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From All of Us at
the Atlantic Jewish
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Letters To The Editor

History of St. John's and Corner Brook

To the Editor:

Have seen the November/December issue of the "Shalom" and note that the Synagogue picture on page 18 is the one that was built at Corner Brook, Newfoundland.



This synagogue was torn down a few years ago for a new home.

I appreciate the editing etc., it was well put together.

Sincerely,
Arthur Kolonel

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Summer '82 is in the works and the camp committee, headed by Mr. Ben Prossin, has been meeting regularly and putting in long hours planning for the coming season. A fine experienced staff is being hired and many familiar faces will be returning this year. **Kenny Gordon** will be returning as Assistant Director and will continue his fine efforts of last season. Kenny has been negotiating with the Network Band to return for another performance this summer. Their evening of song and dance was one unforgettable thrill that we're still talking about.

A revamped C.I.T. programme will be offered at camp this summer. We are anticipating a good turnout of C.I.T.'s this year. New ideas and programmes are being discussed and a lot of surprises are in store for all. More hikes and canoe trips will be offered and the waterskiing programme will be enlarged. Special programmes will be increased and new innovations introduced.

Section heads and programming staff will be meeting shortly to plan summer '82, and we hope to make it another great season at Kadimah. I look forward to seeing you all soon. Lots of success to campers and staff in their studies.

Camp Dates:

Monday, July 5, 1982

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Halifax Hadassah-Wizo



Left to Right: Sylvia Herschorn; Evette Bowman; Leona Freeman; Lorri Goldberg; Barbara Newman; Shirlee Medjuck; Gail Green; Guest—Mrs. Isaac Stern; Ruth Goldbloom; Marlene Sable; Iris Newman; Bette Ross; Debbie Conter and Sophie Forman.

by Bette Ross

On February 13, 1982, we had the opening function for the Youth Aliyah campaign. **Ruth Goldbloom**, Chairman, of Youth Aliyah and her committee arranged a fabulous Gala Evening. We were privileged to see the 1981 Academy Award Winning Documentary film "From Mao to Mozart", and we were addressed by **Mrs. Isaac Stern**. Both **Isaac** and **Vera Stern** are ardent supporters of Israel, and the movie showed us Isaac Stern in China working with Chinese children as he has done in Israel with Israeli children for thirty-three years. It really was a gala event which launched the campaign off to a great start. We are very grateful to Ruth and her committee: Canvas Chairman—**Gail Green**; Treasurer—**Marlene Sable**; Arrangements—**Iris Newman**; Publicity—**Sylvia Herschorn**; Special Names Committee consisting of **Evette Bowman**; **Leona Freeman**; **Sophie Forman**; **Shirlee Medjuck** and **Barbara Newman**. We also extend special appreciation to the Lord Nelson Hotel for their kindness and co-operation.

On February 27, 1982, we were back at the Lord Nelson for an evening of fun and an auction. The Barbara Goldberg Chapter and **Rennie Claman** of Avivah Chapter put on a fabulous auction. We could bid for knishes, hair-dos, hotel weekends and even a "messy play" afternoon! A great assortment of goodies was auctioned off by **Alan Goldbloom** and then we were treated to a sumptuous desert buffet. This event marked the 10th Anniversary of the Barbara Goldberg chap-

ter. Happy Anniversary girls. We look forward eagerly to the next ten years, with the promise of more such evenings to come. Once more our gratitude to the Lord Nelson Hotel.

Actually this same chapter is bringing in the well-known childrens group "**Jim & Rosalie**" on May 5, 1982 and May 6, 1982. They will be giving four performances at 10:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. on May 5th and 10:30 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on May 6th. These will be at the Cohn Auditorium. They will also perform once at the I.W.K. Hospital for Children.

Bazaar moves ahead with its ups and downs in the planning. Fortunately, there are more ups now as everything is settling into place. Remember May 18th at 10:00 a.m. at the Civic Arena. That's a date for ALL Halifax Hadassah-Wizo members and helpers to remember. See you there!

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Masada Club

by Doris Kay Stone

Fund-raising was an important issue at the business meeting of the Masada Overseas Club held recently in the Penthouse of Northwood Centre. After much thought, it was decided that each member would hold a "table of cards" at home and charge a nominal fee. Monies raised will enable members to take trips out of the province, etc.

MODEL SEDER

Masada will host a Model Seder at Northwood Centre which will be open to Jewish and non-Jewish residents.

SHABBATH DINNERS

B'nai B'rith—Citadel Lodge, Halifax, has been sponsoring shabbath dinners at the Centre. Everyone really enjoys these functions and Masada members have been invited to attend one, the latter part of January at a small cost.

CHANUKAH

During the Chanukah celebrations, Program Chairman, **Ella Morris**, chose the occasion to read "Twas the Night Before Chanukah".

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Shaar Shalom Turned Upside Down For Purim

by Rabbi Gershon Freidlin

On Monday evening, March 8, Shaar Shalom, the Conservative congregation of Halifax, celebrated Purim, 5742, with a dinner, Megilla reading and satirical extravaganza. Many of the 200 persons assembled—adults as well as children—appeared in costume.

Cooking and serving were supervised by **Dr. Philip Belitsky**. He was aided by **Harry Paton**, **Professor Richard Wassersug**, **Steven Lerner**, **Lester Pink**, **Reuben David** and **Mark David**.

For the dinner, a variety of Purim challas were baked by **Rita Folkins**, **Professor Wassersug**, **Perry Sable**, **Jane** and **David Schlosberg**, and **Michael Argand**, under the supervision of **Lana Fitt** and **Dr. Norman Pinsky**. The crew was aided by members of the weekly folk dance group who danced while the dough rose.

Homentashn were prepared by **Doris Stone**, **Bertha Cappell**, **Maxine Cordon**, **Dr. Lili Falk** and **Janet Stern**.

David Morantz, dressed in a lab coat, dispensed beverages from a hospital cart.

After dinner, a bearded, keffia'd, curly-shoed Oriental Band wound its way among the assembled and with gyrations, a sensuous tattoo on the drums and drones on the horns intoned mock-Persian music. Children, prepared by **Michael Reitelman** and **Perry Sable**, then circulated among the crowd to collect the traditional Purim "matanot la'evyonim" gifts to the needy. The band was brought in by **Frank Cordon**.

As **Dr. David Zitner** then announced the Megilla reading and introduced **Rabbi Freidlin**, the curtain before the Shaar Shalom pulpit opened to reveal, as rabbi, in white robe and high hat, **Olivia Hibel**,

Rabbi Freidlin's wife. **Olivia Hibel** designed the Purim event.

Rabbi Gershon Freidlin, clad in antique tuxedo with tails, read the Megilla. At his side to aid him with wax-hand pointer were **Mesdames Rose Argand** and **Celia Fried**, clad in evening wear.

Also assisting on the children-inhabited pulpit were Persian-clad Minister of Education, **Gordon Dankner**, and **Dr. Stuart Shapiro**. Dr. Shapiro, dressed as a mad scientist in lab coat and plastic nose, served as cup bearer. He filled the clergy's wine cups and lit their cigars.

The Megilla reading, was constantly interrupted by Rabbi Hibel with Midrashic-like comments. The band played between chapters.

"Yenahafokh hu—everything turned upside down—was carried out at Shaar Shalom Megilla reading in the true spirit of Purim.



Shaar Shalom youngsters through self-portraits welcome Purim reveller.



First woman rabbi, assisted by pulpit crew, conducts Megilla reading at Shaar Shalom.



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Crowd scene from Shaar Shalom Purim feast.

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Halifax Jewish Historical Society

Historical Sketch of the Arbeiter Ring

by Sara Yablon
Halifax

One of the first Jewish men's fraternal Societies in Halifax, possibly the first, was introduced and organized by **Mr. Arron Fishman** to a group of friends in 1926-27. When Mr. Fishman arrived from New York in 1920, he found the Jewish community involved to a great extent with rebuilding a new synagogue (the previous Starr Street Synagogue was demolished in the Halifax Explosion in 1917), and assisting newly arrived immigrants from Europe. Although both efforts were highly important, nevertheless he felt there was a sad lack of cultural, social or fraternal activity.

Mr. Fishman thought the aims and objectives of the "Arbeiter Ring", an organization promulgated by The Forwards (a slightly left thinking New York Yiddish newspaper) would interest and benefit the community and he set about organizing a local chapter. Actually the Arbeiter Ring in the United States was more like a Sick and Loan Benefit Society, as a great many of its members were Arbeiter (factory or working class people).

However, several platforms of the Society did interest a small group locally:

- It provided its members in good standing with a \$500 interest free loan in case of sickness or in assistance towards funeral expenses.
- It provided cultural programs for meetings, usually Yiddish readings or subject matter for discussion or debate.
- It stressed the importance of a Yiddish Schule.

The latter platform was of general interest because during those years any family desiring a religious training for their children bore the cost themselves.

The dues were 25¢ per week per member, and it was also comforting to know financial aid was available if needed.

After a great deal of correspondence, a **Mr. Chanin** was sent from Head Office in New York to officially install the executive and give the Chapter its Charter.

Some of the Chartered Members were: **Messrs. Arron Fishman; Jacob Nathan-son; Jacob Gordon; Leib Yanofsky; Jacob S. Jacobson; Sigmund Schwartz; Morris Aronoff; Sam Jacobson** (Dartmouth).

The Society functioned well for about two years, holding meetings in the various members' homes and happily Loan Benefits from Head Office were not necessary. However, when Mr. Fishman discovered two members were lending their own private monies and charging interest thereon to other members, Mr. Fishman resigned. He felt this was a breach of trust and principle. A short time later, the Society ceased to function.

DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that **David Ben Gurion** and **Yitchak Ben Zvi** were stationed in Nova Scotia with the Jewish Legion for Palestine in 1917?

Join the Jewish Historical Society and learn more of our history.

In retrospect, Mr. Arron Fishman said he felt Halifax was really too small a centre for this type of Society and the possibility of drawing new members from the community was slim.

EDITOR'S NOTE:

This information was based on a personal interview with **Mr. Arron Fishman**, November 1981 by **Mrs. Sara Yablon**. Note: One objective of the Halifax Jewish Historical Society is to obtain a record of all Clubs or Societies etc. that have been or are active in the Community. Information is eagerly sought, can you help us?

DID YOU KNOW?

There have been significant spatial changes in the Jewish population of Nova Scotia. In 1921 the population was 1,974 with 968 Jews on Cape Breton Island and 593 Jews in Halifax County. By 1971, there were 2,175 Jews in the province. There was a substantial shift in the location of this population. Fifty years after the 1921 census there were 620 Jews on Cape Breton Island and 1,325 Jews in Halifax County.

Join the Jewish Historical Society and help discover the reasons for these changes.

HALIFAX JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Jewish Historical Society on **May 27, 1982 at 7:30 p.m.** at the Public Archives of Nova Scotia.

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Madame Justice Constance Glube has been recently appointed as the head of Nova Scotia Supreme Court Trial Division. She is the first woman ever appointed Chief Justice of a court under federal jurisdiction.

Born in Ottawa, she graduated in Arts from McGill University in 1952; studied Law at Dalhousie University; graduating in 1955. She was the recipient of the Nova Scotia Barrister's Society Scholarship for highest standing in her second year and the Carswell Prize in her third year.

Following private practice between 1964 and 1968, she became Senior City Solicitor for Halifax and in 1974, became the first woman to undertake duties as Halifax's City Manager. In 1977, she became the first woman appointed to the Nova Scotia Supreme Court.

She has been involved with the life of the Jewish Community, having served as President of the Shaar Shalom Synagogue Women's League. She is a life member of Hadassah-Wizo of Canada, and was a former Co-Chairman of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, Atlantic Region. A one-time Board Member of the Grammar School, she was actively involved in the formation of Neptune Theatre and served as Treasurer of the Trident Organization.

Chief Justice Glube is married to Professor Richard Glube and is the mother of four children—John, Erica, Harry and Joseph.

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When ORT was founded in 1880, in then-St. Petersburg, its goal was to train the Jews of Russia in the skills of basic industry such as the needle trades. More than a century later, ORT teachers in the U.S. are once again teaching these marketable skills to Russian Jews, providing an economic passport which will enable them to make their dreams of freedom and prosperity a reality.

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Saint John Happenings

by **Miriam Pavey**

The season started with the Bar Mitzvah of **Doug Lovett**, son of **Doreen** and **Bob Lovett**. This lovely occasion brought the community together for celebration.

With the advent of the festivals, the Sisterhood, under the Presidency of **Sandra Levine**, was busy preparing and organizing kiddushim. And Yomtov was scarcely over before Hadassah-Wizo swung into action organizing the annual Thrift Shop under the Chairmanship of **Erminie Cohen**, and her tireless band of helpers. This year their efforts were more than rewarded with an all time record taking sum of over \$7,000 being raised. Not content with that, however, Hadassah-Wizo had a large attendance at their monthly meeting presided over by **Jackie Meltzer** at the home of **Miriam Pavey**. With business dealt with, the meeting turned to education and members enjoyed quizzes and items of Jewish and Zionist knowledge.

Chanukah was suddenly upon us and the community enjoyed an afternoon of entertainment by Israeli singer **Fran Anvi**. Ms. Anvi's visit was sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council, Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region and Canadian Jewish Congress. Latkas and cake were served by Sisterhood. The children of the community enjoyed a bowling party organized by Youth Chairman, **Janet Holtzman**. They then joined the adults for the Israeli entertainment. A presentation on behalf of Sisterhood was made to **Rabbi** and **Mrs. Pavey** by **Sandra Levine**.

Bad weather did not stop Hadassah-Wizo meeting in January at the home of **Billie Kunitzky**. On this occasion, they played "Follow the Scoop", a game designed to find interesting articles from a Jewish newspaper. The members also heard of the life and work of **Henrietta Szold**.

On February 13, the newly elected Synagogue Board Members were officially dedicated and installed into office at the Sabbath service in which they all took part. Kiddush followed the service. Synagogue Board: Past President—**Lou Michelson**; President—**Norman Hamburg**; 1st Vice-President—**Samuel Milrod**; 2nd Vice-President—**Daniel Elman**; Treasurer—**Norman Holtzman**; Recording Secretary—**Elizabeth Koven**; Corresponding Secretary—**Norman Calp**; Directors—**Samuel David**, **Jon Everett**, **Lewis Freedman**, **Jerry Koven**, **Gar Meltzer**, **Ethel Miller**, **Mark Reece**, **Samuel Silver**. Gabbais: Gabbi Rishon—**Lou Michelson**; Gabbai Chevra Kadisha—**Bernard Bloom**.

The community was honored to have **Uri Savir**, Second Secretary, Israel Embassy Ottawa and Israel's Press and Information Officer, to address them on February 15 as part of his Maritime visit. His visit was arranged through the Atlantic Jewish Council and the Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region.

Shaarei Zedek is always a place to visit for local non-Jews and in recent weeks has shown its splendor to visitors from the Baptist faith and to a party of children from Kids Stuff Kindergarten who are studying civic organizations.

This winter Hebrew has fired the imagination of the Synagogue's neighboring church and every Monday a group of Christians meet together to learn to read the Bible under the tuition of **Rabbi Pavey**. The synagogue's own adult study course is also going well and the brave members battle the elements to be at classes on Sunday mornings.

TV is featured in the lives of members. **Bessie Selby** has her own cookery show "Menu Makers" which goes out weekly on CHSJ TV. **Lou Michelson**, Past President of the synagogue, was featured in an interview of Jewish life in "Holo-

caust—the Jewish Experience". This featured the synagogue's Yom Hashoa service and was the conclusion of the series "This is Canada" produced for Cable TV by **Miriam Pavey** who was recently elected Vice-President of Saint John Community Cablevision Council. Rabbi Pavey was busy at Chanukah explaining the festival of CBD Radio, and on Cable TV. He also was the guest on CHSJ TV of **Dr. David Buchanan** in his series "Living Together". The Rabbi explained the Jewish way of life and its attitudes.

Obtaining kosher products in a small community is never easy but in Saint John, it is now a whole lot easier since the Union Deli was opened. Owned by **Ron and Sandra Levine** this Montreal style deli provides a delicious variety of kosher products for the community to enjoy. They are also doing well selling kosher to the non-Jewish population.

Yarmouth Highlights

by **Rosalie Indig**

A gathering of the Yarmouth community took place in the synagogue to celebrate Chanukah and at the same time, to celebrate our Hadassah-Wizo Anniversary.

The children outdid themselves by putting on a Chanukah play, reciting poems, singing songs, and prayers, and each lighting a candle on the Menorah. This event was convened by **Rosalie Indig**, **Mimi Mendell** and **Esther Strug**.

Hadassah-Wizo

Acknowledging our Hadassah-Wizo anniversary, a candle-lighting ceremony was held. A brunch followed which was convened by **Rose Shapiro**. Future events will be the annual Thrift Shop, Tag Day and Youth Aliyah drive.

Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Danny Star** whose son, **Philip Joel**, has been admitted to the Bar and is now practicing in Yarmouth.



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Fredericton News

by Jennie Brown

Anniversary greetings to the following: **David and Anita Adilman**—8 years; **Joe and Jennie Chippin**—33 years; **Harry and Edyth Levine**—38 years; **Jack and Betty Levine**—34 years; **Ben and Faye Medjuck**—6 years; **Martin and Linda Payne**—24 years.

Mazel Tov to the following: **Ben and Goldie Budovitch** on the birth of their grandson, **Bradley Jason**. Proud parents are **Paul and Revie Walman**, London, Ontario; **Jack and Betty Levine** and **Joe Tobin** on the birth of their granddaughter, and great granddaughter, **Kira**. Proud parents are **Lawrence and Adele Levine**, Toronto, Ontario. **Sam and Gertie Budovitch** and **Freda Budovitch** on the birth of their grandson and great grandson, **Philip**. Proud parents are **Steve and Myrna Harrison**, Montreal, Quebec. Speedy recoveries to **Oscar Jacobson**, **Betty Levine**, **Abe Budovitch** and **Goldie Budovitch**.

Stephanie Dorchik has returned to Calgary, Alberta after visiting her parents, **Irving and Sylvia Meyers**. **Revie Walman** and family and **Brenda Budovitch**, have returned to London, Ontario and Toronto, Ontario, after visiting their parents, **Ben and Goldie Budovitch**. **Stuart Jacobson** has returned to Toronto, Ontario, after visiting his parents, **Oscar and Polly Jacobson**. **Heide Tina Grobe**, a daughter of **Cary and Sydelle Grobe**, celebrated her Bat Mitzvah on December 25, 1981, at Shabbat Chanukah services, Temple Emanuel, Passaic, New Jersey.

Jean Zisser and son have returned to Brooklyn, New York, after visiting her sister and brother-in-law, **Rose and Sam Satter**.

Best wishes for a healthy and happy Passover.

New Dance Group Formed

Under the guidance of **Mrs. Marilyn Kaufman**, a newly formed dance group of ten girls and their mothers meets every Sunday afternoon. Both modern and traditional Jewish dances are taught and the group plans to enter the Multicultural showcase, a part of the Multicultural Festival held at Centre Communautaire Ste.-Anne, on May 6, 1982.

Editors Note

The following item appeared in the **Greater Clifton-Passaic Jewish Community News**, New Jersey, U.S.A. **Heidi is the daughter of Cary and Sydelle Grobe of Fredericton, N.B.**

Canadian Girl Observes Bat Mitzvah Rites at Temple Emanuel

Although she had attended Hebrew School and fulfilled all the requirements for the Bat Mitzvah, **Heide Grobe** of Fredericton, New Brunswick, Canada, was unable to have the ceremony at her own synagogue which does not sponsor the Bat Mitzvah. She chose, therefore, to prepare under the guidance of Rabbi Joseph Herman of Passaic and observe the rite of Bat Mitzvah at Temple Emanuel.

Heide, who is the daughter of **Cary and Sydelle Grobe**, showed unusual motivation in studying tapes and lessons prepared by Rabbi Herman, and consulting with him by telephone and during occasional visits to Passaic. (Those who heard her renditions were high in their appraisal of her performance, made all the more unusual by the distance and the fact that she was with an unknown congregation.) She is related to Dr. & Mrs.

Richard Wexler, of Clifton, but had never spent any time in this area. She did a fantastic job, combining maturity and poise with a desire to succeed seldom seen in one so young. Our community is proud that the Grobe family so honored it.

Passover

by Nicola Linton
Age 13

What is Passover? What does it mean to different people? I would like to tell you what it means to me. Passover in my home is a time when family and friends get together. When we have a seder in our home we have people over to share it. Either our grandparents come or friends or both. We haven't always read through the whole Haggadah. When I was younger we used to just do the most important parts. To me that used to be hiding the matzo. We did it a bit differently from other people. My father would hide it and the children would search. Then we would get a gift. Usually whoever found it would get a little something extra.

We have a Haggadah that I used to love and I still like. It is the same one that my father had when he was a little boy. There are things to do in it, like turn a wheel and see all the plagues or pull a tab and the Red Sea will divide.

Every year our good friends the Rauchs' invite us to their house for a seder. Their grandparents from New York are usually there. Then we do the whole Haggadah and I always enjoy that. Sometimes, although rarely, we go to Hamilton to my grandparents for a seder. I always enjoy being together with my family and friends and always look forward to Passover.



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News from Moncton

Tiferes Israel Synagogue

New Officers Elected

Congratulations are extended to our recently elected Board of Directors and new slate of officers:

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 Secretary **Fred Kirsh**
 Treasurer **Oscar Coleman**
 Board Member **Issac Druckman**
 Board Member **Ann Jochelman**
 Board Member **Dr. David Rubin**
 Board Member **Dr. Francis Weil**

Our newly elected Board looks to our membership for support and involvement in efforts to sustain and improve our Jewish community life.

Sisterhood

Sisterhood is enjoying quite a successful season due to the diligence and hard work of our members. Thanks are extended to:

Cookie Fine (convenor), **Wendy Silverberg**, **Gail Zuckerman**, **Dianne Wanderer**, **Margie Attis**, **Bessie Coleman**, **Kay** and **Nathan Cohen**, **Sue Kohn**, **Carole Savage**, **Audrey Lampert**, **Terry Cohen**, **Mary Feinstein**, **Lillian Schelew**, **Adele Rubin**, **Sharon Rubin** and **Marlene Fischel** for their work for "Meals on Wheels."

To **Kay Cohen**, **Sarah Gorber**, **Mary Feinstein**, **Dorothy Mark**, **Minnie Attis**, **Margie Attis**, **Audrey Lampert** and **Helen Jochelman** for their service on our visiting committee.

To **Mary Feinstein**, **Lorna Gorber**, **Sharon Rubin** and **Kay Ruch** for catering the Bnai Brith brunch.

Sisterhood also took part in Magma's (Moncton's Multi-Cultural Association) "HERITAGE DAY". An International Dinner with food from 8 different ethnic origins was served.

Bnai Brith

Bnai Brith is again very much alive. On February 7th, we had a membership blitz brunch and enrolled 10 new members. The new members are: **Sandy Attis**, **Herbie Gorber**, **Sam Gorber**, **Jamie Rinzler**, **Jeffrey Rinzler**, **Danny Ruch**, **Raymond**

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What's Happening in St. John's

by Linda Berman

The month of Adar with the holiday of Purim was a busy one for the children of our Hebrew School. On the Sunday prior to Purim, the children of our Hebrew School presented a special Purim program in which a number of songs were sung and a narrated dramatization of Purim celebrations in different countries around the world. This was followed by a Purim carnival at which the children won prizes. Children of all ages had a good time. On Monday evening, March 8, after the reading of the Megillah, there was a costume contest with surprise prizes.

We have begun, as well, planning for Passover. Once again, the congregation will take the initiative and bring in their own Passover provisions. This effort which is co-ordinated by **Rabbi Berman** should prove to be economical and efficient.

A model seder is being planned for the children of the Hebrew School which will take place on the Sunday before Passover. At this Seder, the children will be acquainted with the customs and ceremonies of the Seder.

We were pleased to welcome to our community, **Mr. Gavriel Strasman**, assistant to the editor-in-chief of the Ma'ariv. He was the guest speaker at Hadassah-Wizo's annual Youth Aliyah fund-raising evening, and he was also a guest speaker at Memorial University. Mr. Strasman's visit was sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council and Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region.

We note with sorrow the passing of **Dr. Joseph Bergawsky**, brother of **Mrs. Betty Barban**; and **Mr. Melvin Fried**, son of **Mr. Jerry Fried**, who perished in the Ocean Ranger disaster. We also extend condolences to **Yossie Berman** on the passing of his father. May the mourners be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Israel. We are also sorry to note the passing of our eldest member, **Mr. Joseph Epstein** in his 91st year.

We are proud to note that one of our members, **Mrs. Barbara Fine**, had an art exhibition at "The Gallery". Her exhibit, consisting of various scenes of Newfoundland and Scotland, received excellent reviews in all the newspapers.

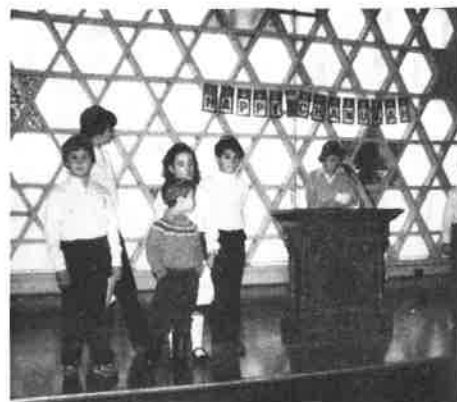
Moshe Kantorowitz appeared on the CBC public affairs program "Dialogue" where he discussed the convention of Holocaust survivors which took place last June in Jerusalem.

Mazel Tov to **Ruth Wolfson** and **Maurice Wilansky** on the occasion of their marriage. They will be making their home in our community. May God grant them many happy years together.

We are pleased to welcome back: **Nardi** and **Helen Nathanson** from their vacation down south; **Louis** and **Grunia Ferman** from their vacation in Florida; **Philip** and **Tova Auerbach** from their vacation in Florida; **Sheldon** and **Genevieve Lipkus** from a vacation in Montreal; **Moshe** and **Ruth Kantorowitz** from a visit to their daughter **Sharon** and her husband **Meir** who live in Jerusalem. We wish a pleasant trip to **Mr. & Mrs. Simon Skoll**, **David** and **Mrs. Joseph** who are returning to South Africa to visit their family.

Congratulations to **Mr. & Mrs. Leon Alexander** on the birth of a granddaughter. **Sharon** was born to **Doctors David** and **Judy Alexander** in Halifax. Congratulations also come to **Mr. & Mrs. Leon Alexander** on the engagement of their daughter **Francis** to **Dr. Gary Blumberg**.

CHANUKAH CELEBRATIONS IN ST. JOHN'S



MONCTON,—

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Stein, and Jezdimir Tosic. To these new members, a very hearty welcome to a very worthwhile organization.

Our guest speaker at the brunch was **Conrad Shatner**. Mr. Shatner is a Vice-President of Bnai Brith Canada and is very actively involved with the League for Human Rights. His speech consisted of 2 topics—"The Fall and Rise of Anti-Semitism" and "Why Bnai Brith?" Both topics were very well covered in Mr. Shatner's speech.

On Monday night, the 22nd., our election night took place at Cy's Restaurant. The new slate of officers is as follows:

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Did You Know?

The word "Jew" never appears in the five books of Moses and is used for the first time rather late in the canon of Jewish books—in the Book of Esther, which tells of the persecution of the Jews in Persia around 2,300 years ago.

Reverend Grauel speaks in Halifax



Reverend John Stanley Grauel is shown addressing the audience while Ken Gordon, and Jeff Wolman look on.

by Ann David

Reverend John Stanley Grauel, a Methodist minister, considered by many to be a living legend, spoke at the Weldon Law Building at Dalhousie University, on March 3. This event was presented by the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation—(APJSF) Hillel and Network Canada.

Kenny Gordon, president of the APJSF, welcomed Reverend Grauel to Halifax, and listed several of Reverend Grauel's awards. He has been the recipient of: the Fighter for Israel Medal; the Humanity

Medal, shared with Pope Paul; the Victory Medal; and, the Medal of Jerusalem as a founder of the State of Israel. In response to his introduction, Reverend Grauel replied, "It is a tragedy getting singled out for doing what everyone should be doing . . . for being a humanitarian."

Reverend Grauel gave a brief history of Zionism, pointing out the major stumbling blocks in establishing the Jewish Homeland. He also outlined the history of Jewish persecution, emphasizing the tensions which have continued over the years. Reverend Grauel said that the situation will never be discussed intelligently "unless we can stop man's hatred to man . . . unless we can stop his rewriting of history to make a point."

During the question and answer period, Reverend Grauel was asked whether the Jews, as the Chosen People, should set an example by reacting passively to their confrontations. He answered "Pacifism is not the answer to Israel's problems today. We must stand up and defend Israel. Moses will not be there to part the sea this time."

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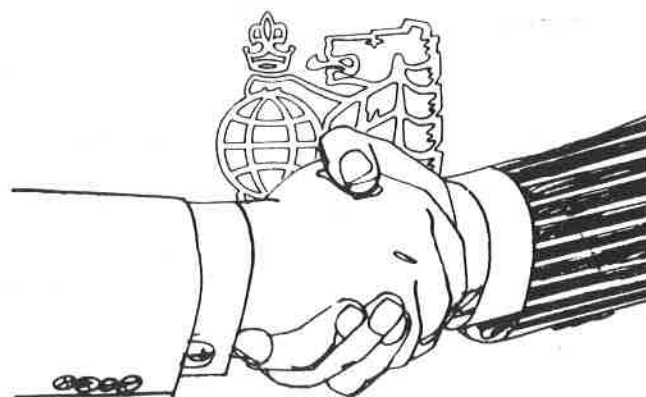


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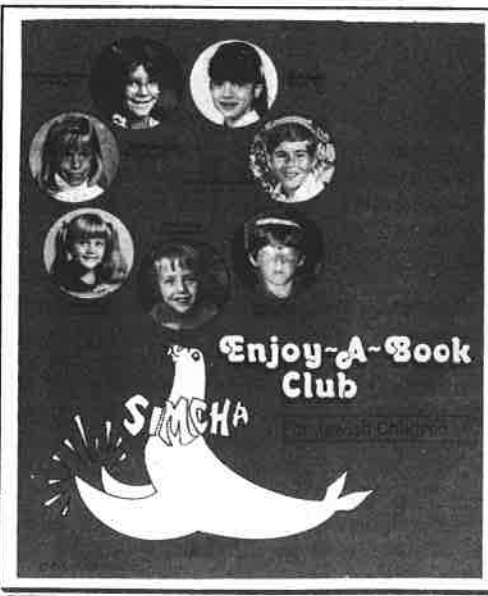
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United Jewish Appeal

Editor's Note: The following is a reprint of a recent article in *The Ottawa Jewish Bulletin and Review*. Or Yehuda is the Atlantic Region, Ontario (excluding Toronto) and Ottawa's Project Renewal.

Or Yehuda Revisited . . . from hopelessness to great expectations

by Chick Taylor

One of the highlights of my second Mission to Israel was my return visit to Or Yehuda. I was encouraged and pleasantly surprised at the progress they have made since I last visited there in February 1979. There was a new excitement in the air, people were smiling, there was a hustle and bustle, a sort of electricity and optimism you could see and feel. The people seemed to have a sense of pride in their accomplishments and a noticeable improvement in attitude. They were beginning to believe and see that Project Renewal was starting to work and that there was a future for themselves and their children in Or Yehuda.

I noticed that the city was much cleaner and that the physical condition was greatly improved. One of the first places we visited was a centre for the elderly. This was an older building which had been completely renovated by a local youth group (financed by Project Renewal). On the first floor senior citizens were busily engaged, the ladies in handicrafts, the men in electrical and woodwork. It was real togetherness, besides being productive, it was a means of getting out of their homes, meeting people, making them feel useful, doing something meaningful and the chance to earn money.

Class in progress

On the second floor a class was in progress of middle-aged ladies who were learning how to read and write. This was a beginners class which had started this year. They meet twice a week, Mondays and Wednesdays for 2 1/2 hours. Most of them come from Iraq.

On the third floor was a class at the third level. These people can now write and read the newspaper. It was gratifying to see the happiness and smiles on their faces, they now had a new lease on life.

This is called the Tehila Program. (Project Renewal Funds). The object is to combat illiteracy and to give adults the opportunity to complete elementary school level education. There are currently 220 participants in the elementary studies program.

From here we drove and walked through the town. We were shown how apartments were being enlarged from 50 sq. m. to 80 sq. m., common areas were being improved and public grounds landscaped. Residents were encouraged to buy their own apartments by way of a small down payment and a loan made available by the government for the balance. Residents no longer have to be encouraged, they want to own their own apartments. By owning their own they tend to upgrade, maintain and take a special interest in their apartments and surrounding area.

Stan Labow, Hy Hochberg and I had lunch with the Mizrahi family. Mrs. Mizrahi served us a delightful lunch of fruit, avocado sandwiches, coffee and dessert. The Mizrahis had come to Or Yehuda about 15 years ago. The senior Mizrahi worked as a baker, his salary was \$350.00 net per month and their 21 year old son Yehoshua had just finished his two year term in the army. He had been accepted into university but had decided to work for a year because his family needed his financial support.

Yehoshua has three sisters and the family are very proud of their newly enlarged apartment. Life is not easy and they all work very hard, but they are happy and proud to be Israelis and have no intentions for leaving Or Yehuda. A few years ago this would not have been the case.

Their neighbor Shula thanked us for our Project Renewal money but told us if we really wanted to help, why didn't we make aliyah to Israel. Our conversation started with us asking the questions and

ended with them pinning us with questions that were hard to answer. It was a learning and enjoyable exchange and we ended our stay by taking a few group pictures, warm embraces and promising to send them the photographs when we got back to Ottawa.

From here, I asked to be shown Gan Habanim Park (Memorial to Fallen Soldiers) the first high visibility project to be funded by our regions for the purpose of beginning to establish our credibility among the residents. Work had begun in late September and had not been completed as yet. What we saw looked good, and will provide a meeting and recreation place for the residents when completed.

Landscaping started

We drove by the Shivat Zion School. Work had begun on the landscaping off the schoolyard and I couldn't help but see the happy smiling faces on the school children dressed in uniforms, playing games and having fun just like our children back home. This is another one of our projects but I believe part of the work is being carried on by the local Or Yehuda municipality. We were accompanied on our tour by Laura Kindler, a social worker from Milwaukee, and she briefed us on several social and physical projects that were now being implemented or in the planning stage.

We saw and heard many encouraging things about Project Renewal. However, Project Renewal has just begun and has a long, long way to go. Project Renewal is not just rebuilding homes, it's rebuilding people. It's not just to take people out of slums, but the slums out of the people. The residents want to have a say in their own affairs. The new concept is people participation. They want to be part of the process, making decisions and helping with the implementation. They feel it's their neighborhood, they care—they must be part of it.

It has not been easy

It was not an easy concept. It took time to find the light and now people are starting to care. The Steering Committee, the Jewish Agency, the government and the municipality are now taking a comprehensive approach to development, which must be accepted by all parties including ourselves. The slowness of implementation is not important. What is important is to get people interested in themselves, educating their children and to talk about their own feelings.

Goal to raise quality of life

The goal of Project Renewal is to raise the quality of life, education and cultural level of the residents to that of the national average, to become part of the mainstream of Israeli life. To accomplish this, Or Yehuda needs our Project Renewal funds and our personal involvement. It won't be easy, but it will come about—because as Jews "We have no choice".

Happenings and Events

Atlantic Jewish Council Board and Executive Meeting



Many items of business were discussed at both the Executive and Board Meetings of February 20 and 21, 1982 held in Moncton, N.B. It was unfortunate that stormy conditions prevented representation from communities other than Halifax and Moncton to attend. Nevertheless, those who were there had an evening and a day to voice and hear reports and opinions. **Shimon Fogel**, Director for Small Communities, Canadian Jewish Congress was

in attendance during the Board Meetings. Some of the highlights of these meetings—word has now been received that the Shaliach, **Mr. William Leviton**, and family will take up residence in Halifax sometime in April. His duties will be working with the Region's youth, assisting in overall programming and lending his expertise in various other areas. An Atlantic Region Soviet Jewry Action Committee, with representation from

most organizations and communities is now underway. **Mr. Shimon Fogel** and **Shirlee Fox** will be making personal visits to each community and a Regional Leadership Conference is planned in conjunction with the Atlantic Jewish Council Annual Meeting in September 1982. Canadian Zionist Federation activities, the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation and the United Jewish Appeal were all part of the full agenda.



Happenings and Events

"Aspects of Judaism"

What makes Judaism such a vital tradition? In what sense is the Kibbutz an expression of Judaism? What is the relationship between Judaism and art? What is Zionism anyway? These were some of the questions which inspired the six-lecture series entitled "Aspects of Judaism" held at Mount Allison University. The series was co-sponsored by Department of Religious Studies and the Department of Continuing Education, Mount Allison. Guest Lecturers included Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz and Ben Prossin.



Rabbi Philip Lefkowitz, Moncton lectured on "Judaism—Continuing and Vital Tradition" on Thursday, February 25, 1982.



Ben Prossin, a Vice-President, Canadian Jewish Congress/Deputy President, Canadian Zionist Federation/Past President Atlantic Jewish Council lectured on "Zionism—A Philosophy of Freedom and Liberation" on Thursday, March 11, 1982.



Herman Newman, Chairman of the Holocaust Committee, addressed the students of Sydney Academy and Holy Angels High School on January 20; the Universalist Unitarian Church on February 7; students of Halifax West High School on March 26. Mr. Newman has also been invited to address students of Mount St. Vincent University and will be finalizing plans shortly to visit Moncton. N.B. Mr. Newman was recently favoured with the following description. "He may be a man of small stature, but he is a spiritual giant".

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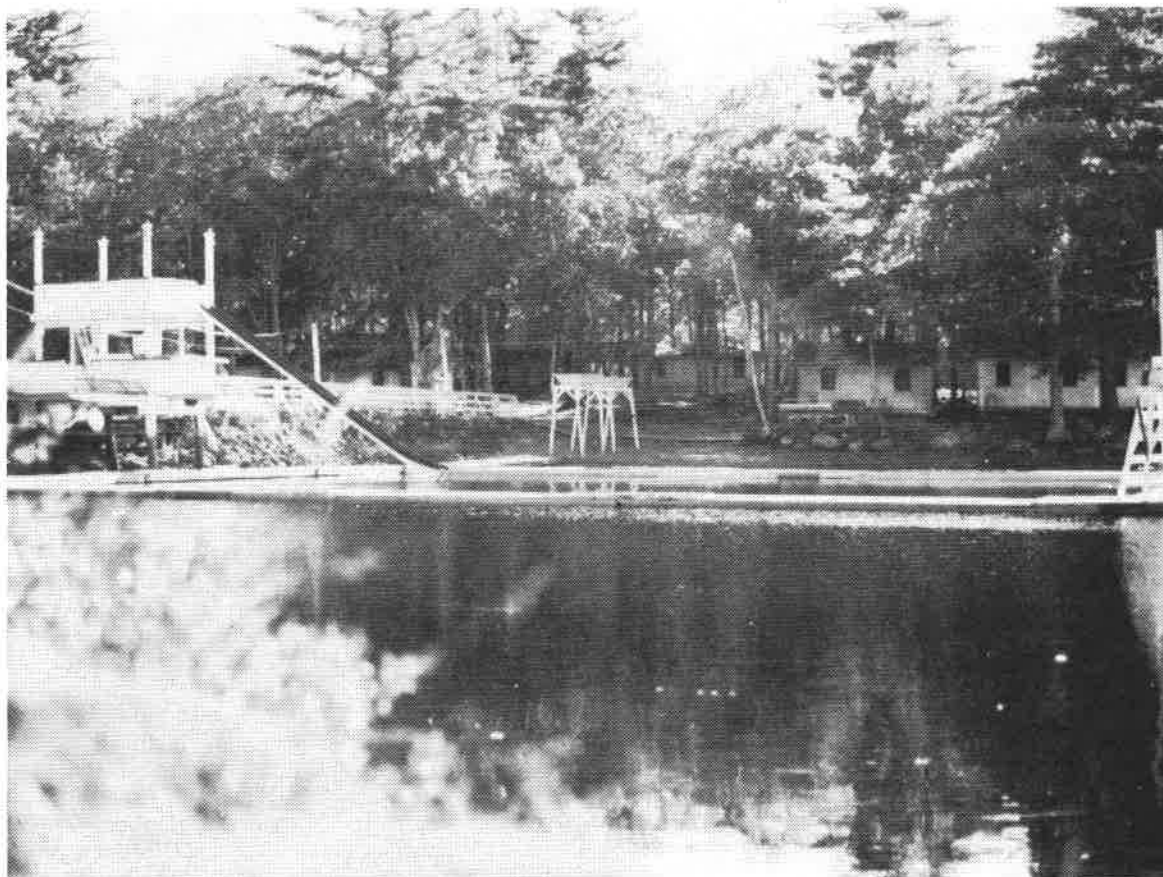
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Some people are put off by the technical jargon that the "professional" hobbyists use, but in fact SW listening is child's play. Sara Manobla, who heads Kol Israel's English Programme Department sent this easy-to-follow advice from Jerusalem, which could turn any enthusiast for news from Israel into an immediate SW expert:

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on this column, where details are listed from time to time, or write directly to Kol Israel, sending four self-addressed, adhesive labels, and ask to be included on the Mailing List for the coming year. The printed schedule contains details of all language broadcasts, including Hebrew and Yiddish. The address is: Kol Israel, English Department, PO Box 1082, Jerusalem 91010, Israel.

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Network Bank

by Ann David

The Network Band, made up of four talented musicians who perform traditional Jewish music to catchy rock n' roll beats, struck a high note with the Halifax Jewish community on their February 6 visit.

The event, held at the Beth Israel Synagogue, presented by the Atlantic Provinces Jewish Student Federation—(APJSF) Hillel, and Network Canada, drew a crowd of 200 children and adults. The Network Band, having already debuted at Camp Kadimah last summer was welcomed with open arms. The band members, **Bernie Apter**, 22, **David Buzaglo**, 20, **David Eisen**, 19, and **Noam Eisen**, 15, prompted full audience participation and, in turn, received a dynamic response.

The concert was dedicated to **Raoul Wallenberg**, a Swedish diplomat who was instrumental in saving the lives of thousands of Jews during World War II. On January 17, 1945, Mr. Wallenberg was reportedly seized by the Soviet army, after being sent to Budapest on an American-sponsored mission to save Jewish lives. Guest speaker, **Elena Novak**, head of the Wallenberg Task

Force for Network Canada, appealed to the audience to take action and sign petitions which support the fact that Raoul Wallenberg is still alive somewhere in the Soviet Union. "If **one** man could save thousands of lives, cannot thousands now save the life of **one** man?" Miss Novak informed the audience of recent occurrences which support the fact that today, 37 years later, Mr. Wallenberg is still alive.

Stan Fenwick, Network Canada's National Rep. Co-ordinator, was also present for the occasion. He explained, on behalf of Network, that it is an umbrella organization for young Jewish adult groups throughout North America. He also outlined Network Canada's alliance with APJSF-Hillel, and how Network Canada serves as a vital link between the Atlantic Province's Jewish students and the rest of Canada.

The Network Rock Band left on a happy "note," commenting on the "Halifax hospitality" which they received, and saying that they hoped to return in the very near future.

This event was co-sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council, Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region and the Canadian Jewish Congress.

Image Before My Eyes



A full house in Halifax came to view "Image Before My Eyes" which was shown throughout the region.

by Ann David

On March 30 at the Shaar Shalom Synagogue, the Atlantic Jewish Council sponsored the film presentation "Image Before My Eyes". The film drew a crowd of nearly 300 people. This portrait of family life created a picture of the Jews of Poland prior to the Holocaust. It illustrates the period between the two World Wars, a time of rapid change.

It was emphasized, in the film, that the Jews of Poland did not feel Polish, but Jewish. Within the Jewish community, splinter political parties separated the Zionists from the Anti-Zionists. On one hand, there was a spiritualistic, anti-territorialistic ideal vitalizing Jewish life in Poland. However, in contrast, the Zionists opposed this ideal, producing an underlying tension for the Polish Jews of not belonging to either world completely.

Jewish Poland which was once known as being the largest, most important center of Jewish culture in the world is now better known for its annihilation in the Holocaust. Only approximately 6000 Jews are left in Poland. We are all too aware of how Jewish Poland died, yet few of us know how it lived.

"Image Before My Eyes" vividly recreates Jewish life in Poland from the late nineteenth century through the 1930's. Through it, the survivors of this lost culture give us a taste of the ways things used to be.

Co-sponsored in Halifax with the Shaar Shalom Synagogue, the film was shown throughout the Atlantic Region in co-operation with the Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region and Canadian Jewish Congress.

Editors Note

Marissa Slaven is 15 years old and lives in Montreal. Her mother is the former Marcia Lee Jacobson.

Poem No. 54

by Marissa Slaven

empty actors
playing worn out roles
barren stage with
lots of holes
playhouse filled with
echo applause,
Man O Man,
what is your cause?

lonely house on
forgotten street
unused bed where
nobody sleeps
dog at the window
staring into space,
Man O Man,
where is your place?

peoples faces
painted large
no expression but
no charge
old man is sitting
silent and grim,
Man O Man,
what's wrong with him?

world keeps spinning
tell it to stop
winners keep winning
losers get caught
somebody dies as
we sit in the sun,
Man O Man,
what have you done?



Israel Briefs

[JNI—Jerusalem]

Laser Industries, a ten-year-old Israel company already considered the world's leading designer, manufacturer and marketer of carbon dioxide laser systems, registered the public sale of over one million ordinary shares with the U.S. securities exchange commission recently.

Laser technology provides relatively bloodless surgery, greater precision and less patient discomfort. Based on Israeli invention, the company's laser systems have already been sold to hospitals in the U.S., Western Europe and Japan.

With two American companies, Laser will utilize 3 M dollars in Israel government grants to develop a high-powered industrial carbon dioxide laser for metalworking.

"Do you think the Jewish people are the chosen people?"

This is one of the questions a Soviet television team is asking Jewish leaders throughout Europe for a telefilm on Zionism and relations between Diaspora and Israel. The aim of this film is obviously anti-Israel, aimed to fortify anti-Zionist propaganda for domestic and foreign needs.

The head of the Information Department of the WZO, **Eli Eyal** warned Jewish leaders against this transparent attempt. As to those who have already given interviews, Mr. Eyal proposes to publicize their whole content widely, so as to try to prevent the Russian television from taking sentences out of context and generally distorting interviewers' intentions.

Mr. Eyal stresses that the Soviet TV team are trying to convince Jewish leaders to give interviews by stating they have already obtained interviews from prominent Jewish leaders in America.

This is totally false.

"Your visit here is the best proof of our love for peace". The Israeli delegation of sixty teenagers was welcomed with these warm words by Egypt's Deputy Minister for Education on arrival recently in the Egyptian capital. This visit is a response to the visit last month of an Egyptian youth delegation to Israel. The Israeli Ambassador in Cairo, **Moshe Sasson** (who speaks fluent Arabic) addressing the two delegations noted that, "My father died without letting me see peace. You have a new chance, for your parents have given you the most precious gift of peace. Guard it well."

Uri Savir Visits Atlantic Region

by Ann David

Mr. Uri Savir, Second Secretary of the Israeli Embassy in Ottawa and Israel's Chief Press and Information Officer in Canada, was in Halifax on February 18 and 19, 1982 addressing various groups as well as the Jewish Community. Sponsored by the Atlantic Jewish Council, Canadian Zionist Federation—Atlantic Region, Mr. Savir visited Moncton, Saint John and Fredericton on this, his first Atlantic tour.

Mr. Savir, as Chief Spokesman in Canada for Israel's position on recent events in the Middle East analyzed the basic situation. His analysis consisted of three main points: a review of the major trouble spots leading to instability in the Middle East; possible solutions to the problems and complexities; and a description of the situation as it looks today before Israel pulls out of the Sinai.

Mr. Savir listed the psychological attitude of the Arab world toward Israel, inter-Arab States relations, the superpowers' involvement in the Middle East, Israel's geographical situation, and the question of a Palestinian State, as the five basic ingredients of instability in the Middle East.

He described the Middle East situation as unique since it was not a political conflict, but a tragic existential conflict. The underlying problem is the legitimacy of Israel as a Jewish State which is not accepted by most Arab countries. Mr. Savir outlined an ideological difference within the Arab family unit. He stated that the focus of the media is on Arab-Israeli conflict, but the root of instability lies in the Arab heterogenic, fragmented family. Also, there is obvious tension between the rich and the poor Arab countries which leads to interstate conflict. The most important ingredient of instability is that the negative attitude toward Israel serves as a tool for strengthening any individual Arab country's position in the Middle East.

In mentioning the presence of the superpowers of USA and USSR in the area, Mr. Savir stated that without them there would not have been such a direct confrontation of this magnitude. He noted that the supplies from the USSR to the PLO in the Middle East are rapidly increasing. Concerning the topic of Israel's geography, Mr. Savir noted that 2/3 of its population lives within 9-15 miles of territory. Need he say more? And finally, Savir stressed that all elements i.e. the fact that the Sinai and the Golan are both presently occupied must be taken into account to understand the proposed model of solutions.

Mr. Savir proposed various solutions. First of all, one must recognize the



LEFT TO RIGHT: Ben Prossin, a Vice-President, Canadian Jewish Congress/Deputy President, Canadian Zionist Federation; Uriel Savir, Second Secretary of the Israeli Embassy in Ottawa—Guest Speaker; Shirlie Fox, Executive Director, Atlantic Jewish Council and Gerry Mendleson, Interim Chairman, Soviet Jewry Committee. Mr. Mendleson spoke briefly on the petition that is being circulated by The Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry.

positive change in the Middle East after past President Sadat's November 22, 1977 visit. President Sadat's visit showed the Arab countries, as well as the rest of the world, that Egypt recognizes the legitimacy of a Jewish Zionist State as its neighbour. Secondly, the psychological attitude changed dramatically upon Sadat's arrival. The existential conflict

became a political relationship. Thirdly, Mr. Savir said that the superpowers' role in the Middle East is a fact of life: an historical fact that will still be true in the future. He continued by saying that ideally he would like to see them actively involved in the peace process. Fourthly, he suggested granting the Palestinian Arabs the status of autonomy with Israel still in control of security as yet another compromise solution. Mr. Savir presented the grave point of instability versus the suggested model to solve the problems. The question still remains: which powers will pull for what solution.

The basic equation juxtaposed for the audience Israel's two sides. On one side of the equation is Israel's willingness to compromise with those who will join the peace process. In contrast, on the other side Israel will be stubborn, misunderstood, and unpopular in her moves to deter the Arab States from further action. Israel is faced with dilemmas. The answers are not simple since it is a dilemma on the terms within the aforementioned parameters. Mr. Savir presented general observations and put them into a general framework as the Israelis perceive it.

One vital question was raised by a member of the audience on how to establish oneself as a credible source for the media. Mr. Savir answered, giving the necessary elements which lead to credibility:

1. strengthen your relationship with the media;
2. establish yourself as a credible source;
3. encourage feedback; and
4. do not react every time, but from time to time to issues, making each statement more effective.

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Jewish National Fund

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The Jewish community of Saint John is pleased to confer an award of special recognition upon **Mr. Bernard Freedman** at a Jewish National Fund Negev Testimonial Dinner on Sunday, June 13, 1982 at the Delta Brunswick Inn.

In addition to his communal activities, Mr. Freedman has been a life-long member and zealous participant of the Congregation Shaarei Zedek Synagogue; having performed many functions for the Synagogue's Religious Committee, as well as being a former Synagogue President. Mr. Freedman has also contributed his services to various Synagogue affiliated organizations, having served as past President of both the Y.M.H.A. and B'nai B'rith.

Bernard Freedman's work on behalf of the State of Israel has been extensive. On three different occasions, he has chaired both the State of Israel Bond Campaign and the United Jewish Appeal, once

during the Yom Kippur War. From 1971-1977, he was President of the JNF in Saint John and acted as Chairman of this organization in 1975, the inaugural year of the Canada Park Project in Israel. He has also participated in the Endowment Fund of the Hebrew University and provided scholarships to needy Israeli students under the auspices of Hadassah-Wizo.

For this outstanding work, Mr. Freedman has received the Masada Award in 1974; the Ben Gurion Award in 1980; the Jerusalem Award in 1981 and the Jewish National Fund President's Medal as well as the Special Award for chairing the United Jewish Appeal Emergency Campaign in 1973.

Bernard Freedman is married to **Natalie**, daughter of **Mr. & Mrs. A. Naimer** of Montreal and Toronto. They have three children: **Michael, Richard** and **Cheryl**.

Mitchell Budovitch, Fredericton Chairman, will be heading the committee for the Champagne Brunch sponsored by the Jewish National Fund of Canada to be held at the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue on Sunday, May 17, 1982.

What is Jewish National Fund doing in the Eighties?

Jewish National Fund is concentrating its present energies in three major project areas.

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For further information contact **Col. Yaacov Perez**, 514-934-0313.

Jewish National Fund Emissary Returning to Israel



Lt. Col. Yaacov Perez

Lt. Col. Yaacov Perez, Jewish National Fund Emissary to Canada, for the past four years, will be returning to Israel the end of June. Col. Perez has visited the Atlantic Region on numerous occasions. Friends and acquaintances in the Atlantic Provinces wish he and his family Shalom and the best wishes for the future.

Farewell Party

A Farewell Party in his honour will be hosted by **Neil Franklin**, Atlantic Region Vice-President, J.N.F., at the Lord Nelson Hotel, Halifax, N.S., on Monday, June 14, 1982. Everyone from the region is cordially invited to attend to bid Yaacov a fond farewell.



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Opinion...



by Samuel Jacobson

The Saudi Peace Plan—A Counter Proposal

The proposal made last summer by the Royal family of Saudi Arabia for establishing peace in the Middle East has been properly described as a method of preparing for the ultimate destruction of the State of Israel. It is looked at by the citizens of Israel and its friends, and all the fairminded, as no more than a camouflaged version of the PLO plan for the immediate destruction of the state and all its Jewish citizens.

There is only one difference between the two proposals. The PLO plan is honest and forthright. It states very bluntly what it wants. The complete destruction of the independent state and expulsion under the best of circumstances but probably a repeat of the Nazi Holocaust for all its Jewish citizens.

While the Saudi proposal "implies" that there should be recognition of all the "states" of the area, it evades the question of whether it recognizes that Israel is an independent state. While there have been some hints that the proposal might include, under certain circumstances, recognition of the state of Israel, there have been more direct statements from the authors of the proposal, that Israel will not be recognized.

Some of the other conditions are that Jerusalem become a divided city. Saudi Arabia claims that Jerusalem is one of the most important Islamic holy cities yet no important Islamic spiritual leaders have even visited the city for centuries! The world denounces the only existing divided city of Berlin. That Judea and Samaria, under whose every stone there is evidence of Jewish habitation thousands of years before the Arab invasion, become an independent Arab state. A base for the Soviet controlled P.L.O. to endanger the regimes of Jordan and Saudi Arabia as well as Israel?

It requires the elimination of all Jewish settlements in Judea and Samaria. In the 19th Century the Sultan of Turkey offered free land to any Muslim, who

would settle in Israel and nobody came forth. They didn't want to live in what was a despised, deadly Malaria ridden area until Zionist pioneers turned it into a most fertile land. The total population of the Original British Mandate in Palestine, including Jordan and all of Israel west of the Jordan was about 150,000 Saudis in the latter part of the 19th Century.

Only after the Zionist Pioneers cleared away the malarial swamps, began paying outrageous prices to absentee owners for worthless lands and created a demand for labor due to their intensive activity and later due to Britain's illegal restrictions of immigration, was the country swamped with infiltrators from the surrounding area.

The extremely high infant mortality and high maternal mortality rate combined with the average short life span could never have resulted in a population increase from under 200,000 to about two million from natural population increase.

The vast majority of those living in the former mandate area are immigrants or their descendants.

The king of Jordan came from the Hedjas area of Arabia along with his army, formerly known as the Tran Jordan Legion under the command of the British Colonel Glub Pasha.

The whole area did not have one road worth mentioning. The lush forests and fertile soil of even the mountainous terraces were destroyed during the Arab occupation through neglect and destruction of the top soil by the numerous black goats now forbidden. Many millions of trees have been replanted.

The Saudi Peace Plan requires that all refugees who voluntarily ran away from Israel, in spite of Israel's invitation for them to stay and become equal citizens of the state, be allowed to return. The net result of this condition alone could be a mass invasion of millions of Arabs, 99% of whom were never in Israel, and so overnight become a majority and swamp the country with their presence.

Due to the fact that the world today has become enslaved by the blackmail oil monopoly of the Persian Gulf, the great powers of the world, including the great British Empire, Germany, which on two occasions in this century, attempted and almost succeeded in conquering the world, and even the great world power, America, are all paying serious attention to this proposal regardless of the fact that it is appeasing those who are as hateful of all Western civilizations as they are of the democratic state of Israel. To put the picture in its simplest form, it can be summarized in that Israel merely wants to be left alone in peace, and has no hate for the Arab world, whereas the Arab world is full of hate and a desire to destroy a little state containing an area representing one thousandth of the area controlled by the Arab world.

Every statement by the Arab world is

full of hatred while the Israeli attitude can best be described by the words of the late Prime Minister Golda Meir who said, "I can forgive my Arab enemies for killing our sons. But I cannot forgive them for making our sons kill them."

On the surface it appears that OPEC is all powerful and that the world must obey her every wish. On second thought, however, it is rapidly becoming apparent that if we have the courage to reduce our wasteful consumption of petroleum the world can again hold its head high and be free from the threat that OPEC holds over us.

There are many methods of replacing oil with other fuels. Methods of producing petroleum from coal or liquefying coal or using alcohol for transportation or heat pumps for supplying heat for residences. If North America would reduce its oil consumption to the level of Western Europe, the resulting reduction in the import of oil would be so tremendous the power of OPEC would be so blunted it would no longer present a threat to our way of life. Therefore OPEC is vulnerable! Only our indifference prevents its destruction!

In spite of the above, the world is still most anxious to appease Persian Gulf powers. It is only for this reason that the impossible proposal of Saudi Arabia is given serious consideration, and therefore deserves a counter offer.

Were it not for the blind hatred of the Arab world, they would see the tremendous advantage of cooperation with Israel. Here is a vast area of millions of square miles, rich in an important resource the world needs (even at pre-1973 prices).

Thousands of years ago North Africa was the bread basket of the Roman Empire. The lush Garden of Eden was located between the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers, now both barren deserts! Through neglect, indifference and ignorance it has all deteriorated into deserts. On the other hand, there is little Israel which has taken a minute area of this destroyed earth and turned it into a most fertile, fruitful land.

Actually, Israel deserves the admiration and gratitude of the whole world for having established the greatest record of soil reclamation in the history of mankind, according to the late Dr. Walter Clay Loudermilk, the renowned soil scientist of the American Dept. of Agriculture. This, if copied by the Arab world, could result in the restoration of Arab civilization to its former glory. Between the tenth and twelfth century, Moslems, Christians and Jews lived in complete harmony. Especially in Spain. The Jews of Babylonia established a great culture in the country which is now Iraq. The greatest Talmud was composed and written in that country. The Babylonian Talmud is more highly regarded in

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Judaism than even the Jerusalem Talmud. The Jews of Babylonia had lived and prospered for thousands of years before the Arab conquest. They were treated with complete tolerance and contributed greatly to that country.

If the technical knowledge of Israel were to be combined with the natural resources of the Arab world, a great new day would dawn that could bring benefit not only to them but to the world at large.

Instead, hatred, terror, killing of innocent, defenseless men, women and children by the PLO, and threats of war, cause a great share of the wealth of that area to be spent in wasteful armaments. If used, the results of modern warfare will bring tragedy and death to both sides. Israel will not be easily conquered.

With that analysis of the tragic consequences of continued hatred on the part of the Arabs, might it not be opportune to present a proposal which should appeal to both sides. It should especially appeal to the Arabs if those who claim to be moderate really are sincere in wishing for the best for all.

Why not go back to the intent of the 1947 Partition Plan? That plan envisaged an independent state of Israel and an independent Arab state tied to Israel by means of a common market. It was, of course, subject to the Arabs as well as Israel, accepting the proposal. In view of the fact that the Arabs refused to consider the proposal in any way, it became a dead letter and the Arab invasion completely wiped out the whole purpose of that resolution.

However, perhaps some of the conditions in that proposal might be revived at this time. It would require, first of all, the removal of some of the cancerous situations which have developed since then.

Probably one of the basic situations that must be changed is the continued existence of the refugee camps in which the Arab nations have persisted in keeping the residents almost like prisoners. These camps are the only ones in all history that have been maintained for decades. About ten million East German refugees were absorbed into West Germany after the Second World War. Millions of Greeks who had lived in Asia Minor thousands of years, expelled by Kemal Ataturk shortly after the First World War, were absorbed in Greece. Tens of millions of Hindus and Pakastini were forced to leave their homes and exchanged across their borders. They were all absorbed. More recently many thousands from South Vietnam were settled in America. The United Empire Loyalists that came to Canada after the American Revolutionary War of Independence, were never allowed to return nor were they given one cent of compensation for their properties. Why should the Arab refugees, the vast majority of whom were

recent immigrants, be maintained in camps for over thirty years, at a cost of billions, without being allowed or helped to settle as free self-respecting individuals? Why one law for them and another for all others? Why one law for Israel and another law for the rest of the world?

It has even been openly admitted by Arabs dedicated to the destruction of Israel that they artificially insist on maintaining the camps as a propaganda weapon against Israel. The richest members of OPEC cry crocodile tears for the Arab refugees while they refuse to give a penny to help them.

Another condition for peaceful co-existence must be a recognition that what is fair for one side is fair for the other. If twenty percent of the population inside the 1967 borders is composed of Arabs, why should not the same percentage of the population be composed of Jewish settlers in Judaea, Samaria and Gaza? Are the Jews in these areas to be treated as though they had a contagious, incurable disease or to be treated as human beings? If, on the other hand, they represent a danger to that area, then perhaps the Arabs inside the 1967 borders, should also be transferred outside Israel. After all, Jews have lived in the Arab world for thousands of years. Even before the Arab invasion with great benefit to their neighbors.

America, the greatest economic and military power in the world, in its treaty to relinquish control of the Panama Canal, included the condition that the transfer would be completed after a quarter of a century. Why should not Israel also insist upon 25 years before relinquishing its control over Judaea, Samara and Gaza which, under control of an enemy, could be a deadly danger to its own survival.

If, after 25 years of peaceful cooperation and recognition by all Arab states, it is quite possible that Israel would allow the establishment of a demilitarized, completely autonomous entity in that area.

Under those conditions it is quite possible that the area would enjoy the benefits of a customs union and possibly even access to a duty free port on the Mediterranean.

The result of the above proposal would be:

First, the cooperation between the Arab world and Israel would bring a new era of enlightenment, prosperity, and prestige to a part of the world where the masses have suffered in poverty and oppression for many centuries, and still do.

Secondly, it would enable the residents of Samaria, Judaea and Gaza, reaping the benefits of a common market with Israel, to enjoy the highest standard of living, of health and education, of probably any Arab country in the world.

Third, with twenty percent of the resi-

dents in Samaria, Judaea and Gaza settled by Israelis, the danger of invasion from the East would be minimized.

Fourth, as the spirit of cooperation and its benefits became apparent, and the hate propaganda stopped and its effect weakened, the area would cease to be a cancerous source of future conflict. The opportunity for creating tension in that area between the great powers, would lessen, as the population became aware of the benefits of a democratic popular society. Just as feuds have existed in many parts of the world and have faded as times changed, so it can be hoped that the hatred by the Arab world of Israel, will also disappear.

The Moslem world considers Abraham one of the great prophets. How can they oppose the existence of the state of Israel when Abraham was promised that land of God?

The Moslems consider Moses also one of their great prophets. How can they oppose the existence of the state of Israel when it was Moses that led the enslaved Hebrews out of Egypt to establish the Hebrew nation?

Alligator Ponds— Hammat Gader

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STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS

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Dr. Joseph Leavitt

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"My commitment to the Jewish War Orphans began the moment I met **Lillian Freiman** in Antwerp," said Dr. Leavitt. "I was stationed there in World War One, and realizing how shocking life was for the orphans, I felt that I had to get involved." Leavitt became the medical director for the orphans, bringing many of them over to Canada through his per-

sonal sponsorship. In addition, he paid for the upkeep of the orphans, and gave them free medical advice. Thus, his meeting with Mrs. A.J. Freiman of Ottawa, the President of the Jewish War Orphans Committee of Canada, was instrumental in safely evacuating 146 orphans to Canada.

Many of the orphans were scattered across Canada. Many went on to live in Ottawa, Halifax, Toronto, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Montreal, Edmonton, and Calgary. To the Jewish war orphans who came to Canada, Joseph Leavitt was not a medical doctor, but a person who saved their lives, as well as a very dear friend.

Since 1921, Dr. Leavitt has continued to receive warm, friendly calls from the orphans, as well as many letters from them. The orphans, because of the humanitarian heroics of Dr. Leavitt, have remained loyal to him over the years.

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Dikla weighed 730 grams (1 lb. 1 oz.) at birth. According to **Prof. Arthur I. Eidelman**, director of the hospital's Department of Neonatology, who supervised the baby's care, survival chances for a neonate of such low birth weight are only one tenth of one percent.

Under constant supervision, Dikla slowly developed and gained weight. She was released at the age of three months and weighed 5-1/2 pounds. Her medical care cost \$40,000, with the expense borne fully by the Shaare Zedek Hospital since neonatal care is not paid for by the Israel government or by any health agencies. Dikla will remain under the care of the doctors and nurses at Shaare Zedek for at least two years.

Shaare Zedek, "Gates of Righteousness," was the first Jewish hospital built outside the Old City Walls of

Jerusalem. Its original building was opened in 1902 and the new Medical Center took over in 1979.

The Neonatology Department and Intensive Care Nursery comprise just a corner of the special medical care provided to all the people of Jerusalem, irrespective of their race, religion or nationality. A Chronic Care Department, opened this past fall, is the first in Israel to be physically part of an acute care hospital; the pediatric dialysis department is the only one in the country; the Emergency Underground Hospital is fully prepared for major disasters of peace and war; the computerized communications center has led the way into the 21st century.

Despite all of its medical marvels and modern technology, Shaare Zedek has maintained a personal atmosphere, where each patient is treated as a special individual, with care and compassion.

The Canadian Shaare Zedek Hospital Foundation is the official fund-raising and information center of the Shaare Zedek Medical Center in Canada. The national office is located at 3089 Bathurst Street, Toronto, Ontario, M6A 2A4.

WAR ORPHANS REUNITED

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The Jewish War Orphans had an opportunity to pay tribute to Dr. Leavitt. He was honoured on April 4 by the Medical Division of State of Israel Bonds in Montreal at a testimonial dinner. Dr. Leavitt has been actively involved with helping the State of Israel since 1910. He has been an active fund-raiser for Palestine, and continued to raise large sums of money for Israel when the Israel Bond program was initiated in 1951.

All Jewish War Orphans, their children and grandchildren were cordially invited to the testimonial dinner to Dr. Leavitt.

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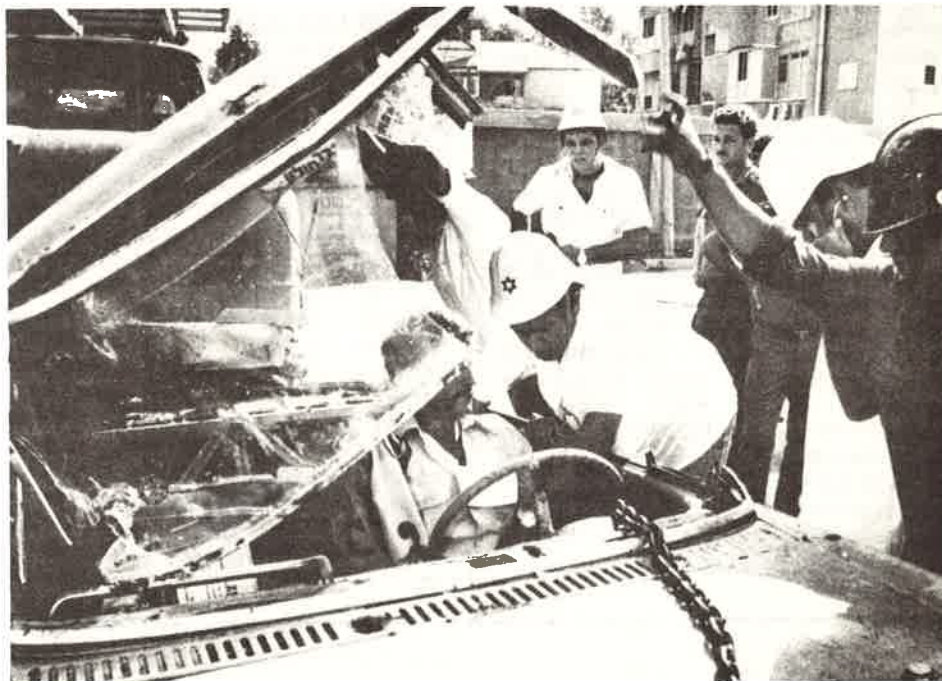
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The exercise included rescue of "victims" of a staged accident between a private car and a bus, both of which supposedly caught fire following the collision.

Statistics show that the toll from Israel's road accidents far exceeds the casualty rate for all her wars. This joint exercise was designed to reduce response time and therefore fatalities, as well as improve victims' chances of recovery from injuries.



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Nazi War Criminals Resident in Canada

A. Background

The Holocaust. Eleven million innocent civilians, including six million Jews, ruthlessly murdered while the world stood passively by.

It is difficult to conceive of criminality and brutality on such a scale. The numbers are unfathomable. The means used to bring about degradation, torture and death as well as the sadism employed defy description. The very notion that a modern state would summon up all of the technological resources at its command in a single minded effort to kill every single Jewish man, woman and child speaks of an irrationality that cannot be comprehended.

Has the world remembered the atrocities? What has become of the thousands of individuals who took part in the perpetration of these heinous crimes? Since the end of the war several governments, and in particular the government

of West Germany, have held countless war crimes trials. A small number of the accused have been sentenced to death. Many have been acquitted. Most have received short prison terms. Thousands of others have succeeded in avoiding justice entirely by entering displaced persons camps and thereby acquiring the status of refugees. Under the cover of this status, some of these entered Canada from the early 1950's on, profiting from extraordinary lax immigration procedures prevailing at the time.

The number of alleged war criminals currently residing in Canada is not known. There may only be a couple of dozen individuals against whom the government has sufficient evidence to proceed, although a factual investigation would undoubtedly reveal more. Even if action were taken against only a few such individuals, it would be a signal that Canada will not be a haven for war criminals.

B. What Legal Options Are Available

There are a variety of legal recourses available potentially for dealing with Nazi war criminals living in this country. Each recourse has its own peculiar difficulties emanating from the fact that the offences in question were committed outside of Canada and that neither the victims nor the perpetrators were Canadians. The Canadian Jewish Congress is currently undertaking detailed legal research to determine which of the alternatives is most appropriate. Among the remedies being considered are the following:

(i) ***Prosecution in Canada under the War Crimes Act, 1946.***

This legislation provides for the convening of military courts for the trial of persons alleged to have committed war crimes. It is currently being determined whether this Act is strictly applicable to the

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types of offences in question and whether it allows for the trial of civilians by court martial. Recent amendments to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms now make it clear that retroactive legislation providing for the prosecution of war crimes is not in violation of human rights.

(ii) ***Extradition to a country requesting them.***

Under the Extradition Act, Canada is able to honour extradition requests from countries having jurisdiction to try alleged war criminals with which Canada has an extradition treaty. To successfully employ this remedy Canada would have to encourage a country having jurisdiction and which meets our standards of justice to make such a request.

(iii) ***Denaturalization of war criminals who have become Canadian citizens.***

This recourse essentially involves stripping such individuals of their citizenship and reducing them to alien status where they may then be subject to deportation. This resort has been employed in the United States with some success. In Canada, the basic upon which denaturalization could be achieved would be to establish that a given war criminal, upon entry into this country or upon the subsequent acquisition of Canadian citizenship, lied, misrepresented himself or failed to disclose circumstances material to the granting of such status.

C. What is the Position of the Canadian Government?

For the past twenty years, the Canadian Jewish Congress has regularly put the question of war criminals before successive Ministers of Justice and other Cabinet Officers. Assurances were given that there would be an assiduous examination of all relevant facts but until now without any tangible results.

Politicians from all parties have gone on record in expressing support for the vigorous investigation of the allegations with a view to prosecuting war criminals under available legislation, revoking their citizenship or extraditing them. In 1979, in response to a question put to him by the Canadian Jewish News, Prime Minister Trudeau stated that his government was "interested" in the proposals of Mr. Robert Kaplan who, at that time, had sponsored a private member's bill in the House of Commons which purported to revoke the citizenship of individuals convicted of war crimes. Mr. Trudeau added that the department of the Secretary of State "is currently exploring this and other possible amendments to the present (Citizenship) Act in the hope of finding a solution to the present difficulties". The

Leader of the Opposition, Mr. Joe Clark, in a telegram sent to the North American Jewish Students Network while he was Prime Minister, declared: "In Canada as elsewhere in the world we must pursue and prosecute the murderers wherever they may be found". Similarly, Edward Broadbent, has asserted that "the N.D.P. supports vigorous investigation of war crimes allegations and prosecution when these allegations are well founded". (Canadian Jewish News, May 17, 1979).

The present Solicitor-General, Mr. Robert Kaplan, has taken a close interest in the matter. In April of 1980 he emerged from a meeting with the noted Nazi hunter, Simon Wiesenthal, to tell reporters that he was "satisfied that there are witnesses and that war crimes could be proven". Shortly thereafter, he informed a mass rally in front of the Ontario Legislature that the R.C.M.P. was asking for "a proper legal foundation" to act against Nazi war criminals living in Canada and that the federal government intended to provide such a foundation "in a few months". More than a year has since elapsed.

In the spring of 1980, the matter of war crimes was handed over to an interministerial task force composed of representatives of the departments of Justice, Solicitor-General, Secretary of State, Immigration, External Affairs, and Defence. At a meeting of the Justice and Legal Affairs Committee of the House of Commons on May 26, 1981, the Minister of Justice, Mr. Jean Chrétien, confirmed that the task force had come up with 'a working document' but indicated that he was not prepared to make the document public.

D. What is the Position of the Canadian Jewish Congress?

The Canadian Jewish Congress believes that the Government has a duty to investigate, in the most thorough way possible, allegations that individual war criminals are present in this country. This is a job that can only be properly undertaken by governmental agencies such as the R.C.M.P. which are possessed of substantial resources. The Congress also believes that the Government must exhaust all efforts in providing a sound legal basis for proceeding against such persons. In the event that such a basis cannot be found in existing legislation, the Government ought to act by way of amendment or introduce new legislation. The Government's imperative to act derives from two basic considerations, **moral and legal**. At a time when neo-Nazism is rearing its ugly head and when revisionist historians are denying that the Holocaust ever took place it is essential that Canada not give encouragement to these disturbing trends by granting the perpetrators of the greatest crimes in history immunity from prosecution and punishment. The presence of war criminals in this country is truly an affront to

Holocaust victims and survivors and to human conscience and human rights. It is an insult to Canadians who made the supreme sacrifice in the Second World War and a repudiation of everything that this country stands for. In short, it is a moral obscenity. The Government must act in this area if it is to retain its credibility and it must do so before age and death make the question moot. The Canadian Jewish Congress' Committee on War Crimes is closely examining all of the alternative legal remedies and will be making specific recommendations in the near future.



Holocaust Documentation Project

Since May of last year, the Holocaust Documentation Project's video-taping crew has interviewed survivors and other eye witnesses to the Holocaust across Canada.

The Committee of Consultants has made a commitment to all those who have volunteered to be interviewed, and while there are time and budgetary limitations on the numbers of those to be video-taped, they are anxious to continue the interviewing process on **audio-tape**.

The Holocaust Documentation Project would like to recruit volunteers interested in proceeding with these interviews. Volunteers will be provided with all necessary back-up and support, ie. interviewing guidelines, training for interviewers—if necessary, audio cassettes. The interviews obtained through your volunteer efforts will become part of the Project's bank of tapes.

If you wish to be interviewed or wish to be a volunteer interviewer, please contact the Atlantic Jewish Council, and your name will be forwarded to Canadian Jewish Congress.

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Atlantic Social News



Mr. and Mrs. Max Fox, Halifax, are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Janice Roberta, to Steven Norman Waxman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hy Waxman of Toronto. The wedding will take place June 13, 1982 in Halifax.

Commencing with the March/April Edition, Shalom Magazine will devote one page to social notices, e.g., engagements, weddings, Bar Mitzvah and Bat Mitzvah. These notices will only be accepted from the immediate family. Black and white photographs please—coloured pictures will be printed with no responsibility for reproduction quality.

Soviet Jewry Manifesto



by Gerry Mendleson
Interim Chairman
Soviet Jewry Committee—
Atlantic Region

Because of the increasing harassment of Jews living in the Soviet Union and the suppression of Jewish Culture and religious heritage in that country, I believe you will all be interested in reading the following manifesto of the Brussel II Presidium.

Harassment of Jews in the Soviet Union continues unabated. Late in February, an article appearing in the Chronicle Herald brought to light the harassment by the Soviet Government against Jewish Scientists in the Soviet Union. The article mentioned that Jewish Scientists seeking to immigrate to Israel had been stripped of their academic degrees for committing an

"unpatriotic action" as well as having dismissed them from their jobs. A number of these scientists have held senior posts under the Soviet Academy of Scientists. In a letter written by the scientists to President Navon, of Israel, the scientists say that they are banned from lecturing or teaching and may not publish results of their research. In addition, these scientists claim that Soviet publishers have a practice of neglecting references to their work which has made their studies open to theft and mutilation.

This is only one example of the type of repression **NOW** underway in the Soviet Union. I therefore believe it is extremely important that all of us be aware of the following statement issued by major Jewish organizations throughout the world.

Manifesto of the Brussels II Presidium

We the representatives of the major national and international Jewish Organizations throughout the world, constituting the Presidium of the Brussels Conference on behalf of Soviet Jewry, assembled in Washington, solemnly declare our solidarity with our Jewish brethren in the Soviet Union. We want them to know that we are at one with

them, totally identified with their struggle for asserting their national identity and for their right to leave the Soviet Union, and to return to their homeland, Israel.

Profoundly concerned for their fate, we denounce the policy pursued by the government of the Soviet Union in suppressing the Jewish cultural and religious heritage. This constitutes a flagrant violation of human rights incorporated in international treaties ratified by the Soviet Union as well as by the Soviet constitution.

The exodus of Jews from the Soviet Union has effectively been halted. From an average of over 4,000 a month in 1979, it has now declined to a mere trickle.

Repression of Jews has intensified, and severe sentences of imprisonment and exile meted out to activists on false charges. Constant intimidation has been applied to stop the teaching of the Hebrew language and culture. Harassment of Hebrew classes, confiscation of Hebrew books are an increasingly frequent occurrence. The practice of Judaism is subjected to special disabilities.

Over the past two years the number of refuseniks, many of whom have been waiting for years for exit permits, has more than doubled and their plight worsened. These adverse developments take place in an environment saturated by government sponsored virulent anti-Semitic propaganda and overt discriminatory policies against Jews in higher education and employment.

The Jewish people will not remain silent. The conscience of the civilized world must be aroused. This Presidium, calls upon Jewish communities and organizations throughout the world to raise their voices against the oppression of their brethren in the Soviet Union. We, also, appeal to all people of goodwill to join with us in this great, moral and humanitarian struggle for the rights of Soviet Jews.

In response to the desperate cry of Soviet Jews, this Presidium herewith issues an urgent call for the convocation of a world conference of the Jewish people—Brussels III. The collective voice of Jewry at this conference still proclaim its demand that the Soviet authorities forthwith open the gates to those Jews who seek to return to their homeland; to release the Prisoners of Zion; to cease harassment of the Jewish people; to halt the assault upon Jewish culture and religion; and to cease anti-Jewish discriminatory policies and practices.

Brussels III shall demonstrate our unflinching determination to participate in the fulfillment of the aspirations of Soviet Jewry. In this struggle we are confident of the support of all people who cherish peace and freedom, and who will join us in our humanitarian demand: **LET MY PEOPLE GO!**



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The most poignant moment at the World Gathering of Holocaust Survivors in Israel was the closing ceremony at the Hotel Hamaravi, during which representatives of the Survivors handed over the testament to representatives of the Second Generation. They accepted the legacy and they vowed not to forget.

The Legacy

WE TAKE THIS OATH! We take it in the shadow of flames whose tongues scar the soul of our people. We vow in the name of dead parents and children; we vow, with our sadness hidden, our faith renewed; we vow, we shall never let the sacred memory of our perished Six Million be scorned or erased.

WE SAW THEM hungry, in fear, we saw them rush to battle, we saw them in the loneliness of the night—true to their faith. At the threshold of death, we saw them. We received their silence in silence, merged their tears with ours.

Deportations, executions, mass-graves, death camps; mute prayers, cries of revolt, desperation, torn scrolls; cities and towns, villages and hamlets; the young, the old, the rich, the poor, ghetto fighters and partisans, scholars and messianic dreamers, ravaged faces, fists raised. Like clouds of fire, all have vanished.

WE TAKE THIS OATH! Vision becomes word, to be handed down from father to son, from mother to daughter, from generation to generation.

REMEMBER what the German killers and their accomplices did to our people. Remember them with rage and contempt. Remember what an indifferent world did to us and to itself. Remember the victims with pride and with sorrow. Remember also the deeds of the righteous Gentiles.

WE SHALL ALSO REMEMBER the miracle of the Jewish rebirth in the land of our ancestors, in the independent State of Israel. Here, pioneers and fighters returned to our people the dignity and majesty of nationhood. From the ruins of their lives, orphans and widows built homes and old-new fortresses on our redeemed land. To the end of our days we shall remember all those who realized and raised their dream—our dream—of redemption to the loftiest heights.

WE TAKE THIS OATH here in Jerusalem, our eternal spiritual sanctuary. Let our legacy endure as a stone of the Temple Wall. For here prayers and memories burn. They burn and burn and will not be consumed.

The Acceptance

WE ACCEPT the obligation of this legacy.

WE ARE the first generation born after the darkness. Through our parents' memories, words and silence, we are linked to that annihilated Jewish existence whose echoes permeate our consciousness.

WE DEDICATE this pledge to you, our parents, who suffered and survived;
to our grandparents, who perished in the flames;

to our vanished brothers and sisters, more than one million Jewish children, so brutally murdered.

to all Six Million whose unyielding spiritual and physical resistance, even in the camps and ghettos, exemplifies our people's commitment to life.

WE PLEDGE to remember!

WE SHALL TEACH our children to preserve forever that uprooted Jewish spirit which could not be destroyed.

WE SHALL TELL the world of the depths to which humanity can sin, and the heights which were attained, even in hell itself.

WE SHALL FIGHT anti-Semitism and all forms of racial hatred by our dedication to freedom throughout the world.

WE AFFIRM our commitment to the State of Israel and to the furtherance of Jewish life in our homeland.

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From Piecework to Creativity

by Sandy Lanton

In Israel's Ayalon Valley, midway between Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, is an eager, hard-working community known as Gezer, established by a group of young American immigrants in 1974. The newest and most exciting corner of the kibbutz is GEZERCRAFT workshop, housed in a quiet, unassuming building a few doors from the infirmary.

The hum of a fan, mingled with the whirr of sewing machines, greet the visitor even before stepping inside its doors. The first impression is one of bright, beautiful colors. Finished mobiles are suspended from the ceiling, applique quilts hang on the wall, patchwork pillows adorn the shelf just under the ceiling, shelves of fabric line the walls. The workshop is a very busy but happy place; its bright airy rooms are a beehive of activity. One worker is cutting patchwork pieces, another is pressing seams, while two others stitch away on brightly colored fabrics. It is obviously a labor of love. Although they start their workday at 6 a.m., they are usually the last to appear at the kibbutz swimming pool in the late afternoon. The evening hours often find them back at work, filling an order, or perhaps making a special gift for a friend's new baby. Along with fields of melons and a thriving dairy, Gezer seems to be producing babies at quite a pace.

Their latest order for a chain of shops in Tel Aviv safely shipped out earlier that morning, they took time out to proudly show a visitor around. Over steaming cups of coffee, the craft workers talked about their beginnings.

In the Fall of 1978, Gezer's baseball team was playing against a neighboring kibbutz. Among the spectators at Gezer that day was a Tel Aviv boutique owner named Jennifer. She was introduced to Debbie Kaplan and Sally Karasov, Gezer's seamstresses, who were looking for a means of supplementing Gezer's agricultural income. Other kibbutzim had started factories, turning out items from teaspoons to glassware. Why not turn their sewing skills into cash? By the end of the ninth inning, a deal had been made. Recruiting another member who has since left Gezer, the three women cleared out a small store room. Jennifer returned with two sewing machines, patterns, and their first orders. She visited Gezer twice a week to train her new employees and supervise their work. She taught them the rudiments of patchwork and brought patterns of her original designs for them to convert to jackets and skirts; the finishing touches were completed back at the shop. Under Jennifer's

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guidance, and with the freedom to experiment, they used solid fabrics in bold colors to create a line of modern clothing that incorporated patchwork. The unique garments, many one-of-a-kind, sold well to the boutique's sophisticated clientele. They later expanded the line to include blankets and bedspreads. Just about everything they knew about patchwork, they had learned from Jennifer, and after about nine months, they were ready to turn to quilting.

In October of 1979, the boutique fell victim to Israel's severe economic crunch. One-of-a-kind had to go; prices had to go down. The workshop would have to be more efficient. This necessitated the purchase of a cutting machine and a restructuring of the line. It wasn't enough. The orders trickled to a slow stream and finally stopped altogether. The boutique closed its doors. The workshop acquired half of the boutique's inventory in lieu of payment for already completed orders. The workers were faced with a dilemma: should they sell out their stock, dismantle the workshop and go back to agriculture? Hands were short enough as it were. If they couldn't show a profit, how could they justify their absence from the fields? Were they now expert enough to go out on their own? Given the encouragement of their membership, they decided to take the chance. Lacking the time and money to attend a school of design, they educated themselves with books and quilting magazines. Selecting samples and the beginnings of a portfolio of their work. Eyeing the Israeli baby boom, they designed a line of baby gifts, and made samples of a baby carrier and a diaper bag.

In March of 1980, they took a small booth at a fair at Tel Aviv's Disengoff Center. Their stock from the now defunct boutique and their line of baby gifts was rapidly depleted. They were a huge success! GEZERCRAFT was launched. Joined by Lorie Oerk and Laura Spector, it was time to expand their work area. They tore down the wall between their workshop and an empty room. They began to produce quilts, pillows, and clothing for an Israeli market unfamiliar with patchwork quilting, but obviously ready for it.

Now they are expanding again. Their line, including the Noah's Ark Mobile, a challah cover, and the Aleph Bet Gimmel wall hanging, is reaching out to an international market. They talk of import taxes, unreliable suppliers, shipping problems, and other matters perhaps best left to a business manager. With the advice of a member's family visiting from New York's garment district, they are

Health Conditions on the Golan Heights

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The indigenous population of the Golan Heights is made up of Druse villages with an economic base of agriculture and handicraft industries. The major villages are Majdal Shams, Bukhata, Massada, Rajal, and Ein Kanya. Tremendous progress in agriculture particularly has taken place since 1967, with emphasis on orchard development, modern irrigation techniques, storage and marketing facilities—with a resulting economic prosperity in the area.

The health status of the population has steadily improved both as a result of rising living standards and better preventive and curative health services. Nearly full employment and greatly improved purchasing power have been accompanied by improved basic water and sewage systems, housing conditions, nutrition and educational services, as reported by the Israel Health Ministry to the World Health Assembly in Geneva in May 1981.

Personal Health Services

Health services are provided through five clinics, located in each of the major villages. Services are provided by Kupat Holim (the General Sick Fund), Israel's largest health insurance and health service program, which is affiliated with the labor movement. Some 60 percent of the population are fully insured with Kupat Holim (including social welfare cases and national insurance cases). Those who are not insured may receive services upon payment.

Staff includes four doctors who visit the clinics between two and five times per week. Patients are referred for specialty care, laboratory X-ray at the Kupat Holim specialty clinic in Kiryat Shemona and in Israeli hospitals. A gynecologist visits the clinic at Massada twice weekly to serve the total area. Physiotherapy and occupational therapy are provided in the Kiryat Shemona health center.

Preventive services are provided to the total population without charge (including those insured and those not insured with Kupat Holim). These services are provided by the public health district

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again facing the necessity of streamlining their operation to keep pace with mounting orders. They are attempting to increase productivity without sacrificing quality and creativity. They must stay efficient and profitable because the fields are still short handed and the infant population at Gezer is ever increasing.

And to think that it all started because of baseball!

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of Safed. Two public health nurses and a pediatrician provide examinations, health education, followup, immunizations and care of pregnant women according to the Israeli public health service criteria.

Immunization coverage in 1980 in the first year of life was 88 percent of newborns for diphtheria and 75 percent for polio, and 70 percent in the second year of life. Children up to age three were given oral polio vaccine in a special campaign in 1979 and again in 1980 in addition to the routine program. Follow-up campaigns on immunization of preschoolers has brought immunizations up to 93 percent coverage.

School health supervision includes immunization—diphtheria and tetanus to pupils in grade three, and German measles to girls in grade six. Clinics and mother and child centers are maintained by the local authorities, with 75 percent reimbursement by the Ministry of Health.

Sanitation supervision is under direction of the public health office in Safed, and an extra sanitarian is assigned to the Druse villages of the Golan. Local authorities provide direct sanitation control activities, with reimbursement of 75 percent by the Ministry of Health, including expenditures for garbage disposal, vector control activities and others.

Garbage disposal at central disposal sites has been developed in most villages. Garbage collection is carried out by a local contractor with tractors three days per week. The Ministry of Health reimburses the local authorities for 75 percent of these costs.

Sewage is still primarily in the stage of outhouses and septic tanks, but Ein Kanya and Rajah have established central sewage collection systems and central septic tanks for sewage disposal.

Drinking water has much improved from the previous situation of relying on surface water of Birkat Ram, which was very contaminated. In 1979, the Ministry of Health successfully undertook steps to change the water source to deep wells which are monitored by regular bacteriologic testing according to the Ministry of Health standards. Supervision of sanitation in food establishments and restaurants is also carried out by the Ministry of Health.

Passover— Meaning of the Matzah

by Dr. Shmuel Himmelstein

There is a story told about the cultural conflict of the last century—when the Haskalah ('Enlightenment') movement clashed with traditional Judaism. It seems that two freethinkers came to the local rabbi with a 'confession'. "Rabbi," they began, "we have sinned by eating pork." "Why my children? What drove you to this?" said the rabbi. "Well, you see, it's like this. We were absolutely ravenous." "Well then, why didn't you go over to some Jew and ask him for some Kosher food?" "Well, rabbi, we tried to, but every single Jew we asked refused to give us anything to eat, so we were forced to go to Ivan's inn and eat there." "What? Is it possible that in our town Jews were so heartless that they refused to feed you when you were ravenous?" "Rabbi, that's the absolute truth. You see, it was on Yom Kippur..."

Without Haughtiness

A freethinker who visited Israel on Passover might be faced with the same problem. Try as he might, he wouldn't find a Jewish store or bakery willing to sell him bread, cake or any other leavened product. In fact this is the time of year that all bakeries take their annual vacation. Cookies and crackers suddenly disappear off the supermarket shelves, or else are covered by long rolls of paper. In fact 80% of all Israelis do not eat bread during Passover. Only the most desperate souls, who cannot forego their 'daily bread', venture into the Arab areas, where there is still bread to be found.

Chassidism gives a beautiful interpretation of the removal of all leaven during Passover. If we look at bread and Matzah, they are basically identical as far as ingredients are concerned. There is only one major difference—bread has been allowed to ferment and rise before being baked, while Matzah is baked before it has any chance to be fermented. Chassidism thus sees bread as being the symbol of pride and haughtiness—of being 'puffed up', while Matzah is the symbol of humility. By removing even

the tiniest crumb of bread before the holiday, the Jew is symbolically also removing all the signs of haughtiness from himself.

Wide Choice

Of course when bread is removed, Matzah replaces it, but the choices of Matzah available are remarkable. In addition to the normal machine-made Matzah, to which most of us are accustomed, there is hand-made Matzah produced in little bakeries, each group or Chassidic sect having its own bakery. Then again, there is the special Shmurah Matzah, in which the wheat has been guarded at every single stage, to be sure that it has not come into contact with water (ordinary Matzah is only 'guarded' from the time it is kneaded). This too comes in two varieties:—hand and machine-made.

Finally, to top them all off, we have the most difficult Matzah of all to produce—the so-called Matzat Mitzvah, which is Matzah baked on the day before the Seder, or just a few short hours before the Seder begins. There are, of course, very limited quantities of this available, because of the short time span in which it can be baked. (Incidentally, because of the seven hour difference between Israel and the U.S., there is Matzat Mitzvah which is baked on the day before Passover in Israel, flown to the United States, taken off by waiting cars, and distributed before the Seder in New York!)

That Extra Day

While Matzah is eaten during the entire seven days of the festival, there are those poor souls who can hardly wait to savor the taste of bread. The Arab bakers, knowing this, prepare for the end of the festival by baking large quantities of Pitta bread. Thus, throughout Israel, little signs are put up by the rabbinate informing Jews as to the earliest opportunity that one may buy bread after the festival.

The most weird aspect of the festival occurs when one has visitors from overseas for Passover. While Israelis only keep seven days, those from overseas must follow the custom there, and must keep eight days of the holiday. Thus last year, while my family and I were enjoying our fresh rolls, relatives from abroad were still busy eating their Matzah for another day.

Pesach is the festival of freedom, and what better place is there to celebrate it than in the land where Jews are truly free—free in the physical and spiritual sense. Leshanah Haba'ah BiYerushalayim—may next year indeed be the year in which many more of our brothers will celebrate the festival in Jerusalem.



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Eating out in Jerusalem

How To Eat Well Without Going Broke—A Guide For The Uninitiated.

by James Lewin

World Zionist Press Service

A visit to Jerusalem is invariably a memorable experience for people from abroad. However, the City has never been particularly famous for its restaurants. Therefore, good eating places in Jerusalem deserve to be noted—especially for the sake of relatively low-budget travellers who want something more than a *felaffel* (IS. 6 or half a dollar) and less than an expensive repast in an opulent setting. (Prices here are as of November 1981 and are approximate).

For the Unadventurous

Of course pilgrims to Jerusalem with well-padded pocket-books, or unadventurous souls who never take chances, can always fall back on the standard hotel and "guide-book recommended" eating establishments, many of which are highly-priced. There is the Gondola, where the late Golda Meir enjoyed Italian food, the Georgian, an ethnic eatery of substantial merit, or Chez Simon, a French restaurant of excellent repute (price per person IS. 120 or \$9). Hotels like the King David, Plaza and Hilton, offer good food though at high prices. To eat at the prestigious Mishkenot Hasha'ananim restaurant, costs IS.350 or \$25 per person.

For orthodox religious visitors to Jerusalem, who wish for a solid kosher dinner, the best bets would be The Central Restaurant near the black-coated Mea Shearim enclave, and Europa in Zion Square, a veteran master of traditional Hungarian cuisine. Some of the better Jerusalem restaurants specialize in fish dishes only. One may choose among The Dolphin, an Israeli owned restaurant in the Arab neighborhood of East Jerusalem, Beni's near the center of the city or Savion's across the road from Terra Sancta. Also recommended are the vegetarian menus at the Bavli, on the Street of the Prophets, the Alpin on King George Street or the very central Sova restaurant on Histadruth Street (cost per person IS. 60 or \$4-1/2).

One of the best-kept "open secrets" of gourmets in Jerusalem is Cohen's, a very inconspicuous restaurant with an anonymous almost shabby exterior and hidden genius concealed within. Located on a side-street across from the Edison movie theatre, you could easily pass by Cohen's tiny place without realizing that it's the kind of restaurant favored by celebrities and connoisseurs for whom good food is more important than spacious facilities or attentive service.

The most economical, yet satisfying, way of enjoying Mr. Cohen's original

gastronomical creations is to request a fresh salad as an appetizer and several orders of the variety of stuffed vegetables—eggplants, artichokes, tomatoes, onions and squash. These dishes, cooked with mouth-watering delicacy, using the best quality kosher ground meat, walnuts and tantalizing sauce, are considered by connoisseurs as among the most exquisite culinary delights available in Israel today. And two or three helpings, complete with coffee and most extraordinary stuffed plums for desert, constitutes a meal to remember at a quite reasonable price. A dinner at Cohen's including kebab or shishlik is also excellent, though less special and also more costly.

Where to Eat Cheaply

Menaggens, possibly Jerusalem's greatest attraction for economical epicureans, combines a common exterior with a working-man's ambience. Located off the open-air market in Mahane Yehuda, Menaggen's specializes in ordinary oriental-style Jewish cooking. The humous here, according to many experts, is the best in the city. The soup is savory and the meat-balls are the type of food to build muscles on. A great place for a low-cost lunch. Much less known is Kadosh's oriental restaurant in the gas station opposite Gan Sacher. This can't compare with Menaggen for a really cheap meal but neither can it be easily beaten in terms of value for money.

The favourite spot of many Jerusalemites seeking a quick lunch is Ta'ami in the center of town. Here, however, while the soup, the superb humous and the shishlik are all beyond criticism, and prices cheaper than cheap, the emphasis is on speed rather than style. Patrons who'd rather not gobble down their food in fast gulps run the risk of a brusque rebuke from the owner, who has been known to ask them aggressively whether they came to eat or to chat.

However, right next door to the Ta'ami, on Shammai Street, another small restaurant has as relaxed a tempo as anyone could ask for. The Downtown offers a full selection of salads and sandwiches, a variety of soups, crepes and desserts, at a reasonable price. An excellent standard steak meal is served by L'Entrecote on nearby Hillel Street, a civilized restaurant which is also reasonably priced.

There are some fine restaurants in Eastern Jerusalem and though outside the scope of this article, some of them deserve a try if only because their menus are unusual, and even exotic, to Western tastes.

The Chinese Are Here

An originally adventurous, but now accepted part of Jerusalem's culinary landscape, is to be found in a new spate of authentic Chinese restaurants mostly run by Vietnamese refugees. That these boat people have found new homes in Israel is an unmitigated boon to the country, for some people are simply unable to live without Chinese food. However, one word of warning: if kashrut is a key criteria, most Chinese restaurants don't even try to qualify. Perhaps one could stick to the purely vegetarian dishes and get by without transgression, though a rabbi might disagree. (Prices range from IS.65—IS.120 or \$5—\$9). Two strictly kosher Chinese eateries have opened up in Jerusalem, including the well appointed Marina in the President Hotel. It is not to be confused with the Chung Hwa, located beside a gas-station in Kiryat HaYovel, which features some of the most delicate and delectable Cantonese cooking this side of Hong Kong. The chicken with walnuts is scrumptious. The pepper-beef beats all. And the duckling is a palatable delight. The kashruth-killing shrimp dishes are probably also quite tasty, though they remain beyond the pale of this report. (Everyone has to draw the line somewhere.) Price per person IS.100 or \$7.

One popular new restaurant tucked snugly below the Russian Compound, is called The Tsrif, which is Hebrew for "hut" or "shack", indicating an unpretentious place, perhaps off the beaten track. The outstanding quality of the Tsrif is its atmosphere of bright friendliness, with fresh flowers on every table and picture windows looking into a green Jerusalem lane. The food is impeccably prepared and served by people who actually seem to enjoy their work. This, in contrast to the all-too-typical sloppy, resentful service sometimes encountered in Israeli eateries.

The concept of the menu at The Tsrif (which is not kosher) is, basically, anything and everything baked in a light pie-crust. Among the variety of cheese pies with vegetables, the leeks offer an especially delicate flavor, combining thick molten cheese with the succulent tang of green onions. Also highly recommended is the spicy fresh mushroom pie. As an appetizer, one may choose from several excellent soups and salads, and for dessert, enjoy the apple-pie filled with custard and topped with whipped cream, provided you don't mind the calories. One question mark hanging over the Tsrif is whether it can survive its own

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success. There is sometimes a line waiting for tables for half an hour or more. A restaurant with high standards must maintain them if it wishes to preserve its good name.

Recommended

Another good restaurant, so successful that it has moved to larger premises, is Mamma Mia's, which, under a different name, first opened as a pizza parlor and now serves a whole range of Italian delicacies. It's 100% kosher because all ingredients are limited to cheese, pasta and vegetables. The meatless lasagna melts in your mouth and is probably the best choice on the menu. The home made spinach tagliatelle with either a tomato or oil and garlic sauce is also fine. And the eggplant parmesan is totally beyond reproach. Together with an antipasto salad and foccaccia spiced garlic bread, a meal at Mamma Mia's is quite filling. If you appreciate an easy-going dinner with live guitar folk music in the background, go to Mamma Mia's. It too must ensure that success won't spoil it.

Other popular oriental Jewish restaurants are the Habirah, near the Egged bus-station and Ramah on Agrippas Street. Both of these have thoroughly earned their reputation for good food and reasonable prices.

In a different vein, well recommended are the Poire et Pomme, serving everything in a crepe, and The Souperie, another small restaurant with a very individual personality serving a variety of excellent soups. Both are located in the area of Bezalel Art Academy.

Though in Jerusalem as everywhere, its cheaper to eat at home, with such a broad selection of restaurants it should be possible for newcomers to Israel's capital City to find adequate sustenance for the body as well as the soul.

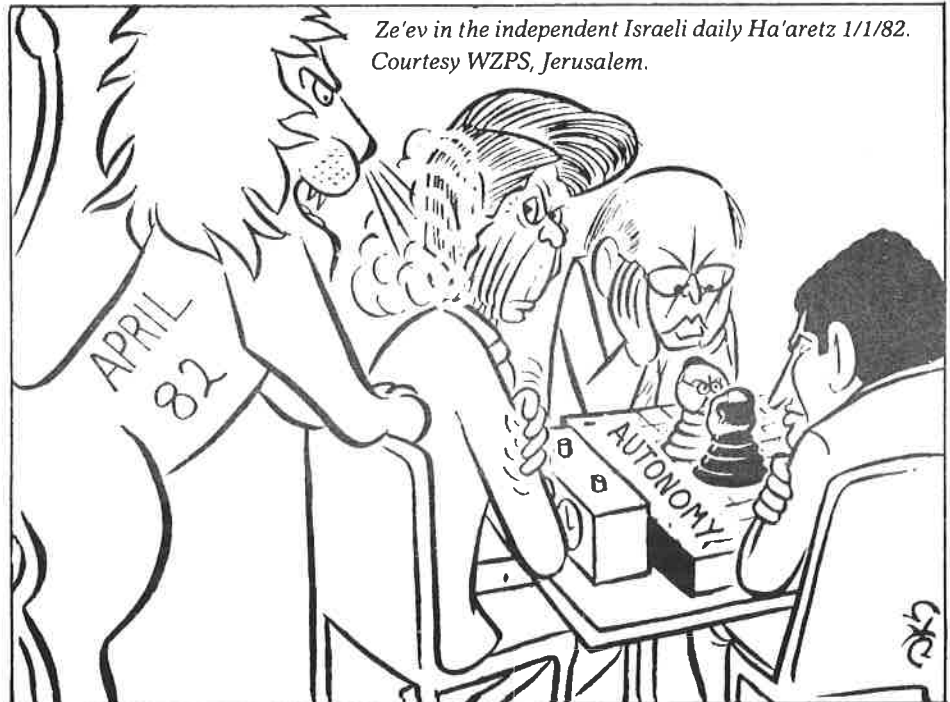
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The Jews, under the leadership of Moses, put an end to 400 years of slavery imposed upon them by the ancient Egyptians.

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This commitment to freedom as expressed by the Passover is central to the thoughts and ideals which have become the foundation of western civilization.

It is the Ethic upon which Abraham Lincoln based the Emancipation Proclamation issued more than 30 centuries after the Exodus from Egypt.

For Jews, Passover is a time to reaffirm the faith and morality forged from the experience of Egyptian enslavement and redemption.

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