garden Villa and this year it



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was convened by Rhoda Gaum ably assisted by Anne Leviten and Helen Sherman. Entertainment was provided in the form of music and dancing. Refreshments were served and as the hostesses departed the thanks that was bestowed on them conveyed how much this gesture is appreciated.

On Friday evening, June 1st, the Hebrew school closing took place under the direction of Rabbi Wisemon. Our graduates were: Joel Friedman, Bill H. Chernin, Evan Zelicovitz, Adam Prossin, Donna Schneiderman, Stephanie Schwartz, Amy Leviten. The graduates took upon themselves to read their favorite portion from the Sidur. Each reading gave a message for one and all, and it is hoped in the years to come that occasionally, these words will be recalled. Good words do not necessarily mean good deeds but indeed, it is a beginning. Congratulations and every success to each of you.

Parents and friends then proceeded to the vestry rooms where an Oneg Shabbat was held, convened by Zelda Zelicovitz, President. We ate, we talked, we said good-bye. May all of you have a safe and happy summer.

On June 6th, the Cape Breton Council of Hadassah-Wizo consisting of the chapters from Sydney, Glace Bay and New Waterford met for the final time of the season. Seventy-five members were present and after the blessing over the bread was recited by Mrs. Freda Columbus, and the toast to Israel read by Sylvia Allen, we all partook of a delicious pot-luck supper. The meeting then came to order with warm



Faye Miller—Kitchen—Snack Bar

greetings by Shirley Chernin, president of Council. The Cape Breton Chapters have had a busy and successful year well demonstrated by an oversubscribed budget. One of the highlights of the year to come, January 1980, is the National Hadassah Convention to be held in Vancouver at which Shirley Dubinsky will be chairman of Constitution. Reports were then given by the presidents of the different chapters:

Glace Bay	- Fanny Cohen
New Waterford	- Edith Nathanson
Sydney	- Diane Schwartz

Next on the agenda were the reports from the Portfolio Chairman of the Cape Breton Council:

J.N.F.	- Hannah Gaum
Medical Services	- Libby Cohen
Youth Aliyah	- Fruma Shore
Hadassah Review	- Zelda Yazer read by Bertha Rusakow

Convenor of Life Associates	- Etta Chernin
Educational Chairman	- Evelyn Moraff
Chairman of Specific Gifts	- Andrea Prossin read by Edith Lecker

Chairman of Flower Cards	- Anne Leviten
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Co-convenors of the 11th mini-bazaar

- Ruth Simon and Fanny Nathanson



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Treasurer of Bazaar	- Fanny Rosenblum
Gift Card Chairman	- Lil Nathanson

At this time a Dodah pin was presented to Lil Nathanson for ten years of devoted service as Cape Breton Council Archivist. Sandra Chernin was presented with a silver tray for ten years of devoted service as treasurer of Council.

Mary Goldman who was unavoidably absent will be presented with a Helping Hands pin for her very industrious



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efforts, year after year, at the nearly-new shop in our bazaar. Also highly commended were our ever faithful senior members Eva Gaum and Jennie Druker who never fail to put forth their best efforts during bazaar.

The meeting ended with a talk by one of our new citizens—Lara Tyntynikov—recently arrived from Russia. Briefly, Lara is a cousin of the Dubinsky family, was born and educated in Kiev, has her masters degree in journalism, and speaks several Slavic languages. Lara spoke of the Jewish education in Russia. Whereas Jews have been one of the most educated groups in Russia, educational opportunities are now being denied them. They are refused admission in many institutions of higher learning. Those who have good jobs are afraid to apply for visas because in so doing, they are immediately fired. To the perplexing question of why so many Russian Jews refuse to immigrate to Israel, one explanation is because of the war-like state that exists between her and her Arab neighbors. The 2nd World War is still too vivid in their memories. The speaker was thanked by Anne Leviten and presented with a gift. With this the meeting concluded. Our President, Shirley, expressed good wishes to all: be well, be happy.



Clown and Children

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. A. Prossin on their 15th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Dunsiger of Toronto on the birth of their second child, a daughter, Mrs. Dunsiger is the former Judy Nathanson, daughter of Mrs. Minnie and the late Alfred Nathanson. Mazel Tov on the marriage of Karen, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Jack Yazer to Tony, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Myers. Mazel Tov on the marriage of Bruce, son of Mrs. Eva and the late Dave Elman to Nancy Adelsberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Adelsberg of Southfield, Michigan. Mazel Tov on the marriage of Benjie, son of Mrs. Pearl and the late Sam Bernick to Bela Browner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zev Browner, of Holon, Israel.

Congratulations to the following college graduates:

David Goldstein	- Dalhousie University
Norman Epstein	- Dalhousie University
Michael Epstein	- Dalhousie University
Irwin Hirsch	- Dalhousie University
Mark Bernick	- Dalhousie University

An ecumenical service was held by the Cape Breton County in honor of their 100th Anniversary. All the ethnic groups (8) participated, including members of the Jewish faith. The children marched with Tallaysim and yamulkas

carrying the crown of the Torah on a pillow. All leaders of the different groups, including Rabbi Wisemon, made short addresses to the very large assembly. Those who were there were very loud in their praise of a very moving experience. Variety is the spice of life. Different cultures in a small area can give to one another. This is what is truly known as the Canadian Mosaic.

We have had many occasions to be proud of our children and this year our graduates did us proud:

Eric Leviten, son of Mr. & Mrs. B. Leviten, 1st prize winner of the Governor General Medal, Queen Elizabeth II Medal, G.G. Campbell Memorial Medal, Charles MacEachen Memorial Scholarship, John J. Gillis Memorial Scholarship, and Woodill Junior High Bursary.

Sharon Gaum, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Morris Gaum, winner of the Dobie Scholarship from Carleton University.

Frank Friedman, son of Mr. & Mrs. B. Friedman, Scholarship from Queen's University, and Mason's Scholarship.

Sandra Epstein, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Irwin Epstein, George Boyd Bursary, and Isle Royale Beverage Bursary.

Arlene Epstein, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. M. Epstein, Queen's University Scholarship, and Yazer Brothers Bursary.

Brian Nathanson, son of Mr. & Mrs. Herman Nathanson, University of Toronto Scholarship, and Modern Aluminum Bursary.

Noreen Nathanson, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. D. Nathanson of New Waterford, Dalhousie Scholarship, Prize for proficiency in English, and Breton Education Scholarship.

Kendall Nathanson, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Hilroy

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Congratulations to all. May their years ahead be successful and happy.

Congratulations to Debra Harrison, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Seymour Harrison on her academic achievement of 4th prize winner Grade XI, Sydney Academy.

Congratulations to:

Soshana Schwartz, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Harold Schwartz, an eight-year-old Colby School pupil who placed second in a Canada-wide French essay contest. Soshana is the product of the French immersion course in the school and is to be commended for her achievement.

Congratulations to Sam Mendelson for achieving the status of Grand Salesmaster for five consecutive years. He was presented with a ring from General Motors Corporation of Canada.

Hadassah-Wizo Organization of Canada

LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

by Helen Marshall

Glace Bay, N.S.

Elly Friedman and Helen Marshall attended a leadership seminar sponsored by Hadassah-Wizo of Canada—a pilot project. This Seminar was held at the Prince Hotel in Toronto from April 23 to April 26, 1979. There were 24 participants from across Canada, Elly and Helen representing Cape Breton Island. The Seminar was run by two very talented professional instructresses—Penny Shore of Ottawa and Helene LaFontaine of Toronto.

We were grouped into four and then eight and worked on ideas as to problem solving methods and presentations of topics. The second day we worked on leadership styles, saw



*Standing: Esther Matlow, National Leadership Chairman; Helen-Kravitz, Montreal; Joy Foster, Hamilton; Lenore Schelew, Halifax; Marsha Ptack, Montreal; Frances Hammerman, Montreal; Penny Shore, trainer; Stacy Katchen, Saskatoon; Eloise Leb, Winnipeg; Wendy Platt, Toronto.
Seated: Helen Marshall, Glace Bay; Elly Freedman, Sydney.*

Mazel tov to Bessie & Joe Carlin on their 40th wedding anniversary.

Mazel tov to Ida Green who recently celebrated her 94th birthday.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Louis Friedman on the occasion of their son Joel Sal's Bar Mitzvah.

Congratulations to Dr. & Mrs. A. Prossin on the occasion of their son Adam Lewis's Bar Mitzvah.

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Leon Zelikovitz on the occasion of their son Evan Barry's Bar Mitzvah.

Mazel tov to Dr. & Mrs. G. Lecker on the marriage of their daughter Michele Joy to Melvin Kennith, son of Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Gryfe of Toronto.

In my previous news, I omitted the names of the graduates parents:

David Goldstein —son of Mr. & Mrs. Al Goldstein

Norman Epstein —son of Dr. & Mrs. M. Epstein

Michael Epstein —son of Mr. & Mrs. I. Epstein

Irvin Hirsch —son of Mr. & Mrs. H. Hirsch

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films on leadership methods, then had to give a one minute impromptu talk on a designated topic. Our homework for the next day was to prepare a five minute presentation on a Hadassah-Wizo related topic. The next day one of the highlights was a talk by Mrs. Fink of Toronto on Hadassah-Wizo involvement across the world.

The session then adjourned with an evaluation of the Seminar, picture taking and farewells. We feel we gained a lot from the experience and hope that it will help us project

some positive input into our regional chapters and of course Hadassah-Wizo will benefit too.

We were very thankful for the opportunity of attending such a Seminar as the experience was exciting and most fulfilling. We certainly would recommend training Seminars to be held at least every four years; it is a tremendous source for finding and developing new talent and would encourage younger members to come forth and be counted for leadership.

FREDERICTON NEWS

by Jennie Brown

Mazol Tov to the following who are celebrating anniversaries:

Cheryl and Joe Abrams	8 years
Carolyn and Mitchell Budovitch	12 years
Lil and Max Chippin	39 years
Dr. Josef and Mrs. Landau	30 years
Dr. Steven and Doris Rauch	13 years
Rita and Sid Tobin	27 years

Mazel Tov to Amelia and Harry Goldman, also Mrs. P.M. Levine, upon the birth of their grandson, and greatgrandson, Akiva Chaim, born in Jerusalem. Proud and happy parents are Mackie and Barbara Goldman.

Speedy recoveries to the following who were hospitalized: Eta Berk, Bea Abrams, Helen Budovitch and Mrs. Jean Attis, Woodstock, N.B.

Miss Beverly Tobin, McGill University, Montreal, P.Q. has arrived home to spend the summer with her parents, Rita and Sid Tobin.

Miss Rhoda Lang, Western University, London, Ontario, daughter of Sarah and Harry Lang, has accepted a position in Calgary, Alberta, for the summer.

Arthur Chippin, son of Sheila and Harry Chippin, has accepted a position in Calgary.

Mazel Tov to Ilsa Greenblatt, former member of the Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah Wizo, Fredericton, graduate in Law, from the University of New Brunswick Law School, is presently articling in Moncton, N.B.

Sherri Budovitch, daughter of Elenore and Sam, was the Coordinator of the Teen Age Beauty Pageant for the third year, sponsored by the Fredericton Heritage Festival which took place at the Playhouse. She was the recipient of gifts from the Contestants, as well as a beautiful bouquet of flowers from the Heritage Committee. A reception followed which was held for the group, and included the parents as well as those that helped to make the Pageant a success.

The closing meeting of the Sisterhood of the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue was held May 30th at the home of Sue Levine with the President, Doris Rauch presiding. In the absence of the Secretary, Carolyn Budovitch, Sharon Pinsler gave us a report of minutes of the last meeting. The Treasurer's report was given by Edyth Spiro. Donations were received from Sue Levine and Elenore Budovitch for the purpose of buying dictionaries for the library in the Synagogue.

The President announced the following as new members to the Sisterhood. Mrs. Sydelle Grobe, Mrs. Israel Unger, Mrs. Saul Brown and Mrs. Joe Budovitch.

Miriam Cohen and Marilyn Kaufman volunteered to look

after the Rosh Hashanah Community Cards, which everyone in the Community received last year and was successful financially.

Joan Levine and Daisy Budovitch volunteered to look after the refreshments for the Cheder closing. Business meeting adjourned, and Rabbi Spiro installed the following Executive for 1979-1980:

Honorary President	- Jennie Brown
President	- Edye Besner
Vice-President	- Bonnie Seltzer
Secretary	- Sharon Pinsler
Treasurer	- Jennie Chippin
Past President	- Doris Rauch

Rabbi Spiro thanked the Past President and her Executive for work done the past year, and congratulated the new Executive, and wished them much success in the coming years.

Delicious refreshments were served by the following hostesses: Audrey Velensky, Gertrude Budovitch and Sheila Chippin.

The May meeting of the Lillian Freiman chapter of Hadassah-Wizo was held at the home of Carolyn Budovitch. In the absence of the President, Edye Besner, Carolyn presided at the meeting. Judy Budovitch, Past President, proposed the following slate of officers for the coming term:

President	- Harriet Lenard
First Vice-President	- Anita Adelman
Second Vice-President	- Miriam Cohen
Treasurer	- Carolyn Budovitch
Financial Secretary	- Gertrude Budovitch
Recording Secretary	- Judy Budovitch
Corresponding Secretary	- Lois Levine

Our closing is set for June 20, 1979 at the home of Judy Budovitch.

Marlene Unger, our Young Judaeon liaison, gave a report on the Young Judaeon Veidah which took place during March break. Marlene also received permission for some students to put on a display at the High School in recognition of Israel's thirty-first anniversary. Carolyn

Chai Folk Ensemble

L.P. Records of live performances of this delightful group are available. For information and to order please call Mindy Jacobson - 423-2049.

thanked Marlene for the excellent work she is doing with young people.

Carolyn gave a report on a very successful Youth Aliyah campaign. This was held at a Brunch at the Synagogue, and was chaired by Carolyn Budovitch, Harriet Lenard and Edye Besner.

Carolyn gave a report of the National Executive meeting which was held in Montreal. She will be our Chapter Convention chairman for the next National Convention to be held in Vancouver in January, 1980.

A motion was made and passed that our Chapter contribute to a fund at "Magdiel," in memory of Lily Frank's father.

After adjournment of the meeting delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses, Sydelle Grobe and Miriam Cohen.

ASSOCIATION SUBJECT COUNCIL

At the Association Subject Council meeting for New Brunswick Teachers, held in May, at the University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, a dance variety show was held.

In attendance was the Minister of Education—the Rt. Honourable Charles Gallagher.

Since Israeli Folk Dancing is incorporated into the school curriculum, Marilyn Kaufman, teacher in physical education at Devon Junior High School, was invited to participate.

Many thanks to Valerie Rose, Rosalie Goldenberg, Bonnie Seltzer and Doris Rauch who made it possible to perform a much appreciated rendition of Hora Nirkoda.

WHAT IS A FRIEND?

A Friend is someone who cares,
someone who will always share,
and when you are sad
she'll make you glad.

A Friend is someone who is honest and sincere,
and will always be dear.
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forever and forever.
Never outgrow that love you shared, and always
remember each other.

by Alana Ruben
Age 10, Fredericton, N.B.

ROSH HASHANA GREETINGS

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WHAT HAPPENS EVERY YEAR

In Summer you can swim,
in Winter you can slide,
in Fall you can jump in leaves,
and in Spring you can bike ride.

These are seasons of the year,
now we'll talk of important
days that are near.

Mother's Day was in May,
and soon Father's Day will be on its way,
school will be over for another year,
and then I'll be put into grade 3.

by Julie M. Ruben
Age 7, Fredericton, N.B.

by Jennie Brown

The Closing of the Cheder, and also Pre Cheder, was held June 26 with opening remarks by Rabbi Spiro welcoming the guests. Seated with the Rabbi at the head table were: Weldon Levine, President of Sgoolai Israel Synagogue; Edye Besner, President of the Sisterhood; and Robbie Velensky, grandson of the late Harry Velensky, who made the presentations to the children. The annual Closing is known as the "Harry Velensky Trust Fund Night". The following received cheques for perfect attendance:

Grade 1 Sharon Rauch
Grade 2 Jackie Pinsler
Grade 3 Sheila Unger
Grade 4 Sharon Unger

Second prize, Jason Budovitch. Books donated by the Sisterhood were presented by Edye Besner to the following first graders: Robert Chippin, Corey Budovitch, Jule Ruben and Sharon Rauch. Books from Levine's Ltd. in memory of the late Basha and Abe Levine were presented by Weldon Levine to the following: Michael Besner, Jackie Pinsler, Elana Ruben, Sheila Unger, Andrea Brown, Lorne Brown, Jason Budovitch, Bari Levine, Barbara Payne, Jocie Levine, Sharon Unger, Mark Budovitch, Iaan Brown and Neil Brown.

Books from the late Harry Velensky Trust Fund were presented to the following by Robbie Velensky: Michael Besner, Jackie Pinsler, Elana Ruben, Andrea Brown, Sheila Unger, Jason Budovitch, Bari Levine, Barbara Payne and Lorne Brown. Certificates were presented by Edye Besner to the following Pre Cheder children: Jonathan Pinsler, Tara Abrams, Linda Rauch and Kevin Besner. A Girl Guide Religion Award Certificate was presented to Sharon Rauch by Rabbi Spiro. Books were also presented to Jocie Levine, Sharon Unger, Mark Budovitch, Neil Brown and Iaan Brown. Delicious refreshments were served by Daisy Budovitch and Joan Levine who were the Convenors, and deserve much credit for the time and effort they spent in preparations. The Synagogue Attendance Prize, which is given in the name of the late Samuel Michelson, was presented to Sharon Rauch for her perfect attendance to Shabbat services.

Mitchell Brown and sister Lisa, Toronto, Ontario were recent guests of their grandparents, Saul and Molly Brown. Simone Rosenzweig and Lawrence Chippin have accepted

positions at Camp Kadimah as Counsellors. Valerie Rose, daughter of Bessie Rose; Beth Velensky, daughter of Audrey and Harold; Elana Velensky, daughter of Gwen and Bob; Perry Chippin, son of Lucy and George; and Joe Lang, son of Sarah and Harry are attending Camp Bilium in Israel. We wish them an enjoyable and healthy summer.

Sophie and Albert Byrm have left for Toronto where they have taken up residence. We wish them the best of health in their new environment.

Mazel Tov to the following who are celebrating anniversaries:

Ita and Meyer Berk	—32 years
Daisy and Frank Budovitch	—37 years
Eleanor and Sam Budovitch	—40 years
Anna and Izzie Ellman	—44 years
Toby and Weldon Graser	—19 years
Lois and Ivan Levine	—9 years
Sharon and Peter Pinsler	—12 years
Rhona and Allen Ruben	—12 years

Condolences to Sophie Brym upon the loss of her sister, Pearl Kaplan, in Boston, Mass. May she be spared of further sorrow.

Speedy recoveries to Ida Tobin and Meyer Berk, who have been hospitalized.

Mazel Tov to Rabbi David and Edyth Spiro and Mrs. Sam Spiro upon the birth of their grandson and great grandson, Menachem Zev. Proud parents are Michael and Betty Spiro, Toronto, Ontario.

Barbara Swetsky has returned to Toronto after visiting her parents, Gladys and Lou Swetsky.

Professor Robert Brym has returned to Toronto after visiting his parents, Sophie and Albert Brym.

Alan Meyers has returned to Calgary, Alberta after visiting his parents, Sylvia and Irving Meyers.

Annual Hadassah Meeting

For our annual Hadassah meeting, June 20, 1979, Judy Budovitch kindly offered the use of her home. On a beautiful summer evening, we had drinks and conversation on the patio and then went in for the business session.

After the opening prayer, the president, Edye Besner, welcomed our guest, Mrs. Minnie Budovitch. Following the reading of minutes of the last annual meeting, the treasurer's report of a most satisfactory year was presented by Jennie Chippin. Edye then reviewed our chapter's activities for the year. She thanked her executive and portfolio chairladies for their excellent performance, and she thanked Judy and hostesses for the evening. Youth Aliyah pins were presented to Harriet Lenard and Carolyn Budovitch. Youth Aliyah Guardian, Abba and Ima certificates and Henrietta Szold scholarship certificates were also handed out at this time. Congratulations were tendered to various Chapter members for personal family simchas and for their children's scholastic achievements. The Bazaar Pin was presented to Edye Besner. Audrey Velensky installed the following executive and portfolio chairladies:

President	—Harriet Lenard
First Vice-President	—Anita Adilman
Second Vice-President	—Miriam Cohen
Recording Secretary	—Judy Budovitch
Treasurer	—Carolyn Budovitch

Financial Secretary	—Gertrude Budovitch
Corresponding Secretary	—Lois Levine

Chairladies:

Creche	—Sharon Pinsler
Social	—Rhona Ruben
Greeting and Gift Cards	—Miriam Cohen
Life Membership & Associated	
Life Membership	—Beatrice Sherman
Specific Gifts	—Audrey Velensky
J.N.F.	—Sheila Chippin

Edye Besner presented the President's Pin to Harriet Lenard, our new president. Harriet then took over, and on behalf of our Chapter, voiced appreciation for Edye's great term in office. She then presented Edye with her past president's pin. The president lost no time in announcing that plans were underway for this year's Bazaar. She outlined some of her aims for the coming season, and thanked her new executive and chairladies for accepting their positions. The meeting was adjourned, followed by a delightful dessert party. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostesses, Faye Medjuck, Bea Sherman, Lois Levine, Jenny Chippin and Sheila Chippin. We left the meeting full of optimism and look forward to a successful and profitable New Year.

Robin, daughter of Linda and Martin Payne, is spending the summer touring Israel.

Judy Goldman has returned to Montreal, Quebec after visiting her parents, Amelia and Harry Goldman.

Mark and Marla Levine, whose marriage took place in New Jersey June 10, are visiting their father, Milton Levine, and grandmother, Mrs. Freda Levine. A hearty Mazel Tov is extended by the Community.

Miss Myra Jacobson has returned to her home in Halifax, N.S. after visiting Sylvia and Irving Myers.

An Art Auction sponsored by the B'nai B'rith Lodge was held June 13 at the "Playhouse". The entire community was invited and an enjoyable time was held by all present. The members are now looking forward to the Annual B'nai B'rith picnic and tennis tournament which will be held mid August.

The Chabad Lubavitch Youth of Montreal presented an evening with Chabad in the Vestry of the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue, Wednesday, July 4, featuring Chassidic Music, Visual Presentations, Book Fair and Chassidic Workshop, which is sponsored by the Chabad Lubavitch Youth with assistance of a grant from the Secretary of State.

Howard, son of Daisy and Frank Budovitch, accompanied by Andrew Koven of Saint John, are spending two months touring Israel and Europe.

by Sylvia and Irving Meyers

Mazel Tov to the following:

Sylvia and Irving Meyers upon the marriage of their daughter, Stephanie Beth, to Michael John Dorchik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dorchik, Calgary, Alberta which was solemnized August 5 at the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue with Rabbi David Spiro officiating. The couple have taken up residence in Calgary where the groom has established an office for the practice of law, and the bride will continue her studies at the University of Calgary, Faculty of Social Work.

Rabbi David and Edyth Spiro and Mrs. Samuel Spiro upon the birth of their granddaughter and great

granddaughter, Elana Rachel. Proud parents are Helene and Marty Shiffmiller, Rego Park, New York.

Sylvia and Irving Meyers upon the engagement of their son, Alan Richard, to Myra, daughter of Mrs. Rose Jacobson and the late Joe Jacobson, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

In honour of the 30th wedding anniversary of Sue and Lou Levine, their children, Bonnie and Joel Seltzer and Ellen, who resides in California but was unable to be present, entertained at a delightful reception for family and friends at the home of the Seltzers in Nasonworth, N.B.

Celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary, Helen and Joe Budovitch were hosts to the Congregation on August 17 at a Kiddush in the vestry of the Synagogue following the Shabbat services.

Marven Rose, son of Mrs. Bessie Rose and the Hyman Rose, has taken up residence in Toronto, where he has accepted a position.

The annual community picnic sponsored by the B'nai B'rith Lodge will be held August 19 at Mactaquac Park. A meeting of the Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo was held July 25 at the home of Gladys Swetsky with the President, Harriet Lenard, presiding. Plans were finalized for our Annual Bazaar which will be held October 24. Following the meeting, refreshments were served by the hostesses, Amelia Goldman, Faye Medjuck and Sharon Pinsler.

Heather Hart, daughter of Elkie and Ian Hart, Woodstock, N.B. has left for Israel where she will take up residence for a year.

Jeffrey and David, sons of Audrey and Harold Velensky, have taken up residence in Toronto where they have accepted positions.

Welcome back the following children from Camp Kadimah after spending an enjoyable summer: Elana and Julie Ruben, Jason and Amy Budovitch, Neil and Lorne Brown, Iaan and Andrea Brown, Jackie Pinsler, Barbara Payne, Jocelyn and Bari Levine, Robert Chippin, and the Counsellors, Simone Rosenzweig and Lawrence Chippin.

Sharon Rose, daughter of Mrs. Bessie Rose and the late Hyman Rose, who excels in all types of sports, has returned from Edmonton, Alberta where she was a member of the softball team with the Saint John Juniors participating with teams from every province in Canada. She was an active bowler with the B'nai B'rith Bowling League and is now Captain of a local team and also on a team in the Fredericton softball league. We wish her much success when she turns to senior play, as this is her final year of junior play.

During her stay in Edmonton she was the guest of her cousin, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Manett, the former Marcia David, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Saul David, Halifax.

Our deepest sympathy to Cookie Greenberg, Moncton, N.B. upon the sudden passing of her husband, Rabbi Stanley Greenberg. May she be spared of further sorrow.

Wishing all a Happy Shanah Tovah.

MONCTON B'NAI B'RITH

Albert Goorevitch, President
Moncton Lodge No. 3069

Presidents' Ball Culminates Programme Year

Mr. Hy Lampert, President, Canadian District No. 22 joined Moncton B'nai B'rith members and guests on Saturday, May 26, 1979 on the occasion of their first "Presidents Ball".

A new slate of officers was installed and five new members inducted.

Outstanding leadership and achievement awards were presented to Mr. Bill Lampert, Mr. Irwin Lampert and Mr. Isaac Lionel Selick.

Funds raised during the programme year were allocated to the following projects:

1. Metro Information Moncton—\$250.00
2. Annual memorial scholarships of \$250.00 each to needy high school graduates in memory of Rabbis Medjuck and Kutzner, to be alternated between all local high schools.
3. Furnishing of a lounge at the Moncton Municipal Hospital—\$150.00

Mr. Hy Lampert reviewed international activities of B'nai B'rith.



New Executive of Moncton Lodge No. 3069 B'nai B'rith

Standing left to right: Mr. Hy Brumer—Chaplain; Mr. Bill Lampert—Programme Chr.; Mr. Irwin Lampert—Trustee; Mr. Fred Kirsh—Financial Sec.; Mr. Claude Darmond—Treasurer; Mr. Oscar Coleman—Trustee; Mr. Harold Rinzler—Trustee; Mr. Gordon Fischel—Secretary.

Seated left to right: Mr. Al Goorevitch—President; Mr. Hy Lampert—District No. 22 President; Mr. Joel Attis—1st Vice President. Missing from picture: Mr. Jack Brodie—2nd Vice President.

SAINT JOHN HAPPENINGS

May, June, July 1979

by Louise Adler

SAINT JOHN COMMUNITY CALENDAR September & October 1979

SHOMER CLUB

Sunday, Sept. 9 ... 2:00 PM

Sunday, Oct. 28 ... 2:00 PM

BOOK REVIEW CLUB

Sunday, Sept. 16 ... 10:30 AM

Sunday, Oct. 28 ... 10:30 AM

HENRIETTA SZOLD CHAPTER OF HADASSAH-WIZO Wednesday, Sept. 19 - evening

Season's opening meeting to be held in the Dining Room of the Board of Trade in the Admiral Beatty Hotel.

Special report of their summer in Israel by Cheryl Freedman and Sherry Koven.

STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

Kol Nidre Appeal

SISTERHOOD

Break the Fast - following Yom Kippur

Monday, October 1st.

WE ARE PROUD

130 persons attended the New Brunswick Pharmaceutical Society's annual meeting held recently in Bathurst. During the meeting awards were presented. Morris Selick, of Saint John, was awarded the A.H. Robins Bowl of Hygeia. This award is granted annually to a pharmacist by the A.H. Robins Company for outstanding service to his or her community and profession. Mr. Selick has been a member of the NBPS for 45 years. He is one of the first Jewish pharmacists to practise in this province. We are proud of our own.

ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY

With dignity and seriousness the members of the Saint John community celebrated Israel Independence day in the Sanctuary of the Congregation Shaarei Zedek. The service began with an invocation by I.J. Davis, Synagogue Vice President, followed with a brief message from His Worship the Mayor. A musical selection was heard after a message from Mr. Bernard Freedman, General Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal. Janet Holtzman, Sisterhood President, led Responsive Reading which was followed by a skit presented by five Young Judaeans. Rabbi B.G. Eisenberg delivered a brief sermon followed by a musical selection. Jaqueline Meltzer recited a Memorial Prayer in English and the Rabbi chanted the Mole in Hebrew. The service concluded with Mr. Joseph Adler giving the closing prayer and the entire congregation singing Hatikvah.

Then in the Social Hall all participated in expressing their joy in Israel's 31st Year of Independence. The delight of the occasion was heightened by the beautiful and gracious entertainment by Ruth Navon, Israeli Singer

through the courtesy of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

The season's closing meeting of the Henrietta Szold Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo was preceded by a delicious dinner sponsored jointly with Sisterhood of Congregation Shaarei Zedek at the home of Ita Freedman.

In addition to the annual reports, the well attended gathering was highlighted by Terri Levine, Chairperson for June, by a presentation of the National Esther Award to Marcia Koven for "outstanding services over and above the call of duty."

Terri also presented Sally Davis with a Medical Service Certificate. The contribution was in recognition of her year of Service at the Asaf Harofe Hospital in Israel. The Chairperson exhibited an award which was later presented to Rona Bernstein given to her in the name of Herit G. for one year in the Atlantic Province's Day Care Center in Jerusalem. The presentation was in recognition of her 20 years of Devoted Service.

The following slate of officers was unanimously elected for the 1979-80 year: Treasurer: Joanne Meltzer; Recording Secretary, Louise Adler; Financial Secretary, Sandra Winch; Corresponding Secretary, Linda Hamburg; Presiding officers in rotation: Sept. - Terri Levine; Oct. - Marcia Koven; Nov. - Erminie Cohen; Dec. - Linda Hamburg; Jan. & Feb. - Sandra Levine; March & April - Open: May & June - Kay Levine; Members at Large - Esther Bently and Sis Silver.



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JEANS & CORDS

On May 13th the Shomer Club enjoyed the motion picture presentation of "Norman Jewison, Film Maker". This is a candid study of a film director in action, working under pressure to produce a new blockbuster for the entertainment industry. Toronto-born Norman Jewison first gained prominence producing for Canadian television, then went on to greater success making Hollywood theatrical features (The Russians Are Coming and others). In this film he is seen directing a large international cast and crew in the film version of the Broadway/London musical hit, Fiddler on the Roof. Shooting takes place in Yugoslavia and, between scenes, Jewison talks freely to the National Film Board director Doug Jackson about many aspects of the film industry and some of his experiences in it. Awards: Melbourne; Chicago.

June 10th was the date of the Shomer Club's exciting Bake Sale Auction. A great many members of the community plus those of the Shomer Club contributed delicious baked goods. Those who didn't bake, gave cash contributions. Mac Carpenter was chairman of the project; Bessie Selby was a most gifted auctioneer; Bertha Masters and Aida Holtzman were runners ably assisted by Marcia and Jerry Koven; Blanche Kashetsky served as cashier.

To the delight of those present, one couple bid against each other for a particular cake. Neither realizing who was calling the amounts. (They were not seated together). Also, during the eagerness to bid well, one lady bid against herself. Result — everything was sold. The auction was a tremendous success.

"A Bag of Marbles" by Joseph Jaffo and

translated from the French by Martin Sokolinsky was the subject of the Book Review Club on May 6th.

This is the story of how two resourceful Jewish School boys took on the Gestapo and won. When Joe was ten years old and his brother twelve, their father tells them that they must leave Paris alone and escape to the French Unoccupied Zone where he hopes they will meet up with their two older brothers. Their father impresses upon the boys that they must not at any time, no matter what happens to them, indicate that they are Jewish.

Joe's own father, when he was seven years old, set out alone to escape from Russia during the pogroms. Joe and Maurice's adventures are told with the tear and the smile as Joe describes to his own children how the two cocky streetwise youngsters bluff their way to safety time and time again. During the three years of the tale they lose their youth but miss the German death camps. This is a story of warmth, humor and courage.

The moving and revealing autobiography of Valery Panov "To Dance" was featured on June 17 at the Book Review Club. The 384 page volume was reviewed in just one hour.

The ballet dancer's saga begins in Russia during the second world war. George Feifer assists Valery in the telling, the result is a stirring, moving, informative experience of how a Jewish lad, who does not know he is Jewish, becomes one of the greatest ballet dancers in the U.S.S.R. Then his Jewishness is thrust upon him by persecution of the K.G.B. Until at last through world-wide pressure, he and his devoted wife are allowed to depart for Israel. The background of life in the U.S.S.R. is most revealing. This is a book worth reading, studying and remembering.

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NEWS FROM ST. JOHN'S

Ezra—the entertainer at the Israeli Party—the liveliest one to come our way in a long time. He sang and danced and kept everyone amused. All the ladies wished they were Rose as Ezra singled out Rosalie Flomen to sing "Roza" to. Lewis Ferman sprang to his feet to sing a Russian duet and Ella Levitz became his dancing partner. And so the Israeli party was not only a financial success—but the most entertaining party of the year.

All was not pleasure this month as the ladies then became busy getting ready for our May Bake Sale. Under the organization of Tova Auerbach and Helen Nathanson the Sisterhood recognized a tidy sum as the St. John's community came to purchase our wares.

We are very proud of our Youth in this community. Rhonda Wilansky was invited to present a paper at the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston, Texas. This was sponsored by the National Student Research Foundation. Her paper was submitted by Dr. Campbell with whom she had worked for the previous two summers and was in the Obstetrics and Gynecology category. Her paper was on the side-effects of birth control practices.

Dietza Auerbach was chosen to represent the Chemistry Department at Memorial University to attend a 2 week seminar in London with Science students from all over the world. This young lady also came third in advanced Math at Memorial.

Our congratulations to Inez Levitz whose son Mark was admitted to the British Columbia Bar Association in Vancouver. Both Inez and sister Shelly were present at this happy event.

Congratulations also to Etta and Leon Alexander whose daughter graduated from Dalhousie University with a degree in Physiotherapy.

June was a busy month for Sisterhood. Marg Smilestein ably organized our Thrift Shop so that there was never a staff problem and nobody felt as if they were overworked. A short 4 day week still realized an amount in the four figures. Shortly after Mr. Dressup visited our shores once again and kept the kiddies enthralled during 3 performances. Once



Left to right: Ella, Helen, Inez, Doris and Tora - ready for the kids for Mr. Dressup.



Mr. Dressup on stage.

again Ella Levitz, Inez Levitz, Helen Jochelman and Helen Nathanson made sure that all ran smoothly before, during and after the performance.

The men elected a new executive for the next year. Shelley Lipkus as President, Nardy Nathanson, Vice-President, Joe Winethrop and Adrian Fine as Secretary.

Hadassah held their closing meeting at the home of Marsha Richler. During the evening the new executive was installed. Doris Tock assumed the role of President for the

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Men's Executive

*Seated L-R - Shelly Levitz, Nardy Nathanson
Standing L-R - Joe Winethrop, Adrian Fine*

next two years, with Ella Levitz as Vice-President, Rose Toytman as Treasurer and Dorothy Riteman as Secretary Inez Levitz was presented with a pearl for her service pin for the many years of fine work as Gift Card Chairman. Doris Tock received a covet pin for the extra-ordinary work she did during the Hadassah Spring Fashion Show.

We were pleased to welcome to our Community Rabbi and Linda Berman and their daughter Chava. We hope that their stay here with us will be a long and pleasant one.

Mazeltov is extended to Judy and Graham Wilansky, and sisters Rhonda and Hannah on the Bar Mitzvah of their second brother Selig. Besides leading the entire service it is the first time that a Bar Mitzvah boy read the entire portion for the day from the Torah.

Mazeltov to Ernie and Ida Mauscopf on the Bar Mitzvah of their son Randy. Randy was fortunate to celebrate his Bar Mitzvah in Israel with many of his relatives in attendance.

A fond farewell party was given for Inez Levitz at the home of Ella Levitz. The ladies of Sisterhood and Hadassah



*Left to Right Inez Levitz, Marsha Richler, Helen Jochelman
2 Presidents present Inez with farewell gift.*

presented her with a seriograph by Reginald Sheppard as a memento of her years spent with us. We will all miss Inez—both as a friend and as a worker to be counted on - but we wish her good heath, good fortune and happiness in her new home in Vancouver. She will be a long way from us but we hope she will not forget her "Newfie Band" as indeed we will not forget her.

Colonel Jack Monbaz started off the U.I.A. campaign with his visit here in mid July. For the first time the campaign was totalling that of a door to door canvas.

The Chabad Labavitch Youth presented an evening at the Shul in mid July. After looking at a display of the many books that could be purchased those present were shown a film on the Labovitch organization. The two Rabbis visited several homes during their few days stay in St. John's.

A FIRST FOR THE ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY

by Helen Jochelman

At the final meeting of our Sisterhood for this year, a presentation of an engraved gold watch was made to one of our hard working members - Helen Nathanson.

The presentation was made for her many years of hard work and devotion to the Sisterhood, to the Synagogue and to the Community. The presentation was made by the President, Helen Jochelman, who said: "She has enriched our Jewish community by her good deeds and has become woven into the fabric of all our lives, for in times of joy as well as sorrow Helen is on the front lines lending a willing, helping hand."

She was also presented with a suitable plaque commemorating the date. The plaque was made by Robie Tock.

Helen Nathanson had earlier in 1975 been presented with the Esther Wilansky Merit Award for a very deserving member by the President at that time, Dorothy Riteman.

Garin Sof Ma'arav

Garin Sof Ma'arav is a group of young Americans and Canadians who are planning and building their own Moshav Shitufi in Northern Israel. This is a unique opportunity for young couples to create their own community in a young and vibrant country.

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Israel in Retrospect

[LAST IN A SERIES OF ISRAELI MEMOIRS]



by Norman Lipschutz

In the Israel of twenty-five years ago, as in the Israel of today, we have been confronted with a major problem which our leadership has chosen to ignore over the years. The Ma'abaroth have given way to the slum cities, and several hundred thousand Israeli citizens have been condemned to live in their environs. A one-time leader of the Hagannah had confided in the writer of these lines that there has never existed an official plan to liquidate slum conditions; that our leaders have been convinced that the inhabitants of the slums constitute an unproductive element, and that it is a waste of time to chart for their rehabilitation. As a result, a forgotten generation has been subjected to demoralizing factors. Deprived of decent housing, they have been reduced to a state of helplessness. They have lost all hope and all faith. These people have suffered long enough! All they ask is for the opportunity to improve their lot and a better future for their children. We appeal to present-day leadership to give them what is rightfully theirs! The problem can no longer be ignored. The basic needs of hundreds of thousands of Israeli citizens must somehow be satisfied. The fact that this has not happened constitutes a crime and a betrayal of the elementary principles of man; also a betrayal of the high ideals which led to the creation of the State.

In all boldness, we must ask of those in authority: Why hasn't a portion of the vast amounts collected in the diaspora been set aside for the rehabilitation of the underprivileged? True, defence of the country is of high priority. But, at the same time, we must ask ourselves: is it decent to build luxurious government buildings and villas, while hundreds of thousands of our co-religionists are condemned to exist without proper shelter? A slum environment breeds crime and leads to many other evils. A demoralized generation is the end result. And when peace at long last engulfs the region, we must not, we dare not, be confronted by the challenge of a civil war . . . a distinct reality if in the meantime steps should not be taken to root out this evil from our ranks! The consequences of inaction may prove tragic indeed. An honest Israeli leadership will recognize the problem, and deal with it accordingly.

It is said that Prime Minister Begin, upon his frequent trips to the United States, is shying away from mentioning Aliyah, for he recognizes that American Jews are not very eager to settle in Israel. This process could very well be reversed, should peace return to the land of our dreams and should proper conditions and the right atmosphere be created. But, for the past several decades, Israel had to

contend with an even greater problem—the taboo-subject of “Chozrim” or “Yordim” as they are often referred to. We have in mind, of course, those of our people who choose to leave the country. The emigration of Jews from Israel has reached astounding proportions. To a country like Israel, depending on immigrants to settle its vast stretches, an exodus, if not arrested, might spell disaster in the final analysis. Even as early as a quarter of a century ago, seventy thousand people have applied for exit visas, and tens of thousands of others have been planning to depart for greener pastures. It is whispered that three hundred thousand have emigrated since. It was the talk of the day in the Israel of that period; it is still the talk of the day in present day Israel; and it is a problem that we shall be ignoring at our peril!

Five years after the establishment of Medinath Yisroel, a fellow with a Canadian, American or even a Brazilian visa was considered lucky indeed. An anecdote of that period, rather popular in Tel Aviv, would have it that when asked as for the best solution to the Palestine problem, Ben Gurion suggested to the American President that he issue a million and a half visas to the United States; and judging by the burning desire of tens of thousands to leave the country, the above is by no means fancy. It is dangerous to minimize or to underrate the problem. There were instances when Israelis have chosen to return to Communist countries and there were incidents when poverty stricken citizens have chosen “Shmad”—or conversion; they have agreed to exchange their faith in return for a promise of a visa to Brazil. Surely we must delve into the causes that lead people to resort to such desperate measures. One of these is the deeply entrenched bureaucratic system which has contributed its share to the present difficulties. New arrivals in many cases have not been made to feel at home. Their pleas have fallen on deaf ears. The ruling classes have been busy with their own affairs, and the population is prejudiced against immigrants from certain countries. In such an atmosphere, it is little wonder then that demoralization strikes roots.

Cultural standards are bound to suffer when the majority of Israel's youth is deprived of the opportunity to attend high school. To obtain any kind of an education underprivileged families are forced to send their children to missionary schools. These also offer free meals. Of course, the danger is ever present that when children are brought up in mission schools, in later life they might prefer to exchange their religious beliefs. Government leaders have finally awakened to this problem. But why have they permitted this impossible situation to exist for so long? Might they have not foreseen the inevitable consequences?

Socialism in Israel had failed to live up to its expectations. One is not free to criticize for fear he might lose his job. One must join the right party before he's being given employment. Incompetent party hacks are preferred to well qualified candidates. Man must be free to sell his products on the free market, rather than at cut-throat prices to the “Tnuvah”, so that the party may enrich itself at the expense of the farmer. Socialist-aristocracy can, and often does, behave arrogantly. In their desire to reap the full benefits of their power, they often outdo their Capitalist counterparts. Their villas are legendary; their limousines—

deluxe; their clothes luxurious, and their travelling expenses reaching abnormal heights. Their concern for the working classes is simply a myth. Their only concern is for themselves, their wives and their children. Socialist leaders in Israel have been estranging the very people that have put them in to power by their weird practices, and in doing so have caused people to lose faith in what originally spelled an inspiring philosophy. The problems of the masses must at all times take precedence over the interests of the few, and arrogance and autocratic rule must give way to a more tolerant and more liberal behaviour.

The dark skinned Israelis outnumber their European-bred brethren, but the latter are in control and dominate Israeli affairs. The whites are the unchallenged rulers. One cannot claim that there is discrimination on the statute books, but in day-to-day activities one is to meet up with it everywhere. The "Franks" do all the menial work for a minimum in wages. The Yemenites are a patient people, highly industrious, imaginative, and good humoured even in adversity. They are a deeply religious people and constantly give thanks to God Almighty for His grace and benevolence. Their requirements are a minimum—a little garlic, some onions and the "pitta" or Oriental bread, make up their meagre diet. Their womenfolk work in the "pardeisim" or orange groves. More often they're employed by their white mistresses to scrub floors and do other housework, while their menfolk are employed in pushing crudely improvised conveyances with all sorts of freight items through the city thoroughfares. On the other hand, the Iraqi and Moroccan elements have learned to compete with the whites on an equal footing, and very often outsmart their white masters. They also take an active role in black market activities.

The young on both sides nurture no hatred. They attend joint parties, are inclined to mix socially and very often fraternize. They even marry across racial lines. White boys increasingly fall in love with dark beauties, and dark Romeos have a peculiar attraction for blonde Juliets. Love finds a way. Such blending of Eastern and Western cultures

should of course be encouraged. A unified nation must be our goal, and this is the most striking way to attain it. One religion binds us; one fate, one language, and similar customs and traditions—why then hold on to superficial barriers which in reality do not exist?

The younger generation is definitely pointing the way towards eventual and total black-white integration. They're to be congratulated for following such a desired course.

Innumerable shlichim, cabinet ministers and lesser officials have over the years been shuffling back and forth between Israel and North America in the interests of U.I.A. and Bond drives it is claimed. These nomadic wanderers should be forced to restrict their travels and to curtail their adventures at public expense. In my humble opinion, they should spend more of their time at home and devote greater attention to the affairs of state. We could do well with a reduction in the number of "shlichim". The present system is wasteful and bordering on anarchy. Of late, charges of corruption have been laid against the majority of Zionist bodies. Enormous funds—monies which could be used to provide proper housing for Israel's slum dwellers—are needlessly wasted on lavish extravaganzas and excessive paraphernalia. I am quite certain that I shall be criticized for such outspoken statements, but it is my intention to strike, and strike hard, at the root of the tentacles which hold us captive. We must free ourselves of this vast army of freeloaders, and divert the vast sums raised in this and other lands in the service of our long-suffering brethren in Israel. An honest and a more idealistic administration will surely know how to curb the appetites of the parasitic elements in Israeli society. It will in the process, I am sure, exercise the necessary wisdom in attracting thousands of idealistic Jews from all corners of the globe to come to Israel and to settle the empty spaces which cry out for redemption! **A strong Israel, a bastion of freedom, an inspiration to our dispersed people and a light unto the nations**—this is the Israel we must come to know and to love in the months and years that lie ahead!



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On August 1, 1979, Zack and Myrna Rubin and their three young daughters, Shira, Aviva, and Carmi left Halifax on a journey which carried them to Israel where they will now make their home. While the decision to make Aliyah was not easy, Zack and Myrna have had this dream for many years and are now about to accomplish a life-long desire.



Zack & Myrna Rubin

Zack Rubin was born and educated in Halifax, the son of the late Nat Rubin and Bertha Rubin. He was very active in Young Judaea, holding a number of positions on the regional executive and worked on the staff of Camp Biliun, the national leadership training camp of Young Judaea. He spent one year in Israel as a student on the "Machon" program and returned to Canada where he met his wife-to-be in Montreal. Zack returned to Halifax in 1969, and developed a very successful clothing business. He has been very active in the Beth Israel Synagogue and on the Board of the Atlantic Jewish Council. He served as the first Publication Chairman of the Atlantic Jewish Council and was one of those instrumental in getting the SHALOM magazine and the television program off the ground. Zack was also the Aliyah Chairman of the Atlantic Jewish Council (and he appears to have convinced himself of the worthiness of the concept).



Shira Rubin

Myrna Rubin was born in Montreal and became a Maritimer over ten years ago. She was active in Beth Israel Synagogue activities, the Barbara Goldberg chapter of Hadassah and in the folk dance group of the Atlantic Jewish Council. She assisted, in many ways at many times, in the activities of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

Ben Prossin, President of the Atlantic Jewish Council, presented Zack and Myrna with a gift on behalf of the Atlantic Jewish Council prior to their departure from Halifax.



Aviva Rubin

A farewell party for friends and relatives was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Ray Epstein prior to their leaving.

The entire Atlantic Jewish Community joins in wishing Zack and Myrna and the girls much success in their Aliyah and hopes that they will find their absorption into Israel life smooth and enjoyable. The loss to the Atlantic Jewish Community is Israel's gain. All the best to Zack and Myrna Rubin and family.



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ART AND THE SCENES

by Anca Laxer

MARC CHAGALL

Complex personality, innovative spirit, forerunner for a whole artistic generation, a person of deep culture, Chagall represents one of the most valuable twentieth century spiritual thesarus.

It is hard to consider Chagall's work in a limited space like this column. His art involves a deep knowledge of the artistical influences in his prodigious life. His art was never changed or removed by any of these streams, but was certainly influenced by them.

Due to the difficulty of analyzing his art, I would rather introduce you to his outstanding biography so that one can understand and appreciate his unusual ability and aptitude for fantasies.

Chagall is a narrator and his paintings tell the stories. Real or "surreal" (Chagall is considered the father of surrealism), his works have an enormous amount of emotions, an extremely high degree of sensitivity and power of suggestion.

His life is an ocean, but I will reveal only some drops.

Marc Segall (his real name) was born in 1887 in the Jewish quarter of the White Russian town of Vitebsk. His was a poor family, and, to his parents' alarm, he wanted to become a painter even as a child. He went to St. Petersburg (the capital of the Russian Empire at that time) where, because he was Jewish, he had no residency rights and was in danger of imprisonment. To provide himself with a shelter as well as protection, he became a servant in a lawyer's household. Here he was discovered by Vinaver, a member of Parliament, who was amazed by the originality of the young artist's work.

Vinaver sent him to Paris offering him a monthly allowance. All his life, Chagall remembered with emotion and love the gesture as written in his biography, "my father put me into the world, Vinaver made a painter of me. Without him I would probably have remained a photographer in Vitebsk without any ideas of Paris".

Chagall came to Paris in 1910, and, as with Soutine, he always remembered his life amid his large and loving family, along with the terror and abuses suffered while living in the Jewish ghetto. In spite of his past suffering, he always remembered with nostalgia and infinite love the beauty and charm of his birth place. Even after a long period of time spent in Paris, he used to say, "Paris is my second Vitebsk". The remark reminds one of Modigliani, who, after a life spent in Paris, before he died said, "Carra Italia" (Splendid, Italy).

In 1914 Chagall had his first one man show in Berlin and his success was international.

Without any instinct, with a total lack of political sense, Chagall was unaware of the impending world catastrophe and calmly made a trip to his native city. As soon as he arrived, the borders were closed and World War I had begun. He spent eight years in Russia where his life and artistic experience was constantly enriched. He got married in his native city. Now in the army, he was sent to

Petrograd (new name of St. Petersburg). In February of 1917, the tzarist regime was replaced by the republic and eight months later the new Bolshevik Party under Lenin took over. Due to his fame, Chagall was named "commissar" of the arts in Vitebsk, but as it was impossible for the officials to understand his art, Chagall shortly after resigned his position and went to Moscow. There he made decorations for several theatres and started to write his autobiography.

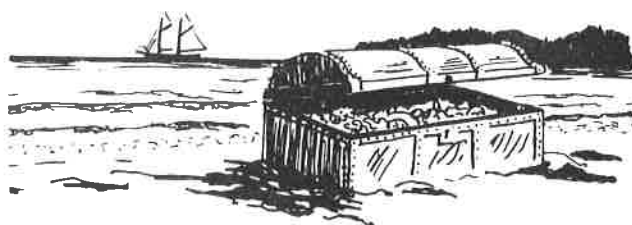
"Neither Imperial Russia, nor Soviet Russia needs me. I am a mystery, a stranger to them . . . perhaps Europe will love me and with her, my Russia". What a great attitude for an artist leaving his country!

He left Russia and went to Berlin, but in 1923 he moved to Paris. There he made etchings for an edition of "Dead Souls" by Gogol and for La Fontaine's "Fables".

He went to Palestine to prepare himself for illustrating the Bible; he also travelled to Holland, Spain, Poland and Italy.

Because of Nazi Germany, Chagall and his family emigrated to the United States. The Chagalls arrived in New York in June 1941, exactly when his native country was invaded. Several years later his wife died. He lost his best

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friend, his life time partner, with whom he had shared such a beautiful and vigorous experience, a wife who loved and inspired him.

In 1947 Chagall returned to Paris, where he was received by an enthusiastic public. He had a show of his art at the "Musée National d'Art Moderne" in Paris.

The world paid tribute to Chagall's genius by awarding him with vast members of high prizes, as well as university degrees. But the master refused to retire on his glory. After his 70th birthday, he was showered with commissions—to design stained glass windows for the Cathedral of Metz, for the synagogue of the Hadassah Medical Centre near Jerusalem, for the United Nations Building in New York, just to mention a few.

Chagall is a creator, building his world out of disparate elements, bringing order to the chaos of recollections, hopes, fears and frustrations.

He is not "surrealist" or "expressionist" as his friend Apollinaire had defined him. His style is absolutely unique, his personality has never changed in spite of all the influences he had over the years.

My personal feeling is that his art had some influence from one of the most remarkable artist of all time: Hieronymus Bosch (1450-1516, Netherlands). Both have in common the rejection of the idea of concentrating on only one subject. Both of them consider the painting "mother of arts" being able to create any effective through it.

There is no measure for Chagall's talent and his contribution to the world treasure. He could be compared with the great masters of the Renaissance.

Ingenuity, the search for new, the permanent drive to improve himself, the fantasmagical mind, the strength and sharpness of his colours—these symbolize only several of his attributes. His genius will guide many generations of artists in the future.

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PROFILES OF ISRAEL

Musician Matti Caspi—An Israeli Master of Under-Statement

by Janet Mendelsohn

When Matti Caspi, one of Israel's most popular musicians, is asked about his work, he cannot repress a wry smile. "The work involves taking a pen and jotting down notes," he shrugs. "The musical arrangement is emotional."

Music and rhythmic calm emanate from this talented young artist, and as he casually tells it, his compositions are truly effortless; simply an expression of what he feels. "I never pore over music trying to improve or perfect something," adds Caspi. "Once it comes to me, it is like a complete impulse and doesn't require technical work."

Not yet thirty years old, Caspi has ten years of professional experience performing and arranging behind him, and he has a solid core of supporters that range from those barely in their teens to the middling age, and from all walks of life and background. When we say that someone is all things to all men, we are usually criticizing. With Caspi, it is true and it's a compliment.

In addition to a mellow voice that has been popular in Israel since his early days in the Army Entertainment Corps, Caspi can play acoustic and electric guitar, bass, drums, congas, electric piano and clarinet. He has produced five well-received albums, and he is perhaps one of the most consistent musicians in Israel. Quiet and introverted, Caspi somehow seems a bit indifferent to his unprecedented success.

Handsome with a thick mop of curls, Caspi is poised with an aloofness that is disarming until one looks into his deep, soulful eyes and realizes just what a private individual he is.

"If one person in an audience relates to my music, that is enough for me," he says. "That is what I look for—one person that understands what I am trying to express." In

addition to hundreds of thousands of Israeli fans, Caspi has found enthusiastically receptive audiences in Denmark, Sweden and Germany, and he hopes to tour other countries in the near future.

It is said that Caspi's style is Mediterranean, but his tender ballads, reflective ponderings of love or life, and amusing tales are not limited by borders or cultures. Diverging into South American music, Caspi recently completed "Eretz Tropit Yafah" (Beautiful Tropical Land), a musical assortment of Brazilian medleys that were rendered into Hebrew versions by Ehud Manor and newly arranged by Caspi. Now that he has branched out into the musical genre of samba and bossa nova, Caspi has South Americans on their toes.

"The record has been well received in Brazil", he says with almost a faint aura of surprise. "We have been told that the quality of the production is much higher than most of their recordings."

Perhaps it was Caspi's work in the banana fields of

The President, Officers and Staff of United Israel Appeal of Canada mourn the passing of Louis B. Siegel, Chairman, Atlantic Region, U.I.A., a life long friend and worker for Israel.

Deepest sympathy is extended to his family and friends.

Kibbutz Hanita in his youth that has helped him to feel an affinity to South American music. He claims that influences on his music may also stem from French, Arabic, East European and even gypsy sources. "My music is a compilation of all types of influences that have effected me without even my conscious knowledge," he smiles shyly. Incidentally, Caspi's critics say his music is not specifically and authentically Israeli, and could have been written anywhere. His defenders are not impressed—it could have been written elsewhere, but in fact it was written in Israel by an Israeli bred on a Kibbutz. What more can one ask for, they say?

Born in Hanita in northern Israel to parents of Rumanian extraction, music has been a part of Caspi's life since his earliest years. He studied piano for ten years, and the classical conservatory background that he received provided him with the fundamentals of music that have enabled him to utilize rhythm, melody and harmony so effectively today.

Even more than he values his musical background, however, Caspi appreciates his youth spent in a small rural settlement and the education he received there. "I was never much of a student," he says, "but it was in that environment that I found inspiration in the peace and quiet and beauty of nature."

"The best school in the world was the Army Entertainment Corps," he reminisces. "It prepared me for varied audiences and the rapport that must be developed between a performer and his audience."

Ten years after the emergence of his career, Caspi is one of Israel's most widely acclaimed popular musicians. He looks at his stardom squarely in the face, however, and it is obvious that he does not take it too seriously. "I wanted to be a musician when I was younger, and I am simply doing now what I had always hoped."

His music speaks loud and clear; but quiet and absorbed, Matti Caspi remains an understatement.

Is The Sabra A Native?

by Betty Sigler

As we know, native-born Israelis are called Sabras, after the fruit of the cactus—prickly outside, sweet inside. Most people assume that the cactus is itself a native of Israel; this however, is not so. South and Central America, up into the deserts of the southwestern U.S.A., is the true cactus territory. Just a few of the hundreds of cactus families are widely distributed in Asia, Africa and southern Europe, like *Opuntia* that produces the sabra. The more numerous branch, the one with long thorns, produces the sweet, starchy sabra. Another branch, that keeps to its home grounds on the sand dunes, has harmless prickles and picturesque, purple, but totally inedible fruit.

Extraordinary

"An extraordinary plant with spines and no stem, one leaf growing out of another," an astonished English visitor wrote two hundred years ago.

He wasn't right, though. The green, fleshy structure that the fruit grows from is not a leaf but a stem, adapted in typical cactus fashion for long, hot, rainless months. The thorns are leaves shrunk to needle proportions to minimize evaporation.

There are hundreds of "immigrant" cactus varieties brought in private collections, some even "kidnapped" from flower shows, doing very well in Israel today. Particularly in the Negev they grow at rates, and to sizes, unknown in the authoritative European books on the subject. There are special cactus gardens in Haifa, Herzlia and Eilat, in the kibbutzim, in innumerable private gardens and even in yards and on balconies.

The Ability to Adapt

Because cactus species have adapted to varied, extreme conditions, they have an endless variety of shapes. One East African type that thrives in Israel grows over 60 feet high, sending out twisted, thorny arms from its stem joints. It has a shorter "relative", a mere 30 feet that branches out in a free-style version of the Candelabrum that is Israel's

national symbol. A native of the Andes that grows long, white hairs to protect itself from the cold can also be persuaded to grow in Israel.

Another cactus family stays close to the ground, growing in rosettes of juicy, water-storing leaves. Once or twice a year they sprout long, thin stems with bell-like flowers—pink, mauve, flame red. There are cactus flowers as big as lilies, with as many petals as a daisy, like the Queen of the Night. At sunset the petals start to open, one by one. By morning the blossom has wilted.

Survival Power

But the cactus has endless survival strategies which is what makes it such a successful immigrant to Israel. A leaf that falls on the ground may grow roots, to become a new plant. Cactus grow very slowly, so as not to outstrip water supply. Even the giants spread out their roots very close to the ground surface in a wide net, to make the most of a rare rainfall. Some ripe cactus fruits explode, spraying seeds far and wide to make sure that a few will find soil and water and thus grow on.

It looks, therefore, as if the cactus, beautiful, tough and determined to survive, may not be, strictly speaking, a sabra, but it clearly has many Israeli qualities.

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The Unforgettable Rosh Hashanah

by Rabbi Benjamin G. Eisenberg
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How incorrigible we are. We perpetually forget birthdays and anniversaries—that of our children and grandchildren, even our very own. How often we have suffered from forgetting the birthday of a spouse, especially if that spouse was the better half. What a pall of regret descended upon us when we did not remember the Yahrzeit of a beloved mother or father. We often hear of people even forgetting a Jewish Festival. We even forget our Creator. In chastising the Children of Israel, Moses cried out: "You were unmindful of the Rock that begot you and you have forgotten the G-d that bore you."

In the light of this human trait, it is indeed refreshing, not to say amazing, that all of us remember the approaching High Holy Days. Already we are concerned with our seat assignments and the payment of our Synagogue dues. Of course, you and I could give many valid and common-sense reasons why we do not forget the approaching Holy Days and why they are so meaningful to us. My aim is to contribute two new reasons which are original to me, for I had never seen them before. They may seem to you as emanating from the realm of mysticism. But since I am not a mystic and since these reasons come from my own imagination, they may not be as mystic as you think.

Tradition tells us that Rosh Hashanah marks the anniversary of the creation of the world. In the prayers we read the words: "Hayom harat olam—Today a world was created." Man is part of that creation. Space scientists tell

us that with the successful conquest of space travel, we may learn how the rhythmic clock of the cosmos affects the internal clock in man. Since our Holy Days are governed by the moon and sun, the completion of the annual cycle corresponds to the annual cycle in man, and we feel intuitively that a new year is about to begin. Far fetched? Perhaps, but here is a second reason which may not be as far fetched.

We may have forgotten the G-d that bore us, but G-d has never forgotten us. The child may forget the parent, but the parent hardly ever forgets the child. At this time, when G-d sits as Judge, weighing our year's activities, deeds and misdeeds in the divine scale of justice, His love flows to us with an ever greater force, for he is not looking forward to punish His children, but rather that they mend their ways and lives. This stream of love from our Creator is so penetrating that it overwhelms the souls of his children, even those least committed among us. There is a spiritual reawakening and we remember Rosh Hashanah. This is perhaps why the Cabbalists converted the month Elul (spelled in Hebrew, Aleph, Lamed, Vav, Lamed) into an acrostic, saying that the letters represent the words: "Ani l'dodi, v'dodi li. I am my beloved's and my beloved is mine." In the month of Elul, when we start sounding the Shofar each morning, the flow of love between G-d and Israel is reestablished.

And yet, we must not commit the error to think that either the universal clock or G-d's overwhelming love forces us to observe these days. Man is still a free agent to make a

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L'shanah Tova Tikatevu.

Campaign to Save "The Boat People"

by Peter Stone

One generation ago the Jews of Germany and other European countries were considered undesirable citizens by their countries.

Today in South East Asia the "Boat People" are in a similar position. They are fleeing the countries of their birth either because of race (Vietnamese vs. Chinese), politics (China vs. Vietnam) or class (most are middle class).

When the world was asked to take in Jewish refugees the answer was procrastination until the doors of Nazi Europe were slammed shut. Today the same arguments against Jewish refugees are dragged out again against the "Boat People"—they don't speak English, they are of different culture and religion, they will steal jobs and will be a burden on the economy. We Jews and other immigrant groups have proven these arguments wrong.

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Q. Who pays the air fare to Canada?

A. The government through an interest free loan repayable by the refugee family.

What Can You Do?

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Maurice Jake of Moncton, N.B. was one of 30 Canadian Jewish war veterans who attended the World Assembly of Jewish War Veterans held in Israel February 1979.

This World Assembly which meets every three years in Israel, brings together Jewish Veterans' Organizations from Canada, Australia, Belgium, France, Israel, South Africa, the United Kingdom, the United States, the Jewish Freedom Fighters from Russia, the Polish Ex-servicemen Association, and the French Underground. There were over 800 delegates in attendance.

The delegates engaged in serious deliberations to promote Jewish Identity and peoplehood, to examine and determine how to combat the surging evil of antisemitism supported by the spread of religious fanaticism, political terror, the rise of Neo-Nazism, Soviet oppression and to mobilize their collective efforts to guarantee independence, welfare and security to the State of Israel, as well as many other important items.

While in Israel, the Canadian delegates were honoured by the president of the University of Bar-Ilan who sponsored a dinner for the entire Canadian troupe. The NAHAL, the back up arm of the Israeli Army, also held a dinner in honour of the Canadian delegates. Maurice Jake, along with the rest of the Canadians, was overwhelmed by the hospitality accorded them.



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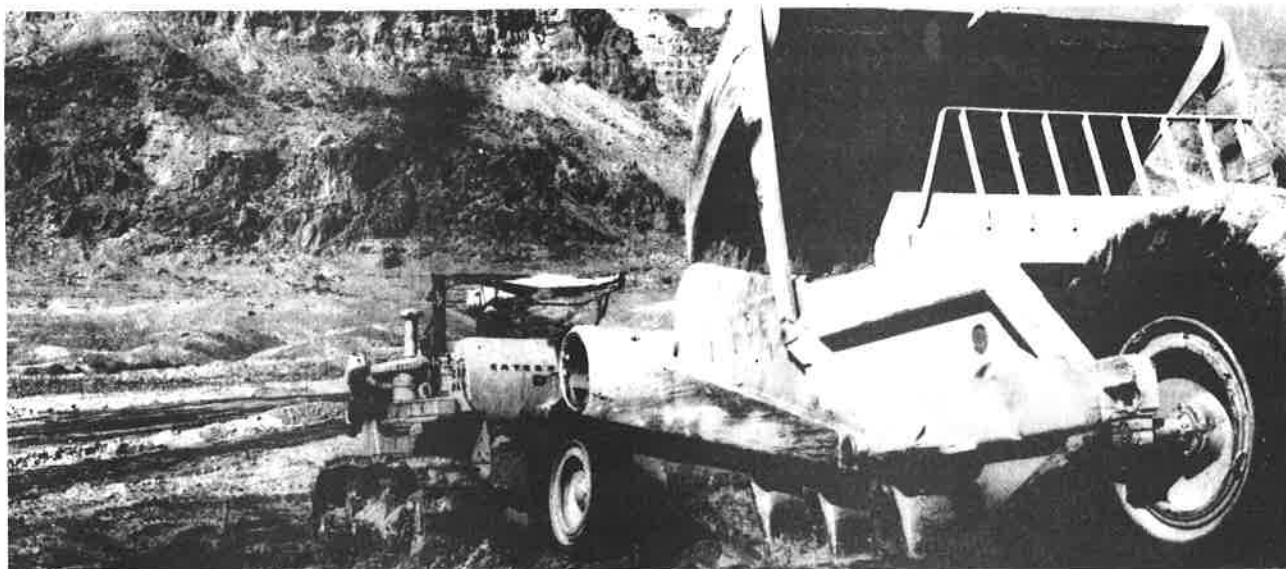
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Speech given by Leo Perkell
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This event reminds me of the opening page of the Bible. It starts, "In the beginning . . ."

In the beginning, this island was all bush, swamp and trees and the only inhabitants were the birds and, as we all know, they manage to co-exist with us now.

My first introduction to sailing was with Cec Yolles. His sail boat was docked at the lifeguard station.

Dr. Bunny Willinsky's boat was docked at the police dock.

Ben Dunkelman's boat was tied up at the T.T.T. building.

The reason these boats were docked at these places was that the yacht clubs would not accept Jewish members.

Ben Dunkelman received the D.S.O. while fighting with the Canadian Army overseas. He also volunteered and was one of the commanders who fought with distinction in the War of Independence for the State of Israel. His family owned the T.T.T. building next to the National Yacht Club. He was asked by the National Yacht Club to become a member. Ben declined to join on account of their policy of discrimination.

Our first meetings were held in the homes of Ben Dunkelman and Dr. Bunny Willinsky, who were later to become our first commodore and vice-commodore. A charter was drawn up by Carl Keyfetz, Q.C., and Johnny Bussin and a ground lease was obtained from the City and committees were formed. I was on the building and membership committees. We were full of enthusiasm and the meetings would last till the early mornings.

Ben Dunkelman was in charge of clearing the land and cutting down the trees. With Ben in charge, we felt we were back in the army. A small building was put up without electricity, water, or telephone; but soon everybody started to donate. A generator to run electricity was donated by Al Jacobs and others donated chairs, tables, kitchen equipment, piano and books on sailing. Sometime later, Norman Black was in charge of building the swimming pool.

Once we got started in our own club, we had the fullest co-operation from the other yacht clubs, particularly the Royal Canadian Yacht Club. They would often visit and supply us with instructors and would co-operate with us in any way they could.

My brothers, Sam, Joe, and Henry, myself, and Joe Lebovic bought the Scrapper. The Scrapper was a gaff rigged sail boat; 38 feet long, painted black, set low in the water and built for racing. Once the whole club managed to get on our boat at one time.

I like to recall a couple of incidents: We were at the Royal Canadian Yacht Club Regatta, racing on Lake Ontario, when we were caught in a thunder and lightning storm with fog so thick we couldn't see more than 10 feet away. A number of boats capsized and we managed to pick up a number and sailed back to the Royal Canadian Yacht Club,

where anxious parents and friends were waiting.

In another incident, while racing our boat, the late Mel Gould, who was one of our best sailors, represented Canada at the 1960 Olympics with Jerry Conway, looked up from his small sailing boat at us and shouted, "Get that freighter out of here!" Ours was considered a big boat at that time.

We were fortunate in having Mr. Carl Koffler as our manager, he was with us for over 20 years. I understand this is a record for a Yacht Club manager in North America. Now we have Hans Groesdhl as our manager and I feel confident he will do just as well.

I would also like to pay tribute to our members who have passed away, but not forgotten, and who have contributed much to the success of our Club.

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Dear Friend:

Recently it was learned that the Tel Aviv Section of the Israel Sea Scouts were in urgent need of an escort motor boat, as the boat previously used had been irreparably damaged as a result of an accident.

The Israel Sea Scouts form a part of the Israel Scout Association operating under the auspices of the Department of Youth, Culture and Sports of the Tel Aviv Municipality.

The Tel Aviv Branch has a membership of approximately 400 boys and girls between the ages of 12 to 18.

The Association provides training in sailing and navigation as well as general education towards good citizenship. The training is provided by volunteers, who are young men and women who love the sea and are themselves graduates of the Israel Sea Scouts and in some cases the Israel Naval Forces.

The function of the boat required is to provide protection during training and sporting exercises.

In response to an appeal for assistance in raising the funds required, it was decided to form a Committee for this purpose and the names of the Committee appear on this letter.

Shortly after the commencement of the efforts in regards to this cause, we suffered the loss of Sam Perkell. Sam, as most of us are aware, was keenly interested in matters relating to Israel and was particularly interested when the sport of sailing was involved. Sam was a founding member of the Island Yacht Club of Toronto, had fought in the Canadian Forces during World War II. He resigned from the Officers Training Corp. in order to serve overseas.

It was deemed fitting that our efforts in this matter be tied to the memory of Sam Perkell and it has, therefore, been arranged that the vessel being procured will bear Sam's name.

A boat, in excellent condition, has been located which will fulfill the requirements. The vessel has been appraised at \$70,000.00 to \$80,000.00 U.S., however, the owner has agreed to accept \$35,000.00 as full payment. The City of Tel Aviv will provide Radar and other required equipment.

Cheques should be made payable to The Jewish Cultural Association c/o the above address, and deductible receipts for Income Tax purposes will be provided for donations of \$100.00 and over.

With your help, we will assist in the cause described above and help perpetuate the memory of our good friend Sam Perkell.

Yours sincerely,

Bernard L. Yale, Chairman

DEFENSIBLE BORDERS

Reprint from Jerusalem Post

HAIM BAR-LEV's testimony to the High Court that the Eilon Moreh settlement in the West Bank was not necessary from a security point of view, has roused considerable controversy. Here are extracts from the former chief-of-staff's view of what kind of settlement is needed for Israel's defence.

The term "defensible borders" is, as it were, shorthand for an entire political-security concept. For a defensible border should, in fact, present no temptation to either side to embark on hostile acts against the other, and it should also lie at some distance from areas essential to the states on either side.

An examination of the pre-Six Day War armistice lines, which formed the borders between Israel and its neighbours—Egypt, Jordan and Syria—readily shows that they had none of those qualities.

Thus, the border with Egypt left vulnerable three areas of "temptation" which the Egypt of the time was unable to resist:

- In 1956 and again in 1967, Egypt found it all too easy to blockade the Straits of Tiran without having any need to conquer the adjacent territory, and this twice brought war between the two countries.

- Nasser's Egypt found itself incapable of resisting the temptation to turn the Gaza Strip into a forward military base, and a staging ground for terrorist activity.

- Eilat, an isolated Israeli outpost at the apex of the three-way border between Egypt and Jordan, was just too inviting an aim for Egypt in 1967, and General Shazli's goal in the fighting of that time was precisely to cut it off and conquer it.

- Taking into account the topographical features of the Negev, there was certainly no great distance between the border and Beersheba and Ashkelon.

- As far as Jordan was concerned, temptation derived from the extreme proximity to the "Green Line" of areas that are vital to Israel: Jerusalem itself was divided between Israel and Jordan; Tel Aviv lay within range of artillery barrage; and the Israeli coast line was only 16 km. from Jordanian territory. All of this was just too much for Jordan and, hence, despite Israel's message that there would be no attack on Jordan if Israel was not attacked from that quarter, Jordan too, joined the battle in the Six Day War.

In signing the peace treaty with Egypt, Israel has relinquished a far more advantageous border in the south. The Israeli pull-back to the international boundary will once again expose the entire region south of Eilat, restoring the town to its status of border outpost, once again vulnerable from the south and the east. Further north the distance between the border and the Magen group of settlements, Hatzetim and Beersheba, has again shrunk appreciably.

This is not the place to enter again into the debate over Israel's abandonment of the attempt to strengthen its borders with Egypt. Hopefully, the new border will be peaceful, and Egypt will, in the future, resist the temptations that are again offered it.

But the question of the borders with our other neighbours is still open.

The Likud Government's policy favours autonomy for the

people of the West Bank, but leaves intact and under Israeli authority, a stretch of territory running all the way from the Jordan river to Tulkarm and Kalkiliya.

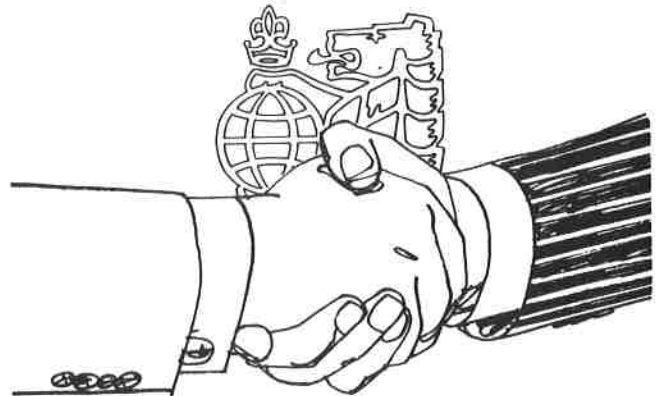
Or, in other words, the government is not prepared to recognize the existence of different categories of territory within Judea, Samaria and the Gaza Strip. In the government's approach there are no areas which, from a security viewpoint, are more important or less important to the State of Israel. All are equally important.

There are three possible outcomes to such a policy:

In the first place, if there is no agreement on the autonomy question, Egypt may withdraw from her obligations to implement the peace treaty.

Next, during the five-year autonomy period we may well be faced with the creation of a Palestinian state. If this happens, since the government sees the entire West Bank as an indivisible stretch, the area of that Palestinian state will itself extend from the Jordan to the Green Line in one continuous territorial block joined to the states on Israel's eastern front.

The third possibility: assuming the establishment of a Palestinian state can be prevented, and the Likud government can deliver on its promise to the Herut convention and annex the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, we shall then be faced with a situation that calls in question the Jewish character of the State of Israel. For in this case, we shall find ourselves confronted by a two-million-strong Arab minority whose rate of natural increase far exceeds that of our own Jewish population.



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These, I submit, are the dangers to which the Likud's policies expose us, if they ever became reality.

What is the alternative to this gloomy outlook, and how far has such an alternative any chance of success?

The option, it seems to me, lies in a territorial compromise that makes a clear distinction between areas vital to Israel's security, and others which, for the sake of peace, and in conditions of peace, can be given up.

The vital areas in the West Bank are the Jordan Rift, the Jerusalem region, and a certain number of points along the Green Line (the Etzion block, for example).

Israel's continued presence in the Jordan Rift will ensure the effective demilitarization of the West Bank, while in the event of war it will make the Jordan itself the front line.

If Israel does not maintain its presence in this area, demilitarization will have no meaning beyond providing us with some few hours advance notice of hostilities. The Jordan Rift, with an unbroken line of Israeli settlement extending from the Belt Shean region to Ein Gedi, has all the requirements of a "defensible border" detailed earlier. It presents no temptation to attack, and does not run near any areas which are vital to either Israel or Jordan.

Settlement in the Jordan Rift has a clear defensive value. The contribution to Israel's security made by settlement in border areas such as the Rift, the Golan Heights and the southern tip of the Gaza Strip lies in their having sealed off the borders to possible terrorist penetration, and thus having reinforced the Israeli army along the entire border.

Far from tying up IDF units, they have considerably eased the security burden and freed soldiers for duties elsewhere.

And, in any all-out war, border outposts such as these can find their place within the fighting forces as active units. Properly equipped and organized, kibbutzim and moshavim along the borders are an important element in Israel's front-line.

Nor do they stand alone, for they are properly integrated into the security scheme. Further, such civilian settlement in these essential areas gives an element of permanence to the Israeli presence there.

On the other hand, Gush Emunim settlements play no such security role, despite the effects that the Prime Minister and some other ministers invest in trying to prove the opposite.

Settlements in the very heart of the territories make no contribution whatsoever to security. And, far from relieving the security forces of any burden, they merely tie them up further in the need to defend their settlers.

But the true motive of these Gush Emunim settlements in the heart of Judea and Samaria is the immediate implementation of historical claims to the area. Security is but the pretext in the government's attempt to sell its programme both to its own people and to outsiders—and with no very great success.

And now to a consideration of the facts that lead one to believe that territorial compromise has a chance.

The Camp David framework includes the following:

- Autonomy shall run for five years.
- Security Council Resolution 242 applies to the West Bank.
- At the end of a three-year period under autonomy, negotiations shall start between Israel, Egypt, Jordan and representatives of the Palestinians regarding the permanent borders and the permanent status of the occupied territories on the West Bank.

The Camp David agreements do not say that the permanent borders shall be identical with the Green Line. Instead, Camp David provides for negotiations on the permanent border, and it is this which affords the basis for a territorial compromise.

A peace agreement that would leave the Jordan Rift in Israeli hands and transfer the populated territories of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip to Jordanian rule also contains within it some solution to the Palestinian problem.

True, this is not the solution that the PLO would want, but it is a solution that unites the Palestinian people within the framework of a single Arab state. It is also a solution which some West Bankers prefer to a PLO-style state. And Sadat's attitude to that organization is also well known.

It is surely reasonable to assume, too, that even those many Palestinians who today demand the setting up of a Palestinian/PLO state would prefer a Jordanian-Palestinian state to the continuation of Israel rule. And those who are ready for no solution that falls short of a Palestinian state will, it seems to me, have no choice but to accept reality.

The territorial compromise programme further guarantees Israel's Jewish character, while still answering all its security needs.

A decision on the eastern border question will have to be made within a few years. The Arab states, the U.S. and the Palestinians today may not be signalling their readiness for territorial compromise, but in the next few years, it seems that they may well conclude that the only practical solution is to carve up the territory and establish a "defensible border."

However, one precondition will be absolutely necessary: the existence of a government whose motivations are purely and simply the security needs of the State of Israel, and not those of holding every single inch of land.



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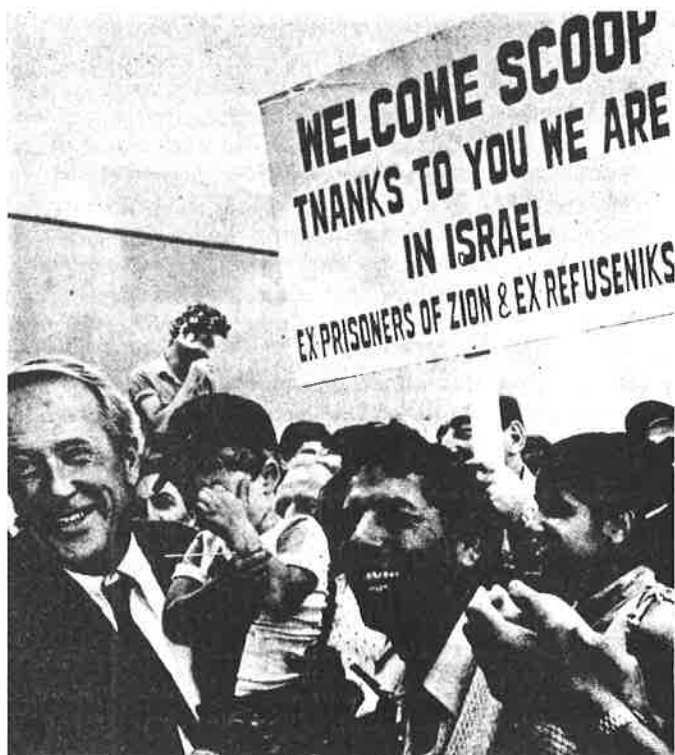
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Still No Solution In Sight For Soviet Jewish Dropouts

Reprint from Jerusalem Post



Former Prisoners of Zion and their families welcome U.S. Senator Henry ("Scoop") Jackson upon his arrival last week at Ben-Gurion Airport.

A solution to the ever-worsening Russian Jewish dropout problem remained far from sight last week when Prime Minister Menachem Begin, cabinet members, Jewish Agency officials and American Jewish leaders failed to reach immediate conclusions on what to do.

Begin proposed to the group, however, that the Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society (HIAS) and the Joint Distribution Committee (JDC) refrain from helping emigrants who do not have close relatives in the U.S. The American Jewish leaders were asked to bring the proposals before their boards and report back in three or four months, in time for the Jewish Agency board of governors meeting in October.

(The Absorption Ministry last week released a research study that concluded that all assistance to emigrants by HIAS and the Joint must be stopped in order to cut back the dropout rate.)

The premier's proposal came as a compromise after the group rejected Agency Executive chairman Ayre Dulzin's proposal that all Russian Jews who receive exit visas to Israel be brought to Israel. Dulzin, noting that the dropout rate among emigrants is nearing 70 per cent, said HIAS and Joint have helped increase the dropout rate by their presence in Vienna and Rome.

Meanwhile, a group of former Prisoners of Zion, including Eduard Kuznetsov, Silva Zalmanson, Ayre Knokh and Anatoly Altman, sent a petition to the Jewish Agency Assembly calling for the granting of "temporary resident" status to all Russian Jewish emigrants, who would thus have the right to go to another country (without jeopardizing their refugee status) after a certain period of residence in Israel.

U.S. Senator Henry Jackson last week called on Soviet Jews to continue their efforts in the struggle to emigrate and to be strong and patient in the wait for exit visas. He promised that the U.S. Congress would continue to help those Jews who want to leave for Israel.

Jackson spoke to reporters at the airport upon his arrival with his wife, son and daughter. He will attend a seminar on international terrorism sponsored by the Jonathan Institute in Jerusalem.

Exiled Ida Nudel: "Kafka, Where Are You?"

by Sarah Honig
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Tel Aviv—"Kafka, Kafka, where are you? Even your imagination could not create a situation like this," says Ida Nudel's tape-recorded voice, describing her life of terror and isolation in remote Siberian exile. The tape, obtained exclusively by "The Jerusalem Post", was smuggled here recently by visitors who saw Ida in the far-off district to which she has been banished by the Soviet authorities.

Ida Nudel was sentenced to five years' internal exile last year on charges of "malicious hooliganism", for placing a poster in her Moscow apartment window demanding that she be allowed to go to Israel. Her real crime, it is felt, was her relentless one-woman campaign to maintain contact with and look after Prisoners of Zion, many of whom she had never met. The 48 year old activist has become known among Jewish prisoners in the USSR as "mama" and the "angel of mercy."

Now she is the only woman housed in a bleak

barracks-like hut inhabited by 60 male ex-convicts who are considered so dangerous to society that they must spend the rest of their lives away from population centres. They are constantly drunk, brawling and armed with knives.

In the tape recording which has reached Israel, Ida Nudel

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says that she is "sometimes attacked at night by men who behave like apes."

The barracks has no plumbing to speak of and the inmates share one sink which Ida Nudel describes as "surrounded by rats so large that I began suffering from hallucinations after a while because of the sight of them."

Speaking a fluent English, Ida Nudel says she is "completely alone, without friends or people to speak with, and with no one to help when I am ill, or call out to if I am in trouble. I am all alone in my little room, which is my fortress, my bedroom, my kitchen, my toilet, my washroom and my laundry. I do not even have enough words in Russian to describe how terrible my life is here."

"Even Kafka could not have dreamed up such a situation. Village people nearby are afraid to speak to me. They are afraid of any contact at all with me. Even children who touched and petted my dog were later questioned by the police. This situation is so absurd, that I do not know whether I should laugh or cry," she says in an emotion-laden voice.

The barracks in which Ida Nudel is housed is located some 4 km away from a backwoods Siberian hamlet in which hardly any provisions are available, and even foodstuffs are at a premium and barely edible. The area is surrounded by swamps, and the path to the village is muddy and barely passable. For most of the year, the entire area is snowed under and cut off altogether, with temperatures of 50 degrees below zero. The nearest city is Tomsk, more than 150 km away.

In the tape, Ida Nudel complains that she is "weak, as every human being is. I cry, but not as an expression of weakness or sorrow. I do not regret any act of mine as a refusenik. I cry for sorrow over the meaninglessness of my life here. This meaninglessness is the principal reason for my suffering. Only the knowledge that I helped Jewish people leave the Soviet Union gives me strength and satisfaction," she says in the tape. She goes on to thank all those who struggle for her and for Soviet Jewry.

The tape was addressed to members of the 35, the UK women's action group for Soviet Jewry, and was given to "The Post" by Evelyn Ross, former chairman of the Leeds 35, who now lives in Israel.

Reprint from Jerusalem Post

Boat People with Kin Already

Here to Get Preference

Orphans and boat people who already have relatives in Israel will get preference in the next group of Vietnamese refugees to be given a home here, the cabinet decided on Sunday. Two hundred refugees will be accepted in the next group.

Azriel Waldman, director-general of the Absorption Ministry, was appointed to head a committee of directors-general to make arrangements for selecting the group and handling their absorption. Six ministries will be represented on the committee, as well as the Jewish Agency Immigration Department.

Close to 170 refugees have already arrived here, coming in two separate groups. They have all left absorption centres and received employment.

SHALOM, IDA NUDEL

This poem was written in Hebrew by Naomi Shemer, one of Israel's best-loved writers of popular songs (including Jerusalem Of Gold). The translation is by British born Habima actress Aviva Marks. Both are active in the Israeli Women for Ida Nudel (I WIN).

We both were born in the same year, from the one people come,

And though we two have never met
Nor may I bid you welcome yet—
Allow me for all that to call you sister,
And tell you in tongue ancient as time—
Your people are my people, your God, mine.

A tiny woman in snowbound desert
A pail of water in her frozen hand
And in her hut, to cold and hunger prey
In solitude she struggles, abandoned to the fray—
And yet against all reason, in some strange and curious way
It may be said that she, she is my only hope today.

I who dwell in comfort and in shelter
With shade in summer and with autumn's stove
And honey with my morning bread and butter,
And she has nothing, save despair and cold.
And all the stubbornness and all the quiet
And all the arid dryness after storm—
A tiny woman, and her cry—a whisper
A stranger to me, yet for all that, sister.

The family tree we both do share is ancient,
The wind that moves it blows beyond the pale,
One is the wind that soars across the borders
Of the Siberian frost—to Eretz Yisrael.

That wind it is that moves your silent lips now
And pledges us to seal one with the other
A covenant of sister souls.
And whispers to me as I write to wish you well
To wish you all the blue and light of Eretz Yisrael—
That I believe the long awaited day is soon to come
When I may bid you welcome, and when one enormous sun
Will shine upon the two of us, dear sister.

by Naomi Shemer

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Our Embassy Belongs In Jerusalem

We Shouldn't Give In To Arab Threats

by Joan Sutton

Since the only reporter you can trust is the one who admits his bias, let me admit mine. Although I sometimes disagree with the government of Israel's policies, I believe that the State of Israel has the right, not only to survive, but to thrive in reasonable security.

There are many arguments that could be used to justify that right, some historical, some moral. Having been to Israel several times, I am inclined to think that there is a more pragmatic justification, that the Israelis have earned the right to the land. They have cherished it, and made it bloom. They have turned a hostile environment into one in which man's creative genius can, and does, flourish.

Nowhere is that more evident than in Jerusalem.

Care shown

I was in East Jerusalem in 1967 and I saw a refuse-filled, barbed wired and very poor city. I have been back twice since, witness to the city's respectful restoration, to the care that has been shown to religious sites of every faith, to economic growth. In Israeli hands, this ancient city has truly become Jerusalem the Golden.

I am not so naive that I do not see the political motivation for that restoration. But still, it was done. The Arabs may love Jerusalem, but they brought to the city the kind of lip service that many bring to motherhood: Let's put it on a pedestal, but don't expect us to pay for it.

Let me anticipate the cynical reply that the Israeli restoration was executed with North American money. First, no one has more money than the Arabs. Secondly, the Israelis have other, urgent needs for money.

Threatened on all borders, their defence budget is enormous. They would prefer to create, but they must protect.

They are highly taxed people, carrying a burden of inflation that affects the everyday life of every family. Yet they chose to restore Jerusalem.

Fact overlooked

In all the rhetoric about the Canadian government's proposal to move our embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, one important fact tends to be overlooked.

We are talking of moving our embassy to West Jerusalem, which has been Israeli territory since 1948. This is not 'annexed' Arab land, the result of the Six Day War.

West Jerusalem is not part of the current Arab-Israeli negotiations. It is not open to discussion. And, West

Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. The Israeli parliament is there. We should have been there all along, with the Netherlands and those 11 other countries.

Can you imagine how Canadians would react if some country decided to locate its embassy, not in Ottawa, but in Montreal or Calgary?

Canada has a reputation as an international peacekeeper. I wish we had a reputation for being as courageous as the Netherlands. That country has never shirked its role as a peacekeeping nation, but it had done that without ever compromising its integrity.

The economic sanctions that the Arabs threaten will hurt some of us. If you have never been exposed to Arab threats, that can be alarming. Because I have publicly expressed my belief that Israel has the right to exist, those threats are not new to me. I am very familiar with the voice of hate.

Threats alarming

Regardless of my views about Israel, as a Canadian, if my country gives in to blackmail, or threats of terrorism, I will be disappointed.

In the short run, we may make some economic gains by giving in to the Arabs. But economic gains made at the cost of our sovereignty come at much too high a price.

Sooner or later the world is going to have to make a decision to start conducting its affairs with more concern for what is right than what is expedient.

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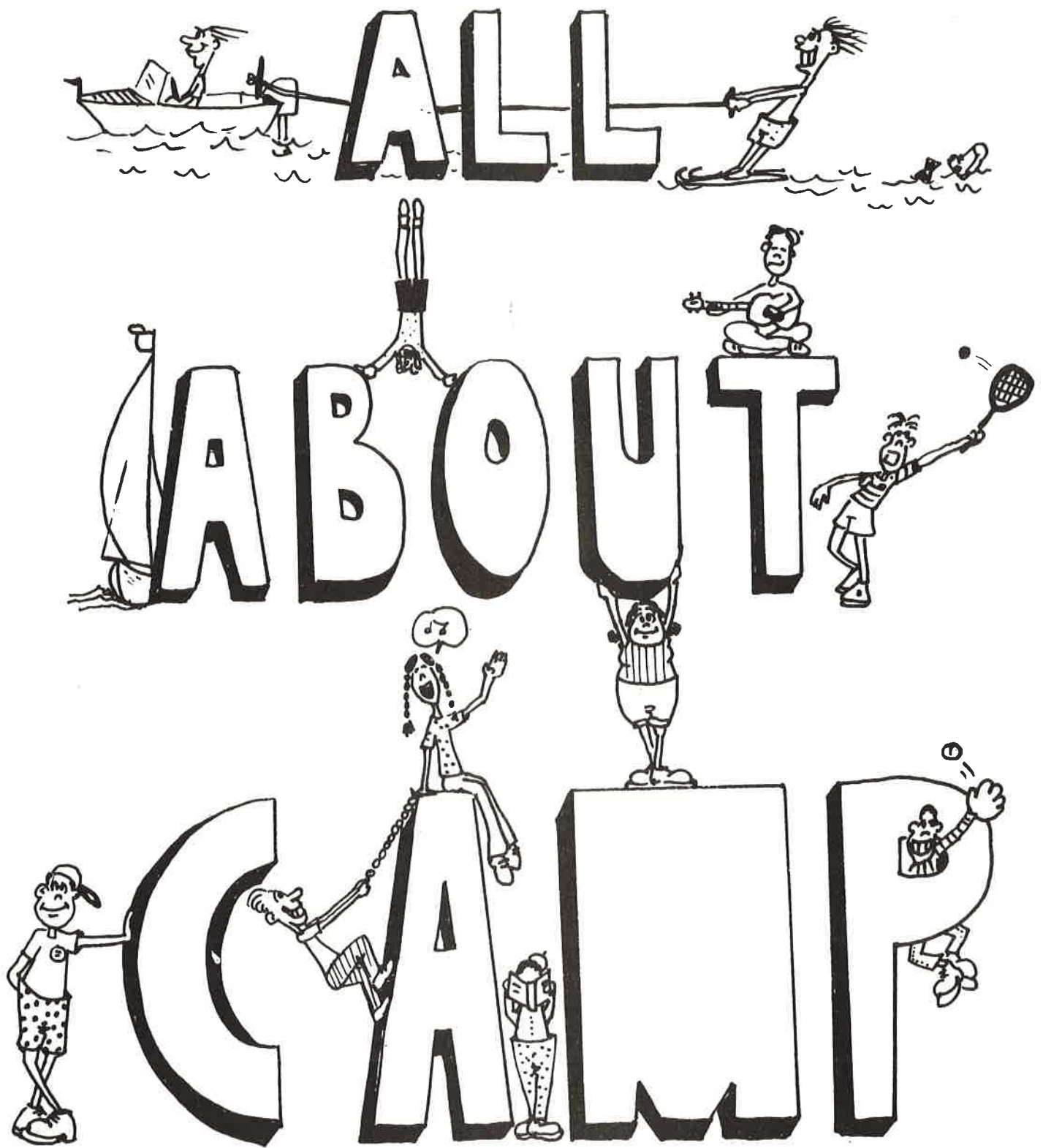
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This picture was taken at a Junior Hadassah Banquet. The year? Perhaps you can identify.



This picture was taken in Moncton during World War II at the Jewish Congress Centre. Do you remember the exact year?



CAMP KADIMAH 1979



Camp Kadimah Staff 1979

Camp Directors Report

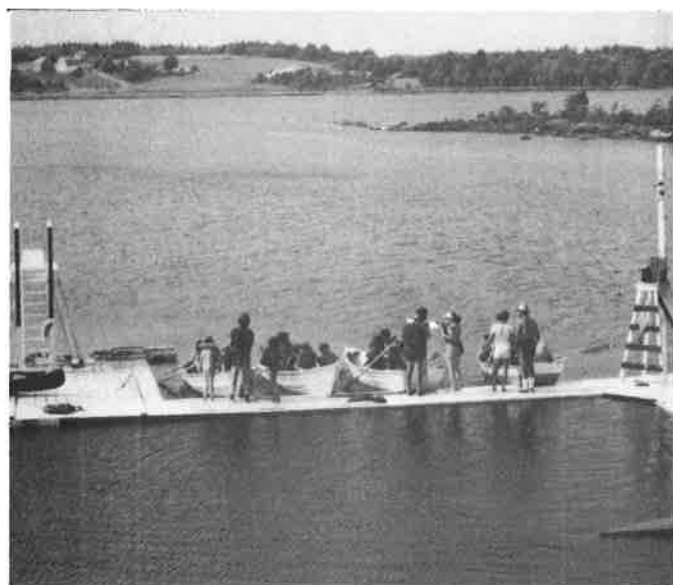
Recipe for Camp Kadimah

Ingredients:

20 Cabins	Sail Boats
1 Dining Hall	Row Boats
1 Ulam	Canoes
1 Pavilion	152 Campers
2 Sports Fields	40 Staff
Tennis Courts	38 Years of Tradition, Lots of
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Row Row Row Your Boat . . .

GIBORIN

Camp My First Year

by Robin Shore

Camp is my first time without my parents. This is my first year. Sometimes I want to go home, sometimes I don't. There are lots of activities like running and dodgeball too.

How I Like Camp

by Adam Devlin

I like all our activities and I loved the hike that J.W. took us on and a few other people brought us on. My counsellors are the best counsellors in the world. They are Bernie Soicher, Jerry Kohler and Leslie Rosoph.

Counsellors Hunt

by Andrea Yampolsky

The night after Visiting Day was over we had a counsellor hunt. I helped catch Mathew Burnstein. After it was over we had to go back to the Ulam. Then we had to raise our right hand and swear to tell the truth, but instead they started to break out Maccabia. After that they brought colors out. I was on the red team.

by Jacki Pinsler

This year at camp I was in cabin A. I only had 5 kids in my cabin. We have a lot of fun. We swim, draw, and run. I stay with Danielle all the time.

Sunday

by Jonathan Meretsky

In the morning when we make up the cabin is glad because there is no hafta'ah. Then we go to breakfast. After

breakfast we go to mifkad, which is usually boring. After Chofshi we go back to prepare for the first peulot.

First peulot on Sunday is boating for our bunk. Second peulot is sports which the whole bunk enjoys because most of the time we play softball. Almost everyday for third peulot we have swim instruction. Most of the time we like it because it is hot.

Now it is time for lunch which is a noisy meal. After lunch we have rest period and we have fun playing champ. After rest period we a day chugs. After first chug we have snack, then 1 more chug.

Ten minutes after that we have General Swim. Most of the bunk goes in because it is so great to cool off. Half an hour later we have a barbecue and we have hot dogs and I love them.

Then we go back to the cabin for evening program and most of the bunk does not like going to evening program.

After the evening program we have snack and immediately following snack we go to bed. We are different when we go to bed because when Mishmarr comes we are all quiet, then we go to sleep.

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Camp Is

by Cindy Pink
Cabin 15

Camp is a lot of fun. It is full of fun and games. There are different activities, like: tennis, dancing, bama shirkup, ping pong, waterskiing, canoeing, watergames, and stuff like that. You stay at camp for six weeks. On the third week of camp there is a visiting day. It is when your parents come up to visit you.

Every year there is "Maccabia", which is a color war. There are four teams, red, white, blue, and yellow. You fight against each other to see who wins. At the end of Maccabia they announce the winner. This year blue team won.

The Best Part of Camp

by Barry Cohen
Cabin 16

The best part of camp was playing softball, and eating, and swimming, and eating and sleeping and eating and playing games and eating and eating and eating: Hi Fatso. And when we're finished eating, we start all over again, pretty good day huh?

Chugim

by Stefanie Green

Chugim are activities that you yourself pick for the afternoon. You have the choice of many things. Some of them are: tennis, hockey, softball, sailing, ping pong, Mel Yad, gymnastics, sailing, watergames, dancing, and badminton. There are a few others. You pick whatever you want and that's what you do for the afternoon. There are two chugs a day. There is A day and B day, two different ones each day.

Things to do at Camp

by Adrienne Blumenthal

All day we have sports, games, swim, house leagues, chugim, bama, skirkud, A.C.P. hebrew heroes, and tzof. Every night we have evening program. Sometimes it is about Jews or we play games and do lots of other things. Every morning we have Haftaa, which is having relays, buffalo hunts, or other things. Machar Day is when the counsellors have a day off and the Machar kids are our counsellors for the day. This gives them an experience. After lunch we have to rest during rest period. We have to stay in our cabins for that hour. We also have inspection every day. At meal times we have a person doing toranut. That is setting, clearing, and sweeping underneath our tables.

On Saturday we have free time all day because it is the Sabbath. There are services on Friday night and Saturday mornings. Every Saturday night there is a social. At the end of the year there is a banquet. On rainy days we have indoor programs. Camp is really a lot of fun.

Sports

by Lyle Goldberg

One of the main reasons I go to Camp Kadimah is to play a lot of sports. My favorite sport that we play in camp is softball. We have a good athletic bunk this year. Joey Schwartz and I usually listen to the New York Yankees games at night when the lights go out. My friends and I sometimes have a catch once in a while.

My First Year

by Amir Nevo

When I was in the bus on my way to camp I was waiting to see what camp was like. Once I got here I saw a lot of nice things. I came to my cabin and chose a bed and got my things cleaned up. Now, my fourth week I went on a canoe trip. I had lots of fun paddling, eating, and swimming. I came back and had fun too.

My 1979 Year at Camp Kadimah

by Mitch Dankner

My 1979 year was very successful. This is my best out of 2 years I've been here. Maccabia was great. My counsellors were good. And the sports were good, and I had a great time. I can't wait for next year. I also can't forget swimming was good.

Sailing

by Adam Stern

This was my first year sailing. I learnt how to pilot a boat and I learnt what to expect during emergencies and how to get myself out of them. Sailing can be a lot of fun as long as you do it properly.



Boating is Fun on Bright Sunny Days . . .

KOCHOT

Good Old Camp

by Wendy Bonluk

This is my 4th year at Camp Kadimah. I have to be enjoying it or else I wouldn't keep coming back. The activities are very good this year. My counsellors are great: but the year will end soon and we'll be sad because we're leaving. Then next year we'll come again and be happy again.



Smiling Faces

Kochot 1979 Canoe Hike

by Cherise Devlin

This year the Kochot '79 section went on a successful canoe hike. Those who were in charge, and one Macharnick, were: Leslie Rosoph (staff), Bruce Simon (staff), Ben Schlew (macharnick), and Lawrence Chippin (staff).

Of course they all knew what they were doing. The kids from Kochot are, I'll list them in cabin order:

Cabin 30

Cherise Devlin

Cabin 32

Selig Willansky

Evan Zel

Allan Goldman

Bill H. Chernin

Bernie David

Cabin 31

Heidi Fishel

Andrea Garson

Heidi Brown

Cabin 33

Michael Pink

Mark Lobenberg

Joel Freedman

And we all had a great time. After we went through Lake Williams we went through a river, which had a few rapids. After that there was a lot of canoeing to do and boy after we came back we were tired and went to bed.

MACHAR

This being our seventh and last summer here as campers at Kadimah, we have many good years to reflect back on. Starting as little Gibs making our way up to second year Macharniks. When you start in Giborim and Goshrim you don't really feel the strength and closeness of the chevra until you reach the older sections of Kochot and Machar, which then you become more a part of it. As every year passes, you find it necessary to return to camp to be reunited with old friends as well as in search of new ones.

Being a part of Machar is a special feeling, a feeling very different from the rest of Kadimah. We hope anyone that comes into Machar has a chance to experience it. As we approach the last week of our life here as campers we are sad to leave only in hope to return as staff members in the years to follow.

Machar '79

by Lisa Prossin

Machar '79 has been a pretty good year, and with the help of Seema, Kenny, Marsha, Ron and Fay, Camp Machar grew together to be united as we are and to be one big chevra. We had our good times, and we did have some bad ones, but we all had a lot of fun. Each day we got closer to our friends and of course got closer to trouble with daily shaving cream fights, water fights, trips to the general store, etc. . . and with nightly visits to cabins 7, 8, 9, 13, and 14. In cabin 9, I think that we all got closer and closer and we all sure will remember the great times we had together for a long time.

Dedicated to: Machar of '79

by Andrea Besnos and
Marla Jacobson

Together, forever

Our memories linger on in our minds

Friendships everlasting,

Six weeks as one, big, happy family,

Through thick and thin, struggling and surviving.

As we had to approach our last summer at Camp Machar, we think our different thoughts and ideas have now become ONE.

The tears flow from our eyes as we reflect back on all our goals and accomplishments of the summer.

Laughing, crying, dreaming, feeling, today, tomorrow, always. Our chevra will last and last and last and last. . . .

Machar, we'll miss you and love you FOREVER. . . .

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Machar at Indian Falls

by Lisa Shulman and Michelle Cohen

July 3, the second day of Camp Machar, we were taken on an overnight to Indian Falls. After Menucha, we set off, with a 2 hour hike. The walk went by very quickly, and we arrived at our destination sooner than we had anticipated. After we got settled in, we went for a swim in the falls. The rest of the day we sat around and got to know each other a little better. After supper we had free time. When it got dark we had a bonfire where we talked and then sang songs while Marcia played the guitar for us. Soon after, we had to go to bed because we were so tired from our long and hard day. We woke up early to the chirping of birds and the cold air.

We gathered wood and sat around the fire until breakfast was ready. Once we were finished, we packed our bags and set off for camp. When we got through the gates of camp we all ran to the showers to clean ourselves off. As the old saying goes, time flies when you're having fun. Believe us, we did have fun. We all got a lot closer than when we met at Kadimah-Machar.

Machar

by Pauline Friedman

To me, Machar is one big chevra. We are all one, and unified by the love and respect which we give to each other. This year we have grown really close, like one big family. I've gotten to know a lot of nice people and friends which I will know and love for years to come. I'm really sad to be leaving, but I shall return as a counsellor some day soon.

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May the coming year be filled with short, short stories and poems that will delight you. May you and I become corresponding friends through the printed pages of SHALOM JOURNAL. Watch for vignettes, little stories and poems by the Chassid, and gentleman and scholar... Leib Chaim (Leon) Sills.

Camp

by Andrea Garson

Camp has its ups and downs
And though we take it well,
Sometimes it feels like Heaven,
And sometimes it feels like Hell.

The water is great,
But sometimes cold,
If I won't go in
My instructor will scold.

Camp Kadimah 1979

by Robyn Cohen

Camp this year was great !
I loved every minute of it.
Not one day didn't I like.
All the programs were fantastic.
The counsellor fabulous and
the campers were even better.
Swim instruction was good for a
change. I loved camp and I'm
going to come back every year.

Camp Kadimah

by Heidi Brown

Camp this year was really fun,
Not just for me for everyone.
We sing and dance and swim and run,
All until the day is done!
On Visiting Day we get food and pop,
And at night we cabin hop!
The food is great, we eat a lot
We manage to eat all the food we got.
But now the summer's at an end,
I definitely will miss my friends.
I'll leave with teardrops in my eyes,
I'll miss the staff, the girls, the guys
I'll leave to come back soon again,
Very soon but I don't know when!

Kadimah has a reservation in my heart forever
The friends and foe and much endeavour.
The growing pains which I went through
As I look back seem so few.
The good times far outnumber the bad
To think of it just makes me sad.

Not because I miss it so
but because now Kadimah may cease to grow.
It makes me mad just to think
That we are destroying our final link.
The final bond that holds us close
Us the Jews of the Atlantic coast.
As your reading this poem Kadimah is sinking
So take a minute right now and please start thinking.

by Esther Tock

by Susan Brinker

Camp is here and over soon
And then we will be home
But here in our cabins there is something wrong
there is no telephone
I am having fun, rare time I'm not
Almost everyday it's very hot
Well that is it for today
Camp Kadimah is AY okay!

Soldier of Israel

by Miryawm Sherman

quiet, alone
yet unafraid. . .
He thought. . .
Free, strong, independent, yet united. . .
he died
he died holding together the land. . .
for you and me
Another took his place
After him so shall another
The country is ours because of him
Ours to dance in
cry in
fight for. . .
Thank you. . .

Punishments of a Cabin Hopper

by Jan Nathanson
Robyn Cohen

1. 10 laps around main sports field.
2. Sweep & mop the chadar.
3. Mop the shower house.
4. Toronut for a week.
5. Complete camp clean up.
6. Be bunked for 2 days.
7. Apologies to head staff.
8. To rake the main sports field.
9. Canned fruit for a week!
10. Lecture by HEAD HONCHO!

How to Cabin Hop Unsuccessfully

by Jan Nathanson
Robyn Cohen

1. 20 to 30 people at a time.
2. Use flashlights.
3. Be noisy. (scream, yell, etc. . .)
4. Lock all doors.
5. Walk at all times.
6. Walk in lighted places.
7. Slam doors of all other cabins.
8. Wear clogs.
9. Wear fluorescent pajamas.
10. Have a section party at 12:30.

I sit and look at the
scattered papers,
they lay all around me
torn, stepped upon,
mostly forgotten
If I could read a few lines
maybe just a few words
or even a letter
then I'd see
the Hebrew print
the detailed manuscript
it was written for me
my father read it everyday
studied it, believed it
but now this. . .
it is only scattered paper
to be held in my memory
but you'll never *see* it,
feel it, or understand it. . .
it was lost. . .

I like camp Kadima because of the games and swims. It is also good cos you get to not be board on the holiday.

I like it because of Maccabia. I was in Red team and they came 2. In Maccabia I liked the swimming races and the running.

by Simon Ziff

Why Stewart Likes Maccabia

I like Maccabia because we have the Maccobathon reggada and Marrothon and other events. In the Maccobathon we race against the other teams in reggada. We have boat races and swim races and in the Marrathon we have races against are section and I was on blue team and we won. Maccabia thats why I like Maccabia.

by Stewart Sable



Resting During Maccabia

Swaying Dreams

by Tova Sherman

I lie awake,
In my dream,
Each thought that flows,
Is like an endless stream.

Shattered hopes,
Images destroyed.
Realities I see,
Yet try to avoid.

Covering feelings,
In dreams that sway,
From place to place,
From day to day.

Am I sleeping?
Am I dead?
Am I living?
With feelings I've fled.

What is real,
Isn't clear.
It's finding myself,
That I fear.

Looking closely,
At my life seems ...
To turnout only ...
SWAYING DREAMS.

realized he was late for school and that Richard wasn't going to show up, he left feeling very confused.

When he tried phoning Richard's house that night, Richard's mother kept making excuses why he couldn't come to the phone. Barry did not know what to do. When the same thing happened again for three days in a row, he began to feel rejected.

Friday night came, when Barry went to Boy Scouts with Richard. As he expected, Richard did not show up to meet him on the corner. He walked to the church alone and he saw Richard sitting on the floor alone. When Barry approached him, Richard stood up and moved to the other side of the room. Barry could not understand the changes and the corruption that was going on between them and what was happening to their relationship and he was very troubled.

When the Boy Scout meeting was called to order and all the boys were seated quietly, the scout master stood up and said, "I'd like to open this meeting with something extremely important. I received a phone call yesterday from the head Scout of Germany. He kindly requests the removal of all members who do not belong to a church or to the Christian religion. This is not a discriminatory act, just an act of caution and will be better for us all. I would deeply appreciate that the following people do not return next Friday, Louis Goldstein, Arthur Freedman, Bernie Lieberman and Barry Cooper." Barry now realized what was happening to him and what was happening all around him. He was Jewish. They were not Jewish. He was an outsider. They were not outsiders. Barry glanced at Richard who was staring at the ground, and sighed.

The next day, Barry's father was called up by the Nazis and sent to Auschwitz with no warning whatsoever.

Barry was killed in a massive pogrom two weeks later. His mother finally was able to escape to America and nobody even knew or cared that the family name would be lost and forgotten forever.

Antisemitism of World War II

by Heidi Brown

World War II was in full swing. Persecution of anti-Aryans was frightening, but still existing however not unusual. Many people didn't realize that they would be affected by the terrible Nazi holocaust terrorizing the world even if they didn't appear non-Aryan.

Barry was a normal, healthy, young fourteen year old growing up in the 1940's in Nazi Germany. However, he was cursed with the worst crime that there could ever be at that particular time. Barry was a Jew.

At first, Barry wasn't bothered by the rise of Hitler and the Nazi party. He and his family were assimilated Jews and participated in many non-Jewish activities. For example, Barry's father played poker with the men from the office every Friday night. They, of course, were not Jewish. Barry's mother was involved with charities for the nearby church down the street. Barry himself had mostly non-Jewish friends and was a member of the Boy Scouts from the same church down the street. His best friend was a blond haired, blue eyed Catholic. Barry did not appear to be one of those who was to be tortured by Hitler and his men.

One morning, Barry was waiting for his best friend, Richard, to walk to school as he did every morning. He waited five minutes, then ten, then twenty, then half an hour, and still there was no sign of Richard. When Barry



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The following articles & poems have been reprinted exactly as they appeared in the "Iton" of Camp Kadimah.

Thoughts From The Yellow Team

Jews Around The World

by Naomi Brown (Gosh)

There was a man named Fred who lived in a Kibbutz in Israel, although he wasn't originally from Israel. He just moved to Israel, but he was Jewish. One evening in the Rec-Hall, Fred met a Russian Jew, a North American Jew, and a person who was born in Israel, who also never left Israel. Fred wanted to know about their countries and how they treat the Jews there. The Russian Jew answered, "It's a hard life in Russia. They wouldn't let us Jews follow our traditions, the rules of the Torah. They won't let us learn the Torah. They won't let us leave Russia, but finally I escaped." The North American Jew answered, (he had assimilated) "I don't care much about being a Jew. I like the way I am. I hate going to a synagogue, so I never go. I don't know any Hebrew. I go to Christmas parties. I don't have any Jewish friends and I don't CARE." The Israeli answered, "Israel is the land of the Jews, Jews from all over the world. You can be free there." Fred also met a Chasid on the Kibbutz. He asked the Chasid all about Chasidism. The Chasid answered, "We follow all the rules of the Shabbat. We are religious Jewish people. We go to a synagogue every Shabbat." After Fred heard all their answers he said, "To me all the Jews are the same."

Being In the Minority

by Selig Wilansky (Kochot)

She was living in a small town outside of Toronto and her family was the only one that was Jewish. She was the only Jew in her school. Everybody else in the school went to Church every Sunday, and were loyal Roman Catholics. The people of the town were not prejudiced but they didn't understand Judaism. Her family was always invited to community get-togethers, but they couldn't feel at home with the rest of the town. There are things that could only be shared with other Jews. During Christian Holidays they could never join in on the excitement. Andrea's family didn't know what to do. Whether they should stay or move to a bigger center. Then the problems were solved. They convinced their cousins to move to the town. From then on they could share Judaism with their relatives and didn't have to feel alone.

Moscow 1905

by Peter Nathanson (Machar)

As I look out my window, I can hardly perceive what is soon to occur before my eyes. All is quiet now but death looms ominously on the streets of Moscow in 1905. I was awakened by what I believed to be the nightly onrush of

the infamous beggars and peddlers of garbage collectors. They parade in uniformity foreign to that of the military. They pick the surroundings clean. Nothing is left when the swarm concludes. The noise of the colossus gathering is almost deafening to the ears of a viewer at four in the morning. As the poor of Moscow scour the streets for a solution to their hunger the rich scorn their behavior.

The noise they have made has wrought their undoing. In the distance I can hear the Czar's troops progressing eagerly towards their prey. The Cossacks as they bring upon death at the Czar's will, parade with an amazingly high quality of form. With the sight of them the crowd of immensity disperses in a crazed frenzy. Some escape but numerous numbers remain unable to escape their fate. The Cossacks charge with nothing but death at mind. As the swords swing, the blood pours in assumed rivers, wives are hurriedly shuffled away while windows are closed in expectation of the massacre. Few, if any, will escape death. A column has been cleared by the mighty Cossacks. The Cossacks leave with but one man out of formation, he lies humped with the other contorted victims. Nothing has been achieved but to please the Czar's evil mind. But after all, this is Moscow in 1905.

Strangers in a Strange Land

by Jonathan Boniuk (Machar)

"Strangers in a Strange Land"
Is the theme of '79.
With the unity and spirit
Maccabia will be fine.

Endlessly searching for Israel,
The strangers are you and I.
Wanting and needing a homeland,
Many Jews will die.

G-d delivered us from bondage,
The Messiah will be here,
But what we need to do right now,
Is to make our own path clear.

Once we have accomplished this,
We'll have peace in our time,
All may live in harmony,
With freedom and no crime.

A Letter From Camp

Dear Mom & Dad:

How are you? I am fine. I told you I was a big liar. My counselors hang me on the rafters by my ears. It just stopped snowing so now I can go outside. There's a large hole in the roof above my bed, so when it rains my bed gets very wet. It gives people a bad impression. If I die, tell Avrum to mail me back to St. Louis. I am bored to death and I wanna come home. I get thrown in the pool everyday. I went down the slide and I hit my head on it. Matthew balled me out for taking my hands off my knees.

Wait a minute.

Everyone's singing & dancing.
Hey freaky.

This letter was a fake. I'll write a real one soon.

Love,

Wendy

Kadimah—Find A Word

by Marcia Y. & Cathy K. & Linda M.

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A- Avrum c- Cabin
Axe Chadar
 Counselors
B- Bone Cow
Bunny

e- Eating
F- Fat
Fire
Fun
H- Hebrew
I- Infirmary

K- Kochot
M- Mochar
N- Norm
Note
R- Rikud
Row

S- Scout
Shira
Sum
Sunny
T- Tin
W- Waiting
Won
Wore

"B" ANIMAL HOUSE

This is a poem from cabin B.
We are the Animal House as you can see.

We will Rock you is our Favourite Song.
Every single one of us is very strong.

We are the only ones in Camp
Who spend our rainy days playing champ

Over the summer we've all become Pals
The girls in cabin A are all our gals

John Meretsky is a Brilliant Rock Star
Stewart Sable has the power to swim Far.

Jason McIvor is our Macho Man
Adam Devlin was the champion when he ran

Shawn Sable gets all the girls,
the blonds, brunettes, the ones with curls.

Simon Ziff from Britain where it is damp
captured the heart of everyone in camp.

Gil Korn won the Ball Throw
when it comes to fishing Robert Chippin is the Pro.

Bernie Soicher teaches us how to behave
Jerry Kohler needs a shave.

Leslie Rosoph was the poet
Even though he didn't know it.

At last we've finished this crazy poem
Now it's almost time to go home.

Brought to you by:

Les
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John
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The Devil
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Thoughts From The White Team

A Look Into the Future

by Brian Epstein

As a Jew who is very concerned with Judaism's survival, I felt it was my duty to write my opinion about Judaism's future. I feel that in order for the Jewish religion to live on, we must pay more attention towards the Jewish people's past and present. The Jewish people's history is very important because as the saying states, "History repeats itself." It has proven this many times in Judaism's past when people from the Jewish religion were discriminated and prejudiced against in numerous ways. If we learn our past better, we may be able to deal with them easier in the future. The present day is also extremely important. From the present, we are able to carry on the Jewish beliefs and traditions from our generation to the next. What seems to have been happening for the last number of years is that Jews are lazy in the sense that they are not practising Judaism to their fullest. Because of this lacking, Judaism is fading more and more all the time. God forbid if this continues much more the Jewish people will wipe out their total race. The survival of the Jewish people in the future depends immensely upon the Jews in the present.

Canada 2079

It is clear that the next 100 years will stand as one of the most challenging and important centuries that Jewry World wide will ever confront. Nowhere does this assessment seem more apt than in Canada.

Similar to other highly industrialized nations throughout the world which have significant Jewish populations, Canadian Jewry will be forced to deal with the issue of Judaism's growing move towards secular ideals and the problems which will arise from a rapidly developing technostucture. The age old dilemma of how far Judaism can go in accommodating these influences without eroding the very foundations upon which it rests will inevitably be raised. One must wonder in which manner interests will be reconciled. Furthermore as an outgrowth of this question will be the issue of which elements will persist in unifying the many different Canadian Jewish communities and which will be discarded. In this respect the role of the synagogue is also changing period. Traditionally the synagogue was viewed as the cornerstone of any Jewish community, but as of late it has been replaced by country clubs and steam baths. If it were not for Israel's "fight for survival", it is uncomfortable to speculate on how the Jewish community would retain its unity and tradition.

In addition, if Israel's survival were to become an established fact, it is also important to consider whether or not Jews four generations after the establishment of the Jewish state, would be sensitive to the needs and concerns of that country. Without crisis will the future generations truly appreciate its significance?

In a uniquely Canadian context, Jewry will have to confront the problem of retaining the links that presently exist

throughout Canada should Quebec separate. We must be aware of the dangers which are posed by a super-nationalist government in Quebec and its effect upon the Eastern Canadian Jewish community. As well, it will be interesting to observe the effects of the rural-urban movement upon smaller Jewish communities.

Pearson once remarked that the 21st century would belong to Canada, no doubt this country will undergo significant changes within the next one hundred years and this cannot help but have some impact on the Jewish Community here. It is essential though that we continue to stress to our children the importance of Judaism to one's life in an increasingly complex and impersonal world. By doing so it will serve to guarantee the survival of our most valuable values and traditions.

by Anne Israeli

I am a little rose that lays on the ground all day and night.

I am white like the best team in Maccabia this year.

A Dream Come True

by Mark Earhard
Adrienne Blumenthal

Once there was a Jewish boy that lived in Russia. He had a dream to get out of the country and go somewhere else. He went to the library and took out an encyclopedia. He looked up countries and found Israel, Burma, and Saudi Arabia. Then he decided on Israel, but he couldn't go unless he got his parents out of Russia. Then he thought it wouldn't be fair to free his parents and leave all the others trapped. That night he and his parents crawled under the gates of Russia. They went to the train station and with the rest of their money they paid for a train trip to Israel. They got to Israel and went to see the government. He said that he wanted to get the Jews out of Essen in Russia. He went back to Russia with the little boy and his parents. They brought black clothes and fake passports for the people. They got back to Russia and freed the people in Essen. Then he got back to Israel and lay in his bed smiling because his dream had become a reality.



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by Barry David (Staff)

Israel is at the crossroads of her existence for she is unconsciously extirpating her integral agrarian base—the foundation of her very subsistence.

The Zionist dream espoused by Theodore Herzl proposed a Jewish state whose inhabitants would not be drawn from the bankers, brokers and diamond merchants of Western Europe and North America, but from the impoverished "shtetls" of Eastern Europe. The reason for such a practice was obvious. In order to create the state it was of paramount importance to construct an economic infrastructure—and the most important ingredient in any economy is the agrarian base.

Moreover, many Zionist thinkers such as Montefiore and Nordau, saw in a return to the land, a solution to the problems of both the land and the Jew. There was almost a mystical belief that in becoming farmers, Jews would recover their souls. They had begun in their own land as farmers and free men, and a nation of peasants and priests.

But today, as in the Roman era, there is a massive drift from the country to the city, whereby the farmers and the farmers' children have become businessmen. The

adage used in Roman times to justify this migration was "if one plows in the plowing season, and reaps in the reaping season, what is to become of learning." Today, the lure to the city, is wrought through monetary promises and the colorful and exciting environment.

But as more and more Jewish Israelis leave the land, the Arab "Fellahin" have begun to dominate the agricultural realms. Few kibbutzim remain in existence and less than one quarter of a percent of the total Jewish population tills the soil. As Jewish immigration has declined drastically in the past years the manual labour is being undertaken by the Arabs while the Jewish population drifts into finance, commerce, teaching, medicine and the law. The dream seems to have failed, for a "new Jew" has not been created, only an old one reborn. While hoping to become the Switzerland of the Middle-East, Israel has remained as a ghetto—a show case of Jewish intelligence but also a show case of Jewish deficiencies. Living in a constant state of hostility with her Northern neighbours a more amusing irony has perpetrated itself whereby Israel's principal exports consist of arms and explosives—the nation has beat its ploughshares into swords. Tomorrow the Israelie public shall vote in the referendum whether or not to make compulsory for every Jewish Israeli to serve a term on a communal farm.

Vote Wisely.

Thoughts From The Blue Team

by Jason Budovitch
Adam Stern

Anti-semitism
many Jews have
suffered
from this evil
monster
that spread its
contagious disease
throughout mankind.
We Jews have suffered
long enough
from this terrorism
to our race
stop the monster
in its tracks
kill him now!

by Maxelle Yablon
Alana Ruben
Lesley Gaum (Goshrim)

I'm the only
Jewish child
and when the weather
is very mild
my friend plays
with her dog
while I have to go
to synagogue
then the next morn-
ing when they go
to church
I watch my bird
sitting on a perch
they all make fun
of me
for a reason I
cannot see
it is not fair
there are no Jew-
ish people to spare.

by Cherise

Something happened to a Jew in my family for whom I will use the name John. One day at school when John was playing with all the other children and having a great time a boy found out the he (John) was a Jew and the bullies decided to beat him up. When John was walking home the bullies broke three of his ribs and knocked him out. A few hours later three girls came over, picked John up, put him in a wagon and carried him home.

This is a true example of Anti-Semitism.

Teen-age View of Anti-Semitism

by Shelley Flam (Machar)

Everyone has an excuse for anti-semitism, but no one is willing to purge themselves by saying it's a person's color or religion. For a naive and inexperienced child anti-semitism is an incomprehensible abstract that is not tangible nor is it of primary importance until it surfaces for the first time.

But on the contrary, to those who have been subject to examples of anti-semitism numerous times, this unjust habitual occurrence is extremely important.

Then if you observe elderly people, you see that they have given up battling for recognition as a race that demands respect. They have become embittered and they scorn the younger generation, the energetic youth who continue the war against anti-semites.

But if the "energetic youth" stop their perpetual struggle, then the dignity and respect often given with awe to Jews will vanish rapidly.

If we want to belong to ourselves, and among our neighbours, we have to make ourselves heard as equal human beings.

A True Story

by Robyn Cohen (Kochot)

One day me and my two friends decided to go to the playground, so off we went. One of my friends wasn't Jewish. Anyhow we soon got to the playground, we found it very boring, so we went back to my house and had some chips and lemonade and went out to my backyard to see what was going on. In my backyard we have a small shed looking over to my neighbor, which we didn't know too well. Anyhow, we climbed up to the shed and started to sing. My next door neighbor, the one we could see from the shed, was in her backyard. While we were singing the lady went next door to her neighbor and I guess explained that we were singing, at least that's what it looked like. My friend that wasn't Jewish was wearing a red addidas track suit.

We soon decided that we had sung enough and felt that we should just sit there quietly. The lady came back over to her yard and yelled to us, "You, the one in the red suit, you must be a Jew with such a big mouth". But she was wrong, my friend in the red was not Jewish. I really think that Jews shouldn't be put down in the way they are.

Israel, 100 Years From Today

by Marcia Weinstein (Staff)

Israel, like any other nation viewed 100 years from today will undergo many changes in the future years. Judging by its superb advances in the past 31 years, one can only expect many innovations in industry, agriculture, and societal structure in the future. Regardless of changes in morality, political tensions will probably still exist in the future and may still keep the Middle East and Israel in particular, in the limelight of world news.

Agriculturally, Israel is today a leader and an example of economization and productivity. In the future it will be possible to produce any crop on any terrain, due largely to

Israel's pioneering fertilization of the desert. Much of Israel may be forested in the future due to the concerted efforts in the 20th century.

Israel's cities will be just as modern and efficient as any in the world, and it is likely that the standard of living will, if not rise, stabilize both within the country and throughout the world. If 20th century bureaucratic roadblocks can be dismantled, it is likely that the social welfare of (the people of) Israel will improve. It can only be hoped that prejudice against the "black-Jews" (Moroccans) will be sufficiently diminished and that the country will be able to handle the steady influx of refugees and immigrants from Europe and both Americas. It is likely that Israeli society will be more homogeneous than it is today, with a more clearly defined culture and national character.

Industrially, Israel should be able to keep up with other European countries, provided their budget is not concentrated on war, in fact, it may be assumed that Israel will be considered a member of the European commercial community.

If the territories of Israel remain as they are today, it must be assumed that border strife will have ended. However, geometric increase in the Arabic population may prompt internal political strife. If the situation is bad enough, the political arena may look similar to that in South Africa today. However, from the present perspective, it is unlikely that Israel will maintain full control of the West Bank and Gaza.

If Israel is to survive for 100 years, it needs peace. Only peace can allow diplomatic relations and concentration on economic, social and cultural growth and development.



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Since change is a function of time, it must be assumed that the situation will change in Israel.

The conflict present within religion will exist in the future, due to the nature of religion (and human nature). The challenge of future generations will be to strike a balance between cultural assimilation and deeper religious affiliation.

In 100 years, the ideals and dreams of a 5000 year old people will still be alive and will finally have the opportunity to blossom into the structures of a healthy Jewish society.



With a Little Help From My Friends

Strangers in a Strange Land

by Elise Winkler (Machar)

Israel
the stronghold
the image
in the mind of every Jew
the eternal flame
of the heart
learning to survive
outside of Israel
to be isolated
as different
as inferior
prejudice
rising upward
sometimes partially concealed
but usually forward
overcoming obstacles
that we meet
in our never ending path
a continuous marathon
a race
for everlasting faith
for peace
Jews stand in unity
Israel is our stronghold
the image
in the heart
of every Jew.

Original Song

(to the tuner of 'Blossom' By James Taylor)

Images of Israel fill my heart
They swell my soul
Now, anywhere I am within this world
I've a place to go
You know it makes me free

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No one can compete with me
Whenever I'm on my own
You know your way is always clear to see
When you've got a home

Mishalot Halev, I love you so
And its so exciting
Knowing that I'm home wherever I go
My home is inviting me to come inside

CHORUS

la la ... my heart is with you.

by Elise Winkler

Expulsion
living together
within unity
there is peace,
but fate overcomes you
and your people
forcing you to depart
leaving your homeland behind
destined for a place unknown
torn by depression
still trying to keep faith
images of the future
appear in your mind
like a stepping stone
presenting new hope
a dream of freedom
for in your heart
you will return to your homeland
to Israel
forever in freedom
forever.



The Winning Egg

Thoughts From The Red Team

Explanation of our Name

by Alyssa Novick
Nanci Weinstein

Whirlwind is a word that symbolizes the Jews caught up in the diaspora. As a whirlwind spins, its force pushes things out, hence the Jews scattered all over the world. Even after the Holocaust the Jews were refused entry into Palestine. The ones that did try and that were caught were sent back to Cyprus and treated as if they were a hindrance to the country. They were unwanted and homeless.

Now there are some Jews that are "Out of the whirlwind" and together in Israel, yet even they are strangers in a strange land to an extent for it is only now that the possibility of peace is anticipated—something the Jews of Israel have not encountered since the birth of the state. There are constant threats of destruction and even though Israel is the home for a few Arabs as well, our goal is to unite all the Jews of the world and overcome our feeling of being strangers in a strange land.

Camp Kadimah

by Cathy Katz

Without disguise yet posing grace, there is this place.

Buried deeply within the eastern woods, yet it is possible for all to see.

It won't come to you, this place of mystic and wonder—no, you must look for it.

It possesses many facets of tradition and faith and it may take time for you to feel a part, for so many years have passed that it has become unique in motion and silence.

It is a beautiful place, with so much life surviving deep within the bush and lake, but one hesitates to realize that the true personality of the scenery lies in the hands of the people so devoted and so appreciative of it, they are ones that must be commended.

It is because of these individuals that this is not merely another place, it is because of them that this is Camp Kadimah.

by Amy S.

I dreamt I was dreaming a
vision of freedom.
Lost in a circle of bondage
a dream full of hope, love
and peace.

It ended abruptly.
I dreamt I was dreaming and
awoke to find, that I wasn't
asleep.

Jews In Canada, Year 2079

Respectfully submitted
Jeff Wolman

There is a dilemma confronting all Jews in Canada today. It marks a culmination in Canadian history. Many years of bitter and anguish-ridden interaction. Canadian Jews are now compelled into mediating a feverish battle.

Canada has been plagued throughout its 212 years history by a polarization of English versus French. Jews are caught in the middle of this dispute. Where do the Jews place their allegiance? The Jews in Canada will ultimately dictate which sector holds the upper hand in the balance of power.

Jewish influence and affluence has reached a pinnacle. They have permeated all barriers in society. Moreover, they have dominated. Jews may conceivably eradicate this polarization that has existed in Canada by endorsing the most favorable candidate. With the support of the Jews either the English or the French will subjugate their counterpart.

Are the Jews beneficial? In effect, the Jews have these two nationalities at their mercy. However, the Jews must take heed in that they must not alienate anyone. This is the dilemma. In what manner should the Jews conduct themselves? What is the happy medium that they must attain? Must the Jews sacrifice their predominance?

Throughout the annals of recorded history, the Jews have been vindicated as scapegoats. At this moment Jews obtain too much power to be harped, nevertheless, anything can and will happen. Jews must take great prudence in this matter. If they alienate one group too much, this particular group has just cause to rebel. One might question how good the Jews could defend against insurrection.

What are Jews to do? Do they permit a civil war where the French and English battle it out for supremacy where the Jews remain impartial? Alternatively, do they attempt to mediate the battle using retaliation from a party physically more potent?

These questions must be seriously contemplated by each Jew in Canada. Ultimately, it may determine their destiny.

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