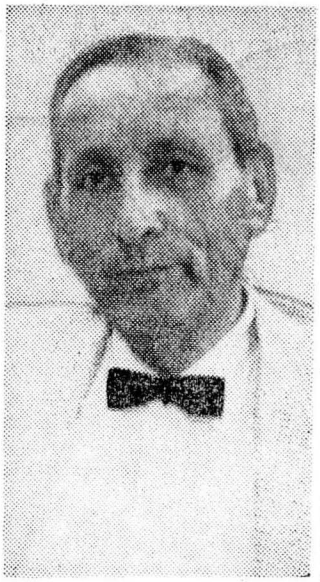
PILAVIN, Albert

January 27, 1964, in Palm Beach, Florida. Beloved husband of Selma (Fain) Pilavin. Residence 601 Elmgrove Ave. Funeral services 12 noon Thursday at Temple Beth-El, Orchard and Butler Avenues. Calling hours Tuesday 7-9 p.m., and Wednesday 2-4 p.m. Relatives and friends are invited. Kindly omit flowers. Interment services to be private.

Albert Pilavin Dies in Florida In 62nd Year



Albert Pilavin

Albert Pilavin, 61, of 601 Elmgrove Ave., president and founder of the Apex Tire & Rubber Co. of Pawtucket, died unexpectedly yesterday at his winter home in Palm Beach, Fla.

A pioneer in the tire industry when he started a tire rebuilding business in Providence in 1924, he is credited with naming "Camelback," the tread rubber used in the recapping industry.

With his father-in-law Alfred A. Fain, and brothers-in-law, M. Edgar Fain, Irving Jay Fain and Norman Fain, he was associated in the development of Apex, Inc., of Pawtucket, the discount merchandising store; Tower Iron Works, steel fabricators of Seekonk; Thompson Chemical Co. of Attleboro; Monroe Manufacturing Co., Aberdeen, Miss., a plastics firm, and Dighton Industries Co. of Dighton, Mass., warehousing and industrial real estate developers.

In August, 1953, Mr. Pilavin was appointed to the state commission to study employment security laws by Gov. Dennis J. Roberts.

Mr. Pilavin was a member of Temple Beth-El and served on the board of directors of the General Jewish Committee and Miriam Hospital. He was active in affairs of Brandeis University, B'nai B'rith, the Jewish Community Center, the Jewish Home for the Aged and Roosevelt Lodge, A.F. & A.M.

He was born in Russia, July 13, 1902, and had lived in Providence 40 years. His parents were the late Herschel and Fannie Pilavin.

In addition to his widow, Mrs. Selma (Fain) Pilavin, he leaves two daughters, Mrs. William Mayer of Seekonk and Mrs. Lawrence Gates of Providence; two sisters, Mrs. Sophie Zonderman and Mrs. Ethel Cobe, both of Boston, and three grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at noon in Temple Beth-El on Orchard Avenue. Burial, at Congregation Sons of Israel and David Cemetery, will be private.