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## Arabs Withdraw Money From Western Banks As Weapon

PARIS — Arab states are stepping up their economic offensive against the United States by withdrawing funds from American banks.

The transfers may be accelerated as a result of actions by Arab League economic ministers meeting for the last three days in Cairo. They agreed "in principle" that funds should be withdrawn from Western banks to finance development projects in Arab countries.

Mahmoud Riad, secretary general of the Arab League said that a "gradual withdrawal of deposits" had been agreed on.

"Special planning committees will meet to discuss what percentages would be withdrawn, and how the money would be invested", a spokesman for the league was granted as having said. It was felt that Egypt and Syria would receive priority in the allotment of the Arab investment funds since they had carried the brunt of the cost of the October fighting against Israel.

The Arabs, in both official and private funds, are believed to hold about \$10-billion on deposit with Western banks. Much of this is call money, which can be transferred almost immediately. Some of it is in three- and six-month certificates of deposit and some in medium-term deposits.

Reports that the Arabs were also withdrawing sizable amounts of funds from British banks were among the factors in a steep decline in the London stock market. While most of the Arab money abroad is held in dollars in American banks, more than \$1.44-billion is held in sterling in London according to statistics of

the Bank of England.

London stocks suffered their biggest decline since World War II.

The talk of the withdrawals also hit the dollars but additional factors in its slide were the rise in American wholesale prices and reports from Washington that the American balance-of-payments figures next year may not be as high as earlier anticipated.

### Rumors Spur Anxiety

Rumors in Europe of President Nixon's death, immediately denied by Washington, added to the nervousness of the market.

The dollar closed at 2.60 West German marks, against 2.64; at 3.17 Swiss francs, against 3.19, and at 4.50 French commercial francs, against 4.53.

Most analysts are agreed that the Arabs "money weapon" cannot be as effective an instrument as their "oil weapon." By reducing oil production and exports they are causing fuel difficulties for the west. But they have few places to invest their money except in the West, it is felt.

An expert at the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in Paris said recently: The Arabs "have a monopoly on the oil, but we have a monopoly on where they invest their money." The O.E.C.D. represents the major industrial nations.

Arab oil-producing states will be investing increasingly larger amounts of money in Western capital markets, Abdelatif Y. al-Hamad, director-general of the Kuwait Investment Company said at a financial symposium in Luxembourg last month.

## Mrs. Meir Receives Vote Of Confidence

TEL AVIV — Premier Golda Meir won a 291-to-33 vote of confidence from the Central Committee of the governing Labor party.

The vote came after she had accepted full responsibility for Israel's setbacks at the start of the October war.

There were 15 abstentions on the vote to continue Mrs. Meir and her associates in office, quashing an attempt by younger members to oust the leadership because it did not begin mobilizing the country until a few hours before the Arabs attacked.

Mrs. Meir demanded the confidence vote, saying, "I am responsible for anything that may have happened."

She conceded that there had been intelligence reports of an Arab build-up and said: "There was a fatal mistake of evaluation. The information was in our hands, including mine, and I have tortured myself not a little since then."

### Dayan's Position Bolstered

Her remarks shored up the position of Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, who has also been sharply criticized.

The committee met for more than 15 hours to debate general policy guidelines for the Middle East peace negotiations expected to start in Geneva this month and for the party platform in the general election December 31.

Although few specific points were adopted, it appeared during the debate that the party had softened its prewar stand on how much of the Arab territories occupied in the 1967 war should be retained.

A policy statement adopted before the October war called for increased settlement in the territories captured in 1967 and the establishment of a city below the Gaza Strip. A revision, completed a few weeks ago, takes a more moderate stand but insists that Israel will withdraw only to borders that she can defend.

## Israeli Paper Attacks Information Policy

JERUSALEM — The Jerusalem Post, an English-language paper, attacked Israel's policy on war information and called for a reorganization of her information services. It said that a dangerous "credibility gap" had developed in the country during the war that began October 6.

The paper said that the information policy should be among the most carefully studied subjects in the military investigation now in progress of all aspects of the war.

It said that there should be special attention paid to how information policy was formulated and carried out during the first days of the war when there was much confusion and the public felt that it was not being given a true picture of the situation.

The paper said that Israeli radio and television had come under the over-all supervision of the army spokesman's office during the war, with the result that there was no central civilian direction or planning of information. This in turn placed Israel's overseas press and information officers in a difficult position for lack of any clear directives, it said.

## Former Nazi Leader Alive In California

NEW YORK — The former Minister of Justice of the Nazi-controlled puppet state of Croatia during World War II — one Andrija Artukovic — is alive and living freely in Surfside, California. According to a secret file, under lock and key at the Los Angeles office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Artukovic entered the United States under an assumed name in July 1948, fleeing the Nuremberg War Trials. This disclosure is reported in the December issue of Reader's Digest.

Witnesses and war crimes investigators, relates Nathan M. Adams in "Our Mounting Wave of Illegal Immigrants," claim that he was "instrumental in the systematic massacre of nearly one million Jews and Serbians." And a wartime U.S. intelligence chief in the Balkans section further swears that Artukovic also approved orders that sent dozens of captured American pilots to their deaths.

Yet for years he managed to avoid deportation by a steady barrage of legal appeals to Congress, which took the form of so-called private bills introduced in his behalf by the late James R. Utt (R. Calif.). Each time it appeared Artukovic might be deported, a new bill was introduced, according to Adams. Then, in 1959, a court-appointed U.S. commissioner held that the crimes charged against Artukovic were "political" in nature. Accordingly, INS found that he was not extraditable to his native Yugoslavia.

## \$2.2 Billion Israeli Aid Bill Approved by 362 to 54 Vote

WASHINGTON — The House overwhelmingly approved by a vote of 362 to 54 legislation that would authorize the President to extend \$2.2-billion in emergency military aid to Israel to rebuild her forces in the wake of the October war.

The expectation is that most of the assistance would be given in the form of grants to Israel to offset the cost of weapons she has obtained from the United States.

The legislation now goes to the Senate. There it is expected to receive somewhat more skeptical consideration — but eventual endorsement — by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In a surprise move, meanwhile, the Senate Appropriations Committee, by a vote of 14 to 4, approved a proposal for a 50 per cent reduction in military aid for South Vietnam and Laos.

The proposal, by Senator William Proxmire, Democrat of Wisconsin, would impose a \$650-million ceiling on military aid to the two Southeast Asian countries in the fiscal year that began July 1. The Nixon Administration had originally requested \$1.8-billion but with the Vietnam cease-fire in January had reduced the request to \$1.3-billion.

The two actions — the House vote on military aid to Israel and the Senate committee move to cut aid to South Vietnam and Laos — were interrelated in the view of the Senate committee members, who were working on the defense budget for the present fiscal year.

### Cuts Elsewhere Were Sought

As the one-sided House vote indicated, there is strong support for approval of any amount of military aid thought necessary to protect Israel and maintain the military balance in the Middle East. But with the added burden of the Israeli aid, Congress was also anxious to find other areas in the national security budget that could be cut, as was reflected in the Senate committee's decision to reduce the Pentagon's military aid program for South Vietnam and Laos.

Leaving aside aid to South

Vietnam at the height of the Indochina war, the emergency assistance for Israel is the largest military aid bill to be considered by Congress in recent years. The \$2.2-billion in emergency aid was requested by President Nixon on October 19 — shortly before the end of the Arab-Israeli war — on the ground that it was necessary to offset Soviet military aid to the Arab nations and to maintain the military balance in the Middle East.

### Wide Discretionary Provisions

Under the legislation, the President would be given unusual discretionary authority to determine whether the assistance would be in the form of outright grants or credits for the purchase of weapons in this country. The only limitation that would be imposed under the House bill was that the President could extend the final \$70-million in the form of grants only if he determined that such action was "important to our national interest."

In the past, Israel has purchased military equipment from the United States on a cash or credit basis. Because of the economic strains imposed on Israel by the recent war, Administration officials have made clear that most, if not all, of the emergency assistance would be extended in the form of grants requiring no repayment by Israel.

In part, the emergency assistance would be used to offset the cost of nearly \$1-billion in military equipment that Israel purchased in the United States during and after the October war. Beyond those immediate purchases, which without the emergency assistance would have to be paid for by Israel early next year, there is some uncertainty as to how much additional military aid will be required by Israel.

Administration officials have talked in terms of \$2-billion in areas to rebuild the Israeli forces, probably to a higher level than before the war, while Israel has submitted a weapons request totaling about \$3-billion.

## Wilkins Calls On Beame To Start Programs To Ease Tensions

NEW YORK — Roy Wilkins, the civil rights leader, called on Mayor-elect Abraham D. Beame to start programs that would ease tensions between New Yorkers and improve the relationship between Jews and blacks.

Pointing out that New York City has the largest Jewish and black populations in the nation, Mr. Wilkins, executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, recommended that Mr. Beame enlist the joint cooperation of the two ethnic groups on such issues as free mass public transportation and improvement in the "quality of neighborhood life."

### Rights-Unit Change Urged

Speaking at a luncheon-meeting of the New York Chapter of the American Jewish Committee, in the Plaza Hotel, Mr. Wilkins also proposed that the Mayor-elect utilize the cooperative efforts of Jews and blacks and other ethnic groups in improving and expanding services to the elderly and poor.

Blacks and Jews, close allies in the civil rights struggles of the

nineteen-sixties, have become alienated in recent years over such issues as control of school boards, school zoning, busing and housing. "We have spent too much time on issues that divide us," Mr. Wilkins said.

He recommended that the city's Commission on Human Rights should be reconstructed and have the power and authority to deal with controversial issues such as quota systems in employment and education.

In an indirect reference to the Forest Hills scatter-site housing, Mr. Wilkins deplored disputes on public housing that start "on a relatively high level but rapidly descend in the hands of rabble-rousers to the lowest level of a nakedly white-black fight."

Mr. Beame could not be reached immediately for comment on Mr. Wilkins's recommendations.

### PROVEN ILLUSION

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**AT CONFERENCE:** Mrs. Harold Salk, Rhode Island-Southern Massachusetts region representative, and Mrs. Herbert Brown, District One Steering Committee chairman, were among the delegates at a recent conference for the formation of District One of Women's American ORT. Others at the meeting were Mrs. Martin Dittelmann, Rhode Island-Southern Massachusetts Region president; Mrs. Arnold Kaufman, Vice president; Mrs. Alvin Kurzer, membership chairman; Mrs. Herbert Leapman, financial secretary; Mrs. Alan Pearlman, vice president, and Mrs. Murray Miller, Narragansett Chapter president.

**Hijacker Sent To Mental Hospital**

**TEL AVIV** — A Libyan merchant who hijacked a Lebanese airliner to Israel last August in what he said was an effort to "show that not all Arabs hate the Jews" was ordered confined in a mental hospital.

A Tel Aviv district court accepted a psychiatric panel's conclusion that Mohammed al-Touni, 37 years old, "acted under uncontrollable diseased impulses" when he took over the Middle East Airlines jet.

Mr. Touni was ordered to be put under psychiatric care until cured. Other hijackers captured by Israel have been sentenced to life imprisonment or long prison terms.

Brandishing two pistols and a whisky glass, Mr. Touni on

August 16 forced the airliner to land at the Lydda airport during a flight from Libya to Beirut. Israeli security guards seized him. The 124 other persons aboard the plane, most of them Arabs, were questioned and sent on to Beirut.

**MOGILEVER MISSING**  
**NEW YORK** — Vladimir Mogilever, a Soviet Jewish activist who was sentenced May 1971 to four years in the Potma labor camp, disappeared from the camp November 2 and his whereabouts is unknown, the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry reported. Mogilever, one of the defendants in the second Leningrad trial, was called to the "vachta," an official building in the camp on November 2 and has not been seen since.

**Obituaries**

**ABRAHAM SILVERSTEIN**  
 Funeral services for Abraham Silverstein, 59, of 71 Sheffield Road, Cranston, who died December 9 after a one year illness, were held December 11 from Temple Beth Torah. Burial was in Sharon Memorial Park in Sharon, Massachusetts. He was the husband of Jeanette (Siegel) Silverstein.

Mr. Silverstein was the president of the Charles J. Whelden Company, a scrap metal firm, which he had been associated with for more than 30 years.

He was born in Boston, a son of the late Jacob and Bella (Orenberg) Silverstein, and had lived in Cranston for the past 21 years. He was a member of the board of directors of Temple Beth Torah and also held memberships in the temple Men's Club, B'nai B'rith and the Jewish Home for the Aged.

A 32nd degree Mason, he was a past master of Roosevelt Lodge #42 AF&AM; a member of the Quatour Coronati Lodge #2076 of London, England; a member of the Palestine Temple and a member of the Trowel Club and the Swords of Bunker Hill.

Besides his wife, he is survived by two daughters, Toby Potter of Warwick and Lois Greene of Cleveland, Ohio, and a sister, Ann Hurwitch of Miami Beach, Florida.

**MAURICE SHARE**  
 Funeral services for Maurice S. Share, 72, of 314 Rochambeau Avenue, who died on Tuesday after an 11 day illness, were held the next day from Temple Emanu-El. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The husband of Esther (Stewart) Share, he was a designer for the Imperial Knife Company for many years.

Born in Russia, a son of the late Joseph and Gelia Share, he had lived in Providence for more than 26 years.

Mr. Share was a board member

of Temple Beth El and its Sisterhood, a life member and past treasurer of the Ladies' Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged, a member of the Brandeis University Women's Association, the Providence Chapter of Hadasah, the Providence Hebrew Day School, the National Council of Jewish Women, The Miriam Hospital Women's Association and the Pawtuxet Order of Eastern Star.

She is survived by a son, Edward W. Weiner of Providence; two daughters, Roslyn Colson and Erma Leavitt, both of Providence; two brothers, William Aron of Providence and Archibald Aron of Framingham, Massachusetts; a sister, Miriam Fischer of Miami, Florida; six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

**MRS. DAVID WEINTRAUB**  
 Funeral services for Leah Weintraub of 99 Hillside Avenue, who died December 5 after a six-month illness, were held the following day at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The widow of David Weintraub, she was a member of Temple Beth Israel, Congregation Sons of Jacob, the Jewish Home for the Aged, and the Golden Agers.

She was born in Russia, a daughter of the late Solomon and Dora Melamut and lived in Providence for more than 50 years.

She is survived by three sons, Morris Weintraub, of Providence; Albert Weintraub of Warwick and Herman Weintraub of Cranston; a brother, Jack Melamut and a sister Minnie Zeidman, both of Providence, and five grandchildren.

**MICHAEL A. WERBLOW**  
 Funeral services for Michael Albert Werblow, 80, of 185 Landsdowne Street, Warwick, who died December 5, were held the following day at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Union Field Cemetery, Brooklyn, New York.

The husband of Lena (Baker) Werblow, he was born in Russia, a son of the late Robert and Frieda (Shapiro) Werblow. He was a hotel executive.

Besides his wife, he is survived by one daughter, Phyllis Stompf of Greenwich, Connecticut; a sister, Becka Bernstein of California, and two grandchildren.

**Card of Thanks**  
 The family of the late LENA DORA COHEN wishes to thank their many relatives and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy during their recent bereavement.  
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**MONUMENTS OF DISTINCTION**



**Mrs. Charles Smoler**

The wedding of Miss Carol Handelman, daughter of Mrs. Myer Handelman of 15 Mayhew Road, Attleboro, Massachusetts, and the late Myer Handelman, to Charles Smoler, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Smoler of Haviland Road, Harrison, New York, took place on Saturday, November 24 at the Colonnade Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts. Rabbi Philip Kaplan officiated.

The bride wore a gown of silk organza banded in silk face peau with clusters of beading falling from a mandarin collar. She wore a matching lace mantilla and carried a spray of white orchids and stephanotis.

Mrs. Stephen Starensier served as matron of honor and the bridesmaids were Miss Joanne Smoler, sister of the bridegroom, Miss Adrienne Fiedler and Miss Nancy Davis. Richard Levy was the best man and ushers were Steven Greenis, Steven Nirsh, Lawrence Elish and Kenneth Klein.

Following a wedding trip to Barbados, the couple will live in Rye, New York.

## ORGANIZATION NEWS

### OFFICERS NOMINATED

The Knightsville Manor Tenants Association recently nominated the following officers, David Rubin, president; Louise Messier, vice president; Michael Squizzero, treasurer; Rudy Kraemer, Walter Lang and George Bailey, trustees. A secretary will be named at the next meeting.

### PIONEER WOMEN

The Dvora Dayan club of the Pioneer Women will hold a meeting on Monday, December 17 at 8 p.m. at the home of Esther Kantor, 423 Wayland Avenue. The program is strictly for women.

"Tsena Urena," women's Yiddish literature will be given by Jeannette Resnik.

Jeannette Weiss, fund raising vice president, will discuss plans to raise monies for Pioneer Women's Widows and Orphans fund.

### HANUKAH PARTY

The South Shore Single Adult Group will sponsor a Hanukah Party on Sunday, December 23 from 2 to 6 p.m. at Temple Adas Shalom, 435 Adams Street, Quincy, Massachusetts. Refreshments will be served. The party is open to people aged 35 to 55.

### NEW YEARS DANCE

The South Shore Single Adult Group will sponsor a New Years Dance on Saturday, December 29 at Temple Adas Shalom, 435 Adams Street, Quincy, Massachusetts. There will be a live band, hats, favors, and refreshments.

### KRASNER TO SPEAK

Dr. Robert I. Krasner of the biology department of Providence College will speak on "People vs. Earth," at a breakfast-meeting of Temple Sinai Brotherhood on Sunday, December 16 in the temple sanctuary at 9 a.m. Jerome Kaplan, brotherhood president, will preside at the meeting.

Dr. Krasner is chairman of the department of biology undergraduate curriculum revision committee and also serves as chairman

of the faculty recruitment committee in the department of biology at Providence College.

### ONEG SHABBAT

Pioneer Women, Club One will hold an Oneg Shabbat on Saturday, December 15 at 1 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Charles Lappin, 246 Fourth Street.

Mrs. Irving Wiener will be the guest speaker. Her topic will be, "Unique Jewish Experiences around the World."

Diane Silk will read the Portion of the Week.

### HOME MEETING

The third open meeting of the Ladies Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged will be held on Wednesday, December 19 at 1 p.m. in the Home auditorium.

Irving Kronenberg, executive director of the Home will present a movie about Maimonides Hospital in Canada where an effective day care center for the aged has been developed. He will then explain how such a program could be implemented at the Home in Providence. A question and answer period will follow. The meeting is open to the public.

### SWIMMING PROGRAM

The Reach and Rehabilitation Program of the American Cancer Society is sponsoring a Fun and Fitness Swimming Program for women who have had a mastectomy, surgical removal of the breast. The program begins Sunday, January 6 at the YMCA in Cranston, on 1225 Park Avenue.

The swim program is open to mastectomy patients from all communities in the state. All female staff and life guards and instructors will be available to teach basic swimming and to provide more advanced instruction for all interested swimmers. Showers will be available and there is parking at the door.

Hours for the session are every Sunday from 5 to 6 p.m. Anyone interested should call the American Cancer Society at 831-6970.

## IL920 Million Raised In Israel

JERUSALEM — The voluntary loan fund in Israel to help cover war costs has already raised some IL920 million, said Knesseter Adi Yaffe, Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir's special assistant on fund-raising projects. The loan fund has set itself a target of some IL1300 million. Yaffe expressed confidence that it will be attained. He gave the following breakdown of the fund so far:

IL100 million from organized groups of employed persons; IL150 million from the "Histadrut" sector of the economy, which embraces Histadrut-owned companies such as Shikun Ovdim, Solel Bonah and Koor, as well as the kibbutz-based industries; and IL650 million from private firms and private persons. Yaffe said the fund uses the same methods as those of the United Jewish Appeal; praising and publicizing impressive contributions.

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## Editor's Mailbox

### Concerned With Lack Of Knowledge On Holding Of Territories

I am concerned that there is such a lack of information amongst our own people why Israel has not given up the territories taken during and since the 1967 war.

The issues dealt with are misunderstood not only in the Christian community but also as well in the Jewish community and it is incumbent amongst all of us to understand these issues and to be able to present them to our Christian neighbors.

The treacherous attack by Egypt and Syria while the people of Israel, like Jews around the world, were at prayer on the most solemn day of the Jewish calendar — Yom Kippur — has demonstrated to the world the meaning and the correctness of Israel's insistence on secure and defensible borders in any settlement of the 25-year-old Middle Eastern conflict.

Israel is roughly the size of New Jersey. Americans can readily perceive the precarious existence of the Israeli people by considering the situation that would confront the people of New Jersey were they a sovereign nation, surrounded by the hostile and far more populous 'countries' of New York, Pennsylvania, and Delaware, with the Atlantic Ocean at their backs. Just so, Israel is surrounded by hostile and far more populous Arab enemies who, for 25 years, have refused to make peace, refused to recognize Israel's right to exist, and refused to accept even her status as a sovereign nation, created in 1947 by the world community through the United Nations.

Since its creation, Israel has instead been confronted by enemies resolved to destroy her. She has never had secure, defensible and legally-recognized borders; Israel's lack of secure, defensible and legally-recognized borders, in fact, proved a major factor in the outbreak of three Middle Eastern wars — in 1948, 1956, and 1967 — and now that same condition is a factor in the 1973 fighting. Secure and defensible borders, by their very nature, reduce the danger of war and increase chances for lasting peace. The United Nations Security Council, in November 1967, set forth the goal of "a just and lasting peace" in which "every state" in the Middle Eastern area could "live in security" and "enjoy the right to live in peace within secure and recognized boundaries free from the threats or acts of force . . ."

Israel's need for secure and defensible borders is nothing more, nor less, than a need for the right to be able to defend itself. As long as she has lacked such borders — secure, defensible and legally recognized by the world — there has existed a continuing temptation for the Arab states to carry out their long-threatened resolve to destroy the Jewish State. And as long as Israel has lacked such borders, she has confronted a continuing and grave dilemma whenever

her enemies threatened war: whether to wait passively for a possibly crippling attack, or to assume the initiative and take preventive action when such a blow seemed imminent.

Before 1967, Israel had no land cushion to trade away for time in which to mobilize her defense forces and her reserve units, to equip those units, and to deploy them against those threatening her existence. With Egypt controlling the Sinai Peninsula and Syria the Golan Heights in the northeast, hostile armed forces were only minutes away from major Israeli population centers and vital port life-lines by ground and even fewer minutes away by air. Israel then faced the constant and repeated need to mobilize on impossibly short notice for every alert and every possible threat, no matter how seemingly minor the danger of all-out war might be on any given occasion, and no matter how high the cost of such mobilization to the Israeli economy and to the tranquility of Israeli security. Israel lived with the constant fear that she might not be able to survive a first strike by the Arabs, or that she might not be able to survive a defensive ground war, fought on her own soil, in and around her major population centers.

The post-1967 cease-fire line, for the first time in their existence provided the Israelis with a secure and defensible territorial position. Flying times between Egyptian air force bases and Israeli population centers were lengthened by anywhere from 17 to 21 minutes — still a narrow margin for survival. Israel's control of the Sinai Peninsula and of the Golan Heights gave her, for the first time, cushions of land to trade for time in which to mobilize. Her control of Sharm-el-Sheikh, at the southern end of the Sinai, made her vital southern life-lines through the Straits of Tiran to the Israeli port of Eilat, less vulnerable to Arab blockade, Israel's control of the Jordan River's West Bank, likewise, has eliminated the narrow waist which once made Israel highly vulnerable to Arab units based on the West Bank which could stab nine of ten miles to the Mediterranean Sea coast and cut her in two in a matter of a mere 20 minutes.

Because of the land cushions that emerged after 1967, the major fighting in 1973 took place in the Sinai Peninsula — not in the Israeli communities of Ashkelon, and Beersheba, or in Rehovot, Netanya, Nazereth and Tiberias, not to mention Jerusalem, Tel Aviv and Haifa. Yet even today, Israeli settlements below the Golan Heights have been hit.

The lesson of these facts is clear. Israel's firm resolve never to return to the pre-1967 borders that exposed her to repeated aggression and offered the Arab aggressors decisive military advan-



## FROM FRIDAY TO FRIDAY

### The Rebbe's Wife, The Rebbetzen

By BERYL SEGAL

Since the Heder was held in the house where the Rebbe lived, his wife was inevitably involved in the education of the children of Orinim. She was in the midst of the tumult, the noise, the joys and the sorrows of twenty-odd children every day, all day long.

The wife of the Rebbe was known as the Rebbetzen. She deserved her title. Were it not for her the Rebbe could not fulfill his duties.

The Rebbetzen took charge of the lunches the children brought with them to sustain them during the day. She it was who saw to it that they dressed properly in inclement weather on their way home. Button up the coats. Wrap the shawl around the neck. Don't fight. She it was who acted as a calming influence on the Rebbe. Whenever there was a crisis coming on in the Heder, the Rebbetzen would come out of the kitchen and rescue the offending boy.

"What's the matter with you?" she would ask the Rebbe, "Do you want to kill him? You act like a Gazlon."

Both the Rebbe and the boy would calm down and peace was restored to the Heder.

In the book "Life Is with People," by Zborowski and Herzog, the Rebbetzen is accused of pilfering the luncheons of the children and blaming the dog or cat for eating them. Nothing can be further from the truth. I do not remember a single case of missing lunches. On the other hand, I remember the Thursday nights when the Rebbetzen was baking Halle for Sabbath, and she also baked Malayeklech, round little corn meal pancakes, one for each child. The miller's son received two pancakes because his mother sent up the flour for the treat.

The Rebbe's wages were very meager, and the Rebbetzen had to supplement the income. She did it in a variety of ways.

The wife of the Humosh and Rashi Melamed had two cows. Every evening, at milking time, a line of girls would queue up with pitchers in their hands, to buy a few pennies worth of milk. The Rebbetzen had a tin measuring cup and she would fill the pitchers. She also sold dairy products made of the remaining milk. She would store the milk in earthen jugs, in a dark place in the cellar, and when the milk soured she would beat the cream into butter and sell the remainder as "sour milk." The older boys were a great help in the Rebbetzen's business. Early in the

morning, they would take the cows to the pasture, and in the evening they would go to fetch them home. "Beating the Butter" was a task we would all fight over. When the cream was ripe, she would pour it into a round, wooden container, a churner, and the content was agitated with a wooden paddle until butter appeared in the churner. The Rebbetzen would sell the butter in elongated loaves, adorned with strips and markings.

The Gemoro Melamed's wife had a dry goods business. Every Tuesday was market day in Orinim. The Yarid. The whole Shtetl waited for the Yarid. On that day the peasants from the surrounding villages would come to sell and buy wares. A classic description of a market day was portrayed by the Russian writer, Maxim Gorky, a native of the Ukraine. Early in the morning on Tuesdays, the Rebbetzen put up her tent. We, the boys of the Heder, were the chief engineers of the tent and the carters of bolts of dry goods from the house to the tent. She was a slight little woman, but she was faster than we and we could not keep up with her movements. She climbed up and down the ladder to put the bolts on the shelves. Some of us stayed with her to keep an eye on the customers. Tuesday was a half holiday for us. In the evening we helped take in the remaining bolts of cretonnes and percales from the shelves of the tent and store away the structure for the next Yarid day. The Rebbetzen was also the one who would go to the big city, Kamenetz-Podolsk, to replenish her stock of dry goods. She came back to the Shtetl late and we, the boys, would help take in the goods the Rebbetzen had bought. Many women in the Shtetl, by the way, did similar business.

Another Rebbetzen sold Gruppen, a cereal for cooking Kasha, or Buckwheat Groats. Here, too, the boys of the Heder helped out. They would carry the bags of the

various kinds of Gruppen: rough, medium grind, very fine, from the mill to her little store.

Helping the Rebbetzen was a self-understood tradition, and the task was handed down from one group of pupils to another. We did, after all, spend more time at the Rebbe's house than in our own homes during our Heder years.

The Rebbe-Rebbetzen-pupil relationship was destroyed during the last few years before the Russian Revolution during World War One. In those years there arose "enlightened" people in the Shtetl who advocated a better educational system for the children. They founded the Talmud Torah, a Hebrew Day school, where boys and girls would come to the same building and where modern teachers would teach them new disciplines in addition to the Aleph Beth of the Dardeki Melamed, and the Humosh and Rashi of the advanced Melamed. Instead, they taught them the History of the Jewish people, the elements of the Russian language, arithmetic, writing and speaking of Hebrew and Russian, and in general introducing modern methods in Jewish teaching. Gone was the Heder and the Kantchik, and the Teitel and the long tables and benches of the Heder, the long hours and also the beating of children. There were, instead, definite classes and grades, and coming on time, and going home on time, and sitting at desks, and observance of cleanliness, and, yes, of wearing uniforms. These schools were called "Tarbut," Culture schools, with teachers coming from outside of Orinim.

Not all parents were ready for these reforms. For a while, the two, the old Heder and the modern Talmud Torah, existed side by side. But the Heder was destined to give way to the modern Talmud Torah, and with it a way of life that had existed for centuries among the Jews.

## Your Money's Worth

By Sylvia Porter



### 'Truth in Energy' on Way

Are you aware that self-defrosting refrigerators use twice as much power as regular refrigerators use?

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Do you — in this era of soaring prices for virtually all forms of energy, certainly including electricity — know which of the major appliances in your house are the biggest energy-eaters?

Electric power is rapidly becoming a major item in the family budget. Its average cost was 2.2 cents per kilowatt hour in 1972; this has risen dramatically in recent months; beyond doubt, the cost will climb even more painfully

in future months. Already, for many families, the monthly electric bill is \$20 to \$25, and if you live in an all-electric home, your bill can be several times this total.

Now before the Senate is a little-publicized "Truth in Energy" amendment to the much-publicized 1973 Fuels and Energy Conservation Act. Under this amendment, appliance manufacturers, distributors, wholesalers and retailers would be compelled to label energy consuming household appliances — gas and oil as well as electrical — according to the average operating cost per year.

This labeling also would be required in appliance advertising if cost was mentioned. Or the ad would have to state that operating cost information would be available at point of sale.

To you, the appliance shopper, this would mean you would know exactly what extra cost of operation you were taking on when you picked Brand B over Brand A. You would know too whether or not the annual cost of maintaining a specific appliance was higher than you could really afford to pay.

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## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1973  
10:30 a.m.  
Temple Beth Shalom, Board Meeting  
1:00 p.m.  
Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Hanukkah Workshop  
2:00 p.m.  
Hope Chapter, B'nai B'rith Women, Hanukkah Party  
Barrington Jewish Center Sisterhood, Children's Hanukkah Party
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1973  
8:00 p.m.  
Temple Sinai Sisterhood, Board Meeting  
Devereaux Dayan Club, Pioneer Women, Regular Meeting
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 1973  
7:00 p.m.  
Jewish Home for the Aged, Admissions Committee Meeting
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1973  
12:30 p.m.  
Cranston Chapter of Hadassah, Board Meeting  
1:00 p.m.  
Ladies' Association, Jewish Home for the Aged, Third Open Meeting  
8:30 p.m.  
Ladies' Association, Providence Hebrew Day School, Hanukkah Supper and Party

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## Arnold Soloway To Give Keynote

Arnold Soloway, chairman of the New England Leadership Conference on the Middle East, will deliver the keynote address at a Rhode Island Leadership Conference on Sunday, December 16.

Representatives of Jewish organizations throughout the state have been chosen as delegates to the conference, which will focus on the energy crisis and the international political situation of Israel. Norman Orodener is co-chairman of the Israel Affairs Committee of the JCRC, which has organized the conference.

The conference is organized as a series of workshops. Participating as discussion leaders and resource persons in the conference will be Dr. Marshall Goldman, chairman of the department of Economics at Wellesley College; Dr. Richard Hellman, professor of Economics and director of the Research Center in Business and Economics at URI; Dr. Alan Zuckerman, of the Brown University Department of Political Science; Dr. Edward Beiser, also of the Brown Political Science Department and the co-

chairman of the Israel Affairs Committee.

Other conference leaders are Dr. Robert Weisbord, professor of History at URI; Dr. Norman Zucker, professor of Political Science at URI; Professor John Sapsinsley, the director of the Center for Economic Education and assistant professor of Economics at Rhode Island College; and Dr. Eunice Shatz, associate professor of Sociology at RIC.

Dr. Soloway has taught economics at the graduate school of Boston College and at Harvard University, where he received his Ph.D. He is the president of the New England Region of the American Zionist Federation, a director at large of the National Bureau of Economic Research, and has served as a consultant to local and national government agencies.

Attendance at the workshops is limited to organizational delegates, but the public is invited to hear Dr. Soloway's address, which is scheduled to begin at 4 p.m. The Conference will be held in the Jewish Community Center.



**HANUKAH SPECIAL:** On Thursday, December 20 at 7:30 p.m. WSBE, TV channel 36, the Public Television System of Rhode Island, will present a Hanukkah special entitled, "The Sons of Israel," featuring Shari Fishbein. The program will be made up of ancient and biblical Hebrew songs as well as modern songs from present day Israel.

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## ORGANIZATION NEWS

### BOY SCOUTS

The Narragansett Council, Boy Scouts of America, has formed a Philmont '74 Committee to plan a 15-day trip to Philmont Scout Ranch at Cimarron, New Mexico, next summer.

The trip will be from July 27 to August 13. Scouts who will be 14 years old by September 1 are eligible for the trip.

Warren Grogan is the chairman of the committee. Others on the committee are, Ralph Arnold of Attleboro, a member of the Blackstone Valley District Committee; Robert Barnes of Cranston, and William Kosacz of Providence, members of the Providence District Committee; Eugene Charette of Providence, member of the Thundermist District Committee, Woonsocket, and Michael Ferraro of Westerly, Scoutmaster of Troop 10.

Also Michael DeCiantis of West Warwick, assistant council commissioner, southern; Anthony Pelosi of Cranston, assistant council commissioner, northern; Jeffrey Goldfarb, associate district executive; Joseph Postar, member of Cranston District Committee and James Willard, ranger at Champlin Reservation, Cranston.

### WALK-A-THON

The Cranston AZA, B'nai E'rith Young Organization, is sponsoring a walk-a-thon on Sunday, December 16. Benefits from the event will go to Israel.

It will start at 1 p.m. from Temple Beth Am and will end at the Jewish Community Center.

Further information may be obtained by calling 941-8479.

### HANUKAH PARTY

The Ladies Aid and Sisterhood of Congregation Ohave Shalom will have a family Hanukkah party — Israeli style — on Saturday, December 22, at 8 p.m. in the Vestry of the synagogue.

## Egyptians Distracted Israelis From Buildup

CAIRO — Egyptian forces used 65 tactics to distract Israeli attention from Cairo's build-up for the October war, the Assistant War Minister, Major General Saad Maamoun said.

The general, according to the newspaper, Al Ahram, said that these included having Egyptian soldiers swim in the Suez Canal as usual every day — including the day the war began, October 6 — and insuring that soldiers left their helmets off until the very moment of battle.

He said that 80,000 men crossed the canal on the first day and that 15 Israeli strongpoints were captured, the first one, south of Port Said, falling 83 minutes after the war's start.

A Hanukkah playlet will be presented by the children of the Hebrew school, after which an art demonstration will be presented by Edward Gershman. A special Israeli delicacy, "Falafel," will be served and Hanukkah grab bags will be presented to the children.

Chairman for the evening is Mrs. Yaakov Uvsitzky and co-chairman is Mrs. Abraham M. Mal. Other people on the committee are Mrs. Raymond Marks, Mrs. Samuel Brown, Mrs. Robert Finn, Mrs. Leonard Komros, Mrs. Samuel Trachtenberg, Mrs. Carl Passman, Mrs. Harold Kerzner, and Mrs. Elliot Brown, ex-officio.

### PIONEER WOMEN

The December meeting of the Shalom chapter of Pioneer Women will be held on Tuesday, December 18 at 8 p.m. at the Auburn Branch of the Cranston Public Library, 50 Rolfe Street.

The program for the evening will be presented by Dr. Daniel Perl, director of the Genetics Library at The Miriam Hospital. The title of the program will be, "Screening for Tay-Sachs Disease."

### STAMP COLLECTORS

The Rhode Island Philatelic Society will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, December 18 at All Saints Church Parish Hall on 674 Westminister Street at 7:30 p.m.

There will be no meeting on January 1.

### MALAVAH MALKA

Congregation Shaare Zedek-Sons of Abraham will hold a Hanukkah Malavah Malka on Saturday, December 15 at 7:30 p.m. Food will be served and there will be entertainment.

Louis Sacarovitz and Louis Erenkrantz are the co-chairmen.

### STAMP BOURSE

Stamp dealers of New England will hold a monthly stamp bourse at the Le Foyer Club on Sunday, December 16 and every third Sunday of the month thereafter. Hours will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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# THE ARCHITECT OF A NATION

*The establishment of the Jewish State, its consolidation, and its admission to the world community — these were the achievements of David Ben-Gurion, who died recently. In his own restless estimation, they were never quite enough. During one of his last public appearances, six months ago, the old statesman was asked what was missing. Three things, he replied: another five or six million Jews; people ready to live, cultivate, and build in the desert; and peace with the Arabs.*

David Ben-Gurion, who died at the age of 87, was the first Prime Minister of the State of Israel. He was one of the "founding fathers" of the State; and it was he who, in the art museum of Tel-Aviv, read the declaration of its establishment on the day before the British mandate for Palestine ended, May 14, 1948. His appointment crowned 40 years of work for the Jewish people in Palestine. It was a triumph of will and single-mindedness and combativeness.

Ben-Gurion was born in Plonsk, in Russian Poland, in 1886. His father — whose name was Green — was one of the leaders of the Lovers of Zion, and David, from his boyhood, was devoted to that cause and to socialism. When aged 17 he founded a Socialist Zionist group in Warsaw. This aroused the suspicion of Tsarist authorities. He was imprisoned and then expelled, and went to Palestine in 1906 with a three months' visa. He stayed on, however, as a labourer (poel) and worked on the land. He took the Hebrew name of one of the leaders in the struggle against Rome. Straight away he set out to form a Labour Party in Palestine, and he was active also in forming a body of guards, who were the predecessors of the Haganah, for the defense of the Jewish agricultural settlements. Like other pioneers he was active also as a journalist and writer. One of his early books was entitled "From Class to Nation."

In order to fit himself for leadership he went in 1912 to Constantinople, to the Ottoman School of Politics with Moshe Sharrett, his future Foreign Minister and successor. He returned to Palestine at the outbreak of the war in 1914, but was exiled by the Turks and went to the United States. There he married, organized a Zionist Labour Party, and wrote studies on Palestine. He joined the Jewish Legion, which was raised in America in 1918 to be a part of the British forces in Palestine, and came as a corporal in the 40th Battalion of the Royal Fusiliers.

From 1918 to 1939 he lived in Tel Aviv, and was soon the acknowledged head of the Labour Party, which, under his dynamic direction, became the most powerful group in the country. He formed first a union of Left parties, then a political party known as Mapai, and finally, a trade union body, General Confederation of Labour (Histadrut) which grew from 5,000 members in 1921 to over two hundred thousand in 1948. It comprised half the Jewish adult population and was the biggest political as well as economic force in Palestine. He was its secretary-general from 1923 to 1935, and the director of its policy.

Soon he began to take a commanding part also in the world Zionist movement. In 1933 he was elected to the Zionist executive council, and from 1935 was the chairman of the Palestine executive. When Dr. Arlosoroff, the political head of Labour Zionism, was murdered in 1933 Ben-Gurion stepped into his place. With Dr. Weizmann, the president of the World Zionist Organization, he carried on a long struggle for supreme power; and British policy after 1936, with its concessions to the Arabs and its frustrations of Jewish hopes, gave Ben-Gurion a hold over the younger generation



in Palestine and turned it against the elder Statesman with his faith in Anglo-Zionist partnership. Ben-Gurion was the leading opponent of the British Government's White Paper on Palestine in 1939. Though, when the war came, he realized the need for fullest Jewish support for the Allies, he still maintained the struggle for Jewish rights. "We shall fight the Nazis as if there were no White Paper, and fight the White Paper as if there were no war."

From that time he was ardent for the establishment of a Jewish State. He went to America again in 1942, and was one of the architects of the so-called "Biltmore Programme," adopted by the American Zionists, which demanded a Jewish State in all Palestine. He set out resolutely to create a Jewish fighting force which, if need be, could fight for independence: and he developed the Haganah into a Jewish army.

After the decision of the United Nations Assembly in 1947, adopting the proposal for partition of Palestine into Jewish and Arab States, his powers grew steadily in the face of the struggle of the Jews in Palestine on two fronts, against both the British Administration and the Arabs. In the provisional Government of Israel he wielded the authority of a dictator, and, though the Irgun, the military organization of the Revisionists, were bitterly opposed, his position was broadly based on the support of the workers. He was Minister of Defense as well as Prime Minister; moreover he was the Commander-in-Chief of all the Jewish forces on land and sea and air.

Ben-Gurion was Prime Minister of Israel from May, 1948, to December, 1953. During that time he was the head of three coalition Governments, in which his central Labour party, Mapai, was the senior partner. The first coalition was with the Religious Groups, the Progressive (Liberal) Party, and some other small groups. The second, after election of a fresh Assembly in 1951, had much the same composition. The third, formed in December, 1952, included the General Zionists which was the party of the Bourgeoisie. Ben-Gurion was throughout the Minister of Defense as well as Premier.

His main principle was to bring to Israel all Jewish communities

who were willing to come. The policy of "ingathering of the exiles" during the first four years of the State brought in over 700,000 Jews, a greater number than the existing Jewish population. He attacked the "Anglo-Saxon" Zionists, because only a few of them were prepared to move their homes to Israel. In external affairs he offered a hand of friendship to the Arab States, particularly to Egypt after the revolution, but at the same time maintained the military strength of Israel. Generally his foreign policy was orientated on the support of the Western democracies, but Israel did not join any Middle Eastern organization.

In the winter of 1953 he suddenly announced his determination to give up office and become a private citizen. He was "spiritually weary," and no man was indispensable. He wanted to refresh himself by simple life and contact with the soil. He settled in a small collective village in a distant and arid spot of the Negev, Sdeh Boker (Cowboy's Meadow). From there he continued to issue epistles to the Jews of Israel and the world, stressing the Messianic mission. But in February, 1955, he resumed the Ministry of Defense. And when the third general election was held in August, 1955 he was again the leader of Mapai. He was disappointed in the hope that Mapai would gain enough seats to enable him to change the proportional electoral system to one more on English lines. But he was called on by the President to head a Government, and contrived to bring into it all the Left parties except the Communists. His principal concern was the security of the State and he was perturbed by the Soviet action in pouring heavy armament and powerful modern aircraft into Egypt. In July, 1956, he declared that Israel must not make war whatever the Arab provocation; but a little later he shed from the Government Moshe Sharett, the Foreign Minister since 1948, who was believed to counsel moderation and patience. And in October, as the threats of Arab attack on all fronts become more strident, he mobilized Israeli forces. Two days later the invasion of Sinai started: in five days the campaign was

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# BRIDGE

By Robert E. Starr

This hand contains one of those automatic combinations of cards. Under the circumstances there is but one correct way of playing it to protect against any unfortunate break. Yet I saw several better than average players fail to play it right. Many times it will not cost as the cards will lie favorably enough to offset their lack of foresight. It did cost in today's hand. I hope they never forget what they should have done.

North  
 ♠ J 5 3  
 ♥ J 9 4  
 ♦ 9 7 6 4 3 2  
 ♣ A

West  
 ♠ J 8 4  
 ♥ 7 2  
 ♦ K 10 5  
 ♣ Q J 10 7 3

East  
 ♠ Q 10 9 2  
 ♥ K 8 6 5  
 ♦ Q 8  
 ♣ 9 6 5

South  
 ♠ A K 6  
 ♥ A Q 10 3  
 ♦ A J  
 ♣ K 8 4 2

Bernard Podrat and Edmund Rogers were North and South, North Dealer, all Vulnerable with this bidding:

N	E	S	W
3NT	P	2NT	P

Playing Weak Two Bids allowed South to open the bidding Two No Trump with his 21 points. If one plays strong Two Bids 22 points are needed to open this way. North had an easy response. He certainly did not want to go to Slam in Diamonds, in fact he wasn't even certain his hand would be good enough for game. But he could easily try for nine tricks in No Trump. Five points should be enough for that. Almost every pair played the hand there with South Declarer.

West had a natural opening lead, the Club Queen which had to be won by Dummy's singleton Ace. This effectively removed the last entry to Dummy, actually the only one Dummy had. At this point Declarer had to count his tricks and decide what to do with that entry for it was to be like gold. He could only count five tricks outside his Heart suit with no prospect of gaining another trick in any of those other suits. The other four had to come from Hearts which obviously meant no losers could be afforded there. To accomplish that the Heart King had to be picked up, the finesse working. This naturally assumes East has to have the King.

What card would you now lead from the Dummy to give you the best chance to make the whole suit good? I watched as some Declarers led the Jack. Not one East did them the favor of covering so the Jack won. But now when they led another Heart to take another finesse, they had to win it in their own hand. All the cards in their hand were higher than what was left in Dummy. This would have been all right and not costly if East had had no more than three Hearts for at this point when the Ace was led the King would fall if it hadn't already done so. But East had four Hearts and his King did not drop on that Ace so these Declarers went down. They should have easily made the hand despite East's holding.

All they had to do was to play the Heart combination right. They had to protect themselves against East having more than three Hearts to the King which meant they had to stay in Dummy an extra time. They could do this if they led the 9 instead of the Jack. As these are actually equals the 9 will also win that first trick and keep Declarer in Dummy. Now the Jack is led on the second lead

and will also win as the 10 can be played under it. And now the finesse can be tried once again with a knowledgeable Declarer actually hoping that East will follow low instead of with the King so that he will make one more trick than the other Declarers who play the Jack first make. As you can see he will not be rewarded if East's King has to be played earlier. If West has the King the finesse will lose no matter which card is played first.

Moral: Learn the above card combination. You never know when it might gain you a trick or mean the success of a contract. You never can lose anything playing it right.

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**NEW YORK** — The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith announces the appointment of Justin J. Finger to the newly created post of assistant director of the civil rights division.

## Arab Pressure On Japan Building In Recent Talks

**TOKYO.** — Arab diplomatic pressure on Japan built up as two Arab envoys concluded two days of high-level talks here and Japan's Deputy Premier took off on an oil-seeking mission to Arab capitals, according to an article by Richard Halloran in the New York Times.

The Foreign Minister of Syria, Abdel Halim Khaddam, and a state minister from Abu Dhabi, Adnan al-Pachachi, ended their discussions with Premier Kakuei Tanaka, Deputy Premier Takeo Miki, Foreign Minister Masayoshi Ohira and the Minister of International Trade and Industry, Yasuhiro Nakasone.

The two Arab representatives, like their colleagues elsewhere, have been traveling since the close of the recent high-level Arab meeting in Algeria to justify the Arab oil embargo. Tokyo was an important stop on their journey because the Arabs appear to have selected the Japanese as being especially vulnerable to pressure.

Japan, the world's largest petroleum consumer after the United States, must import all of her oil. About 84 per cent comes from the Middle East, with 45 per cent obtained from Arab nations and the rest from Iran.

The Arabs' basic message to the Japanese Government was that, to obtain oil, Japan must help persuade Israel to withdraw from all Arab territories she has occupied, must urge the Americans to force Israel into accepting a Middle East settlement on terms satisfactory to the Arabs, and must extend economic aid to Arab nations.

Earlier, Arab officials told the Japanese Government that it should break diplomatic relations with Israel, extend military aid to Arab countries and sever trade with Israel.

So far as could be determined, the Japanese leaders did not go beyond their policy statement issued last month, although they were reported to have expressed sympathy for the Arab position. The Japanese pleaded with the Arabs to understand that Japan had few natural resources — and no oil of her own — and was dependent on trade for survival.

The Japanese policy statement on November 22 supported the Arab position and demanded that Israel withdraw from all Arab territories. Tokyo warned that if Israel did not, Japan might have to "reconsider its policy toward



**ENGAGED:** Mr. and Mrs. Julius Rytman of Norwich, Connecticut announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon to James D. Siegel, son of Ruth Siegel of 154-H Shore Drive, Peabody, Massachusetts, and the late Maxwell B. Siegel.

Miss Rytman attended Norwich Free Academy in Norwich and graduates in December from Boston University's School of Education. A graduate of Saint John's Prep School in Danvers, Massachusetts, Mr. Siegel is a senior at Boston University's School of Public Communication.

A June wedding is planned.

**ENDS HUNGER STRIKE**  
**LONDON** — After 21 days Soviet Jewish ballet dancer Valery Panov called off the hunger strike he started to protest the refusal of Soviet authorities to grant him and his ballerina wife, Galina, permission to leave for Israel.

according to Jewish sources in the Soviet Union. Galina had ended her hunger strike earlier and Valery stopped after doctors warned his health was in danger. He reportedly told friends that if visas were not forthcoming he would resume his fast.

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**GUEST SPEAKER:** Attorney General Richard Israel will be the guest speaker at the open breakfast meeting of the Men's Club of Congregation Mishkon Tfiloh on Sunday, December 16 at 9 a.m.

**IN GOOD CONDITION**

**NEW YORK** — Yosef Tekoah, Israel's Ambassador to the United Nations, was reported to be in "good condition" by a spokesman for Mt. Sinai Hospital where the envoy has been since Nov. 5. A spokesman for the Israel Mission to the UN said that Tekoah had been suffering from viral pneumonia.

**Your Money's Worth**

(Continued from page 4)

Originally, the Truth in Energy amendment was sponsored as a separate bill by Sen. John Tunney, D-Cal. To determine annual costs, the Department of Commerce would be directed to develop basic statistics on the amount of energy used each year by each type and brand of appliance.

Included would be virtually all appliances, plus heating and cooling systems using an average of more than 200 kilowatt hours a year (or the equivalent in gas or oil). Here are some of the key energy-guzzlers which would come under the law:

Water heater, using an average of 4,490 KWH yearly; freezer, using an average of 1,478 KWH yearly; one-room air-conditioner, using an average of 1,375 KWH yearly; an electric range, using an average of 1,180 KWH yearly; clothes dryer, using an average of 990 KWH yearly; dehumidifier, using an average of 377 KWH yearly.

Now included: TV sets and dishwashers.

Chances of passage in the Senate at least appear good. Reason: so strong is the drive for facts on energy consumption that states and cities the nation over are shipping together their own laws and ordinances — and the appliance industry is faced with the night-

**Prominent Status For Reform Sought By Hebrew Group**

**NEW YORK** — The newly elected head of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations said that it would press on a political level to achieve a more prominent status for Reform Judaism in Israel's religious life.

The president of the Reform body, Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler, emphasized at a news conference and in an interview that Reform Judaism "is going to assert its rights and not accept a second-class citizenship" in Israel.

"We will press with dignity and respect to achieve a status for Reform in Israel," he said.

Speaking at the New York Hilton, where his organization held its annual general assembly the 47-year-old rabbi said, "Let no one mistake that this is an attack on Orthodoxy as a movement within Judaism."

Rabbi Louis Bernstein, president of the Rabbinical Council of America, an Orthodox

**The Lyons Den**



By Leonard Lyons

**NEW YORK** — Former Vice President Agnew's application for membership in Scotland's Royal and Ancient Golf Club has been pigeonholed... Director John Avildsen, who made *Joe* and *Save the Tiger*, wants Senator Howard Baker, R-Tenn., the Watergate committee's vice-chairman, to have a role in a movie about political corruption... Henry Fonda will have the title role in *Clarence Darrow*, the new Broadway play, based on Irving Stone's *Clarence Darrow for the Defense*.

**The American Shakespeare Theater** will hold a special memorial for its late head, Joseph Verner Reed, at its Stratford, Connecticut, theater in January.

Irving Caesar told his Town Hall audience: "I write music fast. Sometimes it's terrible, but it's always fast." When he and George Gershwin wrote *Swanee*, Caesar had never been south of 14th St. "Years later, I finally got to see the river," recalled Caesar, "and I was glad I'd written the song

first"... Patrick McNee and Jordan Christopher, who costarred in *Sleuth* on Broadway, will appear in a Paramus, New Jersey, production of the show next month.

Dr. Peter C. Goldmark, retired head of CBS Research Laboratories, was on NBC-TV's *Today* show, promoting The New Rural Society, the organization which creates new jobs in country areas. He saw the color on the TV in the studio's reception room was out of tune, so he removed the rear cover of the set and adjusted it.

The daughter of Art Shamsky, former New York Mets outfielder and co-owner of Mr. Laffs' discotheque, is on the cover of the current Home Life magazine. Shamsky said Toni, a gymnast, is good: "She can jump higher than some of the balls I used to hit"... Singer Jessica Dragonette who wrote the books *Faith Is a Song* and *Your Voice and You* was the winner of Roseland Dance City's champagne dance contest... Ozzie Nelson said at Quo Vadis that UCLA quarterback Mark Harmon will be making his TV debut soon on *Ozzie's Girls*.

At Madison Square Garden the other day, Ed Giacomin, the New York Rangers' goalie, introduced *Skateers*, the new three-wheeled skates sponsored by Pepsi-Cola and the National Hockey League. When a photographer complained about inadequate lighting, Giacomin, referring to his team's recent 10-2 pasting by the Boston Bruins, replied: "I wish they'd suffered from an energy crisis that night... Representative Herman Badillo will teach a class in *Congress and the Urban Crisis* at the New School for Social Research starting February 4.

The Louvre is displaying *Being Green*, the \$1 Golden Book by Etienne Delassert, which is printed in conjunction with the Children's Television Workshop. The book is based on the song from TV's *Sesame Street*... Producer Robert Nemiroff invited 300 highschool drama critics and 100 college newspaper editors to review *Raisin*... Herb Gardner, author of the play, *A Thousand Clowns*, died at Luau East and said *Thieves*, his new comedy, will be presented on Broadway later this season.

Joseph E. Levine's lecture at the Harvard Film Society December 14 will be followed by a question-and-answer session. "Everything You Wanted to Know about Joe Levine and I'm Afraid You'll Ask"... Former movie actor Tom Tryon, author of best sellers *The Other* and *Harvest Home*, got his inspiration for those horror stories "from my attempts at writing comedy" Actress Pam Grier said at Gallagher's she's working on a novel, aided by author Harold Robbins and his wife.

A new book on photographs compiled by Martin Gilberts, *Churchill — a Photographic Portrait* — will be released next spring. It includes hitherto unpublished pictures of the late prime minister clowning with Charlie Chaplin... Candice Bergen will do a photo story for a magazine on the conflict in Israel... The National Black Political Convention will hold next year's convention in Little Rock, Arkansas.

*How to Make and Break Habits*, by Dave Fisher and John Robbins, is the first layman's guide to behavior modification. Fisher confessed: "I've broken all my old habits except one — sending free copies of my new books to friends"... Jonathan Winters said at Danny's Hideaway he'll donate the money from his paintings to charities for American Indians.



**DISCUSS ECONOMIC NEEDS:** Stanley P. Blacher, left, chairman of the Rhode Island Committee, State of Israel Bonds, and Simcha Dinitz, Israeli Ambassador to the United States, discuss ways and means to promote economic aid to Israel to strengthen the war-weakened economy. The occasion was a meeting of the directors of the National Campaign Cabinet of the Israel Bond Organization held at the Washington, D.C. home of the Israeli statesman.

## 'Hog Caller' Piute Pete Is Really Morris Kaufman

by Susan Margolies

NEW YORK — Fiddles screech as the calico-clad dancers weave and twist their way around the room. A stocky, ruddy-faced man in a battered straw hat grabs the microphone and half-sings, half-shouts: "All join hands and circle south, a little bit of moonshine in your mouth. Hold your hoe and re-sashay. Come on back the other way."

It may sound like a country hoedown, but it's just a little get-together at the John Hay Whitney estate on New York's Long Island. And the dancers, drawn from the upper reaches of fashionable society, are sashaying amid the splendor of the estate's priceless paintings and marble-and-mosaic pool.

### Back to Basics

That the Whitneys and their friends are able to stumble through the steps with any grace at all is largely due to the talents of "Piute Pete," the square-dance caller. For 40 years, he has been guiding city folks through their do-si-dos, and lately his services are more in demand than ever. Square dancing is suddenly chic, part of the resurgence of country music that has taken hold even in big cities.

Robert Osgood, president of the American Square Dance Society, says the number of square dancers in the U.S. has doubled in the past decade, with some six million people currently taking part in the pastime. His group alone has 60,000 members, and Mr. Osgood attributes the trend to a general "desire to get back to basics."

Although Piute Pete is riding high on the crest of the country-music revival, he wasn't exactly born to the calling. In truth, his tastes run more to borscht than barbecue. Otherwise known as Morris Kaufman, the 62-year-old caller grew up on New York City's Lower East Side, and he currently lives in a sparsely furnished Greenwich Village walk-up.

### "My Son the Caller"

He came to the work by accident, after an arthritic condition forced him to give up a desk job. On the advice of a doctor, he decided to try exercise to ease the pain, and he joined a Greenwich Village social club that offered square dancing among its other recreational activities. He watched the professional callers who performed at the club, carefully polishing his own act until a now-defunct nightclub, the Village Barn, hired him as a regular caller in 1935.

It wasn't precisely the profession his parents had in mind for their son. Pete says they almost fainted when he told them of his new job. "After all," he says, "good Jewish boys just didn't give up jobs as government clerks to stomp around a barn."

Nevertheless, he remained a regular at the Village Barn until 1955. His folksy humor and gregarious personality eventually won him a job at New York's swank Stork Club, where he initiated the likes of Irving Berlin and Dorothy Kilgallen into the subtleties of barn dancing. For a time, he worked two jobs an evening: "I can recall rushing from the Village Barn, where I wore overalls, over to the Stork Club, where I had to change into a tuxedo," he says. After the demise of both clubs, he did a children's television show and a few commercials.

### An Honorary Nudist

Now he freelances, performing at gatherings sponsored by church groups and country clubs alike. By charging fees ranging from \$100 to \$500 an evening (depending on how long he works and how far he has to travel), he brings in around \$15,000 a year. At a typical function, Piute Pete, who bills himself as "the greatest hog caller east of the Rockies," alternately cajoles and berates perspiring dancers into swinging their partners and honoring their corners. He calls a dapper businessman who misses a step a "klutz," and he shouts brusquely at a nervous woman: "Hey, you dummy, get those arms moving." Defending his unorthodox approach, Pete insists, "They love it — every minute of it."

Last year, Pete served as caller at a birthday party for Sen. Edward Kennedy. "All he wanted to do was the Virginia Reel," he says. And once Pete presided at a square dance at Sunnyrest Lodge, a nudist colony in Pennsylvania. He says the nudists were so taken with the act that they made him an honorary member of the colony. (He claims to have been fully clothed throughout the performance.)

Of course, there have been low points, too. Like the time an overzealous couple promenaded smack into a swimming pool. Or the evening he tried to teach a curiously unresponsive group the rudiments of square dancing. "I couldn't figure out why they were just sitting there like statues, not laughing or smiling or anything," he recalls. When he finally discovered they were Finnish, and didn't understand a word of English, he conducted the remainder of the program in sign language. Perhaps the most embarrassing situation arose when he once threw a woman off a dance floor ("she just wouldn't keep her mouth shut"), only to discover she was the club owner's wife. "They never asked me back," he says.

(Susan Margolies is a staff reporter for the Wall Street Journal.)

**TREPPER FREE**  
LONDON — Leopold Trepper landed at London Airport in the culmination of his three-year struggle to leave Poland, where the former World War II master spy had been held a virtual captive. Trepper was met at the airport by his wife, Elisabeth, who left Poland 18 months ago. He will undergo treatment for a

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**Energy Crunch Could Hurt Retailer**

Q: As an employee, I hold 61 shares of Sears, Roebuck (NYSE). Do you think the stock will split in the near future? What do you think is the future for the shares? My bookkeeper advises me to hold. T.C.

A: In 1965, when Sears announced a 2-for-1 split, the shares were hovering in the 130-140 area. With the stock currently trading in the mid-80s, it seems unlikely that directors would take such action. Next year may well be one of only modest earnings gains. The short supply of gasoline, a probable increase in unemployment, continued higher-than-normal short-term interest rates, and a downturn in housing, will all exert pressure on this giant retailer's operating margins.

The extent of the effect of short-term interest rates on Sears' profit margin was apparent in the first half when interest expenses rose more than 55% year to year. Some \$3 billion in short-term paper and 13-month notes are estimated to be outstanding. Each 1% change in short-term interest rates translates into a 2¢ change in Sears' profit per share.

Allstate, which accounts for most of the company's unconsolidated income, contributed 31% to net earnings last year. This insurance arm is expected to have underwriting losses for 1973, but these no doubt will be offset by investment income. Auto insurance premium income accounted for 58% of Allstate's property and liability insurance premiums. With the full impact of the energy crunch unknown as yet, it is impossible to predict with any degree of certainty the effects on auto insurers. Whether the beneficial effects to be derived from reduced speed limits will be offset by lower premium income as insurance commissions adjust rates downward based on claims experience, depends on the extent and duration of the gasoline shortage.

While Sears is trading at the lower end (19x) of its historic/price earnings multiple range, in relation to the market as a whole, the shares are not cheap and sale would be prudent.

Q: Why is APL Corp. (NYSE) trading at 4x earnings when all operating results have moved up annually for 10 years? Do you recommend purchase? D.S.

A: As a rack jobber, about 75% of business is done through supermarkets, a group which has been hard hit by price controls. Because the stock market tends to overlook subtleties, APL has been lumped in with this group. Earnings have grown consistently, although the rate has slowed substantially in the past two years. Earnings dilution from the conversion of bonds, preferred stock and exercise of warrants is a hefty 11%. While shares have good upside potential, I would delay any commitments until a rally is actually under way.

Q: Within two months I will be retiring. In addition to my annuity, I would like \$300 income per month. Can the assets listed provide the amount of income I require. A.C.

A: The 9 issues in your portfolio have a current value of \$31,500 and your savings account, \$29,000. A 6% return on your assets would provide the \$3,600 annual income which you desire. At the present time, your dividends and interest payments amount to about \$3,000, assuming the certificates, savings and credit union accounts pay 5½%-6%. Your two mutual funds are growth funds, yielding about 1%. In one case, by exchanging shares for those of Vance Sanders

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**Dropping Bond Ratings Sound Alarm**

Q: I hold 20M GAC Properties Credit 11s of 1977 at a cost of \$10,318. These bonds dropped to the low fifties but have now recovered up to about seventy. The rating has fallen from BBB to B. Do you have any information on this. J.B.

A: Since you have a profit on these debentures, I would advise selling. The B rating, low trading price and high coupon rate indicate the highly speculative nature of the issue. The rally in the secondary market price of the debenture reflects the pending takeover by Bank America of GAC Finance, another subsidiary of GAC Corp., parent company for GAC Properties. GAC has reported large deficits in 1971 and 1972.

Q: We purchased Mortgage Trust of America (NYSE) in Feb., 1972, based on the issue's high-yield and growth prospects. Not only has the stock dropped but the dividend is about 50% lower. Should we continue to hold or sell? R.B.

A: This company, as well as others in the industry, has been squeezed from all sides. High borrowing costs, reduced levels of construction, loan defaults and the interest rate ceilings imposed in some states are all factors in the earnings decline reported by this mortgage investment trust. MT provides mortgages and loans for construction, land development, single-family residences, hotels and apartments. Some 10% of their mortgage portfolio is for home construction, an area that has been hard hit by soaring interest rates. In October, housing starts were 34% below those of a year earlier.

While higher interest costs on prime-rate-tied loans usually are passed along to borrowers, with the prime at abnormally high levels, MT bumped up against usury laws on about ¼ of its loan portfolio. Further problems have been encountered on about 10% of loans, which were in default on interest or being foreclosed. As a result of the profit squeeze, dividends have dropped from 58¢ paid in the Feb. quarter to 30¢ per share paid in November. Sale is advised.

**100 Jews Ejected From Consulate**

VIENNA — The police ejected more than 100 Russian Jews from the Soviet Consulate where they were demanding permits to return home after emigrating to Israel.

Soviet consular officials asked the police to intervene after the Jews refused to leave and some had lain on the floor to protest delays in handling entry permit applications.

The Jews are among a group of 317 stranded in Vienna after emigrating to Israel. Some have been in Austria for three years seeking permits to return to the Soviet Union.

# Convention Delegates Say Matzoh Brei 'Wished On Jews By Anti-Semits'

NEW YORK — Of course Mayor John V. Lindsay was invited to the Fourth Matzoh Brei Convention, but he realized that slimness is all — so he made do with a telegram: "I wish you continued success in your endeavors to further ideas that we all affirm."

Matzoh brei is more than an idea, and it's not enough to affirm it. It's a food, and anyone with a palate should taste it: crumbled matzoh that has been soaked in an egg batter and then fried and served delicious and hot.

The Fourth Matzoh Brei Convention steered clear of fancy, midtown hotels and came to order this past weekend at Farm Food Restaurant, 142 West 49th Street. Forty delegates attended, waving the only credentials necessary: \$6 to pay for the meal.

The conventioners have no dues, no obligations, no membership lists, and only matzoh brei in common. Word of each year's meeting spreads by word of open mouth. Said Paul Feingold, a delegate from Riverdale: "There are organizations which meet every week. They have a procedure, they have a purpose. By the time they're finished meeting, everybody's impressed. With us there's no purpose, and nobody ever gets depressed. What happens to their stomachs is another matter."

Matzoh goes back to the Jews' Biblical exodus from Egypt, when housewives rushing to escape took unleavened dough with them, which the desert sun baked. Matzoh brei is therefore normally consumed during the April Passover holiday, which commemorates the exodus, according to Israel Shenko of the New York Times.

"It's like pumpkin pie which sells marvelously at Thanksgiving, and the day after you couldn't give one away," said Harold Swersky, owner of Farm Food. "So why is the convention held in November? It's to perpetuate the memory."

"I myself eat matzoh brei on the first day of Passover, on the middle day, and finally on the last day, to carry me through the year. Passover has eight days, and there's a subtle intelligence involved in the cooking — because it takes six days to learn to make them and the last two days they're great."

At Farm Food the matzoh is crumbled dry into a batter of eggs, milk, salt and a little pepper. "And should I tell you the secret?" Mr. Swersky went on. "A little cinnamon sugar. Whether or not they like it, it goes into the batter."

He hurried to the kitchen to inspect preparations. Heretically, his cooks had made the matzoh brei in advance. Mr. Swersky looked at the stacks mournfully struggling with his emotions. "Max," he said to the nearest cook, "you made them just as usual — too well done."

As he emerged from the kitchen he bumped into Jackie Gibson, a delegate from Rockland County. "I got up off my death bed," she said. "I'm tired, I'm aching, but I made it."

"Wait till she eats it," muttered Mr. Feingold. "Matzoh brei will cement us all together — if we eat enough of it."

"It was wished on the Jews by all the anti-semites in history," said Mr. Feingold, not meaning a word of all that. "It's one of the double crosses we have to bear as Jews."

At the microphone, Lee Evers, representing the 51st state of Manhattan, called the convention to order as a hungry delegate cried, "Impeach him!" Unperturbed, Mr. Evers introduced his wife the chairlady.

"We are gathered here tonight to honor the matzoh brei," she

began. "We find it very sad that in our homes and the homes of our friends the matzoh brei is becoming a memory and not even a memory. This convention keeps the taste of it alive."

"For a whole year," Mr. Feingold called out.

When delegates had cleared their palates with cries and fruit salad, waiters and waitresses emerged from the kitchen in triumph, bearing matzoh brei. There was promptly a floor demonstration, which the chairlady gavelled into a semblance of order.

"I'm going to risk it," said Mr. Feingold, and then stopped chewing long enough to say, "I advise everybody to have seconds. I've just bought some Pepto-Bismol stock."

At the next table Christopher Tabori sat bemused. "I'm of the Liberal denomination in matzoh brei," he said. "I'd never deign to say I prefer it this way or that way. Who am I to say I prefer it one way?"

"I'm half-Jewish, and the most I can do when I stand up is pivot: my Jewish side is weighed down. Matzoh brei has changed my life — ever since high school, when I decided I didn't want to be euphoric. I wanted to be paralyzed."

Malcolm Varon was all kinetics, as he piled applesauce atop jam on sour cream resting in sugar that covered his matzoh brei. As soon as he had wolfed down the delicacy he called for seconds.

"There's always one in a crowd," said Mr. Feingold, and shouted "Point of order!"

"Why don't you give an award for the man-of-the-year who's eating two matzoh breis," he suggested to fellow-delegates. "That's the first time since Moses came down from the mountain."

Colleagues clamored for the waitress to hurry with more matzoh brei, sour cream, applesauce and jam.

At last year's convention there was a matzoh brei cooking contest, and the winner — Stasia Zagorowski — produced a

## Israel Charges Syria With Murder Of POWs

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., — Israel has charged that at least 42 Israeli soldiers taken prisoner in October were murdered by Syrian, Moroccan and Iraqi soldiers serving in Syria according to Kathleen Teltsock of the New York Times.

The charges were made in a document sent to Secretary General Waldheim, which said that evidence showed captured Israelis had been beaten and knifed, others had been bound and executed, and one soldier's eyes had been gouged.

The document included a copy of a complaint to the International Committee of the Red Cross in Geneva, asking that it investigate the Israeli accusations of "murder, brutality and other grave breaches of the Geneva Conventions." Israel requested that copies of the charges also go to members of the Security Council and the General Assembly.

**Made Previous Complaint**  
The Israelis made a similar complaint to the Red Cross on November 10, alleging that the bodies of 15 Israeli prisoners had been discovered when their forces advanced into Syrian territory.

The accusations were denied by Syrian authorities, including her chief delegate to the UN, Haissam Kelani, who said that he knew nothing of the latest Israeli complaint but that his Government had informed Mr. Waldheim that the first Israeli complaint was "completely false." The Syrian declared that Israel

gourmet brei featuring honey and garnished with banana slices. The second-prize winner used mozzarella and mushroom sauce. Neither recipe would find favor with the orthodox, whose unspoken eleventh commandment is Don't mess with the matzoh brei or it won't pan out.

Scholars do not understand why, but often it's the father who makes the matzoh brei. The wife makes the faces. Last week a Vassar sophomore telephoned his father and said, "I've only got a minute, but could you give me the recipe for matzoh brei."

The father kept fantasy out of his recipe — suggesting that the matzoh be soaked first in boiling water, then squeezed before dipping in the batter. He warned against nuts and dried fruit.

Mr. Feingold agreed "A lot of people are allergic to penicillin," he told the convention "but not to matzoh brei."

Though it was time for nominating speeches, nobody wanted to run for office. "The election is fixed, just like the real election," said retiring President William Gladstone, who keeps hoping somebody else will write the matzoh brei newsletters and give him more time to eat.

Eric Margenau was elected President by acclamation barely loud enough to drown his protests. Mr. Gladstone refused to let him off, and blithely continued to savor the Israeli matzoh used in Farm Food's matzoh brei.

With a Gladstone you expect to find Israeli, and while the retiring President chewed away, his fellow-delegates cheered his final hours in office.

"Cassava melon, caviar and marinara sauce are all world-famous," noted Mr. Tabori, and matzoh brei is left to languish in the desert."

"The only thing I want is to leave you with an ethnic slogan," said Mr. Feingold. "Don't quit till matzoh brei is as popular as pizza."

**OIL UP 30%**  
JERUSALEM — Oil prices have gone up more than 30 percent in Israel under new regulations of the Ministry of

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WASHINGTON — The weekly U.S. News and World Report, quoting a high-ranking military expert, writes that "Arab military capability is beginning to approach that of Israel. It is therefore possible that Israel may in the future have to turn to atomic weapons if the outbreak of a new war will place the actual existence of the Jewish state in jeopardy."

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# THE ARCHITECT OF A NATION

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over, and he accepted the call of the United Nations for a cease-fire.

After first declaring that Israel would not give up her conquests till Egypt negotiated terms of peace, he was led by pressure from the American President and Marshal Bulganin to undertake the withdrawal of the army from Egyptian territory as soon as arrangements were made for a United Nations force to take over. Subsequently he took a firm stand against leaving the Gaza Strip and the Sinai shore of the Gulf of Aqaba till the United Nations could give an assurance of free navigation of the Gulf and of a cessation of Egyptian raids from the strip.

In 1961 he forced another general election on the issue of the responsibility of Mr. Lavon, his successor as Minister of Defense, for a deplorable security incident in Egypt. Mapai again won a larger number of seats than any other party, but suffered a loss of five. There was a protracted crisis of confidence, because Ben-Gurion insisted on the dismissal of Lavon from the office of secretary-general of the Histadruth against the opposition of a majority of Mapai. He was persuaded to form a fresh coalition Cabinet, but resigned again in June, 1963, "for personal needs."

He did not retire, however, from politics, and passionately opposed the alignment of Mapai and the other Labour parties. When that proposal was adopted

he resigned from the Central Committee. He made a bitter attack on Eshkol, his successor, and pursued his charges against Lavon. He declared his readiness to lead Mapai again, but in the end formed a separate electoral list, Rafi, and then was expelled from the party he had created. It was a sad fate.

In the general election of 1965 his list won 10 seats, but Eshkol continued to be Premier. In the sudden crisis of 1967, when there was a fresh call for national unity, General Dayan and Mr. Peres, his principal supporters, joined the Cabinet. He remained implacably in opposition; and in the next election in 1969 he formed again a list, the State Party, and won four seats. But his days of political combat were nearing the end. In February, 1969, he resigned from the Knesset to devote himself to writing his memoirs in many volumes, and to the college in his Negev Kibbutz.

Although his image was marred by internal dissension, he was still a father figure and the most sought-after spokesman for Israel. He stood firmly for Israel making negotiation with the Arabs her first object, and declaring her willingness to withdraw from the occupied territories, except unified Jerusalem and the Golan Heights, provided that the Arabs recognize her as a sovereign state and made genuine peace.

## Israel Imposes New Press Restrictions

TEL AVIV — Israel announced new and tougher restrictions on news coverage of military activities. The measures require advance permission for interviews with senior officers, several of whom have been critical of the nation's war strategy.

Brigadier General Aharon Avnon, recently appointed chief of army information, said that the new press policy grew out of Israel's October experience in the war.

The former chief of staff, Lieutenant General Haim Bar-Lev, and Major General Ariel Sharon, who led Israel's strike force in Egypt, were among the army officers and politicians who have been critical in newspaper interviews of Israel's combat strategy.

In the future, General Avnon said in a news briefing, all interviews, whether with high-ranking officers or with enlisted men, will have to be approved beforehand by the army spokesman's office.

He refused to answer when asked if the new directives were initiated by Defense Minister Moshe Dayan, target of much of the criticism.

## Kilometer 101 Is Site Of Party

TEL AVIV — Soviet Army officers joined Israeli and Egyptian officers on the Cairo-Suez road for a party.

They met at Kilometer 101, where the talks on disengaging forces have been taking place, at a get-together for United Nations Emergency Force members stationed there, the Israeli radio reported.

One Soviet officer, identified as "Captain Aleks from Moscow," said in trickily accented English: "There is one of the hottest spots in the world. The United Nations should supervise it. That is the main purpose we should fulfill here — the observance of peace."

"Our Government, our people and leaders all want to achieve peace, especially in this area," said the Russian, after chatting with Egyptian and Israeli officers.

The radio reported that Egyptian food and Swedish beer were served at the get-together.

## Editor's Mailbox

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tages has been justified by the events of recent days in the Yom Kippur War.

Nevertheless, Israel has notified the world, through the United Nations, of her readiness to withdraw her armed forces from areas occupied as the result of the 1967 conflict — but only to secure, defensible, recognized and agreed-upon borders to be determined in peace treaties with the Arab states.

Israel's often-stated position is that such borders can only be worked out in direct negotiations

with the Arab states, face-to-face across the conference table. Israel has repeatedly expressed her readiness for such negotiations without any pre-conditions whatsoever. She has likewise made it clear that she is flexible as to the exact location of her ultimate borders, as long as those borders are secure, defensible and legally recognized.

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## National Council Gives To Israel, United Way

*(The National Council of Jewish Women is very proud of its unique commitment to the needs of both the Jewish people and the community at large. The Providence Section's response to the Israeli crisis was a \$5,000 contribution to the Israel Emergency Fund. And, when it became very apparent, during the last week of the United Way campaign, that there was a great need for "extragiving" the Executive Board of Council voted a 20% increase in its United Way pledge. The impact of this commitment to the community is stated in the following letter which NCJW received from Mr. Merrill Hassenfeld and which the Board would like to have published.)*

Under normal circumstances the gift of the Council of Jewish Women would have been accepted with great thanks and appreciation. But, having been present when you arrived and very involved in conversation about total leadership of United Way in the previous few days, I just had to send you this special message to tell you how delighted we were with the particular enthusiasm with which that gift was brought, delivered and received.

It was logical for the leaders of United Way to question whether we would go along, considering that we are still in the midst of the Federation campaign and the Israel Emergency Drive, and what effect this might have on the United Way. As we were finishing up the cards to put the drive over the top the other day, those of us in leadership such as Joe Riss, Bob Riesman, and myself, among others, assured them that there was something special about the Jewish community being taxed not singly but many times over; that we have our own special problems. Much has been made of how startled they were that not only had they received the regular contributions but places where they thought the campaign would hurt most were actually proving to be pleasant surprises. Then, your appearance on the scene with the ex-

planation of the vote from your group.

The card, and check enclosed, just added such pride to those of us who had made that statement and such enthusiasm for the thoughtfulness of our people that I thought you would want to know it was not considered just another gift. Also, I had to put it in words with the hope that you would convey this message to your Board at the next meeting.

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## Jews Demonstrate To Enter Russia

VIENNA — About 40 Soviet Jews who were unhappy in Israel and have been trying to return to their homeland forced their way into the Soviet consulate and stayed there for three and a half hours demanding re-entry visas.

The consulate then called in Austrian security agents and policemen, who escorted the demonstrators out of the building without incident. Some of the Jews continued their demonstration outside the building for a few minutes but then dispersed.

"We are resolved to have a clear reply without further delay," said a spokesman for the group. "We have always been turned back and told to wait."

He said that Soviet officials had usually told them that granting of travel documents was up to individual Soviet republics and that the consulate was helpless. The consulate declined to comment.

Anyone emigrating from the Soviet Union forfeits his citizenship. Some 250 Soviet Jews who left Israel are living in dismal conditions in Vienna waiting for permission to return to the Soviet Union. Some have been waiting two years for travel documents.

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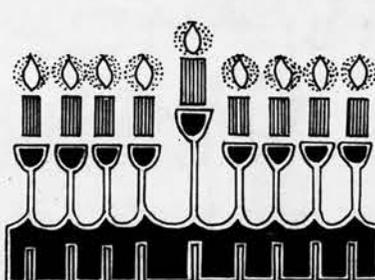
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## Aimee Semple McPherson's Life Too Much To Put Into Three Acts

"Aimee" is a musical that on opening night hadn't quite jelled. By now Trinity Square Repertory Company has probably decided on the ending it prefers, pulled together a few loose ends, removed some of the repetition, and made it altogether a better vehicle for the considerable talents of Pamela Payton-Wright and her companions.

The charismatic young actress plays the flamboyant evangelist, Aimee Semple McPherson, who swept through this country in the twenties in her "Gospel car of love," converting large numbers. She built a temple, the Church of the Foursquare Gospel, in Los Angeles, and thereby added to that city's reputation for eccentricity.

According to William Goyen, who wrote book and lyrics for the "musical celebration," her popularity came from her affection for others, sense of joy and skillful theatrical techniques. All of these are conveyed by Payton-Wright with girlish enthusiasm.

Some of the company's best actors are part of the large chorus that enacts small scenes, reacts in crowds, gets healed, gets saved, marches with vigor, sings with enthusiasm, and, in one of the funniest segments, reenacts a series of martyrdoms with great and hilarious singleness. Sometimes they are almost too good. When Aimee, on the proscenium

stage, is reaching out in love or song while one or two veteran actors are playing a small scene two rows behind on the runway, it is often Aimee who goes unregarded.

The runway, in a fashion by now familiar to Trinity audiences, extends from the stage around and through the audience; it allows for a kind of audience interaction but also encourages distraction. The runway was necessary for the antique love-buggy, the many processions, and the alternate playing areas it afforded: Gibes and testimonials came readily from that path through the audience. There is a surprising lack of entertainment in testimonials, but a surprising abundance of it in some of the parodies that Goyen has woven into his lyrics and Worth Gardner into the music.

Marguerite Lenert, who is extremely well suited to her role of Mama, skips amusingly through a ditty called "Sister Is My Daughter." Among the energetic paeans to Aimee and her enterprise is "Concrete and Steel," which uses tags of hymns to describe the building of the Foursquare Gospel temple. The music may not be memorable, but it is pleasant, spiritual and appropriate.

The real problem with "Aimee" seems to be that it is impossible to pack the highlights and despairs of a lifetime into the short span of three acts. There is too much ma-

terial, the pace is forced, the job of selection is only partially done, and there is consequently a lack of focus that seriously interferes with the many good things about "Aimee." One of the best of these, of course, is Payton-Wright. Her silent-movie kidnapping scene, her radiant joy, her ability almost to make one believe, are all pluses of a premiere cursed with no more than the usual problems of the first night of a brand-new play.

**LOIS ATWOOD**

Musical director (delightful) is Richard Cumming; dance supervisor, Sharon Jenkins; set designer, Eugene Lee; lighting designer, Richard Devin; costume designer, James Berton Harris; properties, Sandra Nathanson.

**The cast:**

Aimee — Pamela Payton-Wright  
 Mama — Marguerite Lenert  
 Others, in many roles: Robert Black, Robert J. Colonna, Timothy Crowe, William Damkoehler, James Eichelberger, Ed Hall, Richard Jenkins, David C. Jones, T. Richard Mason, Cynthia McKay, Barbara Meek, Barbara Orson, Margo Skinner, Deborah Templin, Daniel Van Bergen, Rose Weaver, Richard Blackburn, Ralph Glickman, Bruce McGill, Jack Moran, James Pickering, John Szalkowski. Temple Members: Jane Macdonald, Julie Miterko.

Ares, he and the Furies are judged by the citizens of Athens. Orestes is acquitted, and Athena placates the Furies.

The "Oresteia" is an ambitious undertaking. Like most classics, it is considerably harder to present than a contemporary play. Like most productions of classics, this one will probably annoy some who are familiar with it as literature rather than drama. For example, instead of the expected purple cloths on which Agamemnon walks to his death, a red carpet is used, as a symbol of blood. And, forced to choose between godlike display and having his deities too far upstage for maximum effect, director James Barnhill opted for magnifying their divinity.

The pitfalls are always there, with a classic, and some of them are inevitable with a nonprofessional production. The variety of native accents is sometimes distracting; the variety of pronunciations that should have been set by the date of performance is more so. The most dramatic of the plays

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The tragedy begins at Agamemnon's palace in Argos, where his family and people wait for the beacon that will signal Troy's fall. Massive stone walls and a long center flight of stone steps set the stage for a hopeful but apprehensive chorus of Argive elders and for Clytemnestra, the reason for their apprehension. Agamemnon's arrival with a captive princess, the prophetess Cassandra, is soon followed by his death at the hands of Clytemnestra and her lover Aegisthus.

The second play deals with the return home of Agamemnon's son Orestes, who has been told by the god Apollo to kill his mother and Aegisthus. At the tomb of their father Orestes meets his sister Electra and a chorus of maidservants whom Clytemnestra, because of a bad dream, has sent with offerings for the dead. The old nurse of Orestes provides comic relief in the interval before he accomplishes the double slaying, and as the tragedy ends, the Furies have already begun to hound him as a matricide.

They continue to hound him, to the Delphic shrine of Apollo. There the prophetess, after a bit of background musing, announces that Apollo himself will have to clean up the shrine after those foul creatures have slept in it. Then Orestes, still directed by Apollo, arrives at the shrine of Athena, and in the first court of law to be held on the Areopagus, the hill of

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# Doctors, Lawyers And A 'Ginpa' Attend High School Reunion In New York

NEW YORK — Townsend Harris High School died in 1942 at the age of 35, and the reunion of the class of '38, marking the 35th anniversary of their graduation, was a little like an encampment of veterans of a distantly past war.

Thirty out of the original 175 showed up looking somewhat out of place in the 18th floor dining quarters of the City University Graduate Center, 33 West 42d Street. A mixed bag, thin, and fat, short and tall, natty and rumpled, almost all Jewish and undeniably middle class. They had all passed their 50th birthdays within the last year or so and they stood out amid the stream of passing youth as a clearcut case of block obsolescence.

"Townsend Harris? I thought it was a hall at City College," said one young man. "I didn't know it was a hall at City College," said another young man. "I didn't know it was a high school."

### School for the Bright

Townsend Harris High — some even used to call it Townsend Harris Hall in its early years — was named for the man who played a key role in creating what later became City College. In 1907 the school bearing his name was begun, a boys prep school for City.

It was considered the academically-toughest high school in the city. You took an entrance exam to enter and you were admitted to C.C.N.Y. with no further tests. Most kids were 12 or 13 when they enrolled in Harris, having precociously skipped or rapidly advanced in elementary school. It was a three-year school, and almost everyone was ready for college at 15 or 16 years of age. Senior proms, in the memory of those who went there, seem to have been stags.

When Townsend Harris High died, because the city wanted to save the money needed for its 75 teachers and its 1,000 students, there was no need even to tear a building down. One of the few, perhaps the only high school with-

out a home all its own, it occupied the ninth to twelfth floors of downtown City College at 23d Street and Lexington Avenue, now the Bernard Baruch College.

According to Richard F. Shephard of the New York Times, Harrisites were short and pushy, always under the feet of the more somber collegians in the crowded elevators. Virtually all, with some notable exceptions, of Harris grads went on to City College and this reunion at City University evoked a number of thoughts of past, present and future.

After dinner, the 30 alumni shifted into a classroom and deployed around the tables. Each stood up and re-introduced himself to his classmates. Lawyers, doctors, teachers, businessmen, accountants, consultants. No cabbies, newsdealers, cutters, longshoremen or hard hats.

At least, if there were any in the class, they did not show up here, and nobody knew first hand of any Harris blue collars.

Only one of the 30 had a child attending a city college, and only one had sent children to a state college. Less than a half-dozen still lived within the city line. Most had decamped to suburbia.

Was there a need to bring back Townsend Harris? The question ignored the existence of Bronx Science, Stuyvesant and the other schools for bright youngsters. As usual with Harris kibitzers, there was no unanimity, only loud dissents.

"I do think there's a need for, if you want to call it that, a school for elitist snobs," said John Bauer, now professor of psychology at Baruch. He went on to argue about the current modes of education and lamented the worsening quality of students coming into the city university system.

His comments drew a tart response from Morton Fried, professor of anthropology at Columbia University, who said that what he heard indicated that there was still much nineteenth century thinking ticking under the wrinkles of his contemporaries. He was not sure

that this civilization can provide solutions for the problems it creates and suffers from.

The talk turned to IQ's, and there was debate about their significance and their unfairness.

Before all these weighty issues could deteriorate into a seminar, the nonacademics regained control. With the nonsequitur ease of a Mad Hatter's tea, the talk drifted from past to present.

"Why I went to City from Harris?" one alumnus asked in the fashion of most — rhetorically. "I told my father it would cost \$25 to take a College Entrance board. He said, 'What do you need it for, for \$25?' So, City."

Benjamin Pressner, who deals in commodity futures ("It's honest and it's easy") said, "I think I'm the only one here with a Vietnamese daughter-in-law. And a half-Vietnamese grandchild, who we agreed, will be going to Yeshiva. Does anyone call you ginpa?"

It was an informal group, and unlike many gatherings, this one did not seem designed for its members to impress each other.

Leonard Kapelman, a past class president, is a tax examiner. "I'm on the public payroll," he said wryly. "I don't make a living from this, and the sums involved are too small to tempt you to be corrupt. But my wife teaches and makes \$3,000 more than I do. We use it for our 24-year-old doctor and our 22-year-old lawyer. That's what we live for."

There was talk of broken marriages, of families that had dogs; one success has a horse. It all seemed far from the days when little boys, obscured by big briefcases, came by subway from walk-ups in the East Bronx and Brownsville, smelling derivatively from the sliced-egg sandwiches in lunchbags. If not richer, they were certainly older.

"I broke an appointment with my proctologist to get here," quipped Lester Rothstein, a lawyer, and one of the rare ones whose father also went to Harris. "The way I feel, I think I made a mistake."

## Sock & Buskin Presents Oresteia

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is "Agamemnon," so that the scenes that need a skill few undergraduates possess are played to an audience already beginning to tire, as all audiences do by about 10 o'clock. (In a fairly long period of viewing plays at Brown, I cannot remember ever before being aware of the cast's youth throughout a performance.)

The chorus is integral to Greek drama, and the strongest and most satisfactory efforts are those of the choruses — Argive elders, maid-servants, and Furies, in the three plays. The bloody queen was more realistic and less regal than a reverent attack on Aeschylus would have allowed, but she was credible, as an angry, aging hausfrau whose divine lineage and sistership to beautiful Helen lay many years in the past. In Act II two women deserve mention, Electra and the old nurse. Electra's unbound hair and black drapery looked right, as her scenes played right; she was a lovely embodiment of the princess whose only hope is in the brother she no longer recognizes. And Clissa, Orestes' nurse, southern-accented a role that Aeschylus himself wrote for broad comedy. More variety in pacing would have lightened the production, too — as the nurse's prattlings did.

Brown's "The House of Atreus" is far from a perfect presentation of one of the great tragedies, but it is an interesting version. Seeing the three plays together in an evening allows a comparison of plays, an assessment of composition and intent, that is not possible when at long intervals one or another is

presented. The relationships and parallels come across here. Of particular interest is the shortening and simplification of the choruses, which often seem to be choral ballads. Some of the costuming is inspired, particularly Clytemnestra's Kathakali Theatre-derived spangled strands of red wool and bloody glove that symbolizes the murder of Agamemnon.

As a prod to rereading Aeschylus, for comparison with one's favorite translation, or just as an introduction to a regime that refused to go along with the status quo, the Brown production isn't a bad way to spend an evening.

LOIS ATWOOD

Sets and lighting were by John R. Lucas; costume design, Keith Cuedon, and execution, V. Jane Suttell.

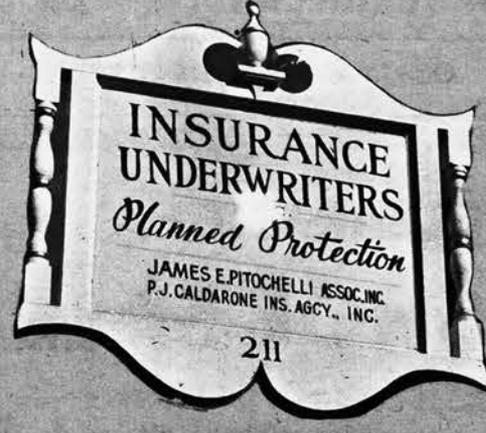
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 Herald Raymond Dickson  
 Agamemnon Scott Gadwa  
 Cassandra Michele Harrell  
 Aegisthus Stuart Rosen  
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 Steve Childs,  
 Bob Cornett,  
 Mike Hartley,  
 Ben Lemon,  
 Barry McCollough,  
 David Nelson,  
 Mark Silva,  
 Brad Stein,  
 Neil Ward,  
 Cary Weisbaum  
 Larry Goldstein  
 Soldier The cast for "The Libation  
 Bearers":  
 Orestes Paul Moser  
 Electra Peggy Harmon

- Pylades David Nelson  
 Clissa Elizabeth Ulen  
 Chorus Edith Borden,  
 Becky Green,  
 Margaret Hickey  
 Eve Lettvin,  
 Cate McKegney  
 Jane Milne,  
 Krysia Biernacki-Poray,  
 Anne Winter

- The cast for "The Furies":  
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 Athena Amy Van Nostrand  
 Apollo Jeffrey Schwartz  
 Furies Nora Beck,  
 Angie Burke,  
 Wendy Cohen,  
 Mark Silva,  
 Gail Solomon,  
 Betsy Vorce,  
 Cynthia Wilson

### HISTADRUT MEETING

NEW YORK — Yitzhak Ben Aharon, secretary general of Histadrut, called for the establishment of a "United States of the Middle East" in which Israel would play a "leading moral role." The leader of Israel's powerful trade union movement told the 1500 delegates attending the golden jubilee convention of the National Committee for Labor Israel that the Jewish State is "fighting in order to have men and women who can live a creative, dignified life, and we fight for the right of the Jewish people to ingather in their homeland and live as an independent nation." Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, chairman of the Labor Zionist Alliance, was elected president of the NCLI. The convention adopted a goal of \$6 million for the Israel Histadrut Foundation and a \$5 million goal for the Israel Histadrut Campaign.



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# Only In America



By Harry Golden

## The Old-Fashioned Saloon

With the defeat of the liquor by the drink in the North Carolina referendum, it seems that the state is floundering around seeking some "solution." So now they come up with an idea to change the existing brown bagging rules so customers could have their drinks poured by bartenders in properly licensed restaurants, bars and clubs.

Why must we tolerate this hypocrisy? Why not go back to the old-fashioned saloon? The saloon was a place of fellowship, no women were allowed in the place and the saloon was as light as day.

In the center there was always a brilliantly illuminated chandelier.

And that magnificent lettering on the glass mirrors of the saloon announcing a picnic or a Christmas fund for the children of the neighborhood.

And what have we today in the place of the saloon? The cocktail lounge! Dark! Candlelight! Stuck away in a corner where you can plot, nay accomplish, all your illicit stratagems. The cocktail lounges are loaded with women sitting on those upholstered stools embarrassing the men and embarrassing themselves.

I have no doubt that it was this fellowship that caused the women to rise up against the saloon. They wanted to come, too. But the rules were too strict so the women devised the cocktail lounge.

But the women outsmarted themselves. When a man was in the saloon he was as safe as he was in his mother's arms. Now look at the situation, in dark corners, where the man could be sitting with his best friend's wife. Or he could take a shot of heroin and no one would know.

These things were impossible in the saloon. So let us take this hypocrisy out of our system and go back to the old saloon. In addition the saloon provided a convenient comfort station on every other block.

## "Jews Have All the Money?"

I was on the Bob Raiford show, Station WIST, Charlotte. Bob conducts this show every day and allows questions from the listening audience. So one fellow asked me a question, "Why do the Jews have all the money?"

This ole anti-Semitic canard has always puzzled me. I could have answered the question of "Why the Jews have all the money?" saying "Because God loves them since He was one of them."

But it is not as simple as that. Take Charlotte, N.C., which is a microcosm of middle-class America. Who has all the money in Charlotte (and America)?

Start with the banks: North Carolina National Bank, Wachovia, First Union, First Citizens, and all the other banks of the city. No Jews, not even a Jewish employee, in any one of them.

Then we go to the department stores: Ivey's, Belk's. No Jews, not even a Jewish employee in either one of them.

Then come the utilities: Duke Power Company, Carolina Power and Light, Piedmont Natural Gas, no Jews, not even a Jewish employee among them.

These are the people who have all the money in Charlotte, as their prototypes do all around the

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# Unusual Stories Told As Soldiers Return Home From Battle Areas

JERUSALEM — On the Egyptian front a day after the October 22 cease-fire, two Israeli freelance photographers armed only with cameras stumbled upon an Egyptian missile base and accidentally took 18 Egyptian soldiers prisoner.

On the Syrian front, an injured Syrian pilot downed and lost on the rugged slopes of Mount Hermon survived for 12 days and scribbled a moving last will before he died.

In Israel, a determined 62-year-old reservist managed to get himself mobilized despite his age by driving his brother-in-law's truck into battle. He succeeded beyond his highest expectations and ended up with a paratroop unit on the western side of the Suez Canal.

On the Egyptian side of the waterway one day, Topol, the Israeli actor who starred in "Fiddler on the Roof," was suddenly given a weapon and told to guard two other passengers aboard a helicopter on which he was to return to the Israeli side. The passengers turned out to be an Egyptian brigadier and a colonel — two of the highest-ranking prisoners the Israelis captured during the war.

These and other stories of the Middle East war have emerged only in recent days, more than a month after the cease-fire, now that some of the soldiers are being demobilized or coming home on leave. For the most part, they are telling the stories individually and privately, as reminiscences of a war none of them is sure is over. Taken together, they reveal more about the shock and confusion and pathos of the battlefield than all the official communiqués combined.

The two Israeli photographers, Micha Bar Am and Shlomo Arad, had been mobilized at the outset of the war and were taking pictures for Bamahane, the Israeli Army magazine. On October 23, the day after the scheduled start of the cease-fire, they were moving with Israeli combat units about 10 miles north of the town of Suez on the western bank of the canal.

Suddenly they saw the photographic target they had been after: an apparently deserted Egyptian surface-to-air missile base about half a mile off the main road. Leaving the unit they had been

with, the two men approached the site on foot, photographing the radar equipment attached to the missiles as they got closer.

Then, on an impulse, Mr. Bar Am recalled, "I started shouting in my fractured Arabic: 'All right, come out with your hands raised! Move quickly!'"

"I meant it as a gag," he continued, "but suddenly, one after another, a group of shell-shocked Egyptian soldiers started coming out of the underground bunker. They filed out with their hands up and threw their weapons on the ground in front of us. There were 18 of them. One of them was weeping and praising Allah that we had come and that the war was finally over for him.

"They were so stunned they didn't even realize we were unarmed. One man kissed the sleeve of my shirt."

Mr. Bar Am said he quietly reached down and picked up one of their discarded weapons. Then he and his colleague tied the Egyptians' hands behind their backs with their shoelaces, lined them up in a column, and marched them off in front of a commandeered jeep. When they reached the main road, they turned their compliant prisoners over to the first combat unit that passed.

"They weren't nearly as relieved as I was," Mr. Bar Am said.

Similar accounts have emerged about the confusion on both sides during the last 48 hours of fighting as the Israeli and Egyptian armies scrambled to improve their final positions. The front lines changed every few hours so that it was never possible to be sure which side was holding a given road or area.

In one case, two armed Egyptian soldiers were driving four newly captured Israeli prisoners in a jeep toward Ismalia, which they thought was safely inside Egyptian territory. Without realizing it, they drove their captives directly into the Israeli lines. "Instead of four Israeli prisoners, there were suddenly two more Egyptian prisoners," an Israeli officer said.

The body of the Syrian pilot was found by Israeli forces on October 22 in a remote ravine on Mount Hermon, the 10,000 foot high peak that overlooks the Golan heights. He had apparently

# President Katzir Discusses War Tactics With Wounded

JERUSALEM — President Ephraim Katzir discussed war tactics with the wounded soldiers at the Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center here, during a recent visit.

President Katzir, an officer in Hagana during less sophisticated wars and a founder of HEMED, the Israeli Defense Forces Scientific Corps, talked to the wounded as a soldier-scientist to other soldiers and even the most seriously wounded responded with interest to this approach. Most of the men he saw had been injured in the fierce fighting in the first three days of the war, when the enemy onslaught was halted.

Tank commanders described how the Egyptians came "in solid walls, tank to tank, infantryman next to infantryman." Each tank carried a bazooka, kalatchnikovs and Schmel missiles — about 60 shells per tank. The Egyptians did not worry about aiming, they just let off with everything they had, at all ranges. Their infantry, some of whom carried bazookas, others missiles, did the same. The result was a blanket of fire. They didn't seem to care about their own casualties or losses, how many of their tanks were knocked out, how many men killed, as long as they got through.

Other men said that the Egyptians applied the same tactics with land-to-air missiles; they set

up a field of fire making conditions very difficult for pilots.

A naval officer from an Israeli missile boat, who was wounded by shrapnel, had a more cheerful tale to tell. "Our Gabriel missile is far superior to anything they've got," he said. The President smiled: "How old are you?" "Twenty." Katzir replied: "We began working on the Gabriel when you were five."

Among the wounded he saw was a young lawyer. The President told him that since he became President, he has had extensive dealings with legally trained men for the first time in his life and realizes how clever and full of practical wisdom they are. He told the young man that one of his jobs is to appoint judges. "If you want to be a judge, you had better apply during my period of office in the next five years," the President joked.

One boy, a recent immigrant, said, "You know, in the tank the crew is like a family. But when you are hit, and facing death, you feel alone." The President commented swiftly: "But in the hospital you find quickly enough that we're all your family."

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bailed out of his MIG-21 fighter in the early days of the fighting and had been injured on landing. On the rubber dinghy that was part of his survival equipment, he scrawled the following message in Arabic, which he labeled his "Last will and testament:"

"This is the 12th day that I am alive and still awaiting help. My foot and knee are broken and I cannot move. With these broken limbs I crawled one kilometer — and I still wait for your help and the help of Allah.

"If I should die before you reach me, please accept a suggestion: In the name of Allah the great, don't throw men into battle and then neglect them.

"Allah, I hereby commend that after my death and the receipt of the sum (apparently soldier's insurance) that 10,000 Syrian pounds from that sum be used to build a memorial gravestone together with Abu al-Nur."

Abu al-Nur is not identified. The pilot signed his name as Muhammad Yassin Ibn Muhammad Kheir al-Nishat.

The determined 62-year-old reservist who managed to get mobilized was Hershel Benjamin, a tourist guide who served as an officer with the famous Black Watch Regiment in the British Army in World War II and emigrated to Israel in 1948, in time to fight in the Israeli War of Independence.

He was called up again in the 1956 Sinai campaign, but in the six-day war, presumably because of his age, he was passed up. When the new war broke out on October 6, Mr. Benjamin was de-

termined not to be left behind a second time.

Knowing that the Israeli army mobilizes nearly as many civilian trucks as men, Mr. Benjamin contacted his brother-in-law, whose kibbutz manufactures honey and preserves and delivers them in its own fleet of trucks.

As he had suspected, all the trucks had been called to duty and were to be delivered to an assembly point the following morning. When they were, Mr. Benjamin was behind the wheel of one of them.

"Who are you?" the soldier at the assembly point asked, looking at Mr. Benjamin's gray hair.

"I'm the driver," Mr. Benjamin replied firmly. "If you want this truck, you have to take me with it."

As it turned out, Mr. Benjamin may have seen more of the war than he bargained for. His truck was assigned to the heavy weapons company of one of the paratrooper units that smashed through the Egyptian lines and established the Israeli bridgehead on the western bank of the Suez Canal. Throughout the heavy fighting shells for the unit's guns were transported in Mr. Benjamin's honey truck.

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## Washington Has Classes In How To 'Do Jewish'

NEW ORLEANS, — Six months ago Ira and Jane Silverman of Washington, D.C., a Jewish couple with a 2-year-old son, introduced a radical change in their way of life. They tried — and found something that they enjoyed — "keeping the Sabbath." According to an article by Irving Spiegel in the New York Times.

From Friday evening until Saturday at dusk, the Silvermans have "carved out a piece of time, without intrusions or competitions, we own entirely just to ourselves, a Jewish family."

Family togetherness on the Sabbath as a day set apart from a household's routine the rest of the week is a Jewish tradition. But to practice it, the Silvermans first had to learn how.

Their experiences and those of Stephen and Sheila Gell of Arlington, Virginia, in bridging what the couples described as the gap between "being Jewish and doing Jewish" were related at a seminar on Jewish family life conducted at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. The organization concluded its 42d annual meeting recently at the Marriott Hotel.

Both couples have been part of a low-keyed experimental project, funded by the council's Institute for Jewish Life, to help strengthen the family as the dominant force for preserving Jewish life.

For the project, a young family with little background in Jewish rituals seeks to learn about the Sabbath's mores and practices as the guests at the home of a family that observes the rituals.

The concept was conceived and tested by the B'nai B'rith adult education department. Twelve host families in the Washington area were recruited and matched with

12 "learning families." Mrs. Lily Edelman, head of B'nai B'rith's adult education department said in an interview that the learners' self-consciousness and embarrassment over their "Jewish ignorance" were first eased by informal get-togethers. These beginners, she said, included scientists, lawyers, government specialist, physicians and professionals.

"We would ask them," Mrs. Edelman said, "when you think of Friday evening and the start of the Sabbath, what comes first to your mind — the synagogue or your family. If it's the synagogue, you're a learner."

Mr. Gell, a 34-year-old Government lawyer said: "Friday night, with its rituals, and Sabbath meal has become something special to us and our children. Our two children have an ownership in it, too, such as deciding what Sabbath songs we'll sing around the table or what Sabbath-oriented games we'll play. It makes us a family."

The Silvermans describe themselves as being "more into" the Sabbath, carrying it through Saturday as well. "That used to be our day for shopping and other small chores," Mrs. Silverman said. "No more. We rush a bit more during the week to do these things. Saturday is now our day — to rest and be with ourselves."

Mr. Silverman acknowledged the importance of the Sabbath family observance for children. "We went into it not in a child-centered but for ourselves," he said.

### PRAISES US

TEL AVIV — Premier Golda Meir told her Labor Alignment colleagues that Israel was under a heavy threat from the Soviet Union but was saved by the steadfastness of the U.S.

## Israel Has Own Version Of Intermarriage

JERUSALEM — Sarah is a daughter of a London rabbi who went to Israel. Along with other new immigrants, she was sent to an absorption center to spend a year studying Hebrew and learning about life in Israel. She met a young Israeli who attended the social evenings at the center and before long she fell in love with him.

Three months later, Sarah phoned her father in London and told him she planned to marry her Israeli boy friend. Her excited father shouted the "good news" to his wife. Then he asked Sarah to tell him about her boy friend.

"What?..." shouted the father, his face grown pale. His wife demanded to know what was the matter, but he was speechless. She snatched the telephone from him and asked Sarah what she had said.

"I told him that my boy friend is an Arab," the girl related.

Sarah was not the first Jewish girl to fall in love with and marry an Arab. In Israel there are some 3,000 cases of mixed marriages between Jews and Arabs. In most cases the girl involved is Jewish. Only four Arab women are known to have Jewish husbands.

The fact that thousands of Arabs live and work in Jewish cities and are employed in kibbutzim makes it inevitable for such relationships to develop, despite the reservations or even the opposition of Jews and Arabs to mixed marriages.

The reactions of Jewish parents are usually stronger than those of Arab families. This is because Islam permits Moslem males to marry Jews or Christians.

Jewish parents at first try to persuade their daughter that she would be doing the wrong thing by marrying an Arab. Then, when they realize that the girl is resolute, they usually make it clear to her that if she does marry

him, they are done with her. Indeed, many families do sever all relations with their rebellious daughters for a year or two and then, although contacts are gradually renewed, the relationship is never as it used to be, especially if the girl has deserted her religion to become a Moslem convert.

The fact that there is no civil marriage in Israel makes it necessary for one of the partners to give up his or her religion in favor of the other.

In most cases it is the girl who does so, for the simple reason that it is extremely easy to become a Moslem. All that is necessary is a declaration before a Moslem religious functionary that she wants to become a Moslem and that she acknowledges no other God but Allah, and that Mohammed is his prophet. She is then given a piece of paper which she takes to the Religious Affairs Ministry, where the conversion is finally confirmed.

Precisely how many Jewish girls have adopted the faith of Islam is not known. The number has been estimated at 700, as against 200 Arabs who converted to Judaism since Israel's creation.

Arabs need the approval of the security authorities before their application for conversion is dealt with. Neither rabbinical courts nor security authorities regard the wish of an Arab to marry a Jewish girl as sufficient reason for becoming Jewish.

However, not every case of mixed marriage involves religious conversion. Those who prefer to retain their respective religions travel to Cyprus, where they can be married at a civil ceremony.

Do Arab-Jewish mixed marriages work? Usually they do, particularly if the Jewish girl is from a family of Oriental origin. Such a girl would know Arabic and would be acquainted with Arab customs. Even when the girl is Ashkenazi, the gap between her and her Arab husband is not

unbridgeable. The great majority of the Israeli know Hebrew and are familiar with the Jewish way of life.

Prejudice on both sides does not make life easy for the children of such marriages. The Israeli-Arab conflict helps to perpetuate mutual prejudices. As a result, the children and their parents do suffer from an unfriendly environment, despite the fact the mixed marriages make some contribution towards narrowing the gap between Arabs and Jews.

### TO GET CREDIT

JERUSALEM — Hebrew University students who are on active duty, wounded or convalescing as a result of the Yom Kippur War, have been assured that the university will do all in its power to ensure that they do not lose this academic year.

## Pupils To Be Prepared For Return Of Land

TEL AVIV — Israeli schoolteachers have been told to prepare their pupils for the eventuality that some or most of the territories captured in 1967 may have to be given back to the Arabs. But no one seems to know whose idea it was.

The advisory, in pamphlet form, has created a minor scandal, Israeli press reports said. Teachers were protesting to the Education Ministry that the ministry was involving the schools in politics.

High-ranking officials have claimed ignorance about the existence of the pamphlet, said to have been distributed by a ministry subdepartment.

The pamphlet advised teachers that the return of the territories, to be negotiated in a peace conference scheduled to begin December 18, may create a shock for youngsters who have been able to visit the Golan Heights, Hebron and the Sinai Peninsula for the last six years.

## HARRY GOLDEN

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rest of the country. Particularly in heavy industry. U.S. Steel, Ford, General Motors, Chrysler, General Dynamics, IBM, Xerox, Allied Chemical. No Jews.

And I often wonder what the anti-Semite means when he says why do the Jews have all the money? Does he imply confiscation of private property, or does he recommend massacre?

All of this reminds me of an old East Side story. It is about the Jewish fellow sitting in the subway reading Father Coughlin's anti-

Semitic paper, "Social Justice."

Another Jew grabs the paper out of his hands and berates him, "How come you're reading that anti-Semitic paper?"

And the other fellow raises his eyes and says, "Look, I read the daily papers and what do they say: 'Jews killed in Germany, Jewish graves desecrated in Hungary, citizenship taken away from Jews in Romania' and so on, so I'm reading Father Coughlin's paper and it says, 'The Jews own all the banks, all the radio stations, and all the newspapers' — and it's a pleasure to read this stuff for a change."

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