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Editorial



One of the morning rituals at the Atlantic Jewish Council is opening the mail. On a day when we receive an exceptionally heavy amount, we collectively groan at the mailman rather than greet him with a cheerful "good morning". Lately, however, our greeting has been cheerful, as every delivery brings more complimentary letters regarding "Shalom", and we reap nachus each a.m.

As the editor, I am particularly delighted that so many of you have taken the time to jot a note to say how much you enjoy the news and information within its pages.

In today's mail I received the premier copy of a new magazine, "Senior World", edited and published by one of our own Atlantic citizens. I would like to be one of the first to congratulate Louise Adler on a fine magazine. Aimed at those the country calls "Senior Citizens", it is "Canada's first National magazine for the 55 and over generation." Louise has carefully studied her market and knows from whence she speaks. Her understanding of the "little things" with which this generation has to contend is shown immediately upon opening the pages. Nothing is more irritating than having to squint over print—not this time. Senior World is printed in slightly larger type face so that all the articles may be read with ease.

"Canada's National Magazine for the mature reader" is booming with information and stories. In its opening editorial, Louise writes that Old Age is not a Disease. I have reproduced it on page 27. It could change your outlook on life.

May the Passover season bring peace and freedom to all.

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Shirlee Fox
Editor



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Atlantic Region Education Seminar— 1st Time Ever Held

Arranged and planned with **Mr. Yitzhak Feinberg**, of the Education Department of the Canadian Zionist Federation and the Atlantic Jewish Council, this seminar was especially designed for Rabbis and Hebrew School teachers of the Atlantic Provinces.

This seminar, the first of its kind ever held, proved to be an outstanding success. Beginning with discussions concerning the needs and flow of information available—specifically educational material such as books and audio visual aids, Mr. Feinberg went on to explain the role of his department.

How to plan an afternoon school and how to build the curriculum was detailed by **Rabbi Marvin Pritzker** of the Beth Israel Synagogue, Halifax.



Photo shows some of the participants of the First Atlantic Region Education Seminar. Clockwise: Yitzhak Feinberg, Perry Sable, Evelyn Luner, Vic Lewis, Yona Korn, Rabbi Marvin Pritzker, Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz. Missing from photo: Rose Pritzker, Cantor George Lieberman.

Later in the afternoon, **Mr. Feinberg** gave a practical demonstration for the preparation of Festivals, with particular emphasis on Pesach.

Mr. Ben Prossin, Deputy President of the Canadian Zionist Federation, spoke to those present, stressing the importance of holding this particular kind of meeting.

All participants were more than interested in coming together and felt that they should meet at least twice a year and went on further to suggest that a National Meeting for small centres with afternoon schools, should be called once every two years.

Mr. Feinberg provided a wide spectrum of material for those in attendance for use in their schools and assured everyone of his complete co-operation and help.

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New Executive Director Atlantic Jewish Council



Shirlee Fox has been appointed Executive Director of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

Mrs. Fox, whose appointment was announced by the Board of Directors at the past Board Meeting, assumed her position as of January 1981.

Mrs. Fox served as Assistant Director and had been Acting Director up until this appointment.

She will continue as Editor of the **Shalom** Magazine.

Until her appointment as Assistant Director, she served as an Executive Member of the Atlantic Jewish Council since its founding in 1975. She is a Past Council President of Halifax Hadassah-Wizo and also serves on the National Executive of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo and at the present time, is Regional Chairman for Nova Scotia and Newfoundland. She also held the National Portfolio for Young Judaea. Mrs. Fox has served as Regional Chairman for Women's Division—United Israel Appeal as well as Chairman for the Halifax—Women's Division—United Israel Appeal. Up until recently, she was a Board Member of the Multicultural Council of Halifax / Dartmouth.

Born in England, she lived in Montreal for many years before moving to Halifax with her husband and children. She attended Sir George Williams University and studied Journalism at King's College.

Shirlee Fox is married to Max Fox and is the mother of three children, Colin, Janice and Jonathan.

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Hadassah-Wizo Southern Regional Conference

The Right Place At The Right Time

by **Lenore Schelew**

Since so many Canadian Hadassah-Wizo members travel South for short or extended periods of time during the winter months, the National Office, three years ago, decided to hold a one day conference in Florida each year in order to keep its members "in touch". On February 23, 1981, the Third "Southern Regional Conference" took place at the Diplomat Hotel in Hollywood, Florida, and I was in the right place at the right time and attended.

My invitation said "9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.", and although **Betty Aaron** (we went together), who had attended previously, told me they did not start on time, nevertheless we were there at 9:00 a.m. She was right of course. Not only did they not start at 9:00 a.m., but the program indicated "Reunion and Registration and coffee", 9:00-10:00 a.m., and so of course the conference did not get underway until 10:30 a.m. Never mind. There was a fine representation of Maritimers, including **Sophie Forman, Celia Newman, Sara Silverman, Bertha Newman, Sally Aaron** (formerly of Halifax, now living in Vancouver and visiting in Miami . . . at the right time), **Betty Aaron, Fay Medjuck** of Fredericton, and myself.

Mirial Small, National President, gave an enlightening talk "On the Hadassah-Wizo Scene". She spoke about the Public Affairs Seminar, the Fund Raising Seminar, the two Leadership Training Seminars (one of which took place in Halifax during February), and the Leadership Mission to Israel, all under the aegis of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo. A full and in-depth report of the Mission appears in the most recent issue of **Orah**, but she did outline "some" of the work Hadassah-Wizo does in Israel of which many people are unaware. We all know and work for the Day Care Centers and the various schools which we help to support. But did you know that Hadassah-Wizo also gives special courses for the handicapped; operates clothing distribution centers for the needy; helps in the absorption of new immigrants; gives assistance to brides of poor families; operates legal bureaus for battered wives (yes, even in Israel that's a problem); operates legal bureaus for women seeking advice as to their rights; comforts families of the bereaved; works with the elderly; teaches Arab and Druze women skills; and much, much more.

She also spoke about the visit to Canada of **Ofira Navon**, wife of the President of the State of Israel, who launched "Project Enrichment", also outlined in this issue of **Orah**. **Mirial's** easy manner of "talking" to the members made everyone feel as though she were speaking to each one personally, rather than addressing a group of approximately 350 members.

"On the Washington Scene" was the topic of the address given by the next speaker and special guest, **Sara Ehrman**, Legislative Liaison of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), the only registered lobby in Washington, D.C. representing the interests of American Jewry to the United States Government. She told the

gathering that, although there have of course been Republican Presidents in the past number of years, this election was the first time in 26 years that the United States Senate lost its Democratic majority and with it, many good friends, both Jew and non-Jew, who had spoken out on behalf of the State of Israel. She felt that AIPAC was going to have a very large job to do to attempt to win the support of a Republican Senate, many members of whom, she felt, knew very little about the State of Israel, if anything. Mrs. Ehrman said that the configuration of the present U.S. Cabinet may not necessarily bode well for American, and thereby for North American Jewry vis a vis the State of Israel, in spite of the fact that it is generally felt that the President will not remain silent on issues on which the previous administration was ambivalent. She gave many facts and figures indicating possibly how and why Jewish people voted as they did in this past election based on a survey conducted by AIPAC of 150 districts in the U.S. with a preponderance of Jewish residents. She felt the organization will have to keep a very close watch on how political matters shape up in the coming months.

Lily Frank then discussed "On the International Scene". By the way, Lily was the guest speaker at the kickoff dinner for the Halifax Youth Aliyah campaign earlier in the month and, although I missed her in Halifax, I was glad to be able to hear her in Florida, and even though I have heard Lily speak on yet another occasion, listening to her, in my opinion, is always a treat. Lily spoke about the United Nations Mid-Decade Conference for Women in Copenhagen last year and a full and comprehensive report of that conference appeared in a previous issue of **Orah**. However, it was interesting to hear once again, although perhaps 'chilling' is a better word than interesting, how the entire conference was held hostage, in a manner of speaking, by the PLO who had the entire agenda thrown out and directed the main thrust of the conference toward the plight of the Palestinian Refugee Women. Why then, she asked, do we bother to go to such conferences when we know the outcome? And the answer is, to make the voice of the Jew heard whenever and wherever we can and in this manner lend support to the State of Israel, which is to say World Jewry.

Luncheon at 12 o'clock noon began close to 1 p.m.—of course—and although it was good, it was rather rushed. But never mind, because the after dinner speaker was **Dr. Ruth Gruber** who spoke "On the Mid-East Scene".

We in Halifax (and perhaps elsewhere in the Maritimes) had the distinct thrill of hearing Dr. Gruber last year at our then kickoff Youth Aliyah dinner. Dr. Gruber spoke about "Truth" because we are living in an era of "the big lie" as it relates to the Arab-Israeli conflict. She pointed out that the Arab nations have been in conflict with each other for centuries, but now there is a dirty three letter word prevalent in the middle east called "oil". She pointed out that during her news coverage of the continuing peace talks held in Egypt, she was often giving 'history lessons' to other reporters who would question her on such matters, for instance, as the so-called fact that East Jerusalem was "occupied territory by the Israelis", whereas they had forgotten, as is the case of people in high government places as well as the press, if they ever knew, that when the State of Israel was established, Jerusalem was to be an open city, yet

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Halifax-Hadassah-Wizo

by Anita Dubinsky

Youth Aliyah highlighted Hadassah-Wizo activity in the Halifax-Dartmouth area with the official launching of the annual campaign on February 16, 1981, at a dinner meeting at the Lord Nelson Hotel. **Evette Bowman**, this year's General Chairperson, conducted the procedure of the evening's program and was pleased to report good progress in major categories. The guest speaker, **Lily Frank**, Executive Vice-President of Hadassah-Wizo of Canada, vividly outlined the miraculous work of Youth Aliyah in restoring and rehabilitating young people in Israel from a wide diversity of backgrounds. She also expressed concern about the anti-Zionist atmosphere of the Mid-Decade Conference on the Status of Women, which she attended in Copenhagen in 1980. The message she left with her audience was clear: the support of Diaspora Jews for Israel must be strengthened in the face of shifting loyalties by other countries.

While in the city, Lily also met in a working session with members of Halifax Hadassah-Wizo Council.



LEFT TO RIGHT—Gail Green [Canvass Chairman], Sheila Zive [Council President], Evette Bowman [Chairman, Youth Aliyah], Lily Frank [Executive Vice-President of Hadassah-Wizo of Canada], Marlene Green [Treasurer].

Hadassah-Wizo Southern Regional Conference

The Right Place At The Right Time

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as soon as the State was declared, Jordan "occupied" Jerusalem and held it—and desecrated it—for 19 years.

Dr. Gruber related that in a conversation she had with Mrs. Sadat in which she asked her what she felt the biggest problem in Egypt was at the present time, she expected the answer to be the poverty that is rampant in the country. To her surprise, Mrs. Sadat replied that the population explosion was the biggest problem since every 10 months

Youth Aliyah Committee 1981

Chairman: Evette Bowman; Canvass Chairman: Gail Green; Treasurer: Marlene Green; Dinner Arrangements: Leah Epstein; Chapter Chairmen: Avivah—Joyce Gordon; Barbara Goldberg—Myra Freeman; Oran—Marianne Ferguson; Tikvah—Miriam Jacobson. Special names: Leona Freeman [Immediate Past Chairman]; Ruth Shane; Shirlee Medjuck; Murial Jacobson; Evette Bowman.

ORAH Chapter's Fund Raising evening of Bridge and Dinner was held at the home of **Barbara Fiering**.



LEFT TO RIGHT—Miriam Jacobson, Celia Fried, Bert Cappell, Faye Frank, Beatrice Zemel, Hostess; Barbara Fiering, Rose Gould, Bess Solomon, Ella Morris and Doris Stone.

Bonnie Katz-Webber, Fund Raising Chairperson for the Barbara Goldberg Chapter, reports a busy, productive season. Their projects include a successful, entertaining Auction; Annual Holiday Gift-Wrap; Sale of "The Pleasures of your Processor" cookbooks and a food processing demonstration. Their meetings are well attended and several new members have been welcomed. It sounds like a well organized, well motivated group!

The sympathy of the Jewish Community in Halifax-Dartmouth is extended to the families of the late Esther Schlossberg; Clara Zwerling; Freada Cohen, Saint John; Mrs. Adeline Goldberg-Cohn of Baltimore and Peter Stone, Halifax. May they know no further sorrow.

one million more children are being born and 1 / 3 of them never go to school at all. Dr. Gruber said that in Israel, education is compulsory through the 10th grade and in spite of the great economic difficulties the country experiences, is now free, through the 12th grade. And it is so because the State of Israel has designated education as a major life priority! And by our commitment to, and support of, Hadassah-Wizo projects in Israel, we too share in this priority of life.

Dr. Gruber concluded by thanking **Mrs. Marcia Shapiro**, officially designated as Conference Chairman, but dubbed Conference Chairmench.

The conference closed with the singing of Hatikvah and I was very pleased to be in The Right Place at the Right Time.



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In Halifax

May Is O.R.T. Month

by **Barbara Alberstat,**
O.R.T. Day Co-ordinator

ORT Month across Canada is May, 1981. Canadian Women's ORT will concentrate on Community and Parental attitudes towards Technical Training. Provincial and federal governments are becoming increasingly aware of the need to develop necessary skills for Canadian industry. Currently apprenticeship training is available in about 200 trades in Canada. That is far from enough to help alleviate the problem of unskilled labour and the high rate of unemployed people. The National Council of Women has called for more integrated work and study between industry and educational institutions.

ORT members, their husbands and all friends of ORT will have an excellent opportunity to view and hear extensively about courses and advantages in the technical and vocational fields on May 27 at a special evening planned to celebrate ORT Day in Halifax, at the Nova Scotia Institute of Technology on Leeds Street, starting at 7:30 p.m. with conducted tours of some of the classes by teachers and students. Following this there will be a very well versed speaker to tell us more about the role of technical and vocational education in the third world, and a

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woman who will speak on the attitudes towards women in non-traditional roles and attitudes towards themselves in technological skills and development. The evening will be highlighted with refreshments of wine and cheeses in the early part and coffee and sweets later on. Everyone is invited and welcomed to attend this very interesting and enlightening evening. There will be no charge. For further information, call the President, Cathy Jacobson, 454-5727 or Barb Alberstat at 422-5526.

Remember: ORT serves over 80,000 students annually.

ORT teaches 750 trade and technical training programs, located in 21 countries. ORT employs approximately 3,500 teachers in 100 different job skills.

ORT constitutes Israel's largest vocational training program with over 50,000 students annually.

ORT students are generally children of the poor.

ORT provides meals, clothing, medical care, recreation, school supplies and other material necessities to its students.

Come and bring a friend—support ORT—May 27, 1981
—N.S. Institute of Technology, Leeds Street, Halifax.

Halifax Women's Ort And Its Future

by **Annette Strug**

In June, **Cathy Jacobson's** term of presidency of Halifax Women's ORT will be over. This interview was conducted with Cathy to hear her views on Halifax Women's ORT and its future.

Annette: "Cathy, what would you say have been the most significant changes in ORT since you have been President?"

Cathy: "The most important change I have made is to increase member awareness of what ORT is doing both in Halifax and Nationally. My means of doing this has been through the **ORTICLE**. This newsletter goes out to all ORT members, and I strongly believe in it. I try to incorporate information about different ORT schools throughout the world. Through **SHALOM** Magazine, I have been trying to show how ORT deals with issues such as Women's Rights, Anti-Semitism, etc. ORT is involved in all issues of women's welfare, and I believe it is important for ORT members and the community to know about ORT's involvement. So, in answer to your question, increasing awareness has been my goal. I hope I have been successful and have made members excited about ORT."

Annette: "Cathy, have there been any changes in the structure of ORT?"

Cathy: "We are in the process of making some changes. This year we have discussed the possibility of forming another ORT Chapter. It's a dream so far, but it seems to be headed towards reality. Edmonton, which has approximately the same membership as ours, has just divided into three Chapters, so another ORT Chapter in Halifax is not an empty dream."

There has been a very slight drop in membership this year, but even a slight drop is worrisome. It is important to remember that Halifax ORT needs members **NOW** in order to have a voice at World ORT Union as well as in Ottawa on women's issues. It is very important that the community

supports us. The more members you have, the greater respect you have."

Annette: "How is Halifax Women's ORT viewed by the National ORT Organization?"

Cathy: "Quite honestly, Annette, smaller chapters are often overlooked, especially in fund raising ideas. Things are geared towards the larger centers—and their ideas are very big, but National has shown a great interest in Halifax Women's ORT. They would love to see us have another Chapter here. They feel it would make us more active. Halifax ORT has done very well though, we have been given many awards by the National office for outstanding fund raising by a small chapter."

Annette: "What ORT functions should we be watching for during the next few months?"

Cathy: "You should be watching for the "Flowers for Passover" project coming up. Also the Art Auction which takes place April 29, and is our biggest fund raiser. I don't know if everyone is aware of the fact that the Government of Canada, through CIDA, matches the monies we raise, dollar for dollar. ORT Day will be May 27. The program in Halifax will deal with parental attitudes towards technical education, as well as women's roles in the working force today."

Annette: "Cathy, what has been the most satisfying aspect of being President of Halifax ORT?"

Cathy: "For me, the most satisfying part has been the fact that the Board and the Executive have worked so closely and harmoniously. It's been a pleasure to be President this year because the women have been so terrific. One other point, we have raised a substantial amount through our fund raising projects which is also extremely gratifying."

Annette: "Thank you for this, Cathy."

Miriam Lieff Chapter Of Mizrachi of Halifax

by Rose Pritzker

A purim meeting was held at the home of **Mrs. Ben Zemel**. A letter was read from "Yeshivat Hakotel" in Jerusalem which detailed the dedication of a plaque in memory of the late **Isadore Simon** by his wife through Mizrachi Women.

A purim program was presented by **Mrs. Ella Morris**.

A raffle of a painting by **Mrs. Ida Simon** was won by **Mrs. H. Medjuck**. Mrs. Simon had donated her original work.

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The Purim —Passover Connection



by Rabbi Marvin Pritzker,
Beth Israel Synagogue—Halifax

This year Passover falls on an English date later than usual because of Jewish leap year. Hebrew leap year, by the way, contains not one extra day, but one extra month. The month of Adar is repeated twice and Purim, which falls on the 14th day of that month, is observed in the second Adar. The Mishnah and the Gemorrah point out that we join one redemption to the next, the redemption from physical extermination on Purim to the spiritual liberation of Passover. Hence the delay of Purim to the second Adar. This juxtaposition also is prompted by the fact that one of the mitzvot of Purim is the giving of gifts to the poor. At that time, those in need look forward to the gifts which will help them bring in the Passover, and celebrate it in the proper way, with all the necessary supplies provided.

The physical enjoyments of Purim, the Purim banquet and gifts of food to one's friends, as well as the riotous celebration of the Megillah reading, reflect the enjoyment of life itself, life that was in peril in the days of Esther and Mordechai. The sense of well-being and relief, however, is not reduced to mere hedonism, but is harnessed to the concept of concern for the well-being of others. There is a story told of one Rabbi who constantly urged his followers to live it up, to spend lavishly in keeping with their substantial means. When chided by a colleague that he was doing nothing for the spiritual betterment of his followers with this advice, he replied: "If they do not enjoy their own worldly goods, they might think that the poor could live by eating stones."

The celebration of Purim, then, is a means of awakening greater awareness to our responsibilities as members of the worldwide Jewish community. We can register our protests on behalf of Syrian Jewry, on behalf of the Soviet prisoners of conscience. We can make certain that the forthcoming Festival of Freedom, Passover, is still alive and relevant for us. In so doing, we will enter the Passover season knowing that its celebration is meaningful for all who profess Jewish identity. Following Passover we will count the days to Shavuoth, and the Revelation of the Torah, knowing that to be free, one assumes one's responsibilities and mitzvot with a willing heart. For ultimately, the reward of one mitzvah leads to the performance of the next, and in so doing, we go from strength to strength in spiritual growth, assured that we are not standing still or falling behind in the struggle to preserve our spiritual identity.



THE CANADIAN SOCIETY FOR THE WEIZMANN INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE

First Meeting In Halifax

At a recent informal gathering held in Halifax, N.S. **Ruth Lazarus**, Executive Director of the Montreal Chapter of the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute explained that the Canadian Society is expanding.

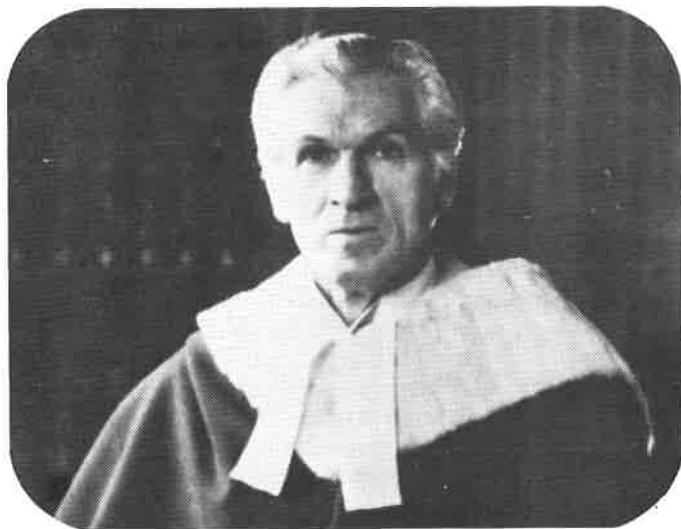
With this first meeting in Halifax, the Society hopes to establish a Committee within the Atlantic Region. She outlined possible plans for the region which would include educational programming such as scientific forums and the exchange of scientists with the universities and hospitals within this area.

Following an audio-visual presentation, Mrs. Lazarus spoke about the research being accomplished at the Institute, emphasizing that the Institute is basically one of research catering to post-graduate students who are writing their Masters and Doctorates.

It was announced that **Neil Franklin** of Halifax will be Chairman of the Atlantic Provinces Committee for the National Dinner which will honour the Chief Justice of Canada, the **Rt. Honourable Bora Laskin P.C. C.C.**, July 17, 1981, in Ottawa.

To Honour The Chief Justice Of Canada The Right Honourable Bora Laskin P.C., C.C.

The Chief Justice of Canada, the **Rt. Honourable Bora Laskin**, will be honoured at a national dinner tendered by the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of



*The Chief Justice of Canada
The Rt. Hon. Bora Laskin, P.C., C.C.*

Science, in recognition of his contribution to Canada, to education and to the application of law for the betterment of mankind.

The dinner, which is expected to attract friends, colleagues and other admirers from across the country, the United States and abroad, will take place at the Skyline Hotel in Ottawa on June 17, under the distinguished patronage of His Excellency, the Governor General of Canada, the Rt. Honourable Edward Schreyer. On the occasion of the dinner, The Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science is establishing an Endowed Professorial Chair in Science Teaching in perpetuity in the name of the Chief Justice, Bora Laskin, at the Institute in Rehovot, Israel.

The Atlantic Provinces Committee for the Bora Laskin Dinner is chaired by **Neil Franklin** of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

PARLOUR MEETING HELD



Marvin Tanner, President of the Montreal Chapter Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science, guest speaker at the April Parlour Meeting held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Neil Franklin.



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Beth Israel Sponsors Teenage Shabbaton

Beth Israel Synagogue conducted a Torah Tour Shabbaton for teenagers the weekend of January 24. The program lasted from Friday afternoon through Sunday afternoon. **Zachariah Novoseller**, senior student in the Rabbinical Seminary of Yeshiva University, led the program assisted by **Toby Urman**, a graduate of Stern College of Yeshiva University. Combining religious, social and cultural activities, the program was directed toward making the young people develop a deeper understanding and emotional attachment for Judaism. The Sabbath meals, the between meal snacks and the concluding brunch were held in the Synagogue. Discussions were held after services Friday night and Saturday dealing with the sources shaping Jewish attitudes in interpersonal relationships and Jewish identity. Saturday night, after letting off steam in the bowling alley, a "trigger film" program was shown. One film triggered a discussion of personal responsibilities the individual and the group have to one in distress. The other trigger film explored the misunderstandings possible between young people and elderly persons of advanced years. It showed how reconciliation and understanding is possible. The youth leaders, of course, supplied the classical Jewish sources on the issues. Sunday afternoon, Zack and Toby met for the balance of the day with Jewish students from the local campuses, conducting a program geared to their level, which was very well received.

This is the second year that such a Shabbaton has been sponsored by the Congregation. We hope to sponsor another one in the coming year with an even greater response from within the Congregation and from other congregations in the Maritimes.

Prize Cow Sets New Record

TEL AVIV (JTA)—"Zabda," Kibbutz Hefetz Haim's prize cow, has set a new Israel—and probably world—record by increasing her record daily milk output of 50 kilos to a super record 62 kilos of milk on a good day. The Israel Dairy Association was recently told that Israel holds the world's record for average milk production per cow with an average of 8,092 kilos of milk each in 1980. Kibbutz Hefetz Haim holds the Israeli record, with an average of 9.658 kilos for each of its 315 milch cows. Zabda last year produced 14,000 kilos. The kibbutz farmers say their success—and that of their cows—is due to the care they take with the special diet they provide.

Masada Club

A Fond Farewell

by Bessie Rinzler and Betty Miller



Masada Club members wished Tova Andrews goodbye and good luck. Tova, advisor to the Masada Club for the past six months, has left Halifax to take up residency in Rimouski, Quebec. At a special presentation, acting President Ella Morris wished her a fond farewell. Looking on is Bessie Rinzler, Recording Secretary and Jean Zlatin, Corresponding Secretary.

The March 22, 1981 meeting of Masada was held at Northwood Center in Halifax with nearly fifty people in attendance. A Nominating Committee was formed of **Clara Dankner** and **Bessie Rinzler**. Howard Karp entertained the members and the Northwood Center residents with Jewish and old favourite songs. Everyone agreed the entertainment was very enjoyable. Refreshments were supplied by members. **Lill Aronson** and **Esther Chelekower** helped **Betty Miller**, Program Chairman, with the serving.



Howard Karp, featured soloist

Masada Club Halifax

Be a part of this "Over 55" Group. Meetings are held twice a month on Sunday afternoons at the Shaar Shalom Synagogue.

Contact the Atlantic Jewish Council at 422-7491 for further information.

A program of the Atlantic Jewish Council and the Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region.

Outreach Program

Antigonish / New Glasgow

Recognizing the need for an Educational Outreach Program in Antigonish, and for the children in New Glasgow, the Atlantic Jewish Council has been working towards this goal.

Although it has taken some time to arrange, late in March, **Rabbi Phillip Lefkowitz**, chairman of the Education Committee of the Atlantic Jewish Council, met with parents of 10 children in this area to plan an ongoing program under his guidance.

Strongly committed to Jewish education for their children, it was arranged that parents and children will meet every Sunday morning from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Under the tutelage of a local resident, basic Hebrew will be taught. Parents together will teach history, customs and ceremonies. Families will experience the physical aspects of the Jewish Faith—the construction of a Seder Plate, fabrication of a Synagogue, etc. It was felt that an agenda for broadening the parents' knowledge of Judaism should be an integral part of the program.

Rabbi Lefkowitz firmly believes that a significant step has been taken towards establishing Jewish education for the children of this community.

Share
a little
of your day.



Call home tonight.

Cape Breton News

Hadassah-Wizo

At the March 9 meeting, the subject of packing, storing and freezing products for Bazaar was thoroughly discussed and examined. A trained Home Economist explained to the members exactly the correct procedures. Plans for the Bazaar are well underway.

National Vice President **Cecily Peters** will be the guest speaker at the April 8 Youth Aliyah Pledge Luncheon.

Although it is still winter in Cape Breton, it was announced that the Hadassim Summer project will be taking place at the cottage of **Fruma Shore**, Myra Beach. Something to look forward to!!

Although many of the community have been winter vacationing, the regular study group meetings have been taking place.

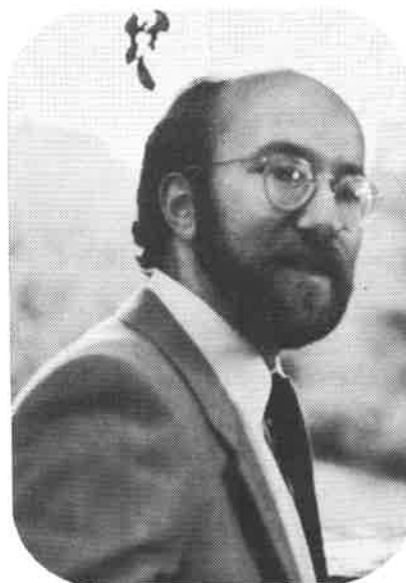
Congratulations to **Marlene Elman**, who received excellent reviews for her performance at the College of Cape Breton Playhouse.



הקונגרס היהודי הקנדי

Canadian Jewish
Congress

Appointment



Mr. Darrel I. Pink of Halifax has been appointed to serve as the Atlantic Region representative on the Canadian Jewish Congress National Law and Social Action Committee.

In Memoriam

Peter Stone z.l.



The sudden death of **Peter Stone** has shocked and saddened the entire Atlantic Jewish Community. We feel keenly this tragic loss. Peter Stone was among the most active members of this community and was always available

to offer advice and assistance when called upon. He was a philanthropist of the first order and no just cause went wanting if Peter Stone felt there was a need and he could help.

His support of Jewish institutions and organizations was strong and dedicated. He was committed and devoted to the cause of Zionism and Israel. As well, Peter Stone took an active part in general community activities such as the Big Brother organization, the re-settlement program for Vietnamese boat people and in numerous other charitable and good-work organizations.

As he went about his various activities and in his dealings with other people, Peter Stone was unassuming, dignified, determined, yet maintaining always an aura of genuine sincerity and humility which endeared him to all those who counted Peter Stone among their friends. His loss is an enormous blow to our community. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him. May his family be comforted in the knowledge that Peter Stone's memory will always shine brightly in this community as a reflection of his many good and charitable deeds and as a tribute to his fine personal attributes of humor, sincerity, commitment, energy and humility. Peter Stone was, in the true concept of the phrase, a righteous man.

Deepest condolences are extended to his mother and sister and to the rest of the family. May they know no further sorrow.

Yarmouth Highlights

by **Hubert Lynch**

The Yarmouth Chapter of Hadassah-WIZO held its Israeli and Canadian fashion show on Wednesday, March 18 at the Yarmouth Arts Centre. **Mrs. Shirley Throp** was Chairlady.

Synagogue Invaded

Yarmouth's Synagogue for the past several years has been invaded by pigeons, roosting on the roofs and causing deterioration of the shingles. The problem began when the owner of a property next to the Synagogue, who after seeing the movie "Birdman of Alcatraz", decided to become the "Birdman of William Street". The owner converted his attic into a breeding place for pigeons, and today there are hundreds of these birds flying back and forth from the Synagogue roof to the attic. Twice, the case has gone to Court, and twice nothing has been done. The Town of Yarmouth and the Health Department have pushed this case, but to no avail, besides which the owner has a gun collection and everyone is afraid to knock on his door.

With the dwindling Jewish population of Yarmouth, we could perhaps request that the pigeons become members of the Synagogue to help with the Minyas.

The case is now in the hands of the Vice-President, **Irving Pink Q.C.**, to come up with an answer.

Kol Israel

It was with dismay that one evening, while listening to KOL ISRAEL, I heard announced the possibility that these broadcasts to Canada and the United States might be discontinued. These broadcasts, which are funded by the Jewish Agency, are felt to be of little value. Personally, I'm a faithful listener and would feel lost if these broadcasts were taken off the air. If you wish these broadcasts to continue, Kol Israel suggested that you drop a card to **Mr. L. Dulzin**, c/o The Jewish Agency, Jerusalem.

Summer Tour to Israel For Students and Young Adults

All university students and young adults (Ages 18-25) are invited to tour Israel this summer in conjunction with students from York University and the University of Toronto. For further information, please contact:

Kenny Gordon
President
Atlantic Provinces
Jewish Student Federation
429-6378

Saint John Happenings

January and February 1981

by Louise Adler

Perhaps one of the most moving stories told at the Book Review Club was presented jointly by **Ruth** and **Charles Zatzman** on January 15.

One of the reasons that this story was selected by them was, as they stated, that they could identify with the teacher, **Torey L. Hayden**, who authored the true story in the book "One Child." The Zatzmans' own daughter had taught deaf children as well as multi-handicapped children. She often discussed with her parents some of her experiences and concerns.

Shelia, the six-year-old described in the book, is enrolled in **Torey's** class for retarded and handicapped pre-adolescents. The teacher objected to having Shelia in her class. However, she was assured that it was a temporary assignment until there was a vacancy in the State Institution for the Mentally III.

Shelia, at the age of four, was found on the side of a road, clinging to a chain-link fence. She had been abandoned by her mother, who was 14 years old when Shelia was born. The child was taken to a Juvenile Centre. Upon examination, she was found to have numerous abrasions and healed multiple fractures. All were the results of abuse. She was released to her father's custody. He had spent most of Shelia's early years in prison on assault and battery charges.

In the file of the child protection worker assigned to the case, we read that Shelia lived with her father in a one room shack in a migrant camp. There was no heat, no plumbing and no electricity. Her mother, who had abandoned her at the roadside, had taken a younger son to California and no one knew her whereabouts.

The author describes how her group in school was referred to as "the garbage class". No parent would wish a child like Shelia attending school with his or her child. The director of Special Education knew that **Torey** had experience with severely disturbed children and that she liked a challenge. Her room, totally isolated from the rest of the school, served eight very peculiar children. There was no full time aide, although the State Law required this.

In the book we are presented with the first impression of Shelia as a "tiny mite of a thing with matted hair, hostile eyes and a very bad smell, wearing worn denim overalls and a faded boy's striped T-shirt exactly like one of the kids in "Save the Children" ads. From the beginning, everything was a battle. She refused to participate in any of the activities. She would sit in a small wooden chair, folding her knees up under her chin and wrapping her arms around them. Even during recess, she sat on the freezing cement, her brooding angry bitten eyes following the teacher wherever she went. Despite this seemingly impossible situation, the writer manages to break through the defenses of this extremely complex child, when it becomes apparent that placement in any sort of institution would be grossly inappropriate to the child's particular case. Over the ensuing months, the author and others come to realize that she is really an exceptionally gifted person with an IQ of a genius.

Not only kindness, attention and understanding is

showered upon her by her teacher and her lawyer friend **Chad**, but real love. Shelia pretends that these two are her real parents. She slowly makes spectacular progress. The school psychologist becomes interested in her and confirms that Shelia has the IQ of a genius. Her extrapolated score would give her a score of 182. Within a six month period Shelia is transformed by the love and guidance from her teacher and her lawyer friend **Chad**.

This is a story to be read slowly, savored, studied and related to the many also true stories of abused and neglected children in our society today who need this understanding, care and love, but they do not receive it from anyone.

On February 15, **Rose Cornblat** summarized for the Book Review Club "Kane and Abel" by **Jeffrey Archer**, published in 1979.

The first scene is laid in Poland. Here a very young hunter hears a scream. He investigates and finds a woman lying in the clearing who has just given birth to a baby. By the time the hunter arrives at her side, the mother is dead. The youth rescues the infant and takes him home to his own mother, who has herself six children. She accepts the child. The young hunter's father works for the Baron (the Lord of the Manor). The family names the baby **Wladek**.

The baby grows into a very bright young lad. In the meantime, the Baron has an only son and seeks a companion for him. He learns of **Wladek** and brings him to the castle. The two boys become very close friends.

In the meantime, Russia invades Poland. Those on the Baron's estate whom they do not kill, they imprison in the dungeon of the Castle. This includes the Baron, his son and **Wladek**. The cruelty of the Russians to these prisoners can only be believed by those of us who came from Russia or whose parents fled from there or one of the countries which the Russians have invaded.

Eventually, the Baron's son is killed. **Wladek** in vain tries to save him. In the process, **Wladek** is stripped of his clothing. The Baron recognizes the boy as his own offspring and gives him a bracelet which he himself wears. The Baron dies, but **Wladek** escapes. With the help of others, he reaches Turkey and eventually New York. This section of the book could well be a complete story in itself, but in this volume it is only the beginning.

The scene shifts to Boston. Here **William Kane**, an only child of wealthy parents, is raised by his grandmother. The lad's father is drowned in the Titanic and his mother remarries. The grandmother has trained **William** to be a banker. In this field he is most successful.

In the meantime, **Wladek** in New York changes his name to **Abel** and proceeds to become a waiter. During the course of time he progresses to Columbia University from which he graduates and eventually becomes involved in a hotel chain as a partner. Then the depression of the thirties engulfs him and his business. He applies for a loan to the bank where **William Kane** is involved. This loan is denied **Abel**.

Kane was not responsible for this disappointment to **Abel**. He eventually arranges funds for **Abel**, but keeps his own involvement confidential.

The last section of the book is devoted to the son and the daughter of **Kane** and **Abel**. They meet, fall in love and marry.

Thus the odyssey ends.

News From Moncton

On Sunday, March 22 the Synagogue held its annual Purim carnival. Prior to the carnival a program was presented by our various classes. Our pre-school children, under the direction of **Mrs. Richardson**, presented a Purim song program in which the children acted out the lyrics. The childrens' mastery of Hebrew was most impressive. Our first grade class in Religious school, under the direction of **Mrs. Etienne**, presented a number of beautiful Purim selections. Our older Religious school class presented a Purim play entitled "Shalach Manos." Complete with costumes and sets, it was just a delight. Following the performances, a carnival was held with all sorts of games and prizes. Under the direction of our Young Judea group, the carnival surpassed last year's. Finally, there was a costume contest. All in all, Moncton had a simply delightful Purim.

The Synagogue has undertaken a major fund raising project—an Art Auction. Scheduled for Keddy's Brunswick Hotel on Sunday, May 3 the Auction will feature a Champagne and Smorgasbord preview plus an auction of fine art. Mark this date on your calendar.

Rabbi Lefkowitz is spearheading a new program for the Clergy in Moncton. Aimed at allowing the religious community to speak on issues of human concern in society, the program will include monthly meetings of the clergy, discussions of such issues and formal presentations of attitudes to the community. The project has met with wide support among the clergy representing the complete spectrum of the Church community.

Thanks to the efforts of the Rabbi, Kosher bread and rolls fresh from the oven are now available in Moncton at the Producing Store on Mountain Road. Rye, pumpernickle, bagel, bialeys etc. are on sale.

Our recent Cabaret Nite starring Murray Horwitz was a huge success. The social hall was set in the style of a real cabaret, the cuisine Israeli. Many thanks to **Yaffa Toll**, **Rabbi** and **Mrs. Lefkowitz** and our Sisterhood's telephone committee for making this affair the success it was. Boy that Falafel was great!

Congratulations to Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz on his election to the Board of the Moncton Mental Health Association.



BOOKS PRESENTED—*Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz of the Tifferes Israel Synagogue Thursday presented two sets of encyclopedias to the Moncton Public Library. Rabbi Lefkowitz, on behalf of the Congregation Tifferes Israel, presented the Encyclopedia Judaica to Robert Thomas [right], chairman of the Moncton Public Library Board. On the same occasion, My Jewish World, a six-volume encyclopedia for children, was presented by Rabbi Lefkowitz, Mrs. Lefkowitz and Mr. and Mrs. David Attis. At left is Levi Lefkowitz. [Austin Studio]*



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Moncton Lodge No. 3069

Election Night Report

by Joel Attis

At our election meeting of March 11, 1981, the Nominating Committee's recommended slate of officers was presented by **Irwin Lampert**, Vice-President of the Lodge. The list, appearing as follows, was accepted unanimously and those elected will be officially installed at the Installation of Officers Brunch scheduled for 11:00 a.m. at the Synagogue on April 12, 1981. Past President—**Joel Attis**; President—**Louis Attis**; First Vice-President—**Rubin Maklin**; Second Vice-President—**Gordon Rinzler**; Treasurer—**Morton Attis**; Financial Secretary—**Charlie Gorber**; Recording Secretary—**Sam Gordon**; Chaplain—**Rabbi Lefkowitz**; Trustees—**Jack Brodie, Sam Rubin, Hilton Attis** and **Fred Kirsh**.

Harry Lampert was welcomed as our newest member of the Lodge, bringing our total membership to 54, an unprecedented high. The new President, **Louis Attis**, once installed, will appoint Committee Chairmen for the various committees. **Hilton Attis** is to be thanked for his effort in organizing the election meeting at the hotel, and **Keddy's** is to be commended for a very smooth running and well prepared meal.

Usual card games followed the meeting.

On a personal note, I wish to offer my sincere gratitude to the outgoing officers for their support throughout the past year, and wish the incoming officers best wishes and good luck for the forthcoming year.

Reminder

May 5—General Meeting—Shul—7:15—Speaker, **Ed Larracey**, Publisher, "Moncton Times and Transcript."

May 23—President's Ball—Hotel Beausejour—8:15 p.m.

New York, New York

by Henry Mizrahi,
Moncton, N.B.

From February 26 to March 6, I was fortunate to have been able to accompany Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz, his family and three other teenagers on an unforgettable visit to New York. We saw two New Yorks; the glamorous New York and the Ethnic New York, thus the title New York, New York.

The ethnic New York that I viewed was mostly Brooklyn, a city with a population of 4.5 million occupants. Brooklyn, or at least the area in which we stayed, was mostly Jewish. I felt out of place when every man and boy had a hat and long coat and all of the other clothes with which Eastern Jews are associated. Children upon seeing me looked bewildered since I was wearing what I thought were normal clothes. Women would stare at me the way I guess that I would stare at a man with a long beard and pais. With time though, I grew to feel very comfortable in the surroundings, since for the first time in my life, I was surrounded by people of my own Faith. In Moncton, a city comprised of only 300 Jewish people, it is very easy to forget traditional Jewish symbols, but fortunately this trip helped us all to familiarize ourselves with the life that New York Jewish people lead. For instance, on Saturday no one can be seen on the streets whereas on Sunday all the stores are open and full of customers. Brooklyn is a city full of stores and restaurants. One restaurant that we went to was Shag Chai, a kosher Chinese restaurant. The waiter, who was Chinese, spoke Yiddish; this is a common occurrence in New York.

My visit to New York taught me a lot about the city. New York is not a dirty city, at least not everywhere. One of the most beautiful parks in the world is located in New York: Central Park. It is approximately fifty city blocks long and immaculate. The one area which I saw that was dirty and rundown was Harlem. Unfortunately, it is exactly as it is portrayed on T.V., a slum. But for every bad area, there is a nice area and most areas of Manhattan are lovely.

As I said, there are two New Yorks, and the second is the glamorous New York. This includes all the tourist attractions, the stores in Manhattan, the theatre. Thanks to some time standing in line by Rabbi Lefkowitz's mother, we were fortunate to get tickets to the Broadway show "Ain't Misbehavin'," a musical which we all enjoyed immensely.

Two of the many tourist attractions that we saw were the Statue of Liberty and the Empire State Building, the latter of the two we went to at night. The view was unforgettable and should not be missed by anyone visiting New York. On a clear day, you can see eighty miles away.

One whole day was spent shopping in Manhattan. I was very impressed by such stores as Gucci and Cartier and all the stores on Fifth Avenue. We spent four hours at Macys, the largest department store in the world.

The seven days that we spent in New York was not nearly enough since we did not get to see such sights as the UN or the Guggenheim Museum even though not one minute was wasted in viewing the city.

This trip helped me in learning more about my religion than any book could. It was a trip that I really enjoyed. The major reason for my enjoying the trip was because of our

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המגבית המאוחדת לישראל בקנדה אינן.
United Israel Appeal of Canada Inc.

Women's
Division

U.I.A. Canada Appointment



Gittel Tatz has been appointed National Executive Director of the Women's Division of the United Israel Appeal of Canada Inc.

Mrs. Tatz, whose appointment was announced by Simone Goldberg, National President of Women's Division, assumed her new position in Toronto on January 19, 1981.

Mrs. Tatz was Executive Director, Eastern Canada, for the Jewish National Fund based in Montreal from August 1978.

From October 1973 she served as Executive Assistant of the Ottawa Jewish Community Council and at the same time was Director of Women's and Public Service Divisions of the United Jewish Appeal of Ottawa. Mrs. Tatz was Co-ordinator of Congregation Machzikei Hadas in 1972-73.

Prior to that and from the time she arrived in Ottawa from Providence, R.I., in 1949, Mrs. Tatz worked in a myriad of capacities on a volunteer basis, with most of her activity in the Jewish Community. Major positions held by Mrs. Tatz include service as President of the Ottawa Council of Hadassah Wizo and the Ottawa Section of the National Council of Jewish Women.

Mrs. Tatz is married to **Martin Tatz** in Ottawa. The couple have two children and two grandchildren.

New York, New York

Continued

guide, Rabbi Lefkowitz. Despite all of our arguments and complaints, Rabbi Lefkowitz put up with all of us, which wasn't easy considering how excited and tired we were every day. Rabbi Lefkowitz taught us as much about New York and the Jewish way of life as humanly possible and, as far as I am concerned, he made the trip.

I have not yet been to Israel, but New York is the closest I have come, and I hope Rabbi Lefkowitz will take us back.

Thank you very much Rabbi.

Fredericton News

by Jennie Brown

Anniversary greetings to the following: **David and Anita Adilman**, 7 years; **Joe and Jennie Chippin**, 32 years; **Harry and Edyth Levine**, 37 years; **Jack and Betty Levine**, 33 years; **Ben and Faye Medjuck**, 45 years; and **Martin and Linda Payne**, 23 years.

Speedy recoveries to **Harry Goldman**, **Miriam Cohen**, **Bertha Landau**, **Morton Cohen** and **Mrs. P.M. Levine**.

Leona Brown has returned from Toronto after visiting her sister **Ruth**, brother-in-law **Norman Golosky** and family.

Harry and Sarah Lang have returned from Calgary, Alberta after visiting their daughter **Rhoda** and son-in-law **Steven Fransblow**.

Ethel Shepherd has returned to Toronto after visiting **Alfred and Leona Brown** and family.

Marven Rose has returned to Toronto after visiting his mother **Bessie Rose**, sister **Sharon** and brother **Ian**.

Barry Goldman and fiancée **Debbie Perez** returned to Toronto and **Esther Shapiro** and son have returned to London, Ontario after visiting their parents **Harry and Amelia Goldman**.

Rose Eusler has returned from Toronto after visiting her children, **Sheldon** and **Shelly Eusler**.

Sam and Gertie Budovitch have returned from Ottawa, Ontario where they attended a reception honoring the 60th wedding anniversary of their parents, **Nathan and Sarah Greenberg**.

Irving and Sylvia Meyers are spending the Passover with their children, **Alan and Myra Meyers**, and **Stephanie and Michael Dorchik**, in Calgary, Alberta.

Congratulations to **Valerie Rose**, daughter of **Bessie Rose**, upon her graduation from the Edith Serei School in Toronto, Ontario.

Condolences to **Rose Satter** and family upon the passing of her brother, **Sam Shepherd**. Also left to mourn are sisters **Jean Zisser** and **Eva Shepherd**, Brooklyn, New York, several nieces and nephews. May the mourners be spared of further sorrow.

Condolences to **Betty Abrams**, **Lil Budovitch**, **Rose Eusler**, **Bessie Budovitch** and **Ben and Abe and Joe Budovitch** upon the loss of their sister **Sarah Levick**. May the mourners be spared of further sorrow.

Lillian Freiman Chapter— Hadassah-Wizo/Sisterhood

A joint meeting of the Lillian Freiman Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo and the Sisterhood was held at the home of **Doris Rauch**, with the President **Anita Adilman** presiding. Plans were finalized for our Annual Youth Aliyah Drive which will be held April 5. **Audrey Velensky** and **Judy Budovitch** are the Convenors and the guest speaker will be **Lily Frank**. Further business was discussed and the President adjourned the meeting and **Rhona Ruben**, Vice-President, presided for Sisterhood in the absence of the President, **Joan Levine**. Plans were finalized for a Purim party for the community. Meeting adjourned and refreshments were served by the hostesses, **Bella Rose** and **Marilyn Kaufman**.

Best wishes for a Healthy and Happy Passover!

In Memoriam

**Dr. Joseph Tanzman,
O.B.E. z.l.**



Dr. Joseph Tanzman, O.B.E. came to Saint John with his parents in 1909 from Poland. Educated in Saint John and later at McGill University in Montreal, he completed post graduate studies in the United States, Canada and England, becoming a specialist in obstetrics and gynaecology.

Dr. Tanzman's tireless energies were directed to practically every facet of the Saint John Jewish community. He held the honor of serving as President of the Congregation Shaarei Zedek; Saint John YMHA; Saint

John Zionist Council; Saint John B'nai B'rith Lodge; Saint John Chapter Canadian Friends of Hebrew University; and the Canadian Jewish Congress. He also served as local Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal in 1947, the State of Israel Bonds Campaign in 1963, and was honored in 1971 with the Canada-Israel Friendship award.

Joseph Tanzman's devotion was not limited to the Jewish community of Saint John, his activities touched many aspects. He was President of the Saint John Medical Society; Chairman of Medical Staffs at St. Joseph and General Hospitals; Chairman of the Ethics Commission of the Canadian Medical Association; a member of the Board of Commissioners of Saint John General Hospital; an officer of the Canadian Army Medical Corps; and Commanding Officer of R.C.A.M.C. units in Canada and overseas. He attained the rank of Lieutenant Colonel, and was awarded Officer of the British Empire, Military Division.

Joseph Tanzman's inspiration, involvement and strong dedication will be greatly missed by his dear family and friends, as well as those organizations to which he devoted his time and energy.

Besides his wife, Celia, he is survived by his two daughters, Isabel Boniuk, St. Louis and Sandra Brown, Toronto, six grandchildren: Jonathan, Wendy and Amy Boniuk and Heidi, Mara and Naomi Brown.*

The community will long cherish the memory of this dedicated man. The Atlantic Jewish community extends sincerest condolences to his family. May they know no further sorrow.

Camp Kadimah Campaign Update

Thanks to the many contributors and the support of the United Israel Appeal and to the Atlantic Jewish Council, camp indebtedness has been relieved. However, there are many who have yet to pledge support.

If you are able to assist us, please contact the following people:

Halifax, N.S.—Lloyd Newman
Cape Breton, N.S.—Martin Chernin
St. John's, Nfld.—Bernard Nathanson
Fredericton, N.B.—Weldon Levine
Moncton, N.B.—David Attis
Saint John, N.B.—Norman Hamburg



Veidah 1981

Kingsway Inn, Windsor, N.S.

March 13-16, 1981

by Iris Kohler,
Mazkira Ezor

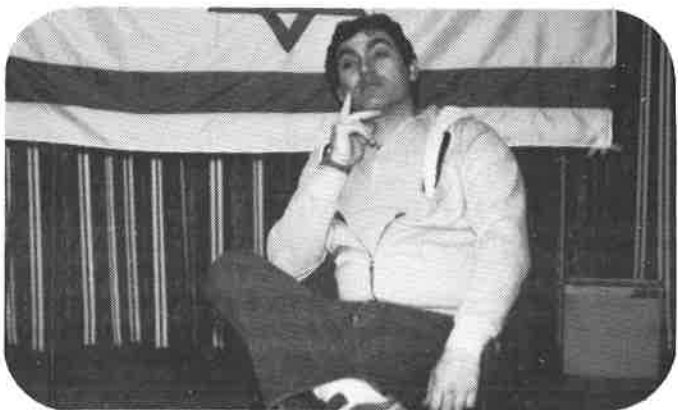
Now that Veidah is over, it's nice to look back at the great weekend that was enjoyed by the 21 Judaeans who attended.

The convention started off with singing and Israeli dancing on Friday evening and allowed time for everyone to relax with their friends. Saturday was a packed day with three programs: football, swimming and a movie. By the way, there are still donuts if anyone wants them. Sunday was filled with three more programs and packing up. The convention ended with an evening of roller skating where many people perfected the art of falling on their tush. Everyone came home a little sore, but quite happy.

There are many people whose hard work before and during the convention contributed to the success of Veidah, that the list is endless. Many thanks go out to **Mrs. Sadofsky** and **Mrs. Smilestone** for preparing the food for Veidah. I am very grateful to **Howard Karp** for the folders, **Mike Freedman** for the vans, **Mrs. Ferguson** for the great cake, **Mr. Bluestein** for help with the groceries, **Anita Small** for the records, and the **Atlantic Jewish Council** for the many little things that helped make Veidah run smoothly.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Rachel Sadofsky and Amy Newman on Kitchen Duty Veidah '81.



Yossi Rotem—Central Region Shaliach. Pondering a point.



Veidah Participants

Many thanks go to the following people who provided programs for Veidah: **Lloyd Newman** for his program on the Jewish Agency. It taught us many things we didn't know. **Norman Rosenblum** and **Nadine Sharp** for their program on peace in the Middle East. It showed us many problems of this important issue. **Richard Freedman** and **Jeff Cohen** for their program on hadracha. It was light and interesting, but made us think and evaluate leadership.

Thank you all, the programs were great!

All in all, Veidah was a success even though there was a small turnout. But you know what they say, "It's quality, not quantity, that counts". And we had great quality!

I hope to see more "great quality" at the next convention.



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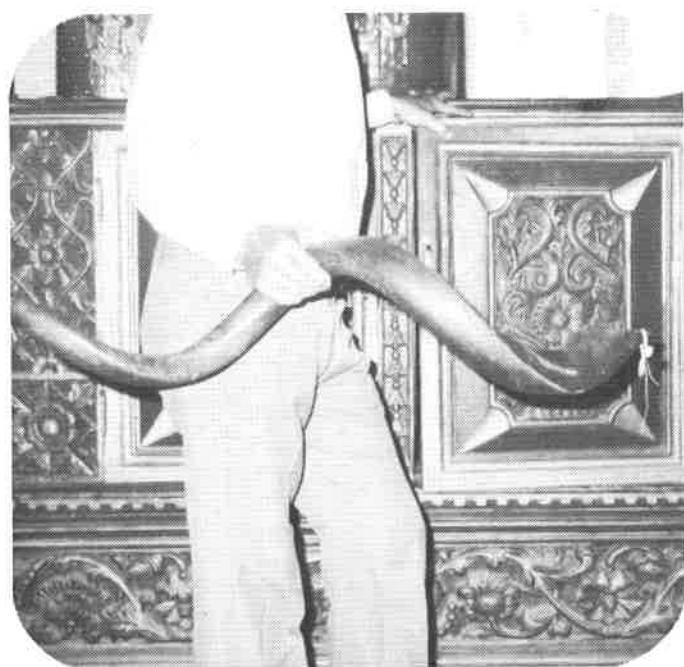
Editor's Note

Leo Arkelian, an Armenian living in Halifax, has always expressed an interest in Jewish Culture. During a visit to India in December 1980, he took the opportunity, while in Cochin, to further pursue his interest. An Indian friend, **Mahindra Parekh**, suggested he tour the Cochin Synagogue which was built in 1568. Mr. Arkelian brought back with him a selection of photos that were taken in the Synagogue as well as a short history and explanation of the Cochin Synagogue. The chronological table included in this article was part of this history handed to him while there.

Many thanks to Mr. Arkelian for allowing the **Shalom** to present the following photo story.



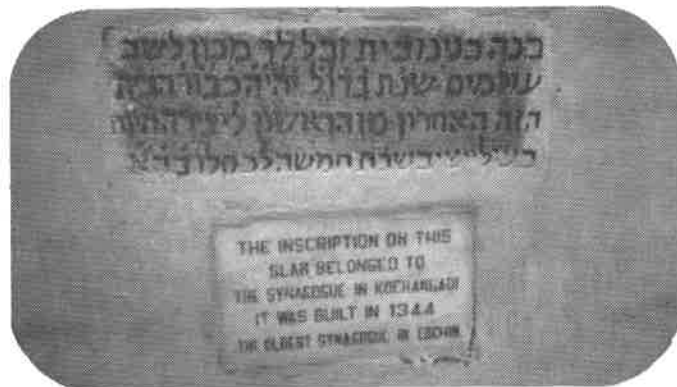
Left to Right: Leo Arkelian, with Synagogue guide showing the gold Crown presented in 1805 by the Maharaja of Travancore. Friend Mahindra Parekh, Cochin, India.



Guide is shown standing in front of Bima holding a Shofar.



Centre of Synagogue.



Shown on the front entrance to Cochin Synagogue is inscription from the oldest synagogue in Cochin, built 1344.

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Tour guide displaying 500-year-old manuscript.

Cochin Synagogue (1568) Mattancherry Cochin-2

Translation Of The Copper Plates

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revenue and the title of Anjuvannam, the lamp of the day, a cloth spread in front to walk on, a palanquin, a parasole, avaduga, (i.e. Telugu) drum, a trumpet, a gateway, garland, decoration with festoons, and so forth. We have granted him the land tax and weight tax: moreover we have sanctioned with these Copper Plates that he need not pay the dues which the inhabitants of the other cities pay the Royal Palace, and that he may enjoy the benefit which they enjoy. To Joseph Rabban, Prince of the Anjuvannam and to his descendants, sons and daughters and to his nephews, and to the sons-in-law who married his daughters in natural succession, so long as the world and moon exist. Anjuvannam shall be his hereditary possession, Hail. (*Sign. Manual*)

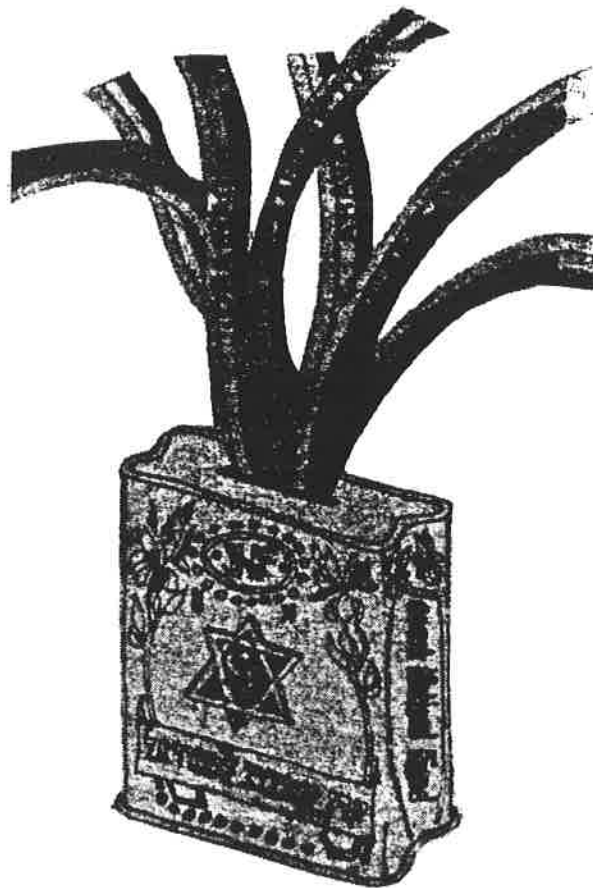
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Chronological Table

Advent of Jews to India and colonization of Cranganore	—C.E.	72
Grant of the copper plates to Joseph Rabban	—C.E.	379
Advent of more Jews from Babylon and Persia	—C.E.	490-518
Jewish colony in Cranganore contacts China	—C.E.	900
Arrival in Cranganore of 'Hachamim' including Judah Halevi	—C.E.	1141
Advent of Joseph Azaar to Cochin Town	—C.E.	1344
Building of Kochangadi Synagogue	—C.E.	1345
Expulsion of Jews from Spain	—C.E.	1492
Arrival of Castiel family in Cochin	—C.E.	1511
Arrival of more Spanish Jews	—C.E.	1514
Moorish attack on Jews in Cranganore	—C.E.	1524
Final expulsion from Cranganore by the Portuguese	—C.E.	1565
Jew's Town built and occupied	—C.E.	1567
Building of the Cochin Synagogue	—C.E.	1568
Appointment of the 1st Mudaliar	—C.E.	1570
Maharikash's response	—C.E.	1600
Partial destruction of the Synagogue by the Portuguese	—C.E.	1662
Re-building of the Cochin Synagogue	—C.E.	1664
Building of the Clock Tower by Ezekiel Rabhi	—C.E.	1760
Tiling of the Synagogue with tiles from Canton by Ezekiel Rabhi (1100) & No two are Identical	—C.E.	1762
Presentation of a Gold Crown to the Synagogue by the Maharaja of Travancore	—C.E.	1805
First detailed census of Cochin Jews by Joseph Hallegua	—C.E.	1814

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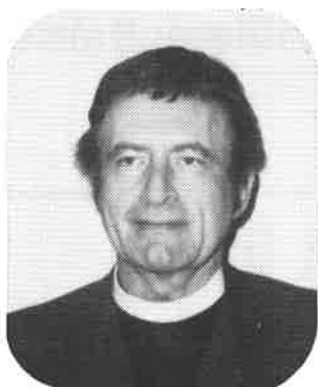
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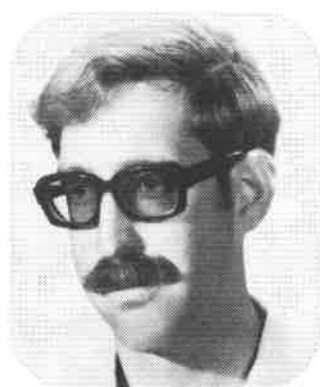
We Had Visitors . . .

We Had Meetings . . .

We Had Entertainment . . .



The Rev. Roland de Corneille addressed various groups in Halifax, including the Jewish Community. The meeting, held at the Shaar Shalom Synagogue, was jointly sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council, Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region and the Canadian Jewish Congress. Rev. de Corneille is a past director of the Canadian League for Human Rights of B'nai B'rith and is presently organizing a National Committee for a Human Rights Charter.



In an outspoken, hard hitting address in Halifax, **Dan Scheuftan** held the audience spellbound on the subject of the Palestinians, P.L.O. and the Arab World. Mr. Scheuftan is an outstanding Israeli intellect, writer and commentator on Middle East Affairs. His short visit was arranged through the Canadian Zionist Federation, the Atlantic Jewish Council and in co-operation with the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation. Hopefully, Mr. Scheuftan will return some time in the future to the Atlantic Region.



The Executive and Board Members of the Atlantic Jewish Council met during February in Halifax. Part of the agenda included reports on Atlantic Jewish Council activities, Camp Kadimah, Canadian Zionist Federation activities in the Atlantic Region, as well as those of Canadian Jewish Congress.



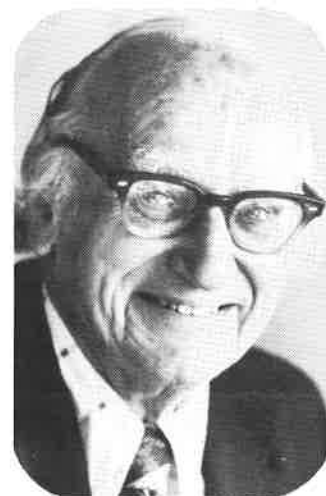
An "Evening with Shalom Aleichem" performed by **Murray Horwitz** brought laughter and pathos to Atlantic Region audiences during Purim.



Lil Garson entertained in St. John's, Newfoundland and Yarmouth, N.S. as part of their Purim celebrations. These cultural and social activities are arranged through the Atlantic Jewish Council and the Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region.



Jonathan Livny was the guest speaker at a parlour meeting held at the home of Mr. & Mrs. R. Medjuck in March. Mr. Livny is currently on a mission to Canada as Special Representative of the Hebrew University.



Julius Hayman, Editor and Publisher of the Jewish Standard, spoke to the Jewish Community and general public at a lecture held at Dalhousie University on Thursday, April 2, 1981 in the MacMechan Room. Mr. Hayman's lecture was entitled "Peace in the Middle East—The Answer to a 50 Year Question".

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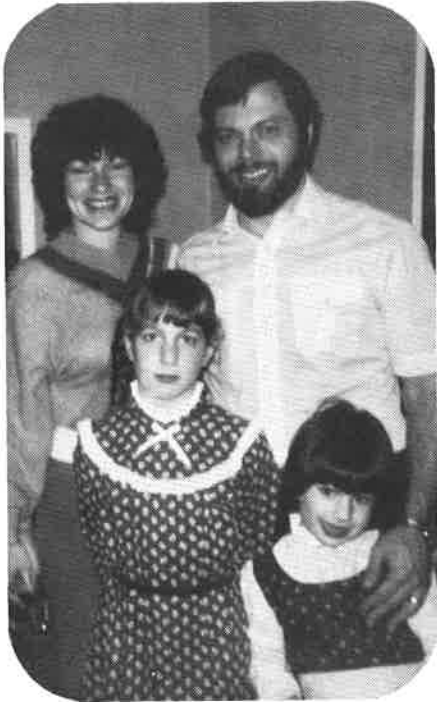
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Camp Kadimah Director 1981

The Camp Kadimah Committee is pleased to welcome **Sheldon Cohen** to the position of Camp Director for the summer 1981. Sheldon is a native Nova Scotian, born in Glace Bay. Sheldon was active in Young Judaea for twelve years as a member and Judaeian leader.

Educated at Sir George Williams University and McGill University, he is currently teaching high school—dramatics and mathematics—in Montreal.



Sheldon's previous camping experience includes: Director—Camp Hagshama for two years; Head Counselor at Camp Hagshama for two years, C.I.T. Director—Camp Hagshama for two years; Drama Specialist—Camp Hagshama for two years and Camp Director—Camp Robinson for one year.

Under Sheldon's direction, Camp Kadimah / Mahar looks towards a great camp season!

Former Camp Kadimah Director

Editor's Note:

Faye Abbit is the daughter of **Ida Simon**. **Ernie Abbit** was Director of Camp Kadimah during the 1950's. The following announcement appeared in the *Beth El Magazine*, Boca Ratan, Florida.

Introducing Ernest Abbit, Executive Director

James Baer, President of the congregation, is pleased to introduce **Mr. Ernest Abbit** as our new Executive Director. He commenced his duties on June 1.

Ernie and his wife, Faye, recently celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary. They have two children—Judi, age 24, a para-legal; and Jeff, age 22, a commercial artist—both working in California. Faye has been involved in hematology research.

Ernie Abbit earned his Masters Degree in social work from the Maritime School of Social Work. He is also a graduate of the I.L. Peretz School of Jewish Studies and most recently earned his Fellowship in Temple Administration.

Ernie has a most varied, colorful and successful career to his credit. He was a camp director for 18 consecutive years; was the National Executive Director of Canadian Young Judea, a youth organization of over 7000 members; a Regional Director for the Zionist Organization of Canada; and came to us from Temple De Hirsch Sinai in Seattle, Washington, where he served as Executive Director for 15 years.

His expertise has been recognized by national organizations. He has held several executive positions on the National Association of Temple Administrators and currently is First Vice President. He will assume the Presidency in 1981. He also served as editor of the nationally distributed NATA Journal and was Vice President of the Professional Association of Temple Administrators.

Most recently Ernie Abbit was afforded the honor and distinction of being listed in *Who's Who in the West* and *Who's Who in American Jewry*. We welcome him and his charming wife to our midst and look forward to a long and warm association.



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Old Age Is Not A Disease



by Louise Adler,
Editor

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"How old are you?" I was asked at an interview not so long ago.

"What age do you want?" I replied. "My educational age? My experience age? In which fields? My mental age? Perhaps, my emotional age? Could you be interested in my biological age? You know my blood pressure might be that of a 17-year-old and my lungs of a thirty-year-old. But my kidneys could be of a forty-year-old. You figure out my biological age."

My questioner looked startled.

"Oh!" I said. "You mean my chronological age. What for?" And I never told him.

Then one day I asked a young lady how she felt about growing older. She replied with feeling. "I don't want to grow old. I hate the thought that I might grow old."

I looked her in the eye and said, "I didn't know you want to die young." She was alarmed—frightened. "You realize," I added, "if you don't grow older, it means you must die young. But it is wonderful to grow old, to live a full rich life—aging is not a disease!"

I was concerned by this girl's concept of maturity and by what so many others seemed to express. So I looked up age in two different encyclopedias. Both had identical definitions: "Age, fully capable of exercising the rights and fulfilling the duties of ordinary citizenship."

"Well," I said to myself. "Why should anyone be afraid of that?" Maybe it's longevity—long life that people are worried about. So, I also looked that up. I found the statement "modern man, as observed under scientific methods, has never attained a life span over 200 years. Humans with an age of over 110 are extremely rare. However, in the animal world, elephants live over 200 years; whales 300 years and storks live 100 years."

Perhaps some people think that aging is a disease. I therefore checked the definition of disease. "A disease—is characterized by malfunction of the vital processes, accompanied by marked symptoms and definite physical signs. It may be caused by the invasion of the body by microscopic parasites, by deficiencies in nutrition, by genital deficiencies, or by damage caused by foreign matter or harmful radiation."

Not a word associating aging and disease.

What then is aging? It is living, reaching maturity, gathering experience and we trust, wisdom. It is a time for enjoying each day to its fullest and a time to give of oneself so that the art of living becomes a time of fulfillment.

Definitely, old age is not a disease.

Suggested Readings . . .

The Terrible Secret [Selection of The Jewish Book Club]

Who knew what, and when? And why was it not believed?

These momentous questions are posed, and answered, by Walter Laqueur in a fast-paced, compelling, and chilling narrative about Hitler's "Final Solution" and the world's response to it.

When the Nazi death camps were liberated in 1945, the world reacted with shock and outrage to what lay revealed—the brutal and hideous evidence of a plan, successfully carried out on an unimaginable scale, to exterminate the Jewish people. If only we had known, many exclaimed, we could have taken steps, even during wartime, to put a halt to the massacre.

Yet virtually everything *was* known; that is the indisputable conclusion of this probing and important book. The first killings in Russia. The setting up of extermination centers in Poland. The deportations from other European countries. Even the ultimate aim of wiping out the whole Jewish people.

And it was known everywhere. In Germany. In the neutral nations. Among the Allies. Among Jews, both those directly affected and the leaders of world Jewry in Palestine and the West.

How was it known? From eyewitness reports. From Nazi army veterans and personnel at the camps. From fugitives. Through the Polish underground, via Sweden and Switzerland. From letters, postcards, and first hand reports from the Jewish population. And through dozens of other conduits.

When was it known? The author of this book has scoured the evidence from June 1941, when the German invaded Russia and began their program of systematic murder, to the end of 1942, by which time *two-and-a-half* million Jews had already died. From the very first, he contends, enough was known about what was occurring to convince anyone willing to believe.

And therein lies the "terrible secret." Many knew, and virtually no one wished to believe—including those in a position to take action. Even when faced with incontrovertible evidence, governments and individuals alike chose to deny the reality of the Holocaust—with what tragic results we all know.

In writing this book, a masterpiece of political and psychological investigation, Walter Laqueur made use of many sources and documents which have only recently become available. His researches took him around the world; into a labyrinth of wartime contacts both official and unofficial, both personal and formal; and into the darkest recesses of the human heart, with its endless capacity for self-delusion and denial.

The tale told in this book unravels like a mystery story read backwards, where the end is known but the clues still need to be reconstructed. This is a riveting and disturbing work, and one that throws a brilliant new light on the history of our times.

About the author: Walter Laqueur, a distinguished professor of history and an expert in international affairs, divides his time between Washington, London, and Tel Aviv. He is the author of many works of political analysis and of a novel, *The Missing Years*, which was a Main Selection of the Jewish Book Club last year.

Pesach—Passover 1981

The Song of Songs

Unique Poem Is Read At Passover

by Dvora Waysman

World Zionist Press Service

Every Passover, on the Sabbath that falls during the Festival, we read "The Song of Songs" at the end of the Morning Service. According to Jewish tradition, King Solomon was the author of this beautiful and erotic love poem.

Consisting of 117 verses, it is a series of lyrical love songs, expressing the delights and anguish of love. Although rich in sensual imagery, it is never coarse or vulgar. The story is simple: an exquisite young Shulamite has been sold by her brothers to the aging Solomon and made the favorite of his harem. Yet she longs for her youthful shepherd lover. It is filled with extravagant and lavish praise for the physical attributes of the young lovers:

The rounding of thy thighs are like the links of a chain,

The work of the hands of a skilled workman.

The navel is like a round goblet,

Wherein no mingled wine is wanting;

Thy belly is like a heap of wheat

Set about with lilies.

The two breasts are like two fawns

That are twins of a gazelle.

Some of the comparisons may seem strange to us, but the poetry is magnificent:

I have compared thee, O my love,

To a steed in Pharaoh's chariots.

Thy cheeks are comely with circlets,

Thy neck with beads.

My beloved is unto me as a cluster of henna

In the vineyards of Ein Gedi.

I am a rose of Sharon

A lily of the valleys.

"The Song of Songs" belongs to the same literary genre as Arabic love poetry. It is unique in the Bible, being the only example of such passionate expressions of sexual love and occupied with that one theme. God's name is not mentioned even once, and no morals are drawn.

There are two interpretations of the "Song of Songs"—literal and allegorical. The rabbis of the 1st century C.E. suppressed the literal interpretation and promoted the

poem as an allegory in which the love of God for His people was expressed. The lover, under the guise of King Solomon or the young shepherd, was recognized as God, and His beloved was Israel.

Thus a poem which seemed devoid of any religious connotations was transformed into a vehicle for expressing a deep spiritual relationship. Rabbi Akiva admonished: 'He who trills his voice in the chanting of "The Song of Songs" in the banquet halls and makes it a secular song has no share in the world to come' (Sanh. 12:10). He added: 'All the Writings are holy, but "The Song of Songs" is the Holy of Holies.'

During the 18th century C.E., the view arose that it was a drama, complete with characters, a plot and a moral. The leading characters were, of course, Solomon and the Shulamite. Then there arose a 3-character version, with Solomon vying with the shepherd for the maiden's love. But history does not bear out this theory, for the Jews of antiquity produced no dramas and opposed them on religious grounds.

No matter what interpretation is given to them, the verses remain among the most beautiful ever written. Today, the predominant trend in modern scholarship is to accept "The Song of Songs" literally as a collection of lyrical love songs. But even in this context, it is redeemed in the eyes of the religious by the fact that love, in all its manifestations, is the work of the Divine Creator.

Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth: for
thy love is better than wine.

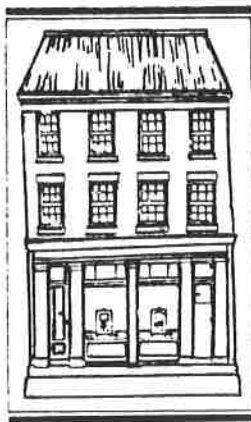
Because of the savour of thy good ointments thy
name is as ointment poured forth, therefore do
the virgins love thee.

Draw me, we will run after thee: the king hath
brought me into his chambers: we will be glad and
rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more
than wine: the upright love thee.

I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of
Jerusalem, as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains
of Solomon. . . .

My beloved is unto me as a cluster of henna-
flowers in the vineyards of Ein-gedi.

Behold, thou art fair, my love; behold thou art
fair. . . .



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Pesach—Passover 1981

The Housewife's Delight

What On Earth Happens When Pesach Falls On Sunday?

by Rabbi Dr. Shmuel Himelstein
World Zionist Press Service

There is an old saying that after the housewife slaves away for weeks on end preparing for Pesach, it is her husband who has the gall to sit down at the Seder, rested and relaxed, reclining on his pillow, and proclaiming to all: "Now I am a free man." And it is the exhausted wife that feels that she is the slave. . . .

Imagine what a relief it would be to a woman if she could come rested into the Pesach Seder. Well, until technology designs a home which remains perpetually clean, dustless and spotless (plus instantly cooked Passover meals), there isn't much hope for that, **except** on those rare years when Passover begins **after** Shabbat, as we will see below. This occurs very rarely—in 1981 and 1994, and no more until the next century. So it's now or (almost) never.

Ramifications

When Pesach begins on the night after Shabbat (i.e. where the first day of Pesach is a Sunday), homes must be in Pesach condition **before** Shabbat begins. All the cleaning must be completed on Friday. Most (as we shall see) of the Chametz (bread, etc.) has to be burned by Shabbat, and in essence most of the Pesach food has to be ready by that time. That being the case, all that the housewife can (hopefully) do on Shabbat is rest.

Let us see some of the ramifications of Sunday being the first day of Pesach. Firstly, one normally searches for Chametz on the night before Pesach. Since one cannot do that on Friday night (no candles, remember), the ceremony is advanced to Thursday night. Similarly, while one normally burns all his Chametz on the morning before Pesach, since this will be Shabbat, one must burn it on Friday. But it isn't so simple. One must normally burn his Chametz by about 10 a.m. (depending on where he lives), because Jewish law forbids anyone to own Chametz after that time. In this case, though, that refers to 10 a.m. on Shabbat, or the day before Pesach. That means that **only this year**, one can burn his Chametz after the 10 a.m. deadline (but of course not after Shabbat has begun, when lighting a fire is forbidden).

What Menu?

But there is another complication. What is one to eat on Shabbat itself? As in any other year, one is not allowed to eat Matza just before Pesach. But if one burns all the Chametz on Friday, what will there be left to eat? And to add fuel to the fire, Jewish law requires one to eat **three** meals on Shabbat, at all of which one must eat either bread or Matza!

It seems like a vicious cycle—but it isn't. In essence, it means that this is the one year where one burns **most** of the bread, but not all of it. One leaves behind a small quantity of bread specifically for the meals of Shabbat. Alternatively,

as is the case in Jerusalem, one can purchase special Matza made without water, which one is permitted to eat even on the day before Pesach, since it may not be used for the Seder anyway. (Ashkenazim, though, have the custom of not using this Matza on Pesach.)

But there is still a problem. Let us say that you have two small loaves left over for Shabbat morning. The law is that **all** Chametz cannot be eaten beyond about 9 a.m., and must be destroyed by about 10 a.m. That means a) that you will have to eat your Shabbat meal **very** early (most synagogues will make it a point to hold **extremely** early services that day) and b) you will have to get rid of the crumbs some way. Since you can't burn your Chametz then, the solution is to be sure to eat as much as possible by the deadline, and to simply flush any crumbs that might remain down the toilet, thus effectively destroying them.

Be Careful!

Remember, though, there is still another consideration. What food will you eat on that day? In what pots will it be cooked? While one is still permitted (at least theoretically) to use Chametz pots, most wives prefer to switch to Pesach pots and dishes before Shabbat. So you have to be extremely careful not to let the bread come into contact with any of your Pesach pots, dishes or silverware. It might thus be advisable to eat the bread in a separate place, rinse out the mouth, and then proceed to the table set with the Pesach dishes.

These, then, are the advantages and disadvantages of Pesach falling on Sunday, right after Shabbat. And if you find this is something you like, you'll have another chance to repeat it all—in 1994.



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An Open Letter To The Supporters Of The PLO Dominated State For The Palestinian Refugees

by Sam Jacobson
Halifax



The world is being inundated with a multimillion global propaganda campaign to arouse sympathy for the Palestinian refugees. Our enemies claim that they were forcibly expelled by the Israel Nation in spite of the fact that official British military reports state the truth that they left voluntarily at the request of the Arab higher committee. The idea was that the Arabs should leave the area populated by Jews temporarily so that the invading armies could come in, annihilate all the Jews and give their farms and properties to those who had left. The story is being told very eloquently, very cleverly, and repeated so often that it becomes accepted as the truth instead of the truth being known. The facts are, that the Arab Palestinian refugee problem is a fabrication based upon misrepresentation and lies. As was often stated during the days of Hitler, if you tell a lie often enough it becomes accepted as a fact.

There is no doubt that a human tragedy exists in the conditions of the Arab refugees living inside the camps. The question is whose fault is it that these camps have been maintained for over three decades at the expense of the United Nations, while all other refugees in all history have been allowed to be absorbed within a very short period.

Perhaps the following statements will help clarify the situation so that any objective reader can get at the facts behind the smoke screen of hate filled propaganda.

1. Every war in history has resulted in displacement of populations or in the creation of refugees. Only in the case of the Arab refugees who, in accordance with the statement by the British Military, voluntarily ran away **against** the wishes of the Jewish Israelis have these refugees been retained in camps over three decades. For example, the United Empire Loyalists, who ran away from

the American colonies to Canada, were never allowed to return nor were they given one penny of compensation.

2. The Greek inhabitants who had been living for many centuries on the west coast of Asia Minor were expelled by Kemal Ataturk in about 1920 and were never allowed to return. They were settled in Macedonia.

3. The eight million East German refugees who ran into West Germany in front of the Russian invasion were never allowed to return to East Germany.

4. Tens of millions of Hindus and Pakistanis emigrated from their former homes to their respective co-religionist and were absorbed in their homeland.

5. The Vietnam refugees that came to America and Canada have not been retained in camps, but have been absorbed in their new homeland.

I would welcome proof where in all history war refugees have been retained, housed and fed, although at a miserable level, indoctrinated with hatred, to return where they came from and allowed to be armed to invade and kill defenceless men, women and children while camouflaged as civilians.

Actually, the Arab nations have imprisoned these refugees in collusion with the West in order for them to cry crocodile tears and arouse sympathy as an excuse for destroying the political independence of the only democratic nation in the whole Middle East. They have only Arab social workers inside the camps. Why do they never have a census taken? It would prove that the vast majority never really were in Israel, but were infiltrators who took advantage of free food and maintenance which even at that level, was an improvement over the living standards of the desert. Probably a large share of the balance were very recent immigrants into Israel to work for Jewish development.

These camps should be phased out as soon as possible. It would remove a very great danger to world peace.

The world is full of cruelty and injustice. Should there not be a balance between the claims of three million Jews, victims of world indifference, who migrated to their ancient homeland and who do not hate anyone, against the hatred and desire to annihilate them by a few hundred thousand Arabs who fled their country because they wanted to benefit from the death of their neighbors? The Arabs have millions of square miles of territory inhabited by people of their culture and religion. If they were allowed to come back to Tel Aviv, Haifa, or Jerusalem, would they feel at home?

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Would it not be far more humane for them to be absorbed into Jordan or some other Arab speaking country?

If some want to concentrate strictly upon this relatively minor injustice against many other more important ones, then they are welcome to their opinions. However, if they are interested in justice to humanity at large, may I draw your attention to a few others?

How about the seventy-five thousand Lebanese, mostly Christian, killed in the civil war brought on by the PLO in Lebanon?

How about the hundreds of thousands annihilated in the civil war in Nigeria a few years ago by an army armed by the British Labor Government, led by Prime Minister Wilson, because of Britain's need for their oil?

Then there's the record of Idi Amin, the inhuman dictator of Uganda. No one knows the exact number, but the probability is that several hundred thousand, all civilians, were massacred by him and his armed henchmen.

And how about the hundreds of thousands who have starved to death, and many tens of thousands more who are today starving to death living along the southern fringe of the Sahara Desert?

And how about Cambodia, where several millions have been massacred or starved to death recently in the violent political eruptions in that country? And let us not forget the nine million "Kulaks" independent farmers who were starved to death by Stalin.

Nor should we forget that the Nazi armies invading Russia annihilated twenty million civilians as part of their program to depopulate the Ukraine, which was to be "seeded" with a pure Aryan population of several hundred million from Germany.

Of course, I need not mention the six million Jews representing 90% of European Jewry, who were annihilated not only by the German Gestapo, but with the enthusiastic cooperation of the populations of Eastern Europe.

It is now being revealed that the Great Democratic world was fully aware of Hitler's program of annihilation, but suppressed all information about it to their own people. Actually, any escape from Europe was prevented by the combined efforts of Britain and America. Several tramp ships loaded with refugees, who had left Romania, were sunk in the Mediterranean within a few miles off the Israel coast during the war. While the United Nations devotes three quarters of its time debating the problem of the "Palestinians" and spends billions of dollars maintaining them at a miserable level, the Arab world who are their kin, are harvesting hundreds of billions of dollars of the world's wealth and refuse to contribute anything to their welfare. Is this not because they want to turn the spotlight on these refugees and cry crocodile tears to arouse world sympathy?

What is being completely forgotten is the fact that twice as many Jews (as Arab refugees), who had lived for over a thousand years in the Moslem world, were expelled shortly after the State of Israel was established without the United Nations paying any heed. The majority escaped to Israel and lived in the tent cities at a much lower level of comforts than the Arab refugees, for years. It was only the voluntary contributions by World Jewry that finally made it possible for them to be absorbed, and they are now living self respecting lives as free citizens of the State. Surely, the Arab world could no less than absorb a few hundred thousand Arab refugees among the four

million square miles of their territory, much of which is as empty as the moon.

A few years ago America made a treaty with Panama returning the Panama Canal to that country. However, the final control was not to be transferred until about twenty years later. In the meantime, should a crisis or war arise, America would have the right to move in and take over if they considered it necessary. In another situation, America has just surrendered its mandate over a group of islands in the Pacific and granted independence to the native population. In this instance also, a complete removal of American influence is being postponed until the end of the century. America will continue to have the right to send in troops and defence forces any time they consider it necessary for the duration.

When one considers the tremendous might of America and the precautions it is taking, why should that same country expect tiny Israel to endanger its very survival by giving up the right to settle in the West Bank just to satisfy the racial hatred of the Arab world? The autonomy Israel is offering to the population of Judea and Samaria is more generous than that offered by any other country under similar circumstances. Jews have been living among Arabs, as they have in the rest of the world, for thousands of years in peace and cooperation. Why should they be prevented from settling in these areas which were the heartland of the Hebrew Nation? The native population is being given every civil, religious, economic, and political right of self determination. Israel only wants security to make sure that the area is not used as a base for destroying their own independence and existence.



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Israel summer programmes

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High School Age Programmes (Ages 16-17 1/2)

KIBBUTZ ENCOUNTER

An unusual kibbutz experience, in addition to seventeen days of touring which includes Jerusalem, a Field School, Tel Aviv and more. Groups of 5-10 participants are formed and placed on several kibbutzim in one general area, where they are 'adopted' by a group of their Israeli peers. Joint programmes and tours are held during the kibbutz period.

- * Departure: June 29, 1981
- * Cost: \$1,750.00

ISRAEL SUMMER HAPPENING

An all-touring programme for high school age students which offers 39 days of in-depth travel throughout Israel. Included in the touring are Jerusalem, Field School, Tel Aviv, Galil. Also includes 5 days Gadna.

- * Departure: July 1, 1981
- * Cost: \$2,150.00

ISRAEL DIMENSION

A special programme designed especially for youth aged 17 (Grade 11 graduates) combining 2 weeks on kibbutz with 20 days of extensive touring, including Jerusalem, Field School, tours of the Galil and 5 days of Gadna. It offers 17-year-olds from across Canada the opportunity to get together and establish close friendships during a dynamic summer in Israel.

- * Departure: July 1, 1981
- * Cost: \$1,850.00

ADVENTURE IN KIBBUTZ

Participants experience the unique kibbutz lifestyle as part of a group of 20, and tour Israel for 17 days after the kibbutz period. Touring includes Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Field School and more. While on kibbutz, tours are conducted into the surrounding region.

- * Departure: June 29, 1981
- * Cost: \$1,750.00

Kibbutz-Based Programmes In Cooperation With Kibbutz Aliya Desk

College Age Programmes (Age 18-23)

STUDENT SUMMER TOUR

A comprehensive introduction to Israel consisting of 26 days on kibbutz and 17 full days of touring. While on kibbutz, participants will work 6 hours a day in various areas and will participate in the many aspects of kibbutz life. Touring includes Field School, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and more.

- * Departure: May 11, May 25, June 22,
June 29, 1981
- * Cost: \$1,575.00—May
\$1,675.00—June

COLLEGE SUMMER PROGRAMME

A thorough introduction to Israel for college age students, offering a 32-day all-touring programme. Included in the touring are Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Field School, Negev, Galil and more.

- * Departure: July 1, 1981
- * Cost: \$2,050.00

THE SOURCE [ISRAEL INSIDE OUT]

A challenging programme for college age youth involving 21 days of archaeological digging at the Jewish National Fund's Canada Park in the Jerusalem Forest, as well as 17 days of extensive touring of the Galil, the Negev, Eilat and Tel Aviv.

- * Departure: July 1, 1981
- * Cost: \$1,875.00

SUMMER IN KIBBUTZ

A programme for those interested primarily in the kibbutz experience. 40 days on kibbutz are supplemented by 7 days of organized touring to Jerusalem and Eilat.

- * Departure: May 11, May 25, June 15,
June 29, 1981
- * Cost: \$1,375.00—May and June 15
\$1,475.00—June 29

Quick Trip To Israel Ages 21-29

- * June 17-July 8
- * July 8-July 29
- * July 29-August 19

* Since this is a new programme, we're not yet sure which dates are most convenient for the majority of interested participants. For this reason, we are listing 3 OPTIONS, and the final dates will be determined in the near future, according to demand.

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- 1) **EXCLUSIVE**—Restricted to persons aged 21-29;
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- 3) **SPECIALLY DESIGNED**—Built in such a way so as to provide sufficient "free time", while still offering a wealth of rich and unusual experiences available only as part of a group.

This is a programme for active and enthusiastic people who are concerned more with a top quality experience than with top quality hotels and buses. The accommodation and travelling, while more than adequate, are geared toward the informality of the programme.

There will be plenty of walking, hiking and climbing. And time for hearing and evaluating some of the important questions facing Israel and Jews the world over. In addition, there will be special time put aside for an honest look at the education and work opportunities in Israel.

And, of course, there will be time for swimming in Israel's seas, climbing Massada, snorkelling in the Red Sea, meeting Israelis—in addition to extensive, intensive touring in Jerusalem, Galilee and Golan, Negev and Eilat, Tel Aviv and Yafo. In short, a complete Israel experience.

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- 13-15—Tel Aviv - Beit Hatfutzot
- 16 —Arad and Massada
- 17-19—Eilat
- 20-21—Tel Aviv
- 22 —Departure

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- * For complete information on the programmes, consult our booklet "Israel Summer Programmes 1981", available through our offices.

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Matzos

by Ruth Smolash

Editor's Note:

The Poetess is Ruth Smolash who is now twelve years old. She wrote this when she was eleven, but "Shalom" received it too late to publish last year. Ruth, who lives in Montreal, is the granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Sam Jacobson of Halifax.

There was a king Pharaoh,
Who was mean as can be.
All the first born male Jews
By his command were thrown to the sea.

When Moses was born
His mother Miriam said:
"I'll weave him a basket,
then lay down his little head".

Yocheved—Moses' sister put Moses
in the water with a tear and a frown
She prayed to G-d and hoped
that dear Moses would not drown.

She followed him through the bullrushes,
And kept him in near sight.
She thought—I must follow him
Until the early light.

Just then to her surprise,
A princess came to bathe.
She saw little Moses,
And then she said with praise.

I'll call this baby, *דני*
because I drew him out of the water.
I know that this boy is Jewish,
But I want so much to have a son or a daughter.

She kept the baby *דני*
He grew up to be a healthy man.
Although he didn't know he was Jewish
Of the Jewish people he was a fan.

Later when he found out,
his love for the people grew.
He now hated his uncle Pharaoh,
And wanted to save each and every Jew.

So G-d made Egypt suffer
for the terrible things they had done.
And when the last plague was over,
the Jewish people had won.

They packed their bags and were free,
But they had no time to bake bread.
Bread takes too long to rise
That's why we eat Matzos instead.

It Always Rains On Shabbos

A short story by Miriam Pavey

He was a little man, the Rov. Small, bent with age. Wiry, a thin beard and piercing black eyes. A typical hagaddah woodcut. He was old. Eighty, ninety years? No one knew—and few cared—for he had always been old as far back as anyone could remember and there were few these days who remembered.

He had been young once, when, bright eyed he had arrived from the old country to the crowded noisy ghetto of this new land. But then he had a family, a wife, sons. His wife had long ago been gathered to her ancestors and his sons . . . they were good boys, had done well, had taken this new land by storm and made a good living from it. But their world was not his and the world of their children even less so. His daughters-in-law were, he knew, good Jewish wives and mothers and tireless workers for charitable causes, but he could never see the image of his beloved Rivka in these beautifully painted, manicured, blue rinsed matrons.

"It always rains on Shabbos." And these days it seemed it always did. To the Rov it seemed that the very angels in heaven wept for the Shabbatot of bygone days. Maybe it didn't rain every Shabbos, but the little Rov could not remember now when it hadn't. There were many things he could not recall at will these days. Forgetfulness could be a blessing, but some things were worthy of remembrance.

"Shoken ad. . ." the Rov intoned to his sparse minyan. These days he was his own Chazan. There had been a time when the steibl boasted a chazan of its own. He was a good chazan as chazonim go, and as good chazonim go—he went. To brighter and more lucrative pastures.

"Shema Yisroel. . ." At least today there was a minyan. It was not always so. There had been a time—though few remembered it—when the little steibl could barely hold its overflowing congregation, but prosperity had taken its toll of religion and most of the young (were they so young now?) had moved with the tide to the fashionable schools of the city center and, by natural progression, to the temples of the suburbs. "Why do you stay, Poppa? You could retire." Yes, he could. He knew he was welcome in the homes of his children, but was he just to be another family relic faithfully dusted off before a Hadassah meeting? A man had to have dignity and purpose. And then again, there was still a community in the ghetto. Small, but there. And so he stayed.

"Ezras avosenu. . ." Maybe if just once it wouldn't rain on Shabbos? But the rain beat now ceaselessly, drumming on the windows of the steibl.

"It always rains on Shabbos." It was Monday again. Time to visit the little community, just to be sure all was well. "You see, Rabbi, it's like this. The rain . . . well the kids get into every puddle and half the time the car won't start. Oh, come on now, sure you know we all drive to school. How else would we get there? You think this is such a nice neighborhood to walk in?"

And people were born and people married and people died. And life went on. And it was Shabbos again.

But surely this bright, sunlit day was not Shabbos!

"Modim anachnu. . ." the little Rov intoned to his sparse minyan. The sun was shining, so where were the

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Opinion— On Fossils And Things



by Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz

Arnold Toynbee, the world famous anthropologist, frustrated by his inability to categorize the Jewish people in strictly anthropological terms, stated, "The Jews are a fossilized people". Rabbi Elmer Berger, not to be outdone by Toynbee, in his book *The Jewish Dilemma* stated, "I cannot write about a Jewish people, because there is none. . . ." Further in his book, he reacts to attempts to organize cohesive Jewish organizations by stating, . . . "Jewish organizations for the purpose of creating Jewish communities as such are a vestige of medievalism and a detriment to integration and emancipation". With one sure and quick sweep of the pen, Berger negates the heartbeat of Jewish existence in the Diaspora, namely Jewish organizational life, and Israel. And what about Israel? As Executive Vice President of the American Council for Judaism, Rabbi Berger was complicit in this statement of the council, Americans whose religion is Judaism "invisage a world founded on the principle of individual human rights and religious freedom, and spurn with impassioned vehemence any residual, particularistic loyalties of Jewish people. The State of Israel is not the State or homeland of the Jewish people: to Americans of Jewish Faith it is a foreign State". Even the most fanatic in Meah Shearim (religious quarter in Jerusalem) would have difficulty agreeing that Israel is not the homeland of the Jewish people.

Who is Rabbi Dr. Elmer Berger? One of the founders of the American Council for Judaism in 1942, he represents with the few remaining of his ilk, the attitudes of and philosophy of 19th century classical Reform Judaism. It was my dubious pleasure to attend a lecture by this true living fossil of 19th century German emancipation at Dalhousie University. Masking his vehement opposition to the concept of Jewish communal expression and the unique relationship of the Jewish people with the land of Israel, Dr. Berger now, in his continued efforts to destroy our beloved homeland, accepts engagements to speak before Arab groups on college campuses to advise them of the intrinsic evils in

Zionism and the fact that as long as Israel remains a Zionist State, there can be no peace in the Middle East. Ousted from his post as Executive Vice President of the notorious assimilationist group the American Council for Judaism, the good Rabbi created his own group—Jewish Alternatives to Zionism. For over an hour, Berger went on and on reciting the liturgy of anti-Zionism, never once telling us about the wonderful alternatives he has to replace the Jewish political national spirit. When queried about his feelings on Jewish communal life, he established the classical 19th century Reform concept of emancipation—assimilation. Totally ignoring the dynamics of the 60's with its thrust toward one's free association with ethnic background, Rabbi Berger still believes in the great American myth, the melting pot. The melting pot where one is purged of particularist ethnic affiliation and suddenly emerges a true "American" wrapped in the swaddling cloth of "Old Glory". Categorizing those who elect to live a visibly Torah true way of life as a few people who live in New York and insist on wearing costumes, Berger, although admittedly stammering quite a bit, faced Jewish collegiates, looking a bit down in the mouth, but nevertheless asserted that for him "Israel is a foreign State".

Many movements have come and gone on the Jewish stage of life these last 3,500 years. Each one contributed to the growth and strength of our People. Nineteenth century classical German Reform surely ranks in this category. It may have had some validity in its time, but surely saw its last breath in American Reform by the 1930s in the form of the "Columbus Platform". To see a man today in 1981 still espousing this viewpoint of assimilation, is truly to see a living, breathing Jewish fossil. I would suggest that Toynbee's evaluation of our People was a bit of a grandstand play, but there is no question about the fact that fossils such as Berger and his ilk are still around getting their last breath of life by prostituting themselves for money, P.L.O. money to espouse a camouflaged philosophy aimed at the destruction of the Jewish State in the form of a philosophical critique of political Zionism.

I have always believed, and Berger has substantiated my view, that the Jewish community has far more to fear from the ultra-left than it has from the ultra-right among us. For no matter how far right you go, your aspirations are Jewish ones, a Jewish homeland, a Jewish Peoplehood, a warm and feeling Jewish heart. Our Jewish brothers on the left, however, are still enamored with the incomprehensive drive to shake off their Jewish roots and become part of the "majority culture", as if this so called culture has more to offer than 3½ thousand years of Jewish experience. With minds and hearts purged of a connection with the Jewish

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It Always Rains on Shabbos

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others. The promises. Only the unfamiliar sunbeams visited the steibl with their brightness making patterns of the dancing dust in their rays. Highlighting the gaping emptiness.

And there was hot cholent—not Rivka's cholent, but neighbors were still kind even in these days, and havdalah and the sunlit shabbos was over.

"Well, Rabbi, it was like this. . . ." Monday again. Visiting time. "The first fine Shabbos for I don't know how long. So Ruthie said we just **had** to get out and take the kids on a picnic. I mean, how much good weather have we had lately? And you know what kids are like stuck in the house all day, feet all over the furniture. Draylon doesn't grow on trees. Maybe next year. . . ."

And people were born and people married and people died. And life went on.

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On Fossils And Things

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experience and its necessary components, peoplehood and homeland, they no longer can legitimately claim to represent a Jewish alternative; for in a real sense their emotions and their intellect no longer bespeak Jewish identity. Therein lies the implicit danger in the ultra-left.

Webster defines a fossil as "antiquated; dead to change or progress". Might I suggest to Rabbi Berger and his ilk that if they are sincere in making a contribution to the

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Jewish experience, that they, as true fossils, discuss matters that they have some expertise in. I am sure Rabbi Berger would be able to provide an amiable course in the roots and goals of 19th century Reform as they are viewed in the light of emancipation. Indeed I personally would make every effort to attend such a course. But when it comes to the 20th century and especially to the question of the Middle East, where admittedly Rabbi Berger rejects the rational for the very existence of the Jewish State, I suggest that he remain on the shelf quietly awaiting his moment to present his bit of nostalgia, his bit of history; for he has no place in the life of 20th century man.

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Purim—Last Chance Until 1994!

How To Celebrate Purim For 3 Days

by Rabbi Dr. Shmuel Himelstein
World Zionist Press Series

One of the most famous of all children's songs for Purim bemoans the fact that "Purim comes but one day a year." As we know, every rule has its exception, so why should Purim be any different? In fact, if you play your cards right, there are certain years where Purim can last for **three** days—provided you're in the right place.

First the bad news—this doesn't happen very often. In fact, since the beginning of World War Two, it only occurred four times—in 1950, 1954, 1974 and 1977 and it will only occur twice more until the end of the century—in 1981 and 1994. That's right, here is the good news: this is the year that it happens. But there's a catch to it—it only occurs in those cities which had a wall surrounding them at the time of Joshua—Jerusalem and a handful of other cities. How this happens and what happens is the subject of this article.

Moving the Laws

As is known, most cities celebrate Purim on the 14th of Adar, while the walled cities celebrate it on the 15th. In certain rare years (those we listed above), the 15th of Adar occurs on a Shabbat. This presents all types of problems. Normally, there are four basic laws pertaining to Purim: a) One reads the Megillah; b) One gives alms to at least two

poor people; c) One sends at least two kinds of food to at least one friend; d) One has a festive meal for the family.

In addition, the passage called **Al Hanissim**, which thanks G-d for the miracle, is said in the prayers and in the grace after meals. Unfortunately, none of the four special laws can be observed on Shabbat. The first three are forbidden because one cannot carry, while the last is not possible for various other religious reasons. The result is that on the 15th of Adar, which is supposed to be Purim in Jerusalem, all we will do will be to recite **Al Hanissim** at the right times. The other four laws have to be moved.

The Laws and the Moral

The laws are not, however, all moved to the same day; two of them are advanced and two are postponed. Thus, on Friday, we read the Megillah (because one is never permitted to read it later than the 15th of Adar), and, as is so typical of Judaism, the law regarding the alms to the poor is also advanced. If there is a problem with the date, why should they suffer? More than that, though; the rabbis instituted giving alms earlier in order to ensure that the poor have enough money to buy their Sabbath needs.

That leaves us with two other laws—sending gifts to one's friends (**Mishloach Manot**) and the festive meal. Here the rabbis saw no reason to rush things, so they very simply moved them both to Sunday—a day where one does not have to worry about getting everything ready for Shabbat. And the result of all of this is that Jerusalem this year will celebrate the **Purim Meshulash**, or "triple Purim."

And there is a moral to my tale: if you too want to experience three days of Purim, rush to Jerusalem this year. This is your last chance until 1994.

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- ③ THE STONE-THROWING ARABS WILL DRESS UP LIKE JEWS AND THE GOVT WILL DETOUR ISRAELI TRAFFIC SO AS NOT TO OFFEND THEIR SENSIBILITIES.
- ④ THE AMERICANS WILL FURTHER STRENGTHEN THE SECURITY OF THE AREA BY SELLING HYDROGEN BOMBS TO THE SAUDIS... BUT TO CALM OUR FEARS, THEY'LL SELL US NEUTRON BOMBS.
- ⑤ IN AN EFFORT TO DISCREDIT LECH WALESA, POLISH AUTHORITIES WILL CIRCULATE A RUMOR THAT HE IS REALLY A UNITARIAN.
- ⑥ THE PLO WILL DECIDE THAT EVEN JORDAN IS TOO STRONG AND WILL CHOOSE TO TAKE OVER HOBOKEN, NEW JERSEY.
- ⑦ THE IRAQ-IRAN WAR WILL BE DECLARED A TIE AND A DATE FOR A RE-MATCH WILL BE SET.
- ⑧ THE POST ELECTION GOVT WILL PLEDGE TO REDUCE THE INFLATION RATE TO THREE FIGURES.
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Israel Briefs

[JNI—Jerusalem]

Producers Selling Well At Egyptian Fair

Egyptian businessmen swarmed around the Israeli Pavilion at Cairo's International Trade Fair recently, as Israeli officials predicted that trade with Egypt was finally about to take off.

The director of Israel's export institute, Natan Hoshen, reported that many Egyptian firms have placed orders for Israeli seed plants, poultry, processed food and irrigation and other agricultural equipment. "We are now on the right track, we have no complaints," Hoshen said.

Such trade will help begin to right the balance which has been heavily in Egypt's favor since normalization opened commerce between the two countries last year with Israel buying oil worth over 500 million dollars yearly and Egypt imported only small amounts of chicken, fruit and eggs. The first Israeli advertisements appeared last month on Egyptian television and will be in issues of two important weekly magazines.

Future Indian Chief May Have Jerusalem Bar Mitzvah

El Al, Israel Airlines, has invited the son of an American indian chief to celebrate his bar mitzvah in Jerusalem. The boy, **Little Sun Bordeaux**, is a descendant of **Chief Crazy Horse**, who defeated **Gen. George Armstrong Custer** at the Battle of the Little Big Horn in 1876, otherwise known as Custer's Last Stand. **Little Sun**, a first-grader at Temple Shalom of Spokane, Washington, will become the next chief of his tribe when he turns nineteen. His great-grandmother, grandmother, and mother are all Chicago-born Jews who married into the Sioux tribe. Members of the tribe view **Little Sun's** Judaism as a bonus to his Indian heritage, believing in any case that the Indians are one of the ten lost tribes. Although **Little Sun** is presently only 8 years old, El Al officials hope that he and his parents will accept the advance invitation.

Israeli Solar Collectors Shine At Frankfurt Fair

Twelve Israeli firms exhibited a wide range of solar energy products at the Frankfurt Trade Fair last week, one of the most important commercial shows in Europe. Israeli technology in solar water heating and air-conditioning has aroused much interest among professionals in this field and buyers, with exports of solar energy products this year worth

10 million dollars. Israel has the highest per capita use of solar water heaters in the world.

Child To Child Book Drive

One of the events marking Purim this year is a "Book To The Borders" campaign, in which city children collect and send their used books to children living in border settlements and needy families throughout the country. Organized by the independent daily newspaper "Ma'Ariv", Israel Radio, and Naamat (pioneer women), books will be collected by children in Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, and Haifa for distribution after Purim.

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Price List For Household Appliances

During those last few months before one makes Aliyah, it sometimes seems to boil down to those nitty-gritty "tachlis" questions: What should I take with me? What should I purchase and send? What should I buy new in Israel? There is no one answer that is right for everyone. However, to help you decide, NAAM, in cooperation with AACI, will present periodic price updates of major appliances. Good luck!

Washing Machine

AMCOR	
Top Load	\$ 503
Front Load	581

Television

METZ	
Color, 26", Remote Control	\$1320
Color, 26", No Remote Control	1270
Color, 20", No Remote Control	950
Black & White, 20", No Remote Control	240
Black & White, 24", No Remote Control	250

Cook Stove

RAMCO	
20"—4 Burners	\$ 380
Double oven—Bake in both ovens, broil in one	
AMCOR	
Delux, Rotisserie, Outlet, Automatic Ignition	
Single oven, Clock	600
4 burner range to match above	274

Air Conditioner

PHILCO	
10,000 B.T.V.	\$ 475
20,000 B.T.V.	693

Room Heater (oil filled)

2000 B.T.V.	
Electric Rad / Thermostat	\$ 113

Refrigerator

Automatic Defrost (Bottom Only)	
AMCOR	
16"	\$ 718
19"	825
TADIRAN	
16"	723
19"	796
Frost Free (Top and bottom)	
AMCOR	
16"	919
19"	979
TADRAN	
16"	Not available
19"	913

Vacuum Cleaner

AMCOR Cannister	
800 Watts	\$ 243
700 Watts	199

Dryer

None made in Israel

Stereo

None made in Israel

Blender

None made as a separate unit to compare to a Sunbeam, per se

Toaster

AMCOR	
No Pop-Up—very old style	\$ 92

Toaster Oven

None available to compare to the Sunbeam or G.E.

Mixer

AMCOR	
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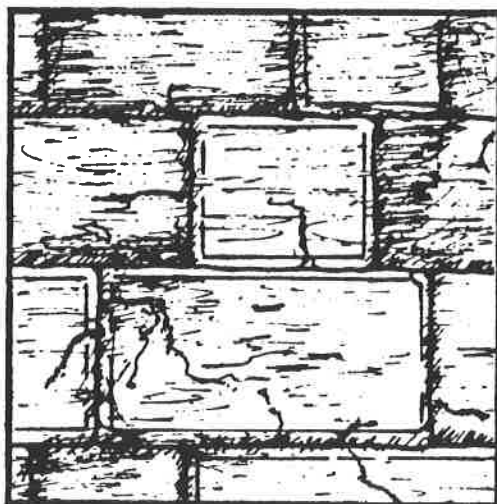
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Prof. Irwin Cotler Calls For The Prosecution of Nazi War Criminals In Canada "With All Deliberate Speed," And Labels Their Presence: "An Affront To Conscience. A Moral Obscenity"

McGill Law Professor and human rights lawyer, Irwin Cotler, called the presence of Nazi war criminals resident in Canada "a repudiation of what Raoul Wallenberg fought for, and what this country stands for. . . a betrayal of the victims of the Holocaust and its survivors. . . in short—a moral obscenity."

Cotler, who was guest speaker at a commemorative dinner in honour of Raoul Wallenberg, together with former Swedish Ambassador to Canada, Per Anger, called upon the Canadian government to investigate and prosecute Nazi war criminals resident in Canada "with all deliberate speed." He said that it was "a moral and political anomaly" for Canada to ask the West German Parliament in 1979 to abolish its Statute of Limitations—which would have prevented the **continued** prosecution by Germany of Nazi war criminals—and now to remain silent on the prosecution of such Nazi war criminals in Canada.

Cotler said, for Canada to refrain from prosecution, to argue that there is no legal basis for prosecution "would be regarded by the old Nazis as a major victory and by the neo-Nazis as a great encouragement. The Professor

added: "the whitewashing of Nazism, the falsifiers of history who deny that the event ever occurred would feel vindicated and we would be granting Nazis a posthumous victory."

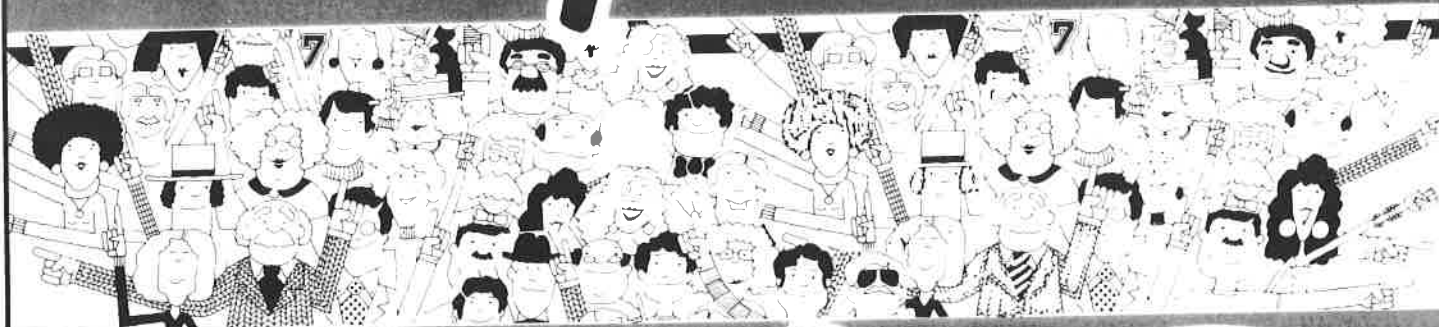
The Canadian human rights lawyer said that the "world had become a dangerous place when. . . a generation after the Holocaust neo-Nazism is once again rearing its ugly head. . . while revisionist historians are denying that the Holocaust even occurred; and. . . when a hero of the Holocaust, Raoul Wallenberg, can be politically abducted and imprisoned for **saving** Jews, and Nazi war criminals can walk around freely for **killing** Jews."

The McGill Law Professor said that there is "a welcome realization today that more ought to be done to teach the younger generation about the Nazis and the Holocaust. But, how are these efforts to be successful if young people are to feel that the legal chapter is 'closed,' or never really too 'open'? . . . How does one explain that acts which made up what jurists call the greatest crimes of history are to be immune from prosecution? Should criminals be free to boast about their crimes with impunity in the face of victims still suffering from the consequences of their actions"?

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Immigrants From Soviet Union Making Major Impact On Medicine, Science In Israel

by Beverley Stern

Reprint: Canadian Jewish News

TORONTO—New information on Russian Jews now living in Israel reveals that not only are they forming the backbone of nationalized clinical medicine—but also, they are adding a powerful impetus to advancement in the sciences, education, industry and culture.

In her first public address as national chairman of the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry, **Genya Intrator** reported on a personal investigation into the state of Russian Jewry in Israel.

Mrs. Intrator spent almost a year collecting data on statistics and attitudes with members of the Israeli consulate, the Jewish Agency and the Israeli government. She also spoke to Russians now living in Israel as well as those who dropped out in Vienna and those who left Israel for North America.

Mrs. Intrator is fluent in both Russian and Hebrew. This is what she found:

● **Over 3,000 Russian doctors have emigrated to Israel in the past 10 years, and today they are considered the backbone of clinical medicine of the Kupat Holim, the medical institution of the trade union federation, Histadrut.**

"Kupat Holim serves the greatest numbers of people in Israel," said Mrs. Intrator, "and it is now being maintained by these Russian doctors who practiced a similar type of medicine in the Soviet Union."

● **Over 6,000 Russian engineers have been absorbed into all branches of Israeli industry, and they have helped set up an institute of technology on the outskirts of Tel Aviv. The institute, led by a Moscow engineer, is instrumental in obtaining help from the Israeli government in financing and marketing technological discoveries.**

Although Mrs. Intrator was not specific, she said about 40 new industrial processes have been marketed both in Israel and abroad, bringing in much needed foreign currency to Israel.

● **Russians are penetrating the educational systems not just in the field of sciences and mathematics—but also athletics. "They are making a real contribution to physical education programs in the high school," she said.**

● **At the university level, Russian scientists such as Herman Branover at Ben Gurion University in Beersheva and Benjamin Levich at Tel Aviv University have gained world reputations in their respective fields.**

Branover is doing pioneering work in the field of solar energy, said Mrs. Intrator. And Levich, a one-time member of the prestigious Academy of Sciences in the USSR, is an electro-chemist of world renown.

Described as the highest ranking scientist from the Soviet Union to ever apply to go to Israel, Levich was also offered the Einstein Chair at New York University as soon as he emigrated, said Mrs. Intrator. Levich now spends one semester at NYU and the rest of the time at Tel Aviv University.

● **In music, Russians were the catalysts for the establishment of the Haifa and Natanya chamber orchestras besides being active in the Israeli Philharmonic Orchestra in Tel Aviv and the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra. They also figured prominently in Israeli chess and literary activities.**

● **Russian emigres to Israel have the lowest re-immigration rate of any group from western countries, she reported. "North Americans have the highest," she said. "After three years, almost 50% of North Americans who come to live in Israel pack up and leave."**

In contrast, she said, only 5 to 7% of Russian Jews left after coming to Israel, and in the last two years, the rate of re-immigration dropped sharply to ½ of 1%.

While emphasizing the positive side of Soviet emigration to Israel, Mrs. Intrator, at the same time, said she would not underestimate the difficulties facing Soviet Jews once they enter Israeli society.

"No question about it," she admitted, "the process of absorption and integration is a tough one. But don't forget," she added, "as Refuseniks, many have lived under terrible tension for years. They also face culture shock."

As for the much-touted stories of Soviet Jews who remain in absorption centres for almost a year, Mrs. Intrator explained that it's not easy to leave the nest of government custody—and like all immigrants they face crisis of uncertainty.

She reminded her audience that the special problems of inflation and Arab-Israeli conflict only heaped more stress on the shoulders of new arrivals.

Candidly, Mrs. Intrator expressed concern that while the cause of Soviet Jewry was as critical as ever, it was losing momentum.

"It's been 10 years now since death sentences were meted out to Dymshitz and Kouznetzov in the dramatic Leningrad Trials. For the media, as well as the public and Jewish leadership, news about Soviet Jews has lost its newness."

She levelled harsh criticism for those North Americans who were influenced by feeling personal impressions—"Soviet children are unruly . . . and write graffiti on the walls of expensive real estate"—or by value judgments—"Why don't they go to Israel?"

The facts are that Soviet Jews are an endangered community in the Soviet Union, and they have to be brought out as quickly as possible before all doors shut, she said. Whether they go to Israel or not is irrelevant to the urgency of helping them emigrate.

Mrs. Intrator cited Professor Theodore Friedgut, senior lecturer in Russian studies at Hebrew University, as an example of the official view in Israel that campaigns for Soviet Jews should be a top priority on the Jewish agenda everywhere.

Friedgut has said publicly on extensive tours to the West that there is no tomorrow for Jewish life in the Soviet Union. He told Intrator that unless a program of advocacy was sustained in the West, the Soviet Union would become even more repressive in its treatment of Jews.

Mrs. Intrator said that Friedgut's views were shared unanimously by officials from the Israeli foreign office, the ministry of the interior, the aliyah department of both the Israeli government and the Jewish Agency—as well as members of the World Praesidium on Soviet Jewry in Brussels.

In the face of such consensus of support in Israel for Soviet Jewry, Mrs. Intrator said she was impatient with apathy and expressions of failed expectations.

"Very few people appreciate the implications of the loss of Jewish life in the Soviet Union," she said. "Even less are aware of the positive impact Soviet Jews have made in Israeli life. Those are the facts—and it's my job to let them be known."

'And So To Sleep, And Rest In Peace!'



by **Leon Sills**

The night is grey; the moon doth sleep in hammock
drawn.
The trees are bare; their arms stretch out in hopeless
prayer.
The owls are hoarse; taut hoots are strained and echo
not.
—How cold the earth's white robe!

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Israel's Pre-Emptive Strike Policy

Reprint: Near East Report

There have been more spectacular acts of terrorism than Nahariya, but that singularly brutal murder of a father and his two daughters as well as the killing of an Israeli policeman on April 22, 1979, changed Israeli policy from one of retaliation to one of pre-emptive strikes. This policy recently came under criticism by the State Department.

Yet these raids are essential to Israeli security and since their initiation in 1979, they have served to cripple the terrorist capabilities of the PLO. The PLO has been kept off balance, their attacks have decreased dramatically and they have been *forced to stay on the defensive*.

The policy has two components. When Israel discovers a raid being planned, it tries to strike first. Indeed, on one occasion, a raiding party was stopped a half hour before it jumped off. The raids are not indiscriminate.

The other half of the policy consists of swift and sure punishment for any raids which do occur.

The first, most intense period of pre-emptive strikes lasted from April to August 1979. Since that time raids have been less frequent.

The policy has yielded dramatic results. Between April 23, 1979, when the policy was initiated, and April 6-7, 1980 (the Misgav Am raid when terrorists stormed a nursery) not a single Israeli citizen was killed in a terrorist attack, as opposed to the same period the year before when 20 people were killed and 363 wounded in various attacks and bomb blasts.

Terrorist operations were severely disrupted. Not only were planning and execution more difficult, Israeli operations denied the PLO the freedom of movement it had previously enjoyed. Roads became dangerous and bases insecure. Large numbers of PLO personnel had to be diverted to defensive duties and PLO morale plummeted.

Some of the difficulty terrorists now have in penetrating Israeli territory can be judged by their increasingly bizarre methods of infiltration: on one occasion a lighter-than-air balloon and, most recently, one-man gliders with small motors, three of which were picked up and their pilots arrested.

Other terrorist attacks have consisted of bombarding northern Israeli settlements with Katyusha rockets.

Israeli pre-emptive strikes might be unnecessary if the United Nations peace-keeping force, UNIFIL, actually kept the peace. UNIFIL, however, has proven inadequate to the task and terrorists not only penetrate its lines, but take refuge in its territory there when pursued by Israeli patrols.

The terrorists do not only strike at Israel—other victims have been Christian inhabitants of the area controlled by Major Sa'ad Haddad. Haddad has both protected the people under his command, and has aided Israeli troops in flushing out terrorist enclaves and striking at PLO bases.

Overall, the Israeli pre-emptive policy has done what it was intended to do. It struck hard at terrorist bases and disrupted PLO operations. It brought the war to terrorist territory and it severely hampered and restricted terrorist operations. It has kept the border relatively quiet.

But most important, it has saved lives—not a single Israeli has been killed in a terrorist operation since Misgav Am, despite repeated attempts at infiltration.

Direct Air Threat to Israel

This chart graphically illustrates the peril to Israel, already surrounded by the enormous combat airforces of five enemy states, from the proposed American sale of offensive arms for the Saudi F-15 planes.

State	Total Combat Aircraft* (On hand or on order)	Offensive Aircraft	Home Base	Target	Distance (kms.)	Flight Time To Target (min.)
Syria	417	SU-20 MIG-23-25-27	An Nasiriya	Haifa	200	12
Jordan	120	F-5E	Mafrag	Jerusalem/ Tel Aviv	115/140	7/9.5
Iraq	540	MIG-23-25-27 Mirage F-1 SU-20 TU-22	H-3	Jerusalem/ Tel Aviv	420/460	28/30
Saudi Arabia	181	F-5 F-15	Tabuk	Eilat/ Beer Sheva	210/360	14/24
Libya	319	MIRAGE-5 TU-22 MIG-23-25-27	Gamal Abd El-Nasser	Tel Aviv	1020	72

*Sources: International Institute for Strategic Studies, *The Military Balance 1980-1981* (London)
DMS Intelligence Report (Washington, D.C.)
Israel Defense Force Spokesman (Tel Aviv)

Israeli Arabs Have Good Life Despite Contrary Claims

Reprint Canadian Jewish News

by Carl Alpert

JERUSALEM—There have been so many politically inspired resolutions of condemnation against Israel, so many fiery denunciations of Israel's alleged cruel policy of repression against the Arabs both within its own borders and in the occupied areas of Judea and Samaria, so much repetition of falsification and manufactured "evidence" which characterize Israel as a monolithic, inhuman tyrant, trampling on Arab right and using torture and brute force in its reign of terror—so much propagandistic repetition of this kind of thing, that the simple and modest truth has been eclipsed.

The wilful enemies of Israel will refuse to believe, those who are fearful of oil boycotts will refuse to listen, and those who have already closed their mind will be unable to hear—but even simple truths must be told. At least for your information and for your guidance, dear reader, here is a quick review of just a few of the highlights of Israeli occupation of the West Bank in the 14 years since the Six Day War of 1967.

First of all, the Arab population of that area, which was 596,000 in 1967, is today over 700,000.

In 1967, under Jordanian rule, there were 141,735 children in school. Today there are 253,826.

In 1967, 37,995 persons had an education which went beyond the ninth grade. Today the figure is 120,500.

Until Israel took over the area following Jordan's attack, the health clinics of the West Bank, of a low medical standard, treated some 42,000 patients a year. In 1979 the clinics administered by Israel's health program took care of 145,000 patients.

Under the Jordan flag only 23.1% of the families of the area had electricity, most of them in the big cities. Today 79.2% of the families have electric power in their homes.

An idea of the extent of economic development can be seen in the fact that whereas in 1967 there was one private automobile for every 300 families, today there are 13 cars.

There have been significant improvements in the nature of Arab society as well. Perhaps this is what Israel's enemies mean when they say that Israel's changing the character of Arab life. Israel pleads guilty to the following changes which have been effected in women's rights:

The law calling for equal education for boys and girls alike is effective only in Israel, but nowhere else in the Arab world.

Women both in Israel and on the West Bank have been given the right to vote. Under Israel civil law women have been vested with rights in their husband's property, and in the event of divorce, easily given by the male under Moslem law, Israel law requires that the women have rights to the children and to support.

Under the "harsh and oppressive" Israel government, Arabs in Israel today have a life expectancy of 72 years, the highest of any country in the Middle East. Under the British Mandate it was 47 years in 1941, and 49 years in 1948.

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37th Session Of The U.N. Commission On Human Rights

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The 37th session of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights opened in Geneva on February 2. Canada is currently one of the forty-three members of the Commission and is serving its second consecutive term there. The Commission has important matters to deal with, including two which the Canadian delegation considers particularly important—work to complete a draft convention against torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, and the establishment of an international mechanism capable of discouraging the practice of forced disappearances.

Anti-Israel Resolutions

Unfortunately, the first substantive item on the Commission's agenda this year dealt not with these real problems, but rather with the "Question of the violation of human rights in the occupied Arab territories, including Palestine,"—introduced by Arab and Third World delegates. The resolution adopted under this item has two parts. Part A is an omnibus condemnation of Israeli practices in the territories occupied since 1967. The alleged Israeli practices which the resolution condemns include, besides the annexation of the eastern sector of Jerusalem and the establishment of settlements, the "arming of settlers . . . to commit acts of violence against Arab civilians, mass arrests, collective punishments, administrative detention and ill-treatment of the Arab population, the torture of persons under detention, the inhuman conditions in prisons, the pillaging of archeological and cultural property, the interference with religious freedoms and practices as well as with family rights and customs," and "the systematic campaign of repression against universities," among others.

This part of the resolution was passed by thirty-one votes. Canada, Australia and the United States voted against it (Israel is not a member of the Commission this year), while eight, mostly Western European countries, abstained.

Part B of the resolution concerns Israel's refusal to acknowledge the applicability, to the occupied territories, of the Geneva Convention on the Protection of Civilian Persons in Times of War (12 August 1949). This part was passed by forty-one votes, with no one voting against and only the United States abstaining.

The Commission returned to Middle East issues again under the agenda item "The right of peoples to self-determination." The resolution adopted here deals ostensibly with the rights of the Palestinian Arab people, but is in fact a condemnation of the Camp David Accords and the Egypt-Israel peace treaty. It attempts to legitimize PLO terrorism by "recognizing the right of the Palestinian people to regain their rights by all means in accordance with the purposes and principles of the Charter of the UN." It then "rejects those provisions of the (Camp David) accords which ignore, infringe upon, violate or deny the inalienable rights of the Palestinian people, strongly condemns all partial agreements and separate treaties which constitute a

flagrant violation" of those rights, and "declares that the Camp David Accords and other agreements have no validity in so far as they purport to determine the future of the Palestinian people and of the Palestinian territories occupied by Israel since 1967."

The resolution was carried by twenty-five votes. Nine countries, including Canada, Australia, the U.S., Zaire and several Western European countries, voted against it. France, Mexico and the Philippines were among the eight countries which abstained. Both resolutions were adopted by the automatic Arab-Third World majority, although several Third World countries voted against them or abstained.

Proceedings Criticized

The debates on these resolutions were at times heated. Farouk Kaddoumi, head of the PLO's political department, opened the discussion on the first resolution with a bitter attack on Israel and the United States. In reply, the head of the U.S. delegation, Michael Novak, expressed shock "at hearing so much hatred, so many lies, such squalid racism, such despicable anti-Semitism all in the sacred name of human rights." Addressing himself to the second resolution, Mr. Novak said: "The resolution supports the absolute right of the PLO to a state 'in Palestine.' There is, however, already a state in Palestine—Israel. This resolution makes no provision for the continued existence of Israel."

Moreover, said Mr. Novak, it was "a deliberate overstatement" by the Commission resolution to condemn Israel for not applying the Fourth Geneva Convention in the areas occupied since 1967 and to state that this failure constitutes a threat to world peace. Portugal's delegate, Angele Almeida Nibeiro, also denounced the Commission's proceedings in harsh terms and voted against the anti-Israel resolutions.

In a further blow to the Arab bloc, George Dumont, representative of the International Federation on Human Rights, submitted a report which stated that Israel did not practice systematic or constant torture in prisons where Arab detainees were held and that the conditions of prisoners in Israeli hospitals were satisfactory.

Israeli Arabs Have Good Life Despite Contrary Claims

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Arabs are not drafted into the Israel army. Security is one consideration. There is another, says Mattityahu Shmuelevitz, director-general of the Prime Minister's office: "We Jews, scattered among the nations, served in the armies of many countries. It also happened that Jews in the service of one land had to fire at Jews on the other side. We remember this tragic state of affairs, and we therefore exempt Israel's Arabs from our army, knowing that they have family, religious and neighborly ties with Arabs living in states which insist on maintaining a state of war with us. And so when Arab youth reach the age of 18, they can

High Technology Industry In Israel

by Rochelle Saidel-Wolk

TEL AVIV (JTA)—By the year 2000, Israel plans to complete a unique "science city" in the Carmiel area that will serve as a model for the rest of the world, according to Prof. Arie Lavie, chief scientist for the Israel Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism.

This complex will be another kind of Zionist pioneering, Lavie said in a recent interview here with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency. "Just as the kibbutz served as a social experiment as well as a means for agricultural production, our future science city will be a social experiment as well as a means for high technology industrial production."

Lavie envisions the prototype area as populated by some 100,000 and stretching along a 70-kilometer strip north from Carmiel to Maalot, in the western Galilee. He believes this location has good potential for housing and science-based industries, such as genetic engineering, medical and educational electronics, and production of fine chemicals and pharmaceuticals.

The future "city" will not only solve economic problems, but also social problems such as integrating Arab citizens and absorption of immigrants, he believes. It will challenge Israel's post-industrial population, as the kibbutzim attracted earlier pioneers. Larger salaries and profits from exporting sophisticated products will pay for a higher quality of life and excellent educational facilities.

Two Basic Building Blocks

Lavie and Raphael Benvenisti, managing director of Israel's Investment Authority in the Ministry of Finance, discussed the role of high technology industry in bolstering Israel's economy. According to Benvenisti, "Israel has the two basic building blocks for the growth of high technology industries: a high percentage of academics and a concentration of research institutions.

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continue with their education, or proceed to build their careers or families, while Jewish youth give up three precious years of their life in service to the nation."

The Arabs of Israel have all democratic rights. They can vote and organize political parties and run for public office. They have freedom of expression and freedom of movement and freedom of religion. The only limitations, and these are applied to Jews as well as to Arabs, and in every well-ordered democratic nation, is when these freedoms are abused to menace the public peace or the security of the state.

All of the above and much more can be seen by every person who visits Israel, but in the contemporary climate of our hypocritical world, when hostile forces seek to repeat lies again and again and again, it is necessary for us to repeat truths again and again and again, confident that in the end truth always vanquishes falsehoods.



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"Forty percent of new immigrants have degrees, and a high percentage of our young people go to universities." He says that in addition to employing a large proportion of academics, high technology industries use newly developed processes to create innovative products.

Lavie says that Israel has the largest number of academics per capita in the world, with over 10,000 scientists and 20,000 engineers. In a population of over 3.8 million, Israel boasts of seven research institutions: Technion-Israel Institute of Technology, Hebrew University, Weizmann Institute of Science, Tel Aviv University, Bar Ilan University, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev and University of Haifa.

While Lavie plans for the future "city," he deals with current realities. He promotes research and development within industry, so that Israel can achieve economic prosperity through innovative high technology. His short term goal is to enable Israeli industries to reach an export level of \$1.3 billion in sophisticated locally developed products by 1982, and \$2 billion by 1986. (Such exports totaled \$783 million in 1979.)

Four-Pronged Strategy

His four-pronged strategy is: development of specific knowledge in certain fields; exploitation of Israel's local conditions to full advantage; government incentives to encourage research and development; and international cooperation in funding such projects.

To encourage Israeli industries to develop high technology products, his office administers government subsidies for research and development, usually accounting to 50 percent of the cost. "Our only advantage and our most important natural resource is our educated manpower," he explains. "We don't have capital, cheap labor or energy; to compete, we have to be innovative."

Both Lavie and Benvenisti are active in promoting

cooperative ventures in high technology with other advanced countries, especially the United States. More than \$20 million of joint industrial research and development projects have been signed with American companies and investors in the past year, with Lavie's office promoting joint efforts through loans, grants and other incentives, he said.

All types of foreign involvement are encouraged, including establishment of wholly owned subsidiaries eligible for the 50 percent support offered by the government. (Results of these subsidized research and development projects are to be commercialized in Israel, unless not economically justified.)

Examples Of Success For High Technology

As examples of successful high technology industries here, Benvenisti mentions the following: Dodiron, an electronics firm (communications); Israel Aircraft Industries Ltd.; Elscint Ltd., a leader in medical imaging (nuclear medicine, computerized tomography and ultrasound); Sci-Tex Corporation, which designs, manufactures and markets computer-aided design systems for the textile and printing industries; and others. High technology industries based on raw materials for chemical fertilizers, pharmaceuticals and pesticides include Israel Chemicals Ltd., Makteshim and Teva Pharmaceutical Industries Ltd.

Israel seeks foreign involvement with its high technology industries in three ways, Benvenisti says. First, there has recently been a major effort to sell shares on the American Stock Exchange. Such companies as Elscint Laser Industries and Sci-Tex are already on the market, and several other industries are planning to issue stock in America soon.

There is also foreign ownership of Israeli corporation, with some American firms in partnership with Israeli companies. Benvenisti cites Motorola Israel Ltd., which is currently manufacturing the Matarol 2000, a computer-controlled irrigation system. In addition, foreign venture capital is used to finance research and development in Israel. At least \$10 million has already been invested this way, he says.



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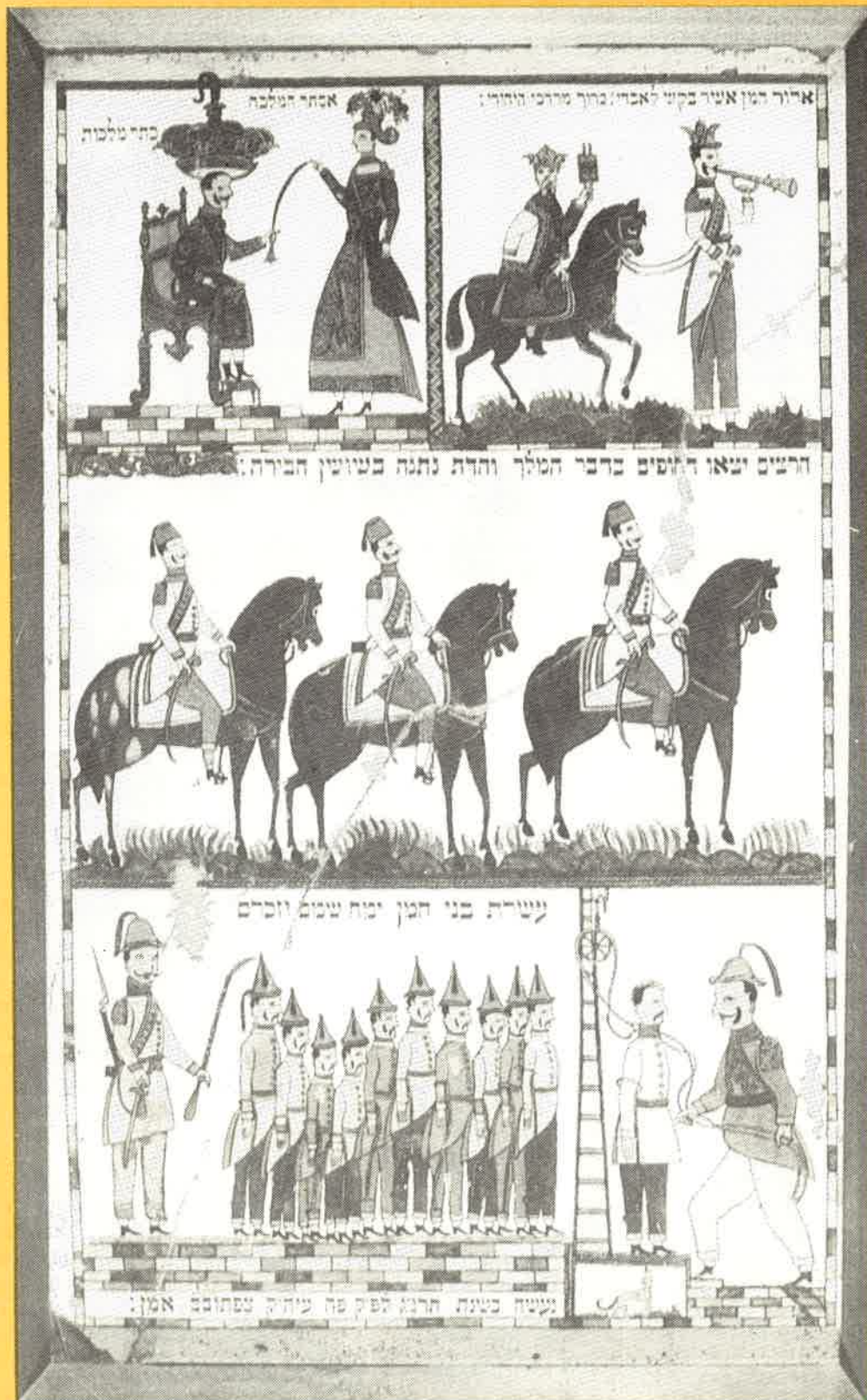
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