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EDITORIAL

THE RABBI ANSWERS ...



Sometime ago, I quoted, "Life is what happens while you are planning for life." I was at that time asking for more active involvement from community members. Since then I can report, that although there was not an avalanche of responses, at least a small trickle of volunteers, has emerged. To my mind, the fact that these volunteers are from our "Young Leadership" bodes well for the future.

On the other hand, these volunteers are all from the Halifax area. Where are the rest of you?

The Atlantic Jewish Council provides various events - some of a social nature, but others on a more serious note which are planned to provide you with information and answers to issues that are of deep concern. It's disappointing to note the lack of enthusiasm for such programs. Surely if one is "planning for life" - the future - one must direct the course this life must take. Learning and contributing today, must be part of this process.

During 1984 I hope that many more of you will participate in all our programs whether they are by nature, serious or social.

Happy Chanukah from the Atlantic Jewish Council. Shirlee Fox

Editor

"The Rabbi Answers" column is to be a regular feature in upcoming issues of Shalom Magazine. The Rabbis of all Congregations in the Atlantic Region have consented to respond to questions that are submitted; each issue will feature responses from alternate guest columnists. Questions may range from politics to ethnics to history to fine points of Jewish Law. We welcome your submissions.

The Rabbi Answers ...

Question: In the Bible, many men had multiple wives as well as mistresses. When why and how did monogamy become part of Jewish Law?

Answer: Sometime in the tenth century, the famous 'cherem' ban of Rabbenu Gershom was issued in the Rhineland, forbidding multiple marriages. According to one tradition it was to be in effect for 1,000 years. Yet it has not been challenged to this day among Ashkenazic Jewry and the ban remains in force. In fact, the ban was renewed for all Jews by the chief Rabbinate in Israel when it expired in 1950. The "Cherem de Rabbenu Gershom" is in force even if the wife is consenting.

Many historians are of the opinion that this was not the imperious ukase of one individual, no matter how revered, but rather legislation passed by an assembly of Jewish communities in pre-crusade Europe. The reason usually given in Rabbinic literature describes the enactment as a regulation to prevent family discord. It was taken to mean that one could not take another wife even for the worthy purpose of having children, when the first wife had not born children in the first ten years of marriage. Even the first mitzvah of the Torah to "be fruitful and multiply" could not serve as an excuse to allow a man to have more than one wife. The account of Abraham, Sarah and Hagar is a paradigm of such a situation leading to family strife. The pregnancy of Hagar led her to lord it over her mistress, Sarah, and prompted to her expulsion from the household.

While this ban was not accepted by Sephardic Jewry, polygamy was not widespread, and the need to have an heir was generally the only acceptable reason for a man taking a second wife.

However in many cases the bride's family, (in order to protect their daughter), would demand the groom take a vow under the marriage canopy not to commit such an act.

Undoubtedly the biblical ideal is one man, one woman. At the dawn of creation it was Adam and Eve. Eve is called "Ezer K'negdo", usually translated helpmate. Literally it means his "opposite aid", implying his equal, or complement. Other cases of multiple wives recorded later in the Genesis always seem to be due to exceptional circumstances.

In Mishnaic literature where a man has more than one wife, the woman is called "Tsarah" meaning rival. In cases of levirate marriage prescribed by the Bible, where the man marries the widow of his brother who has died without children, he has the option of exercising the levirate form of divorce to dissolve the tie before consummation. The earliest stratum of Mishnah gives priority to Yibum, this form of marriage. The later stratum of the Mishnah favours Halitzah, the divorce procedure for such a case. The fact that the man was married is implied,

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A Gala Dinner celebrating the 50th Anniversary of Scientific Research Achievements in Rehovot was held Sunday, October 30, 1983, at the Lord Nelson Hotel in Halifax. The guest speaker was Murray B. Koffler, C.M., Phm.B., Ph.C., Ph.D. (Hon.), Chairman of the Board, Canadian Society of the Weizmann Institute of Science, Deputy Chairman International Board of Governors of the Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel, and Chairman of the Board of Shoppers Drug Mart Limited.

Dr. Jayson Greenblatt, president of the Atlantic Chapter, Canadian Society of the Weizmann Institute of Science, was chairman of the festive evening which included the participation of the Honorable Dr. Gerald Sheehy, Minister of Health, who brought greetings from the Province of Nova Scotia and Dr. Donald Hatcher, Dean of the Dalhousie School of Medicine.

Dr. Hatcher in his remarks, emphasized the importance of the linkage being established between Dalhousie University and the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel, stressing that scientific research is international in scope and has no territorial boundaries.

The address of Murray Koffler focused on the establishment of the Canadian Society, noting that the first major Canadian project was the Lester B. Pearson Chair of Protein Research, in 1968, which was followed by 29 prestigious projects including the Sam and Ayala Zacks Chair of Geophysics, the Samuel and Fanny Kay Wing (Cancer Research), the Koffler Accelerator of the Canada Centre of Nuclear Physics, the John Roberts Chair in Cancer Research, the Melvyn A. Dobrin Centre for Nutrition and Plant Research, the Paul Godfrey Foundation in Children's Diseases, the Dr. Phil Gold Career Development

Inaugural Weizmann Institute Dinner Held In Halifax



Murray B. Koffler, Peter Herschorn, Marvin Tanner, Dr. Allan Cohen.

Chair in Cancer Research, the Chief Justice Bora Laskin Chair in Science Teaching, and the Canadian Institute for the Energies and Applied Research.

Mr Koffler stated that the linkage of the Dalhousie University and the Weizmann Institute of Science reinforces the importance of scientific exchange and alluded to similar exchange programs existing with the University of British Columbia and McMaster University.

Among the honored guests enjoying this auspicious occasion was Marvelle Koffler; members of the Jewish community of the Atlantic region; representatives of Shoppers Drug Mart; Mr. Martin Tanner, President of the Montreal Chapter of the Canadian Society, and Mrs. Ruth Lazarus, Eastern Regional Executive Director of the Canadian Society.



Barbara Rafuse — Toast to the State of Israel.



Max Pascal, Joseph Zatzman, Irving Pink, Q.C.



Dr. Donald Hatcher, Marvin Tanner, Dr. Jayson Greenblatt, Murray B. Koffler, Hon. Dr. Gerald Sheehy, Neil Franklin. Shalom, November/December, 1983



Barbara Rafuse, Jack Rafuse, Q.C., Rose Pritzker, Rabbi Marvin Pritzker, The Hon. Dr. Gerald Sheehy, Marvin Tanner, RuthLazarus.

The Man Who Has Dreams State of Israel Bond Testimonial Dinner to Samuel Jacobson, Recipient of the 35th Anniversary Award



During the evening of tribute, Samuel Jacobson was often referred to as "Zionist Sam". Following the many accolades accorded to him, Mr Jacobson responded with the following words which exemplify his love of Zion and his dreams for Israel.

Mr. Chairman, worthy Rabbis, members of the Bond Committee, Friends: I am very grateful for the honor bestowed upon me and I am particularly encouraged by the wonderful turnout for the State of Israel Bond Campaign. This honor I consider to be, not so much for me, but for the principles for which I stand; the survival of the Jewish people in Israel in a peaceful, democratic world.

Ladies and gentlemen, let us rise and observe a minute of silence for the six million Jews of Europe who were so wantonly destroyed in the cruelest crime in all history.

During the Passover service, we recite that not only were the children of Israel under Moses freed, but we also, were freed. I say to you, that the six million Jews who were destroyed were our flesh and blood; that we also went to the gas chambers to be killed and to the crematoria to be burned. We have a bond with them and our bond can only be redeemed if we keep Israel strong. These bonds can be the Bonds that we purchase tonight.

We also have a bond with the

thousands of young Jewish men who gave their lives, so that Israel might survive against the aggressors who would destroy us, so that we, tonight, can have the privilege of supporting with our money what they have paid for with their lives.

For those who fought and died defending Israel, the famous words of a Canadian poet say to us:

"Take up our struggle with the foe To you from failing hands we throw The torch, be yours to hold it high, If you break faith with us who die We shall not sleep..."

We shall not sleep..." "I have a dream," said Martin Luther King when he was fighting for civil rights and equality for Black Americans ... similarly, I have a dream. I dream of the day when Israel will be truly accepted among the nations of the world. When the United Nations will no longer waste seventy-five percent of its time endeavouring to make Israel an orphan, to be despised, while ignoring the slaughter and wars around the rest of this world. When the Arab nations, who up until now have been determined to destroy Israel, will begin to realize the great benefits that peace and cooperation could bring them.

Little do they, or the world at large, realize that Israel has performed the greatest miracle of soil reclamation in history. Israel has turned its deserts,



Honouree, Samuel Jacobson, accepts the 35th Anniversary State of Israel Plaque from Julius Briskin, Q.C., Executive Vice-President and General Counsel, State of Israel.

destroyed by strangers for two thousand years, into fruitful soil. If Israel's Arab neighbors would adopt these proven methods their deserts would bloom and help to feed the starving millions of the world.

The great American soil expert, Walter Caly Lawdermilk foresaw this as early as 1939. His study of deserts took him around the world. He saw where once the breadbasket of the Roman Empire had become the deserts of North Africa, where the Garden of Eden had now become the deserts of Iraq and Iran. Coming upon the minute Zionist colonies of Palestine, he was so impressed with what they had done to the previously abused soil, he was inspired in June of 1939 to write the 11th Commandment which was broadcast in palestine.

"Thou shalt inherit the Holy Earth as a faithful steward conserving its resources and productivity from generation to generation. Thou shalt safeguard thy fields from soil erosion, thy living waters from drying up, thy forests from desolation and protect thy hills from overgrazing by the herds, that thy descendants may have abundance forever. If any shall fail in this stewardship of the land thy fruitful fields shall become sterile, stoney ground or wasteful gullies and thy descendants shall decrease and live in poverty and perish from off the face of the earth."

(And that is what happened to those who despised the soil of Israel.)

It is estimated that the biblical Hebrew nations had a population of five million. A hundred years ago, that population was somewhere around 150 150 thousand and all were living in the area which now comprises all Israel and Jordan.

For two thousand years Israel was a distant, despised and neglected area controlled by foreign conquerors. Only the loving dedication of the Zionist pioneers, most of whom lost their lives to malaria, gradually restored fertility to the ancient land. Israel was at no time a homeland of any people except when it was a Hebrew nation.

I have a dream that Israel will be as strong and efficient as Switzerland and as productive and inventive as



Special Emissary, Eli Hassidov, Jewish National Fund, is shown presenting the Golden Book Certificate, to Samuel Jacobson.



Anne Greenblatt presents bouquet of roses to Rebeccah Jacobson.

Japan. The Israeli worker is as intelligent, ambitious and productive as any in the world. Provide him with motivation and incentives and he will amaze the world in the field of productivity and prosperity, as he has on the battlefield.

I have a dream that Israel and World Jewry will become united. We are one. The minor issues that divide us are insignificant to the importance of being united. Israel was destroyed two thousand years ago because we were divided. Let us never forget that.

I have a dream that the greatest forestry research institutions of the world will be established in Israel, that great Jewish leaders with vision will see the need. That every school child and adult will plant at least one tree a week and thus cover the land with billions of trees that will provide Israel with shade, purified air, increased rainfall and even energy, and will show the world that deserts can be eradicated.

I have a dream that Israel will launch an export drive by means of a world cruising exhibition that will visit all large cities around the world and sell the products of its increased productivity and scientific research.

I have a dream that Israeli scientists will develop a breakthrough in the conversion of coal to petroleum at a competitive price so that humanity will no longer be victimized by the great evil of the oil monopoly.

I have a dream that Labor-Management relations in Israel will cooperate for the benefit of all concerned.

I have a dream that the religious and secular elements of Israel and World Jewry will become more understanding of each others' points of view and cooperate. I have a dream that Israeli s from Europe and Jews from other lands will join together in friendship.

These are a few of my dreams about our people and let me say that they also apply, in many cases, to our own country of Canada.

We have every right as loyal Canadian citizens to be concerned about the only Jewish homeland in the world. We do not think it strange when Polish Canadians are concerned about Poland or Ukranians about their former homeland or for that matter any other peoples.

A person can have many loves. He or she has love for one's father and mother, and there is the love one has for husband/wife and also for their children. One love does not exclude the other.

Canada has two national anthems. The first is "O Canada We Stand on Guard for Thee". The second is "The Maple Leaf Forever". Let us today, dedicate ourselves to the same ideals for both Canada and Israel. Let us say "O Canada we stand on guard for thee" and "O Israel we stand on guard for Thee". In Canada, "The Maple Leaf Forever" and for Israel, "The Magen David Forever".

Let us build Israel with bonds that bind us to those who gave their lives, and to those ready to give their lives in the future, so that we can be privileged to tie our bonds with them and make Israel secure.

Miriam Lieff Chapter of Mizrachi Women

by Mrs. Rose Pritzker

The Chanukah Tea, at the home of Mrs. David Fiering, has become a tradition of the Mizrachi Women's Miriam Lieff Chapter of Halifax. Sincere appreciation was expressed to Mrs. Leo Goldfarb, Mrs. Robert Wolman, Mrs. Hye Borshy, Mrs. Rachel Rafuse, Mrs. Doris Stone, Mrs. Bea Zemel and Miss Claira Dankner for their campaign efforts this year. Thanks were also given to all our contributors who responded most generously.

Mr. David Fiering made his wife, Barbara, a life-member of Mizrachi Women. Mrs. Bea Zemel, lifemembership chairwoman, presented Mrs. Fiering, as well as Mrs. Ralph Sadofsky and Mrs. Ida Marcus with their life-membership pins. Mrs. Ralph Loebenberg received a Mother-inIsrael pin.

Mrs. Rose Pritzker reported on her recent trip to Israel, which included the Givat Mordecai Day Care Centre in Jerusalem, sponsored by Mizrachi Women of Canada. She also spoke on her visit to an "absorption centre". One of the highlights of the trip was hearing the Chaplain's Choir at the Emunah Convention of America in Jerusalem.

The drawing of the children's Aleph-Bet quilt, made and donated by Mrs. Helene Medjuck, was won by Mrs. Ella Morris. Mrs. David Fiering was thanked for being in charge of the project. New members are Mrs. Rose Alberstat, Mrs. Max Fishman and Mrs. Sam Trager. The response of the members at this meeting was exceptional.

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AN OPEN APPEAL TO EVERY CONCERNED JEW IN HALIFAX WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!

After a long period of time, we now have a group of enthusiastic young people willing to work to preserve the Jewish community in Halifax.

In order to maintain a strong structure that will prevail, and ensure a future for a strong Jewish community in Halifax, a **Bait** or "centre" for the youth is imperative! We are looking for a place that can be turned into a regular meeting site for our young people, and a pleasant "drop-in" centre for any interested member.

You may have just the place we are looking for, or perhaps you know of someone who does. Please contact me at 422-7491. Your help will improve the Jewish life in Halifax and would, in the long term, ensure the Jewish future here.

Sincerely,

Guillermo Levinton Atlantic Region Shaliach

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according to tradition, when Ruth's closest kinsman, by marriage, relinquishes his right to marry her.

The marriage bond implies exclusivity on the part of both parties. The Talmud states it very well when it says, no father should marry off his daughter until she grows up and says "I prefer this man". On the other hand, it says no man should marry a woman unless he has first met her, lest after he marries she becomes hateful to him and he will violate the mitzvah ''Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself". In the blessings of the marriage service the first wedding of mankind is men-tioned where the All-Mighty was the Mesader Kiddushin and the angels acted as sponsors for the bride and groom. The first couple are referred to as "Re'im Ahuvim", loving friends. May it ever be thus.

> Rabbi Marvin Pritzker Beth Israel Synagogue Halifax, Nova Scotia

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By Cathy Jacobson

There are many organizations for Jewish women ... but Women's Canadian ORT is unique because: instead of teaching the kinds of knowledge which lead only to degrees, ORT teaches technological skills which lead to jobs.

In the 103 years of ORT's existance, ORT has given new life and hope to more than two million people. From its inception in Tzarist Russia and Eastern Europe, ORT has grown into the modern technologically oriented school system that we know today. The scene has shifted from its Russian beginnings through Poland, the World War II D.P. camps, throughout Europe, India, Iran, Israel, South America and even to the Jewish day schools of Ireland and the United States.

Today, ORT is the largest and most respected non-governmental vocational and technical training network in the world. The range of skills which ORT students are taught is constantly expanding to keep pace with ... to anticipate ... new technologies, new industries and new job possibilities.

Somewhere on this globe at any hour of the day, an ORT student is learning a skill. Around the world, in Latin America, France, Italy and Morocco, ORT serves much more than just the educational needs of the Jewish communities. In many countries, ORT is the focal point for Jewish culture, keenly attuned to Jewish needs and always reinforcing the Jewish identity.

In Israel, ORT is the pillar of vocational and technical skills, training more than a quarter of a million Israelis. One quarter of the nation's workforce is ORT trained. ORT aids the remaining Jewish population in Morocco through its educational facilities. In India, ORT uplifts one of the poorest Jewish communities in the world. As you read this article, plans are being made for an ORT school here in Canada. We will keep you informed as more information becomes available.

ORT is deeply concerned with the key issues of our times. Anti-semitism ... the alienation and disaffection of Jewish youth ... the security and well being of our people in Israel ... Soviet Jewry ... Jewish women's rights



everywhere ... the future of our children.

The Ada Zebberman Chapter of Halifax Women's ORT is working actively to support the major and farreaching efforts of ORT in Israel and around the world. Our goals are simple ... increase membership ... increase our fundraising dollars ... educate our members as well as our community.

At our October meeting, Doreen Gordon and her executive had a few ideas as to how we can obtain these goals. The members quickly became enthused as Barb Alberstat explained a new project - "Bagels and Boutiques". This was such a great new idea, that we agreed unanimously and signed on as helpers. "Bagels and Boutiques" will be held April 29, 1984, at the Dalhousie Student Union Building from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. There will be a variety of booths manned by local boutique owners who will sell their wares on that day. Doreen didn't stop here, she continued on with another project - "Champagne Breakfast". Look for further details in the near future.

Vicki Lipkus, Vice President in charge of membership, is hard at work increasing our workforce. Vicki extends a warm welcome to any ladies who would like to attend ORT meetings. Give Vicki a call for further details.

Beth Israel Sisterhood, Halifax Shalom to a "Special" Person

By Phyllis Blustein

Beth Israel Sisterhood of Halifax recently had the difficult task of saying Shalom to Mrs. Sarah Weiner when she and her husband moved to Vancouver. Moving out West to be with her children left a void in the Halifax and Synagogue community; one that will be hard to fill. Sarah, for the past 60 years, was known for her smiling face and her tireless and devoted efforts to the Synagogue.

Upon presenting a silver galley tray to Sarah upon her departure, Shirley Wolman, President of Sisterhood, spoke on behalf of everyone in wishing her much happiness in her new home.

Masada Club - Halifax

by Bessie Rinzler

Spencer House on Morris Street was the location for the opening meeting of the new season for Masada Club members. Doris Stone, who presided over the meeting, in the absence of President, Edgar Miller, welcomed an enthusiastic group of thirty-four people. Many thanks were extended to Bessie Rinzler, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer, Clara Dankner for their reports. At this first meeting, Jean Zlatin collected dues.

After a very interesting and informative meeting a social hour followed in which distinctive refreshments were served by Edith Schneiderman, Doris Stone, Betty Miller, Clara Dankner, Lil Mosher, Sara Yablon and Betty Miller.

Masada Club members along with other members of senior citizen clubs were the recipients of books entitled "Nova Scotia -- Seniors in Song". Mr. Jim Baxter, President of the Halifax Senior Council distributed these song books which were published through the support of the Federal government's New Horizons Program.

If you are over 55 and would like to be part of Masada activities, please call the Atlantic Jewish Council or contact any member for more information.

Cape Breton News

by Fanny Cohen

A Hadassah-Wizo Month Tea was held in the auditorium of the Temple Sons of Israel Synagogue on Monday, October 24.

Shirley Dubinsky, National Vice-President welcomed the large audience and explained the significance of Hadassah-Wizo Month. For the benefit of the non-Jewish friends and colleagues of the honored guest, Miss Terry MacLellan, Shirley described the work carried on by the Hadassah-Wizo Organization.

Shirley Chernin introduced Miss MacLellan and in a nicely worded address, paid tribute to her for her many accomplishments on behalf of the Community and for her leadership.

Miss MacLellan has had a varied career, first as a broadcaster, then as a television personality and presently as Director of Corporate Affairs for the Cape Breton Development Corporation.

In recognition of her generous contribution to the Community, Miss MacLellan's name has been inscribed on the Pillar of Gifts of the Nina Cohen Atlantic Provinces Day Care Centre in Jerusalem.

Greatly moved by this honor, Miss MacLellan spoke of her long association with Hadassah-Wizo. She praised the Organization for its contribution to humanitarian services and said that the devotion of Hadassah-Wizo Women to causes has been a great inspiration to the non-Jewish Community.

During the tea hour, Past President of Council, Sophie Sherman, presided over the tea service.

The tea was convened by Dianne Schwartz and Edith Lecker.

NOSTALGIC NIGHT FOR GLACE BAY COMMUNITY

It was indeed a very nostalgic time for the Glace Bay Jewish community when their Rabbi of 1933-1942 returned for a visit.

While in Glace Bay, he took the time to visit old friends and congregants. Escorted by one of his former pupils, Elliott Marshall, three hours Friday afternoon were spent at the cemetery where each and every grave stone was visited.

The following is a poem composed by Ellie Marshall, dedicated to Rabbi Kershenblatt:

"The Return of Rabbi Kirchenblatt"

He interprets the book, he's great with the sword,

He leads his flock, and fears the Lord,

It's not a plan, he carried no plot, It;s the natural return of Rabbi Kirshenblatt.

He came to us in '33, a lesson for all a prayer for Thee,

It was your choice, a little, a lot To receive some knowledge from Kirchenblatt.

He stayed in the Bay for nye on ten It makes no matter why or when He went on up to the big centre But he was our Rabbi and our mentor.

Now here he is still staunch and strong To hear his wisdom you can never go wrong

It was really beshert that he return To check the fold, if the sparks still burn. We hail and respect this man of cause

To those he led he had no flaws

We proudly thrust out loud and clear

That we would follow him far and near.

As I wrote this poem after many tries

With humility in my heart and tears in my eyes

I tried to express and became overwrought

While describing our love for Rabbi Kirschenblatt.

GLACE BAY HONOURS LIONEL DRUCKER

by Ruth Simon

Lionel Druker, and his Israeli-born wife, Rochelle, recently returned to Cape Breton for a short visit with his family. A native of Sydney, he moved to Israel before 1948, where he met and married Rochelle. They have three Sabra sons.

At a reception held at his brother Avvie's home, Lionel was honored by the Cape Breton Council of Hadassah-Wizo, who enrolled him as a Life Associate Member. Council was proud to pay tribute to Lionel, a true Zionist, who had fought in various wars and for his untiring efforts on behalf of Israel.

National officers Shirley Dubinsky, National Vice-President, and Edith Lecker, Nova Scotia/Newfoundland Regional Vice-President.

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1983 — "THE BEST EVER" BAZAAR

Joan Elman, of the Queen Esther Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo, and Sylvia Chernin, of the Glace Bay Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo, convened the 15th Annual Hadassah-Wizo Bazaar which took place on May 4, 1983, at the Temple Sons of Israel Synagogue, from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m.

A very successful sale of new and used clothing was held the week prior to the Bazaar, on April 28.

Bazaar day dawned with every available member on duty at their respective booths, ready to sell the beautiful merchandise of handcrafts, antiques, jewellery, linens, books, plants, groceries, cosmetics, country store items and, of course, the famous Home Cooking Booth. Many raffles

were sold all day long throughout the premises, and the highlight of the raffles this year was a unique doll house, designed and built by a good friend of Hadassah, Mr. Bennie David. This raffle brought in many dollars through the efforts of Mr. David, who also handles the sale of the tickets. While all these activities were going on, the everpopular Coffee Shop was in full swing, selling sandwiches, home made chowder, and cheese blintzes, all made by the members and which were the speciality of the day.

The evening brought out many new customers to come, buy and bid at the auction, conducted with the help of a professional auctioneer. At 10:00 p.m., the winning tickets were drawn on all raffles. This year's grand prize was a 15 cubic foot freezer, donated through the courtesy of Mr. Irving Schwartz, from Schwartz and Company. The annual meeting, held on June 15, brought the eagerly awaited financial report of the big event. Bazaar Treasurer, Fannie Rosenblum, opened her report with "this 1983 Bazaar is the best ever". The 15th year was the most successful of Bazaars to date. Much credit is due to the untiring efforts of the co-chairpersons, Sylvia Chernin and Joan Elman, and the full co-operation of the membership and the many business houses in the industrial area of Cape Breton for donating and contributing and sponsoring the printing of raffle tickets. At the close of the meeting, Joan Elman was presented with a pin for having co-convened two Bazaars.

The members are now looking forward to 1984 and another Bazaar.

SEPTEMBER

Congregation Tiferes Israel celebrated the Jewish Holidays with a special treat for the children on Simchat Torah night.

The Sisterhood had their first meeting, a pot-luck supper at the home of Mrs Cookie Fine.

The synagogue has established a Committee to examine ways of renovating and beautifying the synagogue.

OCTOBER

Brownie Pack

The Congregation Tiferes Israel has started a Brownie Pack led by Debbie Bloomfield, Lorna Gorber, and Susan Rauch for girls aged six to nine. Their first meeting was on October 16.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

The venerable members of the congregation have started a Golden Age Club which has had three meetings. The Club is being organized by Sarah



15th Annual Bazaar Chairpersons: Top: Joan Elman; Below: Sylvia Chernin.



What's Happening In Moncton

by Rabbi Michael Wolff

Gorber and Frieda Selick - Program Committee; Mary Feinstein, Anne Selick and Dorothy Mark - Phone Committee; and Mary also serves as a onewoman Transportation Committee. All the members of the Club are pitching in to make the Club a success. Many thanks for your support and keep up the good work.

Atlantic Jewish Council in Moncton

On the weekend of October 22-23, Guillermo Levinton, Atlantic Jewish Council Shaliach, visited Moncton to give multi-media programs to the Moncton community. Guillermo met with both adults and children.

On Sunday night, October 30, Professor Amhos Rolider, Haifa University, delivered a talk on the Israeli Education System to a gathering at the synagogue. **Professor Rolider** is in the Atlantic Region under the auspices of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

NOVEMBER

Sisterhood

Lilian Schelew hosted a Bring & Buy Meeting for Sisterhood.

DECEMBER

The 2nd Annual Chanukah Dinner was celebrated on December 4. All Atlantic Jewry was invited to this gala event.

"The Made Adventures of Rabbi Jacobs" brought delight to audiences on December 25 through the courtesy of the Atlantic Jewish Council.

Fredericton News

Jennie Brown

Anniversary greetings to the following: Alfred and Leona Brown, 19 years; Bernard and Valerie Chippin. 26 years; George and Lucy Chippin, 23 years; Warren and Miriam Cohen, 13 years; Harry and Amelia Goldman, 41 years; Rabbi David and Edyth Spiro, 31 years; Ezra and Bella Rose, 29 years.

Mazel Tov to: Harry and Sheila Chippin upon the marriage of their son, David, to Gail Starkman; Gerry and Rosalie Budovitch upon the marriage of their son, Dr. Brian Budovitch to Seema Mago; Joe and Jennie Chippin upon the marriage of their daughter, Carol, to Simmy Airest; Alfred and Leona Brown upon the marriage of their niece, Lori Golosky, to Charles Pine; Harry and Bessie Brown upon the marriage of their daughter, Florence, to Dr. Sanford Goldman, and the engagement of their granddaughter, Karen Anne, daughter of Sylvia and Myles Chrisman; Sid and Rita Tobin and Joe Tobin upon the birth of their granddaughter and greatgranddaughter, Lana Elizabeth; Proud parents are Barry and Debbie Tobin, London, Ontario; Harry and Sarah Lang upon the marriage of their niece, Merna (Lang) Sohol, to Victor Fineberg; David and Edye Besner upon the Bar Mitzvah of their son, Michael; Stephen Rauch who is attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, on sabbatical for one year from the University of New Brunswick; Lorne, son of Robert and Roz Brown, who was the recipient of the Lyle Isaacs Award for having superior leadership qualities for the Machar section at Camp Kadimah for 1983.

Here and There

A Kiddush was held in honour of Aaron and Betty Brody and Bessie (Hyman) Rose, who have since moved from our community to take up residences in Toronto. We wish them many years of good health and happiness. Marty and Linda Payne have returned after visiting their daughter, Robyn, who is attending university in London, England. Barbara Budovitch has returned to Montreal, and Sherri has returned to Toronto, after visiting their mother, Eleanor Budovitch. Eric Swetcky and sister, Barbara, have returned to Toronto, after visiting their parents, Lou and Gladys Swetsky. Andrea, daughter of Alfred and Leona Brown, has returned from Calgary after visiting her cousins. Stephanie, Michael and Lonnie Dorchik, Alan and Myra Myers and Pam and Les Colman in Lethbridge, Alberta. Leona Brown has returned from Toronto, after visiting her son, Ian, student at York University. Mark Jacobson, daughter, Jacqueline, and son, Eric, have returned to Ottawa, after visiting his parents, Oscar and Polly Jacobson. Beth Velensky has returned to Toronto to resume studies at the Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, after visiting her parents, Harold and Audrey Velensky. Sharon Rose has returned from Toronto, after visiting her mother, Bessie Rose, brother, Marven and sister, Valerie. Neil Brown, son of Robert and Roz Brown, has returned from an interesting and informative tour of Israel. Dina Graser, daughter of Weldon and Toby Graser, has returned to Montreal to resume her studies at McGill University. Freda and Toby Apple have returned to Ottawa, after visiting their daughter, Sharon Pinsler, son-in-law, Peter, and family.

Speedy recoveries to Jack Levine, Mrs. Fannie Rubin and Mrs. Bessie Rose.

TO THE FREDERICTON COMMUNITY: From: Atlantic Canada Young Judaea

On behalf of the Jewish youth in the Atlantic provinces, we would like to express our gratitude and sincere thanks for the wonderful hospitality shown us during the weekend of the "Second Annual Jewish Teen Jamboree". Everyone left with the feeling that the Fredericton parents really **cared** about the future of Young Judaea, and its role in bringing about an active, cohesive Jewish unit in the Maritimes. We thank you for your caring and concern. Hadassah-Wizo: The September meeting of the Lillian Freeman Chapter of Hadassah-Wizo, combined with the Sisterhood, was held at the home of Gladys Swetsky, with the President, Edye Besner, presiding. Plans for the Annual Bazaar, which took place on October 26, were finalized. Edye Besner, the President of the Lillian Freeman Chapter also presides as President of the Sisterhood. Doris Rauch, Treasurer, gave a financial report as well as reporting on the Synagogue Library. Hosting the meeting were Fayne Medjuck and Sheila Chippin.

A very warm welcome was extended to Zena Vigod on her becoming a member.

1983-84 Executive

President: Edye Besner; 1st Vice President: Amelia Goldman; 2nd Vice President: Judy Budovitch; Recording Secretary: Caroline Budovitch; Corresponding Secretary: Harriet Lenard; Treasurer: Sydelle Grobe; Past President: Marilyn Kaufman.

New Executive — Sgoolai Israel Synagogue

A general meeting and election of officers of the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue was held with the following Executive for 1983-84:

President: Seymour Kaufman; 1st Vice President: Mitchell Budovitch; 2nd Vice President: Bernard Chippin; Recording Secretary: Ezra Rose; Corresponding Secretary: Harold Velensky; Treasurer: Saul Brown; Assistant Treasurer: Stephen Rauch; Gabbi: Louis Levine; Assistant Gabbi: Saul Brown, Harry Lang; Board of Directors: Milton Levine, Harry Lang, Sam Budovitch, Weldon Levine, Irwin Rosenzweig, Warren Cohen, Marty Payne and Al Ruben.

BEST WISHES FOR A HEALTHY AND HAPPY CHANUKAH.

(more NEWS on page 25)

Prince Edward Island News

Eight students are presently enrolled in the P.E.I. Hebrew School. Rosalie Simeone has joined the school as Hebrew teacher and is holding these weekly lessons at her home. Classes are divided into two age groups, 6-9 years and 10-15 years.

Adult Hebrew lessons are now being offered as well as an Adult Study group. A Happy Chanukah to all!

Atlantic Jewish Council Holds Open Executive Meeting

On Monday, September 26, 1983, the Atlantic Jewish Council met in Fredericton. It was the first time the AJC had chosen Fredericton as a site for its meetings. Approximately 75 Frederictonians turned out to the meeting, held at the Sgoolai Israel Synagogue. It was an excellent opportunity to hear first-hand the current and proposed activities of the Atlantic Jewish Council and to express our local views.

The meeting was chaired by the Atlantic Jewish Council's hardworking President, Martin Chernin, who was accompanied at the head table by fellow executive members, Ben Prossin, Steven Pink, David Attis and Allen Ruben. The President indicated that the AJC was looking into the feasibility of federating the Atlantic Region and that Fredericton was the first of a series of meetings to be held throughout the Region to gather viewpoints and opinions on this question.

Steven Pink and Ben Prossin began the discussions with an explanation of what Federation was all about and how it would benefit the Region. An extremely lively and healthy discussion followed, with Martin Payne, Ben Medjuck, Mitchell Budovitch and Judy Budovitch articulating the various opinions and concerns of our community.

The Fredericton community thanks the Atlantic Jewish Council for selecting Fredericton for this first all important meeting, and wishes its President and Executive well in its future endeavours.

Sincere appreciation is extended to Joan Levine and her committee for arranging the refreshments.

St. John's Happenings Linda Berman

We are pleased to welcome back the Mendoza family from their stay in Vancouver and London, England. We missed them, as they were away for a year while Dr. Mendoza, a professor of mathematics education, was on sabbatical.

We are pleased to welcome back Mr. Bill Toytman, who spent the High Holidays in Israel; and welcome home to Helen and Nardy Nathanson, from their visit to Israel.

Mazel Tov to Roz and Morris Rouah on the Bar Mitzvah of their son, David, on October 8. David read his Haftorah beautifully, and the services were followed by a lovely kiddush prepared by the ladies of the Sisterhood. The highlight of the kiddush was a lovely cake covered in white and blue icing and surrounded in icing flowers, prepared by Linda Mendoza. We were especially pleased to welcome David's Aunt Alice, her son, Adam, and David's grandparents, Mr and Mrs Alfred Rouah, who joined us for this happy occasion.

Mazel Tov to Dr. Michael Paul on the marriage of his mother in Toronto on Sunday, October 22, and to John and Lois Isenman on the marriage of John's brother in Montreal on October 2.

Ralph and Ella Levitz are back in Florida, although it seems like they only returned here yesterday. We hope that they enjoy the sunshine, and we eagerly await their return in the spring.

We wish Ditza Auerbach, daughter



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of Philip and Tova Auerbach, every success with her studies at Israel's Weizmann Institute of Science. We wish Tobi Nathanson success at York University in Toronto. We wish a complete and speedy recovery to Mrs Fanny Sidel.

We were pleased to see Eleanore and Alan Lopato, daughter and son-inlaw of Naomi and Simon Skoll, who were here on a visit. Alan has received his C.A. degree, and we wish him much success for the future.



The Long, Dark Stalinist Night 1930 - 1953

This is the second part of a series of articles submitted to SHALOM by Gerry Mendleson, Chairman, Soviet Jewry Committee.

This article was taken from the RE-CORD a U.S. B'nai Brith Publication.



Lenin's death in 1924 was followed by a fierce struggle for succession. Stalin was the ultimate victor. He used an appeal to anti-Semitic sentiments to defeat his opponent, Leon Trotsky, who was a Jew. Trotsky was the first sent into enternal exile, then banished from the country. Years later, he was killed in his Mexican home on Stalin's orders.

Stalin consolidated his power through repression and terror. In 1934, he began a wholesale liquidation of the leadership of the Communist Party. Among the first to be killed were the Old Bolsheviks, many of whom were Jews. In line with Stalin's anti-nationalist policy, the leaders of Birobidzhan were also executed. Conservative estimates number the victims of the Great Purges between 7 and 8 million.

The 1930's were years of increased anti-religious propaganda. Jews also suffered a renewed attack on their national culture. Yiddish writers were required to renounce their roots and conform to party line. Those who could not or would not obey were silenced. Many disappeared completely.

In 1939, Stalin signed a non-aggression pact with Hitler. No news of Nazi atrocities were reported in the Soviet press. As a result, Jews in Russia were not aware of the fate that the Nazis planned for them.

Nazi forces invaded Russia on June 22, 1941. Stalin realized that to win the war he must recruit all elements of Russian society in the fight. In a complete reversal of previous policies, religious and national organizations were permitted and even encouraged. One of these was the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee. It was composed of leading Yiddish writers and artists, as well as other prominent Russians of Jewish birth, many of whom had not been previously identified as Jews. Jews figured prominently in the war effort, in partisan groups and in the army. Of the 500,000 who served in the Red Army, many were decorated and approximately 200,000 fell in battle. Jews were, of course, singled out for special suffering. Nazi commando groups were set up for the express purpose of killing Jews. In all, about a million and a half Soviet Jews perished. After the war, Soviet authorities recognized neither Jewish heroism nor Jewish suffering. No significant memorials to Jewish dead were erected; Jewish contributions to the victory were belittled or ignored.

In 1947, the Soviet Union voted in the United Nations to support the Partition Plan which created two independent countries in Palestine, one Arab and one Jewish. In May of the following year, the U.S.S.R. became the second country to recognize the new State of Israel.

Those who thought that the events of the war years indicated a permanent change in Soviet policy towards the Jews soon saw they were mistaken. In January, 1948, the head of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee, Solomon Mikhoels, was murdered. The total destruction of Yiddish culture in the Soviet Union followed rapidly. By the end of 1948, almost all the members of the Committee were arrested and charged with being agents of American Intelligence. Four years later, 24 prominent Jewish leaders were executed secretely in the basement of Lubianka Prison.

In post-war Russia, anyone who had had contact with the outside world was a suspect. As part of a program to reestablish his total control of the country, Stalin began a campaign against "rootless cosmopolitans." The label often served as a code word for Jew.

At the beginning of 1953, a lead article in Pravda announced that a plot by a group of "murderers in white coats" had been uncovered. These doctors, the majority of whom were Jews, were accused of killing several leading Soviet officials by "medical means" and plotting the death of others, including Stalin himself. A wave of anti-Semitism followed their arrest; rumors of the impending deportation of masses of Jews were rife. On March 5, the day the Doctors' Plot trial was scheduled to begin, Stalin died of a stroke. One month later, the Soviet press announced that all the physicians had been exonerated and released.



In 1948, shortly after the Soviet Union formally recognized the new Jewich State, Golda Meir arrived in Moscow as Isrsel's first ambassador. The Soviet authorities, who had underestimated the depth of Jewioh national feeling among Russia's Jewry, were chagrined by the enthusians with which she was greeted.

CHIRONOLOGY

1930's The anti-religious campaign intensifies; may Yiddish writers are arrested and deported.
1932 The inner passport is revived; Yiddish spelling is changed to aliminate anti-religious that

eliminate any religious or Hebrew elements. 1933 The USSR is recognized formally

by the United States.

1934 Birobidzhan is declared an autonomous Jewish region, despite the fact that Jews never become a majority in the area; beginning of the Great Purges, in which million of Russians are shot or imprisoned.

1936-38 Purge of the Old Bolsheviks, among them many Jewish revolutionary leaders; leaders of Birobidzhan are murdered as part of Stalin's anti-nationalist policy.

1938 Der Emes, the last Yiddish newspaper, published since the 20's, is suppressed.

1939 Stalin signs a non-aggression pact with Hitler; a secret protocol of the agreement calls for the division of Poland; many Polish Jews flee eastward toward Russian territory; the Russians arrest Polish socialists, including large numbers of Jews; two Jewish Socialist leaders, Victor Alter and Heynrich Ehrlich, are executed by the Soviet government. 1941 Operation Barbarossa: the Nazis invade Russia and Stalin joins

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1942 The Jewish Anti-Facist Committee (JAC) is established. .1942-43 The Battle of Stalingrad, a major turning point in the war. 1943 Solomon Mikhoels and Izik Fefer, leaders of the JAC, go on a world tour, visiting Jewish communities in England, Canada, Mexico & the United States. 1945 Russian troops capture Berlin; Germany surrenders to the Allies and the war ends; 1,500,000 Soviet Jews are killed.

1946 Cold War begins almost as soon as war ends; the 30th anniversary of the death of Shalom Aleichem, the great Yiddish writer, is commemorated in Moscow; thousands of Soviet Jews attend. 1947 Andrel Gromyko, Soviet delegate to the United Nations, speaks ardently in favor of the Palestine partition plan. 1948 Soviet government recognizes the State of Israel; Golda Meir arrives in Moscow as Israel's first Ambassador to the Soviet Union; Solomon Mikhoels is murdered; the Jewish Art Theatre is closed, the newspaper of the Jewish Anti-Fascist Committee is shut down and its leadership is arrested and imprisoned; a Communist government is es tablished in Czechoslovakia; Tito of Yugoslavia breaks with the Kremlin; the Berlin Blockade begins.

1949 The Pope excommunicates the Communists; the Soviet press begins a campaign against "rootless cosmopolitans," most of whom are identified as Jews. 1952 24 Jewish leaders are secretly executed.

1953 Nine Soviet physicians, six of them Jews, are charged with killing two prominent Soviet leaders and conspiring against others; the announcement of this "Doctors' Plot" is accompanied by anti-Zionist attacks in the press; Stalin dies of a stroke on march 5th, a month later the arrested physicians are declared innocent and released.

NOSTALGIA



HALIFAX BOWLING BANQUET --- 1953

Young Judaea Active Again in the Region

Guillermo Levinton

Young Judaea this year is definitely revitalizing from the depression of past years.

This is due to a number of factors, chief among them a new feeling shared amongst the young members of the community and the student leaders, which has been lacking in the past. Most realize that an active role for an ongoing community program is vitally important for the region at this time in order to ensure a Jewish future in the Atlantic Provinces.

The year opened with very successful activities in Halifax for all youths. For the first time, after several years, Young Judaeans took an active role at the Hadassah-Wizo Bazaar by providing entertainment and games to the public. At this point I wish to thank the Hadassah-Wizo members for their co-operation with Young Judaea, and a special "thanks" to Mr. Perry Sable, who donated to Y.J. all the income received from the selling of his products at the Bazaar. These funds will allow us to provide exciting programs to Y.J. members.

The weekly activities were followed by a very successful Regional Mifgash, called the Second Annual Jewish Jamboree, in Fredericton. Some 50 young members from all centres in the Atlantic Region, as well as Toronto and Montreal, were in attendance. The basic aims of the convention were threefold: to give to our youth a positive social experience; to give those living in the smaller centres an opportunity to meet with new Jewish friends in the region; and to provide a program that would motivate an active role from the attending members when they returned to their respective communities.

Undoubtedly, the first two goals were achieved at this Mifgash. The third, namely the desire and willingness to implement programming in the centres, is yet to come.

It is my opinion that the cooperation of everyone - parents, children and leaders, will lead to a successful year of Young Judaea in the Atlantic Provinces. Shalom Magazine welcomes author Norman Lipschutz back to its pages with part one in a series of memoirs. Mr. Lipschutz, noted Yiddish writer, lives in Glace Bay, Nova Scotia.



This Is How They Lived . . . Dedicated To Pre-War Polish Jewry.

My Father's house was not flowing with milk and honey, yet the memory of it all and the richness of experience and impression gained, to this day fills my heart with great longing.

Dad derived a meagre living initially from tending to a small bookshop which occupied a portion of our living quarters. When the Polish Revenue Dept. decided to squeeze Jewish merchants out of business, they invented an ingenious scheme which led to dire consequences. Small businessmen could not cope with endless taxes. The burden became too cumbersome. They would default on their payments - they had no choice. Then "Grabsky's Wagon'' would descend upon the unfortunate victim's establishment in the dead of the night, and take everything but the bare shelves ... Many a small businessman woke up to face such a dilemma, after all his goods have been carted away - confiscated for outstanding taxes. Their means of livelihood was no more!

My father was resolved to avoid such a happening. When faced with impossible assessment and demands for ever-increasing taxes, Dad decided to liquidate the tiny bookshop.

While still in existence, I remember taking delight in the various Christmas decorations stocking the shelves during this most festive of seasons. I was especially attracted by the colourful bells which adorned the display. Sparklers and fireworks also injected a note of mystery and charm, and anytime I needed a scribbler or pencil, it was there for the asking. Naturally, a great sadness overwhelmed me when Dad was forced to call it quits. His business career was at an end.

I was a mere lad when he was approached by the Hebrew Tarbuth schools to teach English at both elementary and secondary levels; and to supplement his income, he accepted an invitation to contribute poems and articles to the columns of the local Yiddish weeklies. Subsequently, he devoted the greater portion of his time to tutoring in the English language as well as to editing newspapers in our native city of Pinsk.

My father's occupations brought me

in contact with some of the most cultured and highly intellectual citizens of the city of my birth. My father's house became the gathering place for local physicians, their wives and daughters - who studied English as a matter of sophistication ... There were also many prospective emigrants to English-speaking lands, who thought it beneficial to acquire a workingknowledge of the language. And many were the writers, poets, editors and intelligentsia generally, who made our home their regular place of call. They were close associates of my father's, and they would call either to kibbetz or to read and to discuss their literary works. My father assisted many a young and aspiring writer to find exposure in the local press, and eventually to help them establish a career. He was also expert in correcting and revising marketable material. For his services in this particular field of endeavor, he would accept any form of compensation, that is, should the prospective author lack financial means. If the would-be writer happened to be a baker, my father would gladly accept the products of his trade in barter for his labours, and his chief beneficiary naturally was his only son ... Well do I remember Ben-Tzion Dworkin stepping over our threshold laden with delicious cakes and pastries, and presenting these to me with a bow and a "thank you" ... The next morning my breakfast was something to await with great expectation, as it was enriched, in addition to the above, also by an assortment of buns and bagels. These one would expect to eat either on the Sabbath or on holidays. To have these made available during everyday meals was a treat indeed! Herr Gottlieb would bring various confitures, marmalades and jellies - fit for a king. And as the economic situation in our house was rather difficult at times, those little extras served to enhance my early youth, and add some enthusiasm to my child experience.

Our parents certainly could not afford to buy us toys - so we excelled in making our own. We were very inventive in those days. We also accumulated empty match boxes, and built castles with them. Discarded chocolate-wrappers or colored paper would serve a variety of purposes. We also collected cards portraying wild beasts of the jungle, and in early grades engaged in plywood cut-outs. And when we tired of these, my cousins and I would climb the ladder up to the attic, and like early discoverers, search for antiques from bygone eras. And our attic was unique, as it contained an assortment of old clocks, pocketwatches, and lo and behold - a trunkful of old Czarist rubles in various denominations, left there by the previous owner of the house. These exquisite banknotes were now not even worth the paper they were printed on; yet, they held an enormous fascination for us children. This was long after the Russian Revolution, but our discovery would take us back in time to the court of the Czar and the Czarina, for their pictures adorned the paper-money in our possession. We imagined ourselves members of some magic wonderland, where thousands or rubles were at our disposal to indulge in all the worldly pleasures ... True, we were informed by our elders that these were now worthless -- but with children, imagination can often run wild. This was to be our personal treasure from then on, to play with as we deemed fit.

As a variance, we would often make a hasty exit from this hiding place and would re-enter the world of reality ... by climbing down the ladder and bursting into Uncle Froike's capmaker shop, where apprentices were hard at work running their Singer sewing-machines, to the hum of a Yiddish folk song; their hands and feet were diligently engaged in producing caps and hats of every shape, size and color.

The scents peculiar to animal hides, as they were stretched out on specially designed contraptions, in preparation for their utilization in this particular form of manufacturing, were often overpowering as they penetrated our nostrils. Came the time of the "Yarid", when peasants from neighboring villages would fill my uncle's shop to overflowing, to bid for the winter "kutchmes" or fur-caps that my uncle was expert in producing. The children especially would take great delight in observing proceedings and all. To us it was pure extravaganza: We enjoyed every minute of the haggling, the exotic gesticulations, the swearing, the peasants' mode of dress, their odd behaviour. Their White-Russian tongue was foreign to our ears; they appeared to us like creatures from some other planet; yet we developed an affinity and a strange liking, for they imparted an earthiness which evoked nothing but admiration. My father claimed that he knew peasants who were far superior in their thinking and wisdom to any philosopher or academician.

To come back to my parents' world - I would be awakened and often went to bed to the melodious tune of my father's violin strings. It had been said that Dad performed in nearby Motele's synagogue before a distinguished assembly of the town's Jewish inhabitants, and he was enthusiastically applauded for his efforts. Motele held the unique distinction of being the birthplace of Dr. Chaim Weizman, noted British scientist and first President of the State of Israel. It was also home for Uncle Yitzchak and family, and a place which offered us sanctuary while escaping the ravages of a spectacular fire which all but consumed a sizable portion of Pinsk. This tragic event occurred shortly after I was born. Mom and Dad escaped the flames by moving with their precious bundle to the safety of Shtetele Motele, and the townspeople welcomed our little family with open arms.

My father was an accomplished violinist and the instrument was like a balm for his troubled soul. He was an American immigrant and emigre, a former sweat-shop worker, a soldier of the Czar, a prisoner of the Germans and a survivor of the Russian Revolution. Having gone through thick and thin in a murderous age, he found solace in his Czech Violin, and the tunes he was fond of playing exemplified the best in contemporary European music and culture.

I simply adorned my father's versatile talents, and while already in bed, I would listen but intensely to his performance beautiful of Mendelssohn Concerto, a Roumanian Rhapsody, a Hungarian czardas, or some similar distinguished work. And very often, while feigning sleep, I would delight in the stories and laughter originating in the parlour, where Dad and his literati-friends were engaged in joyous and often heated discussion. I derived enormous pleasure from Dworkin's mimicry, particularly as he mocked a dog barking at the full moon. Ben Tzion, as we would address him, was also a known womanizer, and he would relate spicy anecdotes, all concerning the fair-sex. I would eagerly await his coming, and when he chose to enquire if the little boy was already asleep, I would sharpen my ears ... not to miss any part of a juicy story...

Herr Gwirtzman would visit our house guite often, and I enjoyed listening to his timely critiques-in-verse. Among other visitors one would count youthful novelist Aisenberg; talented Halperin; essayist Menuchah distinguished poet Leib Morgenthau; my teachers Resnick and Czesler, who were also able writers; and last but by no means least Zechariah Globman. From the latter I learned a great many Russian words, for he would interject his Yiddish with a good sprinkling of Russian phrases. He prided himself with his student days in Russia proper, and his stories in the local press were exhibitionist in nature ... and were eagerly read by young and old.

Shalom, November/December, 1983

Another constant visitor to our home was Cousin Aaron-Leib. From him I learned of the foibles of matrimonial life. He was a notorious matchmaker, and we would roar with laughter when our cousin would take it upon himself to relate the many adventures he came across in plying his trade.

The Russian orthodox clergy - called "popes" - were fond of patronizing Uncle Froike's establishment and would deliver their lavish headgear for adornment, and we children would marvel at the assortment of pearls, jewels and religious symbols that constituted the make-up of these ritualistic paraphenalia. Uncle was certainly a Master Craftsman when it concerned these and other items of religious significance to Russian orthodoxy, and their proud possessors displayed their gratitude by suitable gifts - of enormous help to my uncle and his family in his dire economic straits during the years of the worldwide depression.

Encounter With Death

My first encounter with death - the passing of Grandma Chayah Beile into eternity, after a lingering illness left its indelible mark upon my heart and soul. I was only a little boy, but the experience was a shattering one. Seeing her remains, covered over by a dark shroud, there on the floor of our parlour, with long wax-candles flickering eerily, and the surrounding inhospitable scene, reinforced my feeling of insecurity. For a long time afterwards I simply could not come to terms with death or its meaning...

A Lebedige Tzaitung

Visiting my father's house were also the editors of the several newspapers that were being published in Pinsk during the period between the two world-wars. Among these I recall the tall and distinguished Mendele Treibman; the eager-beaver Bulin, who was at all times on the lookout for prospective advertisers; and Herr Fur-man, never knowing where-from his next bite would materialize. He was always in arrears and in constant arguments with his assimilated printer. Nonetheless, despite great hardship, the Yiddish press was a vibrant and viable instrument that served the Jewish community well in enlightenment. It also proved a cementing factor and provided entertainment and vital information.

The literary men and women would,

on occasion, combine their talents with those of performing troupes visiting the city, and together would present an annual affair which they dubbed "A Tzaitung'' or Lively lebedige Newspaper, and from the stage of Holtzman's theatre would address themselves to the populace. It was a night when the city's literati would rub shoulders with renowned Yiddish actors and actresses and unite their talent in a never-to-be-forgotten performance. Such an annual event would also present the opportunity for the reading public to better acquaint themselves with their favorite writers and poets, as these would proceed to read from their words, whether in prose or poetic form. And when my father's turn would arrive to do his part, nobody in the audience could have been more proud than his little son ... The city's intelligentsia eagerly awaited this unique combination of theatre and the literary arts.

Holtzman's Theatre ...

Holtzman's Theatre was also the locale where one memorable night Uncle Mischa came from America to perform as a concert-violinist. A graduate of the St. Petersburg Conservatory, my uncle travelled to many countries and to various climes, and appeared on many a concert stage, be it in Russia, Poland, Germany, South Africa or the United States. My childish heart beat ever faster as I would listen intently to Uncle Mischa's masterfully-executed violin concertos - and I was proud indeed that the artist receiving such enthusiastic applause was my father's brother.

Rabbi Epstein ...

In the Pinsk of that golden epoch there lived a "Lamed-Vovnick" - in Jewish lore thirty-six saints upon whose shoulders the earth rests - in the person of Rabbi Baruch Ha'Levi Epstein. The eminent Rabbi was also a great scholar. He composed volumes upon volumes of original Rabbinical thought and as a result became known throughout the length and breadth of the world of Orthodox Jewry. He declined to practice his calling, though, and chose instead to derive a meagre living out of his writings. A very humble man, he was fond of strolling along the banks of the Pina and enter into conversation with children, for he adored the young fry. He was also an admirer of Dad's English translations,

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The new community center in Or Yehuda which has been constructed through the neighborhood's Renewal program

The face of Or Yehuda is changing. On every street, shabby apartments are being transformed into neat, freshly painted modern buildings surrounded by pleasant gardens. The air rings with the sound of builders at work: here a new basketball court; there a new children's playground.

there a new children's playground. As Shkuri Yehezkel, who works on the Or Yehuda Project Renewal team, walks through the town, virtually everyone he passes stops to greet him. For Shkuri, a local boy, has become well known through his association with Project Renewal. And everyone is well aware how much Project Renewal has done for this area.

Or Yehuda is home for about 20,000 souls. It is located eight miles east of Tel Aviv and is built on the site of biblical Ono. According to I Chronicles 8:13, it was originally settled by descendants of Benjamin and is frequently mentioned in the Mishnah.

But in recent years, the town has suffered its share of difficulties. It was settled in 1949 by immigrants from Libya and Turkey, and throughout the early 1950s it was the site of two large 'It's been worthwhile and an enormous success'

ma'abarot (transit camps) for the thousands of immigrants who streamed into the new state.

Not until the late '50s was a start made on permanent housing projects. More than half the population consists of immigrants from Middle East and North African countries and there have been problems of adjustment and housing. The average family is large, and government housing has seldom been adequate. People started leaving the area.

That trend was reversed when Project Renewal came into effect and Or Yehuda's two neighborhoods - Schunat Amidar and Schunat Histadrut - were twinned with the North American communities of Milwaukee and Ottawa.

"Sure we have problems here. That's why we need Project Renewal," smiles Shkuri. "But there is no doubt that it's been worthwhile and an enormous success. People aren't leaving anymore, and there aren't any more empty apartments in town."

Four years ago, when money became available to spend on improvements for the town, representatives from the local Project Renewal office, from North America and from the local community decided that top priority would have to be housing.

"Many of the apartments that had been built were in very poor condition and they were much too small. Families with six and seven children were living in two small rooms.

"What's more, because most of them were rented and not owned, there was no incentive for people to fix them up themselves, and consequently they weren't well kept. Daniel Blatt



Zion Shmuel at work on his apartment

Zion Shmuel, a 27-year-old taxi driver with two small children, is putting the finishing touches to his apartment, bought with the help of Project Renewal, when we visit. He can't wait to show it off.

"Don't just take pictures from the outside, come in," he urges, with obvious pride. The entrance to the block is not yet renovated, and we climb over wobbly floor tiles and through dark, crumbling halls to reach his apartment.

But inside, the apartment - though of moderate size - is modern, clean and obviously carefully planned to the last detail.

Shmuel has raised the height of the living room to create a "split-level" effect. He has also removed a wall and done as much as he could himself - all with obvious love and enthusiasm.

"I work on it with my own hands about four hours a day," he says. "I paint, I plaster ... whatever I can. We could never have managed to own an apartment like this without help."

All this construction has had an effect on the economy of the community as well as on its comfort and morale.

"Our first objective was to encourage people to buy the apartments they lived in, and we did this by offering them extremely good terms. Then we encouraged people to improve their homes by enlarging them, installing new plumbing, applying fresh paint and so on. They had to pay only a part of the cost."

As a result, the formerly drab streets of Or Yehuda have burst into rainbow color, as crumbling old buildings have been expanded and improved, and painted in chic multicolor designs. So far, about 1,000 apartments have been renovated.

The contrast between buildings still unimproved and those completed is striking. "It has given work to local craftsmen and builders, and that, too, has encouraged people to stay. All the money spent has entered the community and benefited the people," says Shkuri.

The effects of Project Renewal can also be found in other areas of the town. In the new community center, for example, groups of elderly men and women meet regularly to take part in a variety of Project Renewal-funded projects designed to help keep them active and healthy members of their community.

One such program is a special work club, set up to enable the elderly to spend a few hours a day earning money.

"We get work from factories, like assembling small electrical components or gluing folders from a printing factory," says social worker Ruth Schatz, a former Bostonian who now lives in Tel Aviv and works as coordinator of Community Services for the Elderly.

"It's very therapeutic for these people to work," she says. "Many of them are so lonely and depressed. This is a godsend."

Another program, taught by a physiotherapist, offers classes in gentle physical exercise. There are also classes in health education where participants discuss such things as how to deal with aches and pains, how to take care of their feet and proper posture.

"Drop-in centers" are also active places, where a lonely senior citizen can feel at home and enjoy a game of cards or backgammon with his friends. A staff member is always on hand to help, or to translate the news of the day from the newspaper into Arabic, for those who are weak in Hebrew. A rabbi also visits once a week. "A lot of people who have had strokes or who are at the beginning of senility but who aren't ill enough for hospitalization come here," says Ruth. "It's important for them to feel a sense of continuity with the community. We try to make it social therapy, too, with tea and crackers and wine and cake on holidays.

"For some people, the few hours a week they spend here is the only time they get out of the house."

Pinhas Bokra, a venerable member of the community who has lived in Or Yehuda with his family of 11 children for 30 years, is one of the people who takes advantage of the programs for the elderly sponsored by Project Renewal.

"it's heseder - OK - here," he nods.

Originally from Tripoli, he has lived in Israel for 49 years and during his younger days was a construction worker. Now he particularly enjoys being able to participate in the work club. "I bring in a little money. It's good," he says.

The improvements introduced by Project Renewal in Or Yehuda are many: playgrounds, roads, youth clubs, programs to teach illiterate adults to read and write. People have come from Ottawa and Milwaukee to visit "their" neighborhood, and a group of Or Yehuda teenagers has visited the United States. All this has heightened mutual awareness between the Diaspora communities and Israel.

"Our relationship with Project Renewal donors is excellent," says Shkuri.

"It took a long time to get people to understand Project Renewal and to accept that they have to work themselves," he adds. "There are still things to do, but the people honor Project Renewal now. They know that it helps us."



Renewed apartment block in Or Yehuda

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Project Renewal — How It Works

When Project Renewal moves into a neighborhood, the first step is the establishment of an overall 21-person steering committee, consisting of three representatives of the local municipality, seven representatives of government departments, and eleven representatives of the community involved.

The next stage is the appointment of directors of the physical and social renewal process. Often the project manager is a member of the community.

A budget is fixed and an expert who cannot be attached to a governmental body and who fulfills this role for one project only - makes recommendations, which are assessed by the steering committee.

It is at this point that the community clearly states what it perceives to be of greatest importance.

These points must be argued with a professional, who may have different ideas about the needs of a community. From these discussions emerges a picture of what should be done.

Certain projects are designated to various government departments -Housing, Labour and Social Welfare, Education and Culture, Health, Interior or Finance. All projects and programs designated for Jewish Agency implementation are funded by twinned communities abroad.

In most organizations, committees for Project Renewal are formed. In the United States, the United Jewish Appeal acts as the liaison with the Renewal Department in Israel. In other parts of the world, Keren Hayesod fulfills this function.

Jewish War Veterans & Atlantic Jewish Council Observe Remembrance Day, 1983

Despite very inclement weather throughout the Maritimes on Friday, November 11, 1983, many Jewish veterans attended wreath-laying ceremonies in Moncton and Halifax.

Mendel Greenblatt, local commander of the Moncton War Veterans of Canada, laid a wreath in memory of Canadian Jewish War Veterans, while in Halifax, Howard Karp and Henry Ferguson performed the same duties.

A wreath was laid at the Halifax Cenotaph on behalf of the Atlantic Jewish Council by Harry Block and Ruben Solomon, of Montreal.

APOLOGIES

Due to printer's errors the following names appeared incorrectly in the September/October edition: Judge Philip Givens, President, Canadian Zionist Federation; Mr. Morton Brownstein, President, United Israel Appeal; and Mr. Don Jubas, President, B'nai Brith Canada. We apologize for any inconvenience that this may have caused.



Instead of recipes, this time I offer you a children's story for Chanukah, a true story of a man, Raoul Wallenberg, a Maccaabeean hero whose deeds we should never forget. We have a particular duty to re-tell his story to our children since it was the children whom Wallenberg rightly saw as the hope of the future Jewish community and it was for their sake that he daily risked his own life. "I feel I have a mission to save the Jewish nation and so I must rescue the young ones first," he said.

The following was originally written for last year's Antigonish Chanukah celebration and in my absence, it was read by Murray Schwartz. Since children are at the heart of Jewish household life, a story for them is, after all, very much a part of Jewish homemaking in the broadest and best sense of the phrase. A Children's Story

for Chanukah

We all know the story of the little band of Maccabeeans and their heroic struggle against great odds to save the Jewish people from extinction many, many years ago. We also know that in remembering their victory over their oppressors we are not really celebrating a particular military victory. Rather, we are celebrating the continued existence of the Jewish people, we are celebrating religious freedom, and we are celebrating the survival of Jewish values. Chanukah is, in essence, a celebration of freedom, of the forces of light -- our Channukah candles -- over the forces of darkness and oppression.

The story which I am about to tell you is true. Its central figure is not a Jew but a Christian and I want you to remember that those Jewish values which we hold so dear -- of freedom over tyranny, of light over darkness -are also shared by good people everywhere, whatever their religion or nationality.

When our story begins, the hero, Raoul Wallenberg, is young, handsome, and rich, the son of one of Sweden's wealthiest and most respected families. He is also a man of great energy and enormous talent, eager to throw himself, heart and soul, into his life's work, although he had not really decided yet what that might be. Guided by his grandfather (Raoul's father died before he was born), Wallenberg travelled, learned several languages fluently, studied architecture at the University of Michigan, and worked in the family's far-flung banking operations. In this last capacity, in Haifa, Palestine (now Israel), Raoul began to learn of the terrible plight of Europe's Jewish population in the late 30's and early 40's. He was very disturbed by the stories he heard from Jewish refugees and from reports of the growing Nazi persecution of Jews throughout Europe. He wanted to help but he didn't know what to do.

His chance came in 1944 when the United States government created the War Refugee Board whose chief aim was to save the remnant Jewish population of Europe -- Hungary's Jews -- from certain death. The United States would supply the money and a neutral nation, it was hoped, would supply the diplomatic cover to carry out a rescue mission. Only one country, Sweden, volunteered for the job.

THE JOYS **OF HOMEMAKING** Jo Ann Gardner



A Children's Story For Chanukah

Wallenberg, because of his known interest in the Jewish cause and because of his superior abilities in dealing with governments through his international business dealings and his command of languages, was assigned the job.

From eyewitness accounts we learn that Wallenberg arrived in Budapest from Sweden in July 1944 with a windbreaker, a trenchcoat, a sleeping bag. and a rucksack. Although not trained as a diplomat, he very soon left no doubt that he intended to carry out his mission with zeal and extraordinary organizational abilities. He immediately created a staff, mostly Jewish, and set about to save Jewish lives. This he did by designing and issuing phony passports which gave their holders a firmer grasp on life by placing them under the protective custody of the Swedish government. In fact, these passes were illegal and had no official standing other than the sheer nerve and will with which Wallenberg endowed them. He also purchased 32 'safe' houses flying the Swedish flag and these became havens for thousands who were lucky enough to get a pass. Conditions in these houses were far from good but they did shelter life. Wallenberg was indefatigable -- giving out passports, directing the activities of his staff, checking his houses, rounding up food and supplies for those Jews trapped in the large ghettoes in Budapest. He seemed to be everywhere, appearing like an angel of mercy when all hope had been lost. A survivor testifies:

"We were the world's extra baggage. We had given up hope until one day we heard this fantastic story about a prominent Swedish diplomat, Raoul Wallenberg, who had come to Hungary on a mission to save the Jews. Soon this man became our Moses. Every day, at great personal risk, he delivered people from the hands of the Nazis. He talked to us, and showed that there was one human being who cared -- one angel in this hell. 'I came to save a nation,' he said. He would print his own Swedish passports, and then run off to the train depots -- the trains that were leaving for Auschwitz -- he would reach out to the desperate group of outstretched arms giving them their tickets to life -- one man!....

The stories of his rescue activities are legendary. For those who worked with him or were rescued by him -there are many people in the United States and in Canada who owe their lives to him -- his conduct was unforgettable. He was, they say, like a man possessed. And he was, I should add, supremely happy in his work. One observer put it this way: "It is not given to many men to live such a life, equipped with the spark of initiative, an irresistable personal radiance, and a tireless energy, and with these to be able to save thousands of one's fellow men.'

In 1945, with the approach of Russian troops, all diplomats retired to the Buda side of the river and the protection of their legations there. Only Wallenberg chose to stay on the Pest side to keep a protective eye on the thousands of Jews in enforced confinement in two large ghettoes. At the war's end 69,000 Jews were found alive in the General ghetto, 25,000 in the International ghetto, and 25,000 more from various hiding places -- altogether more than 100,000 people, the only substantial Jewish community left in Europe. By all the accounts that we have Raoul Wallenberg is credited with saving these lives, more Jewish lives than were saved by any Allied government during the course of the war.

I wish I could give you a happy ending to this story. I wish I could tell you that Raoul Wallenberg returned to his native Sweden a conquering hero and was given all the honor and prizes that a grateful world could bestow on him -- a hero of humanity. But this did not

happen. At the war's end, Wallenberg was arrested by the Russians as a spy -- he had a great deal of money with him for his rescue mission and he was known to be connected with America -- and imprisoned him in the Gulag. No word of praise or thanks has ever reached him in the 38 years that Raoul Wallenberg has been a prisoner and our knowledge that he may still be alive comes from other prisoners who have lived to tell of seeing or hearing him -- through an elaborate system of knocking on the prison walls. We know that Wallenberg was seen alive as late as 1975 and we always hope that he may yet live to know that many consider him to be the greatest hero of our century: he was our Moses, our angel, our survivor.

When you light the Chanukah candles tonight, notice that one candle in the middle stands taller than the rest. This is the one we call the shammes, the servant, and with it we light all the other candles, the idea being that by helping others our own radiance is not diminished. Please remember Raoul Wallenberg tonight when you light the shammes candle. He was a selfless servant of the Jewish people in their hour of greatest need. We know too well the depths of human behaviour but we are seldom reminded of the human capacity for utter selflessness, righteousness, and courage in the face of evil. Raoul Wallenberg's life enobles all our lives by showing us the holiness of being human and in this we should all rejoice.

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MY FATHER'S HOUSE (continued from page 15)

and an occasional guest to our house. To this day I pride myself on the fact that one of the most eminent Rabbis in Judaism, certainly one of the brightest and most respected, was a friend of the family, and a contributor to the local press.

Stories of Rabbi Epstein's humility were legion. It is said that once he came out of a hat shop with an improper specimen. When it was brought to his attention that he was wearing a topper usually reserved for a cabbie, he remarked: "And what of it, is a cabbie not a human being, just like myself?" After such a retort, one would think twice before matching wits with this great scholar.

Brilliance ...

Lecturers of great repute and wide acclaim have contributed to my knowledge of the world about us. They would travel widely, and include our city on their tour. In my reminiscences of that period in time, the brilliancy of B. Sheffner's discourse and observations has indeed been my guiding light in my journey through the vicissitudes of life.

My Diligent Mother ...

Mother was diligent and hardworking. She was an excellent housekeeper - kept the house spotlessly clean, baked, cooked and generally ministered to her family's needs. Though of indifferent health, she would spare no effort that everything at home would be in order and that our guests would be welcomed in hospitable manner.

She was fond of her rather impressive house-plants that adorned our salon, and she would take great pride in showing them off to friend and neighbor alike, and indeed they were a sight to behold! Standing on the floor by the windows, they would nearly reach the ceiling, and some of them even blossomed with exquisite and exotic-looking flowers.

Mother was always concerned with her only child, and I remember her taking great care of me, particularly during childhood diseases. She would soothe and comfort me, make frequent calls upon the Feldsher or paramedic and his nursing-assistant, who would in turn use such methods as cupping to cure a variety of illnesses. Mom suffered two miscarriages, and as a result I was doubly precious to her.

She also cared greatly about her brother Froike's family, and was especially fond of her sister-in-law gentle and beautiful Aunt Sarah. When fortunes did not smile upon them, mother would deny herself essential food and clothing, and share these with Uncle's children.

Aunt Sarah, in her own right, was a saintly character. Born in a small village, she would welcome former peasant neighbors to her humble home and put them up for the night when they had visited the city. She would not think of charging them for this gracious hospitality. Yet some years later when she herself and her children were in desperate need of assistance while fleeing from the Nazi hordes, no reciprocal help was forthcoming ... Her many favors were forgotten and both she and her husband and their five children shared the cruel fate of six million fellow-Jews in Nazi-dominated Europe.

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David Ben-Gurion (1886-1973)

Milestones:

Born in Plonsk, Poland, in 1886, educated in cheder, while simultaneously studying secular subjects and languages; he was active in Poalei Zion (Socialist-Zionists) in his town.

Immigrated to Palestine in 1906. Worked in Petah Tikva, moving at the beginning of 1908 to Sejera, where he worked in agriculture and as a watchman.

In 1910 was called upon to work on the editorial staff of Ha'achdut', a weekly in Jerusalem.

In 1912 travelled to Salonika and to Istanbul to study law, returned to Palestine in 1914.

Expelled from the country by the Turks at the beginning of World War I, he went to the U.S. There he was one of the organizers of the Hechalutz (pioneer) movement and of other activities connected with Palestine and Zionism. Together with Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, he organized the volunteers for the Jewish battalions and came to with them, via England.

In 1917 he married Paula Monbaz in a New York marriage registration bureau. They had three children.

In 1919, the Achdut Ha'avoda party was established, of which he was one of the ideological leaders. It merged in 1930 with Poale Zion to form Mapai, which was Gen-Gurion's power base until 1965.

From 1931 to 1935, he presided as Secretary General of the Histadruth (Labor Movement). In 1933, he was elected as member of the Jewish Agency Executive, and was its head from 1935 till the establishment of the State. He was the moving spirit in the passing of the Biltmore Declaration (1942) concerning the establishment of a Jewish State as the aim of the Zionist movement. From the time the Israel Workers' Party (Mapai) was established in 1930, he was one of the chief leaders and shapers of its path.

Upon the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948, David Ben-Gurion became Prime Minister and Minister of Defense, holding these offices in all the governments until 1963, excepting the period of his retirement in 1953-54 when he resided in Kibbutz Sdeh Boker. This symbolized his belief in pioneering and his conviction that the future rested in the Negev and its revival.

Upon his final retirement from the Government, he returned to live in Sdeh Boker and Tel Aviv intermittently. He headed the Rafi list in the elections to the Sixth Knesset in 1965, gaining only 10 seats as against 45 for the Labor Alignment led by Levi Eshkol. The Lavon Affair, after which Ben-Gurion left his party, presaged the end of his political career. In 1970, Ben-Gurion also retired from his membership in the Knesset, devoting all his time to writing history books and memoirs dealing with the period of his public activity.

His books include: We and Our Neighbors (1931), From a Class to a People (1933), When Israel Fights (1950), Israel's Eternity (1964), Meetings with Arab Leaders (1967).

Reconciliation with former adversaries like Golda Meir, as well as his moderate position on the question of annexation of the territories and his vigorous stand in questions of the separation of religion and state, restored his public image, which had been damaged by the Lavon Affair. In his last years in Sdeh Boker, Ben-Gurion was once again revered as a symbol of Israel's independence.

He died on December 1, 1973, and was buried in Sdeh Boker.

Editorial Cartoons - Best of Beutel

Yesterday's newspapers; today's garbage. Yesterday's political cartoons; today's book. Best of Beutel, editorial cartoons is the newest collection of the work of Josh Beutel, political cartoonist for the Saint Johnl Telegraph-Journal.

The subjects run the gamut from Andropov and Reagan through Trudeau and Mulroney down to Richard Hatfield. If New Brunswick is a political backwater, Beutel uses it as a well-spring of material. Headlining a total of 171 cartoons is a Foreword written by Dalton Camp, New Brunswick's own backwoods political kingmaker.

If you are interested in political goings-on, or if you enjoy seeing politicians etched with poison penmanship, then this book is for your interest and enjoyment. Don't miss this opportunity; Josh Beutel's first collection of political cartoons in 1981 sold out a few weeks after its release.

Mr. Beutel's political cartoons are syndicated in the United States, Mexico, and Europe by Rothco Cartoons Inc. His work has been published in Newsweek, The Financial Post, World Press Review, among other publications, as well as in a number of textbooks and collections of political cartoons.

Best of Beutel, editorial cartoons is not sold in stores. It is available from Lanceman Graphics Ltd., Box 880 Rothesay, New Brunswick, E0G 2W0, for \$5.99 plus \$1.00 postage. A limited number of hardcover copies will be available for \$11.99 each plus \$1.00 postage.



Canadian Jewish Congress National Archives

The National Archives of Canadian Jewish Congress has received a second grant of \$75,000 from the Canadian Studies Research Tools program of the Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

"The awarding of the grant is a sign of the recognition of the importance of Jewish community records for the study of Canadian social history," said Judy Nefsky, Director of the Archives, adding that, "the professionalism of the CJC Archives is established in the eyes of the eminent Canadian historians and archivisits who make such decisions."

The funds are being used to make the papers of the Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada (JIAS) accessble to researches. This collection, comprised of over 200 linear metres of papers, has to be systematically arranged and described in the form of a guide for researchers.

The first grant received from the Research Council was used to prepare a detailed research guide to the papers of the Jewish Colonization of Canada which are now available to researchers.

The records of these two agencies, which facilitated the entry of Jewish immigrants and their settlement in Canada, along with the records of the Canadian Jewish Congress, comprise an excellent source for the study of the immigration, reception and integration of Jews to Canada over the last century.

The project staff members, under the direction of Ms. Nefsky, are Louise Chevrette, an archivist formerly with the Public Archives of Canada and Laval University, and Lillian Reinblatt, a sociologist and lecturer at Concordia University.

Consultants working with the project team are Professor Irving Abella, author of the recently published work on Canada and the Jews of Europe during the Holocaust, None Is Too Many; Dr. Joseph Kage, retired Executive Vice-President of JIAS; and David Rome, historian.

The archives are housed in the Samuel Bronfman Building, the headquarters of the Canadian Jewish Congress in Montreal.

The National Archives of the CJC also house the records of many community organizations, the papers of individual members of the community, and a huge documentation collection on virtually all Jewish communities across Canada.

"Every day," says Nefsky, "records are being created in the community that are of historical importance and every day, these records are being destroyed through negligence, deterioration and intent. One of our most difficult tasks is to encourage people, particularly in community institutions, to preserve their records for future generations.

Remembrance Day Ceremony: Canadian Jewish Rabbi in Attendance

For the first time in over thirty years, a rabbi participated in the national Remembrance Day ceremonies. The event takes place annually on November 11 at the Cenotaph in Ottawa, but since the early 1950s, has not included a member of the Jewish clergy.

Through initiatives taken by the Reverend Rolland de Corneille, M.P., and Alan Rose, Executive Vice-President of Canadian Jewish Congress, in collaboration with the National Tripartite Liaison Committee, the National Religious Department of Canadian Jewish Congress, and the Jewish War Veterans of Canada, an agreement was reached with the Royal Canadian Legion to establish this as a yearly practice.

Rabbi Robert Sternberg, , Director of the National Religious Department of Canadian Jewish Congress and national chaplain of the Jewish War Veterans of Canada, participated this year, representing Canadian Jewry. He read a one-minute invocation in the thirty-minute ceremony which was broadcast live on national television. The reading was taken from the Yizkor (memorial) service and the Amidah (daily silent meditation) and was presented in Hebrew, English, and French.

Montreal Treasurer Lionel Goldman Wins AJCS Leadership Award

(reprint)

Montreal "Y" Officer, Lionel Goldman, is one of two winners of this year's AJCS Young Leadership Awards given to outstanding young people demonstrating promise for continued leadership within our community.

Lionel, 33, and his wife Annette, have been active in the YM-YWHA and AJCS since the day they stepped off the plane from Halifax five years ago and became involved in the Y's Young Leadership Program. A strong Jewish communal background and deep commitment to the Montreal Jewish community have involved Lionel at the "Y" and AJCS in a number of positions and committees.

At the "Y". , Lionel serves as Treasurer of the Association and sits on the Executive Committee. He has been involved in the Ad Hoc Committee on Day Care, Sabbath Policy and Y Country Camp Seminar. He sat on the Finance Committee, Group Services Committee at the Davis branch, the Audit Committee and chaired the **Metropolitan Pre-School Services** Committee. Lionel participated in the Long Range Planning Committee for the assocation and for five years was a member of the Board of Directors. At the Davis Y, he was part of the Davis Bar Mitzvah Committee and sat on the Davis Board of Management.

At AJCS, Lionel was a special names vice-chairman for Combined Jewish Appeal. He was also involved with CPAC, a member of the AJCS Board of Trustees, and a member of the Leadership Cabinet at AJCS.

A hard worker, Lionel is always available and had been involved in just about every facet of this organization from Branch Board to Metropolitan Officer.

This award originated in 1956 by Babette and Edward Barkoff and was the first award of its kind in North America. After many years, it became the AJCS Leadership Awards. Corecipient is Robyn Wexler.

Lionel is the son of Harry and Amelia Goldman of Fredericton, and his wife, Annette is the daughter of the late Myer and Evelyn Abraham of Yarmouth.

CZF Israel Briefs (JNI)

Cash Flow Replaces Brain Drain

The Brain Drain of Hebrew University Ph.D's taking their training abroad has apparently clogged for the better, according to a recent study conducted by the University's unit for Academic Planning and Development.

Only 5.4 percent of those who received their doctorates between 1976 and 1982 are now living abroad, compared to 6.5 percent who earned their Ph.D's between 1950 and 1975. According to the study's director, it has been feared that recent cutbacks in university teaching staff around the country would lead more new Ph.D's to emigrate.

On the other hand, budget cuts have severely affected Hebrew University. In fact, according to university spokesmen, another 10 percent government cuts of its already slashed budget may force the University to close its doors, which only opened for the new academic year October 23. In effect, a 10 percent cut means dropping 50 percent of the budget for research and development, since staff salaries which can not be cut, comprise 80 percent of the university's budget.

Surprising Valedictorian

Professor Takeyo Hirosa, from the University of Tokyo, was the somewhat surprising Valedictorian of his class of 50 graduates of Oxford's Summer Program in Yiddish language and literature. The Japanese professor addressed the audience in Yiddish on behalf of his fellow students, aged 19 to 80, according to the World Jewish Congress Publication "In the Diaspora".

Mechanized Kibbutzniks

"If today about 50 percent of our income comes from agriculture and the rest from industry, by the end of the present decade the ratio will probably be 30 percent (agriculture) to 70 per-cent (industry)," Oded Winkler, cocent (industry)," Oded Winkler, co-ordinator of the Kibbutz Industries -some 360 plants in 250 kibbutzim -- said recently.

"The simple fact is that our agricultural expansion is limited. Not only due to the lack of water and land, but also due to markets, locally and abroad," Winkler explained. "On the other hand, an evergreater percentage of our youngsters are university graduates who want to work in high technology industries.'

Winkler demonstrated how current sales are equally distributed between agriculture and industry, but that agriculture provides only 45 percent of kibbutz profits, and industry 55 percent, despite the fact that it employs only 14,000 technicians. Although only three percent of all Israelis live in kibbutzim, they produce 45 percent of agricultural produce, and 5.8 percent of all industrial output. Total Kibbutz output in 1981/82 stood at about 1.8 billion dollars, of which 196 million dollars was exports.

Winkler chalked up what he said is an abnormally high output per kibbutz industrial worker to personal motivation as well as "the fact that kibbutz industries bear down heavily on automation".

Professor Arie Lavie, Chief Scientist at the Ministry of Industry and Trade, predicted that this trend is on the upswing. Lavie, also the Chairman of the Israel branch of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (which held its international congress in Israel in November) noted that ten robots are already "working" in Israel and foresaw that "within five years Israel will have 1,000 and the number will then accelerate at a rapid rate.

Presently, thirteen different Israeli companies are developing robots at an approximate cost of 40 million dollars. "By 1987, we hope to be exporting robots valued at 200 million dollars a year, and hope that exports will increase steadily afterward," Lavie said.



45 Years Since the 'Night of the Broken Glass' Attack On German Jewry Ushers In The Nazi Era

by Eric Gutwillig World Zionist Press Service

There were two knocks on our door but knocks were heard at all hours of the night and in towns and villages all over Germany, just 45 years ago. Ours wasn't a gentle knock. Rather it was a wild and furious banging at our front door. Wherever Jews in Germany had the misfortune to be found, the story was the same. Two days previously, on November 7th, Hershl Grynszpan had killed a German official, Ernst vom Rath, at the German Embassy in Paris. The Germans had been waiting for just such an opportunity to serve as a pretext to carry out pogroms and mass arrests all over Germany. They set about their inhuman mission with relish and enthusiasm, backed by the organizational ability and thoroughness for which their race is famous. Nazism - passing phase?

First rumors of the night arrests reached Jewish households on the evening of November 9th. Some Jews had heeded the warning signals of the years since the Nazis' rise to power and had left Germany. Many others had deluded themselves that the mass hooliganism perpetrated by the Nazis was a passing phase. "How," the reasoned, "could a civilized people like the Germans tolerate this sort of barbarianism for any length of time?"

And now, suddenly, they were confronted by a new reality. A ring at the front door would send a shudder of fear through the whole family. When someone found the courage to open it they were likely to find a weeping neighbor whose husband had been taken away - to who knows where? What could one say to her that would not sound hollow? That everything would be all right? Indeed, we knew that everything was far from all right. We knew that a clear conscience and an impeccable record of law abidance would afford as much protection as a clear glass roof against the glare of the sun.

A ringing of the telephone, again, would set everyone's nerves on edge. In all probability it was only a friend asking circumspectly - for telephones were known to be tapped - if everything was in order. But every sound, every movement was fraught with a dread which only those who have experienced it can understand. People in free countries find it hard to grasp what it was like to live at a time when life was so cheap and the ring of the telephone might presage the beginning of the end. Sad Community

As the night drew on, the knocks became louder and more frequent. Here a University professor, in better days honored and respected by his students, was hauled from bed like a common criminal just before midnight. There, a businessman, known for the unfailing care he showed for his less fortunate brethren, found himself mercilessly wrested from his family circle.

Toward dawn they arrested the venerable head of the community, whose snow-white beard and saintly bearing lent him the appearance of a patriarch. The cantor, the Hebrew teacher, all disappeared, and when the morning of November the 10th dawned, the Jewish Community of Germany was one of sad, perplexed and worried people.

Kristallnacht -

Night of the Broken Glass

By this time the synagogues were mostly ablaze. One might have thought the worst was over. Instead the onslaught in its full fury was still to come. Systematically, the Nazis in their brown uniforms, and sporting black swastikas set in white circles on red armbands, moved from house to house. Wherever Jews were found they destroyed their belongings, smashed their furniture, burned their books, and arrested those men who had so far escaped their clutches. When the evening of November 10th finally arrived, their fury at last abated. 30,000 Jews had been arrested, 1,000 killed, about 1,000 buildings damaged or destroyed. 191 synagogues were set on fire, 76 completely demolished.

At least, the day had served to remove the complacency of those who had believed that it could never happen! And now a mad scrabble began to get out, out, out: But where to? Doors which previously had been wide open - such as Palestine of earlier years were suddenly tightly closed. The flames which had been lapping at isolated spots in the periphery were now everywhere and it was hard to see a route of escape between them. Parents who found refuge for their children blessed their good fortune. The pain of separation was overshadowed by the joy of finding somehwere for them to go.

The Night of the Broken Glass was a turning point in the history of German Jewry. It was the beginning of the dissolution of this once great community, a warning to Jews and to humanity as to what was ahead - the Holocaust with its six million victims and the 2nd World War, in which over twenty-five million civilians are estimated to have been slaughtered. The sound of glass breaking and of the urgent knocks on the door, which might have been episodes lacking continuity, ushered in one of the darkest periods in the history of our people and of mankind.

Did You Know?

- Jews marry on an average of two years later than non-Jews?

- Fewer married Jews remain childless than their non-Jewish counterparts?

- Jews exhibit the lowest birthrate of all comparably aged religious groups; about ²/₃ child lower?

- While Jews are divorcing more frequently than they have in the past, they are still divorcing less often than their non-Jewish counterparts?

- All forms of Jewish activity (i.e. lighting Sabbath candles, belonging to at least one Jewish organization), significantly increases when children reach age 6?

- Alternative households (singles, childless couples, divorce(e)s) tend to be less Jewishly active?

Source: American Jewish Yearbook, 1982.

Fertility of Jewish Women in Israel

The fertility of Jewish women in Israel is on the increase, and in 1982 it rose by 3% according to figures published by the Central Office of Statistics. On the other hand, the fertility of Moslem and Druse women is dropping.

In 1982, about 96,700 births were registered in Israel. Of these, about 73,000 (75%) were Jewish, 19,500 were Moslem; 1,900 were Christian and 2,300 were Druse.

Happenings and Events

GLACE BAY HONOURS LIONEL DRUKER



Lionel Druker accepting Associate Life Membership Award from Ruth Simon, President, Cape Breton Council of Hadassah-Wizo. Jean David Membership Chairperson, looks on.



Shirley Dubinsky, National Vice-President, Hadassah-Wizo (far left) and Edith Lecker (far right), Regional Vice-Chairperson, are shown with the Druker family: Rochelle and Lionel Druker and Lionel's mother, Jennie Druker (seated).



Yakov Aviad, the new Consul General in Montreal, has taken over the position which was held for the past few years by Yitzhak Mayer. Mr. Aviad, who was recently in Sydney, Nova Scotia, was the guest speaker at the Canadian Friends of Hebrew University Dinner.



Martin Chernin, President Atlantic Jewish Council, Yitzhak Navon, Former Israeli President, and Ben Prossin, Deputy President, Canadian Zionist Federation, at a recent Canadian Zionist Federation Meeting held in Toronto.



Candle Unto Candle: A Chanukah Celebration was shown on Cable channels in Fredericton, Glace Bay, Sydney and Halifax during Chanukah. Produced by the Jewish Media Service, New York, and Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, it was presented in this region by the Atlantic Jewish Council and Canadian Jewish Congress - Atlantic Region.



Linda Epstein and **Kenny Gordon** of Halifax, both of whom have recently made Aliyah, are shown with a friend from Russia enjoying themselves at a festive gathering. A Happy Chanukah to all their friends and family.

STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS --- FREDERICTON, N.B. COCKTAIL RECEPTION



Mitchell Budovitch, Chairman receiving 35th Anniversary of Israel Award from State of Israel Bonds, August, 1983.



Lou Levine, presenting Rabbi David Sprio, Fredericton, with 35th Anniversary of Israel Award.

STATE OF ISRAEL BONDS HALIFAX ANNUAL BRUNCH



Past Chairperson, Martin Herschorn, presenting 35th Anniversary of State of Israel Award to Dr. Jayson Greenblatt, Chairperson, 1983.



L. to R.: Lois Block, Women's Division Co-Chairperson; Dr. Jayson Greenblatt, General Chairperson; Dr. Annalee Cohen, Women's Division Co-Chairperson.

Aliyah News

SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CANADIAN STUDENTS

Ten students from Montreal have recently received scholarships to study at universities in Israel. These scholarships were granted by the Student Authority (a branch of the Ministry of Immigrant Absorption of Israel and the World Zionist Organization). The recipients were granted these scholarships at the recommendation of the Canadian Friends of Israeli Universities associations and the recommendations of A. Korzen, Director of the Israel Aliyah Centre in Montreal.

These scholarships are the beginning of a new program of the Government of Israel, the Jewish Agency and Israeli universities which assigns top priority to increasing the number of students coming to spend a year of study in Israel. In addition to an extensive scholarship fund which has been

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MESSAGE TO MOSCOW...

Over 1,200 Sign Soviet Jewry Petition

Soviet Jewry Chairman, Gerry Mendleson greets the Hon. Laird Stirling who signed the petition. O.R. T. member Mrs. Miriam Kohler looks on. Booth was under the auspices of the Atlantic Jewish Council and Canadian Jewish Congress Atlantic Region.

created, new resources have been made available which include easier access to the universities' registration offices and a wide-ranging promotion and advertising programs. Students who study at Israeli Universities can use their credits towards their degrees in Canada. In addition to these credits, students gain the rich experience of living in another country and are offered a large number of courses ranging from Biblical History to Computer



Science. Courses are taught in English and in easy Hebrew. Currently over 1000 students are participating in various one-year programs in Israel.

Students or parents wishing to obtain further information on this new program may apply to: A. Korzen, Israel Aliyah Centre, 1310 Greene Avenue, Montreal, Quebec, H3Z 2B2, or Guillermo Levinton, Atlantic Jewish Council, 1515 South Park Street, Halifax, N.S., B3J 2L2, (902) 422-7491.

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Did You Know? New Statistics From Israel

The month of August witnessed the arrival of 2,170 Olim to the country. This was the largest number of immigrants in any one month in the past three years. The greatest number of Olim arrived from the United States (580); from France (322); from Britain (158); and from Africa (366). As compared with the increase in Aliyah from the West, the low cbb in the number of Jews leaving the Soviet Union has continued. Only 32 Jews arrived from Russia in the last month. As from the beginning of the year, the number of arrivals from the Soviet Union has amounted to only 246. There has been a considerable drop also in the number of Olim from Rumania. Since the beginning of the year, only 685 Jews have been permitted to leave that country.

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ALIYAH & YERIDA

Guillermo Levinton

There are two key words in the Hebrew vocabulary which are instrumental to Israel's future survival — **ALIYAH** and **YERIDA**.

ALIYAH is the Hebrew term used for immigration to Israel. The word literally means "going up", meaning a "step up" in Jewish values and life.

YERIDA is the opposite. The Hebrew term is used for emigration from Israel, yet literally means "going down". Whether Aliyah is really escalating is irrelevant. The important issue is that Israel needs people for its survival, and the Jewish world need Israel for its survival the bonds (links) are indisputable. Despite our political problems and economic crises, immigration figures are up, and a dramatic drop in emigration is taking place.

Last year, some 13,300 immigration or potential immigrants arrived in Israel, while only 7,500 Israelis are estimated to have emigrated, compared to some 31,000 in 1980 and 17,000 in 1981. More encouraging is the greatly increasing numbers of Israelis living abroad who are considering their return to Israel.

This new development, according to Aliyah sources, is not a revitalization of the Zionist spirit of the early 70's, but a temporary trend that may change unless fundamental work is done to encourage Olim and discourage Yordim. Efforts are being made to improve financial aid provided to Olim and returning Israelis, as well as to find a reasonable program to discourage many from leaving Israel.

I would like to believe that this new development is the result of a new feeling shared among Jews all over the world, who are realizing that the State of Israel is physically in danger, and that an active role is vital to deal with our root problems, and they are willing to contribute to Israel's quality of life.

May this trend continue to grow — VENOMAR AMEN.

ANACHNU V'ATEM אנהנו ואתם

Words: Yoram T'har-Lev Music: Ya'ir Rozenblum

Hen od yaftsiya hakochav V'od nir'enu od va'od — Anachnu v'atem.

Lachen nintzor et hatikva M'av l'ven midor l'dor — Anachnu v'atem (4)

Umi b'leil Simchat Tora Hirkid et kol batei ha'ir — Anachnu v'atem (4)

Umi bana et Yisrael Umi hifriach et Sibir ---Anachnu v'atem (4)

V'eich nish'kach et Babi-Yar V'et schokam ham'had'hed — Anachnu v'atem

Umi hiz'ik et ha'olam V'lo shama afilu hed — Anachnu v'atem (4)

Umi hu Yuli Daniel Umi Sineyavski haboged — Anachnu viatem

Umi zocher umi shomer Umi yih'ye lahem l'ed — Anachnu v'atem (4)

Hen od yaftsiya hakochav V'od, nich'ye bo lachazot — Anachnu v'atem

Lachen nintsor et hatikva V'lo tufar hab'rit hazot Niz'ak imachem b'li lada'at l'mi Shalach et ami, shalach et ami Anachnu v'atem (4) כלים: יורם טהרילב לתו: יאיר רוזגבלום

הן עוד יפציע הכוכב ועוד נראנו עוד ועוד — אנחנו ואתם.

לכן נינצור את התקוה מאב לבן מדור לדור — אנחנו ואתם (4)

ומי בליל שמחת תורה הרקיד את כל בתי העיר — אנחנו ואתס

ומי בנה את ישראל ומי הפריח את סיביר — אנחנו ואתם (4)

ואיך נשכח את באבי יאר ואת שחוקם המהדהד — אנחנו ואתם

ומי הזעיק את העולם ולא שמע אפילו הד – אנחנו ואתם (4)

ומי הוא יולי דניאל ומי סיניאבסקי הבוגד — אנחנו ואתם

> ומי זוכר ומי שומר ומי יהיה להם לעד — אנחנו ואתם (4)

הן עוד יפציע הכוכב ועוד נחיה בו לחזות – אנחנו ואתם

לכן ננצור את התקוה ולא תופר הכרית הזאת נועק עמכם בלי לדעת למי שלח את עמי, שלח את עמי אנתנו ואתס (4)

WE AND YOU

And so the star will burst and we will see more and more — we and you. Therefore we will keep on hoping, from father to son, from generation to generation — we and you.

And who was it that on the eve of Simhat Torah, set all the houses of the city adancing? -- we and you.

And who built Israel and caused Siberia to bloom - we and you,

And who is Yuli Daniel and who is Siniavsky the traitor — we and you. And who remembers and who watches and who will be a witness for them — we and you.

And so the star has yet to burst and we will live to see it — we and you. Thus we will keep on hoping and not violate this covenant and we will shout with you, not knowing to whom, let my people go — we and you.

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Vocabulary – אוֹצֵר מִלִים THE TIME

What is the time? má hasha'á? It is one o'clock hasha'á ahát It is half past one hasha'á ahát vahétsi It is a guarter past one hasha'á ahát varéva It is a quarter to five hasha'á réva lehamésh It is seven twenty five hasha'á shéva esrím vehamésh

MEDICAL AID

Please send for a doctor krá larofé, bevakasha my...aches ko'ev li ha... I don't feel well; I've got temperature

ani margish rá; yésh li hóm

Where is there a pharmacy? eifo beit-hamerkáhat?

A pill for ..., please kadur neged ...,bevakasha

I will need a prescription ani zakúk lemirshám

השעה

מה השעה? What is the time? השעה אחת It is one o'clock השעה אחת וחצי It is half past one השעה אחת ורבע It is a quarter past one השעה רבע לחמש It is a quarter to five השעה שבע עשרים וחמש It is seven twenty five

עזרה רפואית

קרא לרופא, בבקשה! Please send for a doctor כואב לי ה... My... aches אני מרגיש רע: יש לי חום I don't feel well: I've got temperature איפה בית המרקחת? Where is there a pharmacy? כדור נגד... בבקשה A pill for ... please אני זקוק למרשם I will need a prescription

In our May/June Issue, 1983, the following riddle was published:

No correct answers were received.



SOLUTION:

This symbol was used by the "UNION OF ZIONIST REVISIONISTS" - (Brith Zionim Mahapchanim) - an underground movement during the British Mandate, founded by V. Jabotinsky. In the 30', the Revisionists became the principle Zionist opposition party to Chaim Weizmann's leadership methods and policies. The organization was instrumental in transforming immigration to the then Palestine, from a trickle into a mass movement, which brought thousands of European Jews escaping the Holocaust, to Palestinian shores. With the outbreak of World War II, Jabotinsky called for the suspension of the struggle against the British for the duration of the War.

The organization joined the "Irgun" in their struggle against the British and Arabs after World War II.





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