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**RECEIVES AWARD:** Joseph W. Ress (second from left), Rhode Island industrialist, philanthropist and community leader, received the Jewish Theological Seminary of America's National Community Service Award at the 12th annual dinner meeting of the New England Friends of the Seminary held at the Copley Plaza Hotel in Boston, Massachusetts, recently. Shown above (left to right) are Lawrence L. Suttenger, chairman of the dinner and chairman of the New England Friends of the Seminary; Mr. Ress; Rabbi Joel H. Zaiman of Temple Emanu-El, and Rabbi Stanley J. Schachter, vice chancellor of the Seminary and guest speaker.

CALENDAR

## Jewish Community To Take Part In Statewide Hanukkah Celebration

R.I. '76 and the Jewish Ethnic Heritage Bicentennial Commission together with the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island will hold a statewide Hanukkah celebration on Sunday, December 19.

As part of this celebration, a Hanukkah custom will be recreated. A 12 mile torch run, which will originate at the Theodore Francis Greene Airport, with runners from synagogues, high schools and colleges throughout the state, will culminate at the Jewish Community Center on Elm Grove Avenue in Providence with the lighting of a giant menorah.

The runners will assemble at the airport to receive the torch arriving there by airplane from Israel at 1:45 p.m.

Rabbi Jacob Handler of Temple Beth Israel and Mayor James Taft

of Cranston will extend greetings and start the runners off.

At 2:30 there will be Maccabean games for the entire family which will be held in the gymnasium of the JCC.

There will be a mini-torch run for grades one to five at 3:15 p.m. to join the runners at 149 Elm Grove Avenue. The arriving runners will be greeted by Mayor Vincent Cianci, Jr. of Providence; Dr. Patrick Conley, chairman of the RI Bicentennial Commission, and Noah Temkin, vice president of the board of the JCC. The menorah will then be lit.

At 4 p.m. latkes will be served inside the Center and a light supper may be bought.

The entire community is invited to attend.



**TO ADDRESS INSTITUTE:** Dr. Ruth R. Wisse, associate professor of Yiddish at McGill University and chairman of the Jewish Studies Program, will be the second speaker in 5737 Lecture Series of the Temple Emanu-El Institute of Jewish Studies on Tuesday, December 21, at 8 p.m.

Dr. Wisse has been senior lecturer in Yiddish literature at Tel Aviv University and at Hebrew University and visiting lecturer at the Yivo Institute for Jewish Research in New York.

She will speak on "A Little Lover in Big Manhattan: The Poetry of Moishe Leib Halpern."

## Russian Dissident To Visit Providence

Natalia Rubinstein, a former Russian Jewish dissident, now living in Israel, will be a guest of the Jewish community next week. Mrs. Rubinstein will speak at the Jewish Community Center on Wednesday, December 21, 8 p.m.

Mrs. Rubinstein's visit to Rhode Island was initiated by the Women's Plea for Human Rights for Soviet Jewry, sponsored by the Leadership Conference of National Jewish Women's Organization and the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Born in 1938, Mrs. Rubinstein worked as a philologist at the Pushkin Memorial Museum in Leningrad. Continued on Page 18

## Expect Progress In '77 With Arabs In Israel

WASHINGTON: "Meaningful negotiations" were predicted for the second half of next year between Israel and its Arab neighbors for agreements short of a comprehensive settlement, by Defense Minister Shimon Peres. In interview, he made it clear that he preferred further negotiations along the line of step-by-step diplomacy used by outgoing Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger to the overall Geneva Conference approach which Arab leaders, and even Israeli officials, advocate.

In this country for a fund-raising trip, Mr. Peres had predicted correctly a year ago in an interview that there would be no diplomatic progress in 1976. Asked about 1977, Mr. Peres said he believed "meaningful negotiations may take place between us and the Arabs" and that he thought only step-by-step diplomacy was a realistic goal.

In the elections expected in the fall, Mr. Peres, who commands a significant political following in Israel, is considering making a bid before the caucus of the governing Labor Party to replace Yitzhak Rabin as the party's candidate for Prime Minister. He said that he was keeping his political options open in a recent meeting with Israeli journalists.

**Israel Willing to Go to Geneva**  
In recent weeks, Prime Minister Rabin has spoken publicly of Israel's willingness to attend another Geneva meeting and to negotiate a comprehensive agreement.

But because the Arab states still insist on the return of all lands occupied by Israel since the 1967 war, as well as resolution of the Palestinian question through the establishment of a Palestine state on what is now territory occupied by Israel, it has been unclear how such a comprehensive accord should be achieved.

Israel insists on keeping at least some land for security reasons and rules out a separate Palestine state.

While not taking issue with Mr. Rabin's position, Mr. Peres seemed to be leaving some room between his view and that of Mr. Rabin for possible political reasons particularly since Mr. Rabin has been praised for his advocacy of a comprehensive solution.

Mr. Peres said in the interview he could see returning to Geneva to inaugurate new step-by-step negotiations or to "crown them." But he said it was unrealistic to look for a comprehensive accord sought by the Arab states.

**"Skeptical About Geneva"**  
"I'm skeptical about Geneva," Mr. Peres said. "Geneva may divide us immediately."

"My approach is more pragmatic and holds open more possibilities of success."

Because of strong public appeals by the Arabs, and the Egyptians in particular, the United States has more strongly than ever been talking of a renewed Geneva conference. But privately Secretary of State Henry A. Kissinger is known to be skeptical about the value of a new Geneva conference.

He not only worries about the potential for a breakup of the talks but also does not look forward to giving the Soviet Union, the

Geneva co-chairman with the United States, an opportunity to regain influence it has lost in the Middle East.

Mr. Kissinger will probably advise the Carter administration to seek some way of combining the Geneva approach with step-by-step diplomacy. This could be done by having the Geneva conference authorize such separate negotiations between Israel and Syria and Israel and Egypt.

**Wants Talks With Syria First**

Mr. Peres would like to have Israel and Syria negotiate first to follow-up on the June 1974 agreement that returned to Syria the land lost to Israel in the 1973 war and a sliver of land taken in 1967.

Asked if Israel would be willing to give up much land, Mr. Peres said, "If Syria looks for an agreement, we'll find enough territory to agree and if Syria does not look for an agreement the Golan Heights will not be wide enough."

After a Syrian accord, or simultaneously with it, Mr. Peres would negotiate another interim agreement with Egypt, moving the cease-fire line further eastward in Sinai. For agreements with Egypt and Syria, Israel should be entitled to secure an end to the state-of-war declarations, he said.

But the Egyptians, and presumably the Syrians too, have refused to end the state of war unless all the 1967 land is recovered.

As to Jordan, Mr. Peres, aware of the political sensitivity in Israel to the return of land on the West Bank, said he would seek a "political agreement," not a territorial one. He would like some kind of confederation to be worked out so that Israel and Jordan would share responsibility for the West Bank, something so far rejected by the Arabs.



**TO DELIVER ADDRESS:** Elliot S. Schwartz, executive director of the Bureau of Jewish Education, will deliver an address at the annual Mid-Winter Bureau Director's Conference which will be held on Monday and Tuesday, December 27 and 28.

Mr. Schwartz, who was recently elected to the executive board of the National Council for Jewish Education, will speak on "The Relationship of the Central

Agency and the Congregational School."

## Temple Beth Am To Dedicate New Addition This Friday

The new addition to Temple Beth Am, which was completed at the end of the summer and which has housed many activities of the temple and its affiliated organizations since then, will be dedicated Friday, December 17, in conjunction with the traditional Hanukkah celebration.

Dedication ceremonies will be held as part of the Shabbat Hanukkah services at the temple beginning at 8:15 p.m., under the direction of Rabbi Bernard Rotman and Cantor Natan Subar. Abe Aron, president of the congregation, will unveil a plaque in the new facility.

The addition, which increases

the available space at the temple by approximately 15 per cent, was made possible through individual donations. It provides space for such functions as Hebrew school classes, temple committee meetings, a reception area for social events and also contains a new permanent daily sanctuary separate from the main sanctuary.

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## Resolution Appears Doomed By Arab, African Opposition

BONN (JTA): A West German resolution seeking international action against the holding of hostages by terrorists seems likely to fail because of opposition by African and Arab delegates to the UN General Assembly's Legal Committee. The resolution, supported by 19 other countries, mainly Western calls for those who take

hostages to be brought to trial or handed over to the country against which the action is aimed. Libya, supported by other Afro-Arab countries, is seeking to make the measure applicable only when "innocent" hostages are involved, a change that would destroy the effectiveness of the measure. West Germany, which initiated the resolution

in September, is not prepared to accept this.

Observers believe Bonn would rather withdraw the resolution. A Libyan delegate said the measure must not remove the right of liberation movements to fight for their goals "with all the means at their disposal." Libya is also seeking to refer the question of punishment for hostage-taking to a special committee envisaged in Bonn's resolution that would draft the final convention. German observers see this as an attempt to weaken the forms of action Bonn has proposed.

## Obituaries



### GEORGE T. DANN

Funeral services for George T. Dann of Miami, Florida, who died December 2, were private.

The husband of Sydne Dann, he was born in Springfield, Massachusetts on March 2, 1907. He was a graduate of New York University.

Mr. Dann operated his on business in Providence and was a founder and president of the Cranston Jewish Community Center. He was a president of Edward Affiliates in Providence; a president of the Brotherhood of Temple Beth El of Providence and was active in many other associations in New England before moving to Miami in 1960.

He was very active in community life in Miami after he moved there. He was one of the founders and presidents of the Children's Center in Miami, as well as a member of its board of directors for many years; president of the Children's Psychiatric Center and a member of its board of directors. Currently he had been a member of the board of directors of Community Health of South Dade, Inc., and active in other organizations concerning themselves with mental health.

He had also been a sales consultant for various companies

throughout the United States, including the Ross Oil Corporation; a Dale Carnegie sales instructor, and a member of Miracle Masonic Lodge and Business, Inc. He had been a guest speaker before many organizations.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Meryl Dann of Chicago, Illinois.

Donations in his memory may be sent to the Heart Fund of Miami.

### MRS. SAMUEL ROSEMAN

Funeral services for Minnie Roseman, 84, of 21 Pleasant Street, Cranston, who died December 10, were held Sunday at Temple Sinai. Burial was in Beth Alom Cemetery, New Britain, Connecticut.

The widow of Samuel Roseman, she was born in Lithuania on January 20, 1892. She had lived in New Britain for more than 40 years and moved to Cranston in 1968.

She was a member of Temple Sinai and its Sisterhood.

Survivors include two sons, Sidney Roseman of Cranston and Bernard Roseman of Kingston, Massachusetts; a daughter, Libby Aaron of Cranston; a sister, Lilly Shapiro of Long Beach, New York, and five grandchildren.

### FRANK I. REFFKIN

Funeral services for Frank I. Reffkin, 81, a former resident of 22 Burnside Street, who died December 10, were held Sunday at the Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The husband of Celia (Dworkin) Reffkin, he was born in Providence on January 25, 1895, a son of the late Aaron and Bertha Reffkin. He was a lifelong resident of the city. He and his wife celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on November 26.

He was a self-employed salesman before retiring 25 years ago.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a daughter, Zeldia Weinberg of Warwick; two sons, Burton E. Reffkin of Providence and Sanford Reffkin of Warwick; a sister, Marion Ascher of Hartford, Connecticut; five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

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### MRS. MORRIS SWERLING

Funeral services for Ethel M. Swerling, 74, of 201 Hanover Street, Fall River, Massachusetts, who died unexpectedly on December 11, were held the following day at the Fisher Memorial Chapel in Fall River. Burial was in Hebrew Cemetery in that city.

The wife of Morris Swerling, she was born in Russia on June 11, 1902, a daughter of the late Nathan O'Desky. She had been a Fall River resident for almost 60 years.

Mrs. Swerling was a retired saleswoman.

Besides her husband she is survived by a son, David Swerling of Branford, Connecticut; a brother, William O'Desky of Cranston; four sisters, Muriel Cote of Coventry, Betty Miller of Warwick, Rose Lazarus of Woonsocket, and Shirley Hirsch of Providence, and three grandchildren.

### MRS. DAVID ROBINSON

Funeral services for Sadie Robinson of 43 Pembroke Avenue, who died Sunday, were held the following day at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The widow of David Robinson, she was born in Austria, a daughter of the late Louis and Ida Trutt. She had lived in Providence most of her life.

She was a member of Temple Beth David-Anshei Kovno and its Sisterhood, the Jewish Home for the Aged and Pioneer Women.

She leaves two daughters, Lillian Waldman and Pauline Name-row, both of Providence; a sister, Sophie Siegel of Providence, and four grandchildren.

### MRS. JACOB D. NEWMAN

Funeral services and burial of Rebecca Newman, 96, of 99 Hillside Avenue, who died Sunday, will be private.

The widow of Jacob D. Newman, she was born in Russia, a daughter of the late Abraham and Hinda Rosenfeld. She had been a Providence resident for more than 65 years.

She was a member of the Miriam Hospital Women's Association, the Jewish Home for the Aged and B'nai B'rith.

She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Mark Huddish of East Providence; two sons, Maurice Newman of Daytona Beach, Florida, and Leon Newman of Highland Park, New Jersey; two grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren.

### MRS. HARRY H. BROMBERG

Funeral services for Emma Bromberg, 78, of 331 Hope Street, who died Sunday after a one-year illness, were held the following day at the Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The widow of Harry H. Bromberg, she was born in New York City on December 7, 1898, a daughter of the late Samuel and Rose (Falk) Schnur. She had lived in Providence for 60 years.

She was a member of Temple Emanu-El and its Sisterhood, the Providence Hebrew Day School and the Providence Chapter of Hadassah. She was a life member of the Jewish Home for the Aged and the Miriam Hospital Women's Association.

She leaves a daughter, Mildred Heimann of Riverside; two sisters, Anna Friedman and Bertha Robbins, both of Miami Beach, Florida; four grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

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- January 24-February 7—Beth Emeth Assoc., led by Dr. Burt Novitsky
- January 30-February 9—Adath Yeshurun, led by Mr. Harold Hoffman
- January 31-February 10 — Diaspora Yeshiva Toras Yisrael
- January 31-February 21 — Fairwood Group, led by Rev. Victor Abram
- February 14-February 24 — First Jerusalem Conf. of Christians and Israelis, led by Rev. Malcolm Boyd
- February 15-February 25 — Rabbi and Mrs. Cary David Yales visit Israel
- February 17-February 27 — Tour of the Holy Land & Rome, led by Esther J.J. Valenti
- February 20-February 25—Opportunity '77 Israel American Business Week, led by Mr. Max Ratner
- February 20-March 1—Combined Veterans Pilgrimage—VFW, American Legion, Disabled Amvets, Amvets, led by Commanders J. Burnett, J. Comer, M. Hurley, L. Cordeiro
- February 21-March 7—Temple Beth El/Norwalk, led by Rabbi Jonas Goldberg
- February 23-March 9—Temple Beth El/Portland, led by Cantor Kurt Messerschmidt
- February 23-March 9 — Mass. and Conn. Visits Israel, led by Mr. and Mrs. Mel Lepow
- February 28-March 10—JWV Robert F. Kennedy Post No. 668, led by Past National Commander Albert Schlossberg
- February 28-March 14 — Israel for Senior Citizens, led by Mr. Joey Russell
- March 1-March 15 — Temple Sinai and Temple Beth Israel Purim Tour, led by Dorothy Jacobson
- March 1-March 15 — BBN Jewish Community Center, led by Mr. Joel Krensky
- March 6-March 12 — Jerusalem Jewelry and Arts & Crafts Fair
- March 7-March 21 — Temple Ner Tamid, led by Rabbi Abraham Morhaim
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- May 8-May 13 — Jerusalem Conference on Impaired Vision in Childhood
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- May 12-May 26 — Cong. Ahabat Shalom, led by Rabbi Samuel Zaitchik
- May 12-May 26 — Darchy Noam Sisterhood, led by Mrs. Esther Woods
- May 16-May 26 — Adath Yeshurun Club, led by Mr. and Mrs. Milton Silverman
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### FIRST CHILD BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas N. Ross of Cranston announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Beth Fay, on November 19.

Paternal grandparents are Irving Ross of 32 Taft Avenue and Mrs. Neal Katz of Great Neck, New York.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Drobiarz of Moosup, Connecticut.

Paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Louis Goldstein of Smith Street.

### 5 Scientists' Homes Raided

NEW YORK (JTA): The homes of, at least five Jewish scientists planning a symposium next month on Jewish culture in the Soviet Union were raided by Soviet secret police, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry and the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry reported late last month.

The sponsors of the December 21-23 symposium had issued a world-wide appeal to Jewish scholars in other countries to come to Moscow to participate in the symposium, an invitation which the Association of Jewish Studies in the United States had accepted. An American Academic Committee for the Moscow Conference was formed to support the goals of the symposium and delegated four American Jewish scholars to participate.

Marvin Herzog of Columbia University, Jacob Neusner of Brown University and Marshall Sklare of Brandeis, had applied for visas to make the visit.

Among those Moscow activists whose homes were searched and documents confiscated, the NCSJ reported, were Benjamin Fain, Leonid Volvolsky, Vladimir Prestin, Pavel Abramovich, and Josif Begun. The NCSJ said Moscow informants had indicated that the search and seizure operation "is an effort to intimidate the group and to destroy any free discussion about Jewish culture in the Soviet Union."

The SSSJ said Anya Essas was warned by the Soviet secret agents that her husband, Ilya, a leading refusenik, should stop his Jewish organizing efforts or face prison for "a few years" for "anti-Soviet activity."

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# Jules Feiffer's "Knock, Knock" Satirical, Absurd And Comic

*Knock, Knock*, by Jules Feiffer, is satirical, absurd and comic. As presented by Trinity Square Repertory Company, its three acts are paced rather like the bouncing balls attached to paddles, that always hit back when you least expect it.

Act I discovers two men in their log cabin hideaway from the world. They have lived there for 20 years. Abe (Howard London) will admit that anything is possible but not much is probable. Cohn (George Martin) finds it necessary to believe passionately in something, though he hates to admit it. Into their settled domesticity come two figures from the alien world, Joan of Arc and Wiseman. Joan is sweetly earnest in her efforts to persuade them to obey her voices and come with her to the Emperor. She may have once been Cinderella, but is now almost wholly the strong young saint. (Margo Skinner's portrayal is so felicitous that I kept being reminded of other very good Joan plays I'd like to see her in.) Wiseman is a catalyst whose roles vary from lopsided angel to disguised devil to redneck judge. If not the *deus ex machina*, he is at least the god's emissary (Richard Kavanaugh strides posturing through the role).

The whole layer-on-layer structure of such a play as this must

depend on the basic characters upon whom the absurdities are built. If an audience relates to them, the playwright can take off at will on his flights of fancy. In *Knock, Knock* the two men, Cohn and Abe, are played, with an endearing, exasperating charm and warmth that carry the day. Their arguments, their dividing of household duties, their reactions to Joan's intrusion into their retreat, and their eventual reversal of attitudes matter to us as the characters in *Little Murders*, for example, did not (Trinity did the earlier Feiffer play several years ago). The special effects were extremely well done, and there are many of them. Easily the most amusing is Joan's homily on the sane and moral life, delivered when she is halfway to heaven.

Feiffer is not a great dramatist, and this is not a great play. It is a somewhat staccato entertainment, with a solid fast first act, a slightly longer Act 2, and a third act that wraps it all up but sags a little in the middle.

Robert Mandel directed *Knock, Knock*, and design of scenery was by Robert D. Soule; lighting, John Custer; costumes, Betsey Potter; and properties, Sandra Nathanson.

(LOIS ATWOOD)

# Assimilation A Threat To Jews Of Argentine

JERUSALEM: The main problem of Argentine Jewry is assimilation and not anti-Semitism as many Israelis believe, Rabbi Marshall T. Meyer, rector of the Seminario Rabinico Latinoamericano in Buenos Aires told Israel Radio.

Meyer, here for the 11th biennial convention of the World Council of Synagogues, conceded there is anti-Semitism in Argentina but said it was hardly the main problem facing Argentine Jewry. Only 28,000 of the 300,000 Jews living in Argentina visited synagogues last Yom Kippur, an indication of the status of religion among Argentine's Jews, he said.

Meyer praised the excellent relations between the present regime and the Jewish community.

"If anybody in Israel believes the Jews in Argentina are on the eve of a pogrom, he is very wrong," Meyer said.

He thus ruled out the possibility of mass emigration from Argentina. "Argentina's Jews will not emigrate in case of trouble," he said. "I don't believe in aliyah without heart."

Rabbi Angel Kreiman-Brill, of Santiago, Chile, who spoke on the same program, also did not believe in "panic" emigration. In fact, he stated, many of the Jews who had left Chile five years ago under Allende's regime, have returned, among them many who emigrated to Israel.

**ARGENTINE GROVES**  
JERUSALEM (JTA): Shmuel Gorensky, Jewish community president of the San Juan district in Argentina, and a delegation from the district attended the dedication ceremony of a San Juan Grove on the slopes of Mt. Tabor in the Galilee. Other groves are to be planted by the Argentine Jewish communities in cooperation with the Jewish National Fund in Israel.

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**The Miriam Hospital**

By **BERYL SEGAL**

The two patients in their hospital beds just outside the Emergency Rooms were amused by the people running by them, hurrying to their work. Every once in a while an intern would stop at their beds, chat with them about nothing in particular and depart with a pat on the shoulder and a promise to come see them again soon.

The nurse who accompanied me told me that patients staying in the corridor after they were admitted is not an unusual sight at the Miriam. They are awaiting their call to the room when a patient vacates a bed.

I discussed this matter with Mr. Jerome Sapolsky when we were talking in his office. He was not surprised. The 247 beds in the hospital are always occupied and

patients coming in often have to wait their turn. Of course, he was quick to inform me, these patients are not emergency cases. For emergencies there is always room.

There are several reasons for this unusual demand for beds.

First, The Miriam has always been known in the community as a "peoples hospital." Here the patients are not only treated medically but also humanely. To the doctor the patient is a case which requires treatment according to the best medical knowledge. But to the administration, the nurses and technicians, the patient in bed is a human being requiring their help and compassion. Help and compassion are as important to the patient as the medical treat-

ment. This point is especially stressed and impressed on the staff.

Second, the hospital is also known for the competent, devoted physicians. The doctor has the expertise of specialists when it is indicated. He can call on people who specialize in kidney diseases, nervous disorders, respiratory difficulties, and above all, in cardiovascular cases. Cardiology is the major capability of The Miriam Hospital.

The hospital is equipped with all possible mechanical and scientific tools to assist the doctor.

One of these tools, the latest, was shown to me by Dr. Richard Shulman, who is on the permanent staff of the hospital. It is called Echo Cardiology. All of us know the echoes the Navy is using to detect objects on the bottom of the sea. Peaks and valleys, depressions, prominences send back echoes to the vessels, and these are interpreted to map the topology of the ocean. Even so the Echo Cardiology detects in the patients irregularities of the heart, Echo Cardiology is Sonar of the Navy.

The process is completely painless, discomfortless. A woman patient was lying on the couch, breathing naturally, with a little attachment at her heart, and the needle delineating peaks and valleys on a graph. The echoes sent back by the machine were normal, and doctor and patient were happy.

A person who does not visit the hospital very often is bewildered by the amount of construction that goes on there all the time. Construction and rearrangement of departments is a constant reminder of the dynamism of the administration. New acquisitions demand additional space and expansion of facilities. Modern medicine depends greatly on mechanical tools.

At the present time, for instance, The Miriam is expanding upwards and outwards. Construction workers or preparing for the opening of the fourth floor. This will provide sixty additional beds, some of them will be private rooms, others for double occupancy. That will require additional furnishings and, of course, nursing staff and housekeeping personnel. The new rooms on the fourth floor are equipped with the latest conveniences and are designed to make the patients' stay at The Miriam as comfortable and pleasant as possible.

The hospital expects to move into the Intensive Care unit being built towards Seventh Street by the end of the year. The Intensive Care unit will be situated in a wing all by itself away from the traffic of the hospital. The patients in that unit must be watched every minute of their stay, day and night. Not only the patients themselves but also the equipment to which they are attached must be monitored constantly. A nurse sitting at her desk will have all the indicators in front of her and, in case of an emergency, will be able to get life saving equipment and staff members at a minute's notice.

A modern hospital must be alert to new trends and new methods in medicine. The science of medicine is forever opening new vistas and new horizons. The hospital that closes its eyes to these innovations is denying the best treatment possible to its patients.

The Miriam Hospital keeps its eyes open, and hence the high regard among the people and among other healing institutions.

(Mr. Segal's opinions are his own and not necessarily those of this newspaper.)

## Your Money's Worth

By Sylvia Porter



### Citizen Band Radio 'Traps'

If you are planning to buy a citizens band radio as a Christmas gift for a dear relative, cherished friend (or yourself), be on guard against three dollars-and-cents traps:

(1) CB units have become a prime target for thieves, with stolen units having a ready market among "bargain-hunters." In some areas of the U.S., sets are being stolen almost as fast as they are sold by legitimate dealers. As an owner, there are steps you can take to protect yourself, and unless you want to invite a theft, you must learn the rules and obey them.

As a would-be buyer, a startlingly inexpensive price should be a tip-off. Unless you want to be a receiver of stolen goods, avoid the "bargain," and report the offer to the authorities.

(2) As of January 1, the number of CB channels will be expanded by the Federal Communications Commission — the U.S. agency which regulates and licenses Citizens Band Radio — from 23 to 40, in order to help alleviate congestion and crowding on the air waves.

You can, though, buy a new 23-channel unit now from some major manufacturers with confidence that you can send your set back to the supplier after January 1 and have the set upgraded to 40 channels at a surcharge of the listed price of the current CB set you buy.

Pace, the nation's largest supplier of CB radios, has placed its surcharge at 20 percent of the listed price of its units, claims this will make the total charge to you equal or less than the 40 channel set you might buy after January 1. Others have similar surcharges quoted as a percentage or in dollar totals.

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9:30 a.m.  
Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, Men's  
Providence Division, Breakfast Division

12:00 noon  
Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, Hanukkah Family Party

1:00 p.m.  
Jewish Community Center, Hanukkah Family Party

2:00 p.m.  
Business & Professional Group of Hadassah, Hanukkah Party

2:30 p.m.  
Mizrahi Women, Providence Chapter, Hanukkah Party

MONDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1976

12:30 p.m.  
Pioneer Women of Providence, Club #1, Regular Meeting

6:00 p.m.  
Providence Hebrew Day School Women, Hanukkah Supper and Raffle

8:00 p.m.  
Congregation Shaare Zedek-Sons of Abraham Sisterhood, Hanukkah Meeting  
Department of Rhode Island, Jewish War Veterans, Regular Meeting

Mizrahi Women, Providence Chapter, Board Meeting

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1976

7:30 p.m.  
Hope Chapter #735, B'nai B'rith Women, Budget Meeting

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(3) But owners of CB radios seldom use more than three or four channels — no matter how many channels are available. With Pace quoting list prices at from \$70 to \$700, depending on quality, sophistication and features of the sets, and with the 40-channel sets to involve such additional charges, updating your set may be only a status symbol and a mere waste of your money.

Of the three traps, by far the most critical involves thefts. By year end 1976, authorities estimate, a full 250,000 CB radios valued at \$45 million will have been stolen — with four out of five stolen units taken from cars.

In Dallas, for instance, more than 1,300 units a month are stolen. In Houston, thefts have quadrupled in less than a year to more than 2,300 a month. In Los Angeles, CB thefts jumped 200 percent in a recent three-month period. In Oklahoma, officials say that one in three units purchased this year will have been stolen by Christmas.

The claims on stolen CB radios have badly hurt the insurance companies and forced them to make an unpleasant choice: either raise auto insurance rates in general to pay for CB losses, or require individuals with two-way mobile radios in their cars to buy special coverage. Most companies have opted for the special coverage and now exclude CB radios from the "comprehensive" section of their new and renewed auto insurance policies.

But "many CB users play at least a passive role in their own victimization by not taking proper measures to thwart thefts," emphasizes Thomas H. Belcher, of Aetna Life & Casualty, one of the country's largest auto insurers. Here are six precautions to take:

- Lock your auto doors, even if you'll be away only for a moment. This precaution also will help prevent claim disputes with your insurance company in case of a theft.
- Use inconspicuous or detachable antennas. Highly visible antennas act as beacons to thieves.
- Remove the unit when leaving your car unattended. Store the set at home when possible, in the car trunk otherwise.
- Engrave an identifying mark on all two-way radios — preferably your driver's license or Social Security number. This will help police return your stolen set, if it is recovered.
- Don't buy stolen merchandise. Apart from the moral issue, police

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## Local On Boston Stage With Mollie Picon, Hans Conreid

By BARBARA WRONSKI

If Boston reviews are any source of reliable information, anyone who does not see "Something Old, Something New" now playing at the Wilbur Theatre in Boston, has missed the chance of a lifetime. The play stars Hans Conreid and Mollie Picon, of Yiddish stage fame, and is categorized as a light, livingroom comedy. Ahvi Spindell and his house guest, Matthew Tobin, both members of the cast, were kind enough to grant *The Herald* a last minute interview just before last Tuesday's opening. Mr. Spindell is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Spindell of Providence. Besides providing the vitals of this particular production, we found time for some interesting discussions on technique, background and just simple repartee which we wish to share with you here.

### Boston's Production

"We're working with probably two of the greatest pros in community theatre available," Mr. Spindell said. I mean, she is 78 years old, and she is remarkable."

"She tells us the most fabulous stories about all of her work," Mr. Tobin interjected, "not just on the Yiddish stage, but the American theatre in itself."

Mr. Spindell shifted the conversation slightly. "The show actually presents itself to an interesting audience, which you don't normally get, and that's the older people."

Mr. Tobin: "You know there really has been no play for mature audiences, or senior citizens, which I think is kind of a slug in the head for being old. Old is what, really? Old is relative."

Mr. Spindell: "...which is one of the things the show comments on. There hasn't been a play about peo-



AHVI SPINDELL

ple in their mature years. What they do after their mate, their husband or wife, passes on. They talk about it in the play. Your children go off and leave you, they lead their own lives and parent and child are separated for a while, but then there is a time when they are brought back together. This is one of the conflicts presented in the show. The game is played right to the closing line."

### 1st Broadway Show

"This is my first Broadway show," Mr. Spindell told us. "I was on the road last year, in Virginia with the Wayside Theatre, run by Lou Furman. The program was under a children's theatre contract by Equity, the actors' union, but its main purpose was to incorporate a type of education."

"This show is a little different from taking a play that has already been produced or is in a kind of revival summer stock situation. My part has been rewritten in a major way at least six times."

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JERUSALEM: Israel and Portugal have agreed to cooperate in the establishment of an agricultural training system in the latter country to promote the modernization of its agriculture.

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**Supreme Ct. To Hear Another Case Of Religious Observance**

WASHINGTON: The U.S. Supreme Court announced that it will hear another case on the issue of how far an employer must go to accommodate the religious observance of an employee.

The case involves Larry Hardison who was fired by Trans World Airlines in 1969 for refusing to work on Saturdays. Hardison belongs to the World Wide Church of God, a Christian sect that observes the Sabbath from sundown Friday to sundown Saturday in the manner of Orthodox Jews.

Early last month, the Supreme Court split 4-4 in an almost identical case involving a member of the same church who had sued the Parker Seal Co. of Berea, Ky.

The split decision had the effect of affirming a lower court decision in favor of the complainant but was inconclusive as a legal precedent. Nevertheless, it was hailed by the National Jewish Commission on

Law, and Public Affairs (COLPA) which had filed a brief with the Supreme Court on behalf of the Orthodox Jewish Community.

But the question remains how the country's highest court interprets the language of a 1972 amendment to the 1964 Civil Rights Act that requires employers to make "reasonable accommodations" to the religious practices of workers as long as their business is not subjected to undue hardship.

In the Hardison case, a U.S. district court ruled that TWA had complied with the law in attempts to resolve Hardison's problem.

The U.S. Court of Appeals disagreed and suggested that a company as large as TWA could have resolved the conflict in a manner satisfactory to the complainant. The Supreme Court is expected to render a decision before it recesses next summer.

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**Notices**

**TEMPLE BETH AM**  
The annual Temple Beth Am Men's Club Hanukkah party will be held on Sunday, December 19 at the temple.  
The party will follow the Sunday school classes and is open to the children of members of the temple.  
There will be special entertainment, luncheon and an exchange of Hanukkah gifts. Lester Aptel is chairman of the event which will begin at approximately 12 noon.

**GUEST SPEAKER**  
Guest speaker at late Friday evening services at Temple Beth Sholom on December 17 at 8:15 p.m. will be Geraldine S. Foster. She will speak on "The Lively Experiment—The Yiddish Theater in America".  
Mrs. Foster taught for seven years in the Providence public school system; served as chairman of the English department at Nathan Bishop Middle School; taught at the Temple Emanu-El Midrasa and is currently a teacher of Yiddish and literature at the Temple Emanu-El Adult Institute.

She is president of the Bureau of Jewish Education, education chairman of the Women's Division of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, trustee of Temple Beth El, board member of the Dvora Dayan Club of Pioneer Women, national board member of the Foundation for Jewish Culture.  
The public is invited to attend.

**HOLIDAY CONCERT**  
A combined holiday concert of the Young Peoples Symphony of Rhode Island and the Cumberland High School Chorus of Cumberland will be held at Veteran's Memorial Auditorium on Sunday, December 19 at 3:30 p.m.  
Dr. Joseph Conte, music director of YPSORI, will conduct the combined orchestra and chorus.  
Mrs. Nectar Lennox, director of choral music in the Cumberland school system, will conduct the mixed chorus.

**CRAFTS FAIR**  
A Christmas Crafts Fair will be held in the State Room of Rhodes-on-the-Pawtuxet on Sunday, December 19, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Almost 60 craftsmen and artists from New England will participate in the event.

**ANNUAL MEETING**  
The annual meeting of the Chesed Shel Emes (Lincoln Park Cemetery Association) will take place on Sunday, December 19, at 2 p.m. at Temple Beth Sholom. Election and installation of officers will be held.

**TEMPLE SINAI**  
As part of the Hanukkah celebration at Temple Sinai, more than 40 families who have become affil-

iated with the congregation this year will be recognized at a dinner and service to be held at the temple on Friday, December 17.  
Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Reservations may be made by calling 942-8350.  
Rabbi Jerome S. Gurland and officers of the temple will greet the new members. The program is sponsored by the board of trustees and the temple Sisterhood and Brotherhood.

**WITH PHILHARMONIC**  
Raymond Jackson, pianist, will appear with the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra at the Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 18, at 8:30 p.m. at Veteran's Memorial Auditorium. The concert will be conducted by Francis Madeira.  
Mr. Jackson graduated summa cum laude from the New England Conservatory of Music and was awarded the Conservatory's distinguished George W. Chadwick Medal. He is a recent recipient of the Doctor of Musical Arts Degree from the Juilliard School of Music.  
Dr. Jackson has performed as recitalist and orchestral soloist in the United States, Europe and South America.

**PIONEER WOMEN**  
The next regular meeting of the Pioneer Women of Rhode Island, Club I, will be held on Monday, December 20, at 12:30 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

Abraham Aschkenasy, director of the Women's Division and director of public relations for the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, will be the principal speaker.  
Mrs. Morris Silk will bless the Hanukkah candles and Mrs. Albert Sokolow, chairwoman of the Winola Project, will conduct the awarding of prizes.  
A coffee hour will precede the meeting with Mrs. Leonard Bornstein as hospitality chairwoman, Mrs. Raymond Cohen as program chairwoman, and Mrs. Jack Melamut, ex-officio.

**TO HOLD MEETING**  
The Council of Administration, Department of Rhode Island, Jewish War Veterans of the United States, will hold a regular meeting at the Jewish Community Center on Monday, December 20, at 8 p.m.

JWV national headquarters in Washington, D.C. has notified the department that Phil Woled of Providence has been designated as Deputy VAVS Officer to the VA Hospital.

**HANUKKAH MEETING**  
The Business & Professional Group of Hadassah will hold its Hanukkah meeting on Sunday, December 19, at 2 p.m. at the home of the president, Mabel Ber- manon.

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**JERUSALEM:** The Central Statistics Bureau reported that approximately one quarter million

Israelis went abroad in the first nine months of 1976, while less than 219,000 returned. The report states that between January and

September 244,300 left Israel and 218,000 returned. During the same period last year, 234,000 went abroad and 210,200 returned.



**DEVOTING HER TIME TO THE ELDERLY:** Marcia Sydney, 17, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Sydney of Providence, plays a game of dominoes with one of the patients at the Shaare Zedek Day Hospital in Jerusalem. Miss Sydney recently completed a session of voluntary service at the 75 year old hospital and returned to begin studies at Brown Univer-

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## BRIDGE



By Robert E. Starr

Frugality is wonderful, especially in today's economy. However, there are times when what appeared to be saving turned out to be a waste. In this respect Bridge is similar to life itself. Much of the time careful attention to your assets will enable them to reap the highest profit. But you can't just sit and have them do all the work for you. Sometimes you have to do it yourself. In today's hand most of the Defenders passively waited for their tricks to come. They had not invested their assets wisely for no added dividends came to them. Two Easts saw a perfect way to make a quick profit. As you will see their investment would have been given a AAA rating.

ference. True, they win the second Diamond and can lead anything they want to trick three. Declarer can win and start extracting Trumps. East can take his Ace whenever he wants but that is the last trick for the Defense. The Club finesse works and must be taken.

The worst part of all this is that not one of the Defenders realized that they should have set the contract. I suppose that if they saw it at the end of the hand they might have been able to at trick one when the machinery should have been put in motion.

The two successful Defenders paused for a few seconds and then were quite confident that they had seen an almost foolproof way to set the hand. West's lead of the King had guaranteed the Queen to East who had the Ace himself. He was going to use this knowledge and also that same Queen later, not now as the others did. He knew that he had a singleton Club and also the Trump Ace. All he had to do was get that singleton out of his hand while he still had a low Trump to ruff with and have the ability at that same time to get to his partner to obtain that ruff.

The method is really easy. At trick one they overtook East's King with the Ace and returned the singleton Club, giving Declarer the free finesse. But when Trumps were now played East takes his Ace and returns a low Diamond to that Queen still in West's hand. Any West would be able to figure out that his partner is now void of Clubs and that ruff defeats the hand. The only thing that could possibly go wrong with this defense is for South to also be out of Clubs but first that is highly unlikely and if he is then the hand couldn't have been set. Overtaking that Diamond King with the Ace couldn't lose a thing except in the remote chance that West had led from a Doubleton King himself. If he did we don't even worry about such a possibility.

Moral: Leads of honors give vital information as to the location of other honors. This can be taken much better advantage of than most players do.

**North**  
 ♠ Q J 6  
 ♥ J 8 5 4  
 ♦ 7 3  
 ♣ A 10 9 2

**West**  
 ♠ 9 8 4  
 ♥ 3  
 ♦ K Q 10 9  
 ♣ K 7 6 5 4

**East**  
 ♠ 10 7 5 3 2  
 ♥ A 6 2  
 ♦ A 8 5 4  
 ♣ 3

**South**  
 ♠ A K  
 ♥ K Q 10 9 7  
 ♦ J 6 2  
 ♣ Q J 8

North was Dealer, no one vulnerable with this bidding:

N	E	S	W
P	P	1♥	P
2♥	P	3♥	P
4♥	End		

The bidding presented no problems at all. Every North did the same, raising South's Heart bid to two and then accepting the invitation to game. The four Heart contract is certainly normal and all but two pairs made it. They could and should have been set. The reason they weren't is because so many players refrain from "wasting" honors. That waste turned out to be exactly opposite.

The normal defense was for West to lead the Diamond King with East encouraging him with the 8. Naturally, West continues and the hand is over. Nothing the Defense does now can make a dif-

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## Year In Israel Required Of Conservative Students

JERUSALEM: The World Council of Synagogues, the international organization of Conservative Judaism, announced on the eve of its 11th biennial convention here that all Conservative rabbinical students will be required to spend one out of their three years of study in Israel. Leaders of the movement said at a press conference that the new arrangement will go into effect next year.

They also demanded recognition of Conservative Judaism by Israel's Orthodox-controlled religious establishment and noted that some progress already has been made in that direction.

Further integration of Conservative Judaism in Israel was seen in the approval by the World Zionist Organization of plans for the first Conservative *moshav* to be established in the Rafhah Salient.

The new settlement will be based on advanced agricultural techniques aimed at producing for export. It will be the first of a group of three Conservative settlements in the same region.

The first Reform Jewish settlement, Yahel, in the Arava district, was inaugurated last week on the occasion of the jubilee convention here of the World Conference for Progressive Judaism.

Rabbi Bernard Segal, acting executive director of the World Council of Synagogues, who is a resident of Jerusalem, told newsmen that the main problem of the movement in Israel was the

denial of recognition as a legitimate branch of Judaism.

Rabbi Benjamin Z. Kreitmann, executive vice president of the United Synagogue of America, pointed out that although Conservative Judaism makes a point of converting only according to *Halacha*, some converts of Conservative rabbis encounter difficulties when they asked to be recognized as Jews in Israel.

Segal and Kreitman noted, however, that six Conservative rabbis are presently functioning officially in Israel. They are permitted to perform marriages, hitherto the exclusive domain of Orthodox rabbis.

They explained that recognition of Conservative rabbis was a matter that local rabbinical councils decided.

## Project On Jews In US

JERUSALEM: Some 1500 high school students in 18 schools in the Matte Yehuda region near Jerusalem will begin this week an educational project on "Jews in the United States." The project, sponsored by the International Cultural Center for Youth in Jerusalem, in conjunction with the Ministry of Education and Culture and the regional council, is the first of its kind in Israel. Its purpose is to impart to students a better knowledge of American Jews, their history and their cultural background.

## Notices

### SOUTH COUNTY

The annual Hanukah party sponsored by the Jewish Community Council of South County will be held at Congregation Sarah Zedek synagogue on Union Street in Westerly on Sunday, December 19, at 2 p.m.

Entertainment will be presented by Jordan and Elaine Miller puppets performing their version of the play *The Toymaker*, from a script originally commissioned by the United Nations.

Following the performance, pupils of the South County Hebrew School will light the Hanukah candles and sing Hanukah songs. Potato latkes will be prepared by Morris Levin.

Naomi Zucker, party chairwoman, has extended an invitation to all South County Jewish families.

### HOLD SEMINAR

Marie Puerini, director of the Medical Personnel Pool in Providence, has just returned from the nation convention held in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, recently.

The meeting was attended by representatives of more than one hundred offices across the country. The service offers registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, nurses aides, home health aides and orderlies to hospitals, nursing homes and private patients both in the health facility and in their homes on an as-needed basis.

### SUNDAY BROADCAST

A Hanukah broadcast special will be presented on Sunday, December 19 on two radio stations.

The program will be presented on WARV, 1550 AM dial, at 1 p.m., and on WEAN, 790 AM dial, at 9 p.m.

There will be interviews with recent local Soviet emigres. There will be music and a play will be presented (live, You Are There format).

The special has been produced by Moshe (Mark) Roseman of Cranston, for the Rhode Island and Southeast Massachusetts Jewish communities.

### MAJESTIC GUILD

A Hanukah party will be sponsored by the Majestic Senior Guild for the patients at the Me-

dical Center in Cranston on December 17.

A luncheon will be served and gifts will be distributed by the hostesses of the Majestic Senior Guild. A chapel service will be conducted by Rabbi Jacob Handler of Temple Beth Israel.

### REGISTRATION OPENS

The Bureau of Jewish Education has announced that registration for the second semester of its Cranston-Warwick Institute of Adult Jewish Studies, which will begin on Thursday, January 6, at Temple Beth Torah in Cranston, has opened.

A feature film "A Rendezvous with Freedom" will highlight the opening night at which an explanation of the new courses and registration will be given.

Instructors and their courses are Hebrew Reading and Ulpan, Fania Gross; a Survey of the Bible, Rabbi Marc Jagolinzer; Judaism and Moral Issues, Rabbi Jagolinzer; The Five Megillot, Rabbi Saul Leeman; Modern Jewish Literature, Rabbi Leeman; Jewish Skills, Ira Zaidman.

Information on registration may be obtained by calling 331-0956.

### HANUKAH SUPPER

The Annual Supper Hanukah party of the Providence Hebrew Day School will be held on Monday, December 20 at 6 p.m.

The second and third grade students will entertain with musical selections. The fifth grade students will present a Hebrew dramatization of Hanukah.

The Providence Hebrew Day School Women's Association will serve the traditional chicken and latke supper. Co-chairmen for this event are Roberta Scholdan, Elaine London and Clarissa Kulfman.

### HANUKAH GALA

A Hanukah gala, including Menorah judging and refreshments will be held during the morning of Sunday, December 19 at Temple Beth Torah. Bruce Kalver, magician, will entertain.

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### El Al Will Offer Low-Budget Runs

JERUSALEM: Israel's national airline, El Al, will begin, for the first time, low-budget charter flights from Boston to Jerusalem in September of 1977.

El Al, which has resisted charter flights, signed an agreement with an organization called International Weekends to run twice weekly charters using Boeing 707 jets, according to an El Al spokesman. Non-airline sources were reported as saying that the cost of the package tours are estimated at \$500 per week for each passenger. The cost would include accommodations. The flights will be the first charters to Israel from the East Coast, and will land in Jerusalem rather than at the major airport, Ben-Gurion, which is near Tel Aviv.

The spokesman said that the airline will oppose charter flights, preferring group travel, but that it had agreed to the arrangement because it did not want to be left out. Charter flights already available originate in Scandinavia, Britain, and West Germany, with many going to the southern port city of Eilat, which the Israeli Government has been developing as a tourist center.

Last month an inaugural flight chartered from the West Coast landed here after months of dispute over charter tourism on the ground that it did little for the economy because it attracted less affluent customers. The charter, which is to be carried by World Airways, will arrive every two weeks with American visitors at a cost, under current winter rates, of \$900 per person for two weeks, not including meals.

The Israeli Minister of Tourism, Moshe Kol, said 95,000 tourists were expected next year on charter flights originating in the United States, Scandinavia, West Germany and Britain—a threefold increase over 1975.

He added that because the Government had modified its policy, it was possible to attract vacationers "from whom the price of a holiday trip is the decisive factor when deciding on a visit to Israel." He also said that charter flights would aid the Government's effort to increase winter tourism, keeping hotel occupancy as high as possible.

According to Mr. Kol's office, the forecast for 1976 puts the number of tourists at over 700,000.

### 'State of Israel Non-Negotiable'

DALLAS (JTA): President-elect Jimmy Carter, in his first post-election commitment on Middle East policy, told the American Jewish Committee last week that "the issue of the very security and survival of the State of Israel" will not be considered "negotiable" by his Administration.

In a letter to Elmer L. Winter, president of the AJ Committee, released here at the opening of the annual meeting of its top policy-making National Executive Council, Carter said: "I can assure you that genuine peace and reconciliation in the Middle East will be among the very highest and earliest priorities of my Administration. I can also assure all countries involved that I will support every reasonable opportunity for all elements involved in that tragic and dangerous conflict. I welcome reports of accommodations and compromises. But I repeat to you what I have said over and over again: there will be no change in my basic commitment that the issue of the very security and survival of the State of Israel is not negotiable. The sooner and the better this is understood, the sooner progress can be made toward a lasting and genuine peace."

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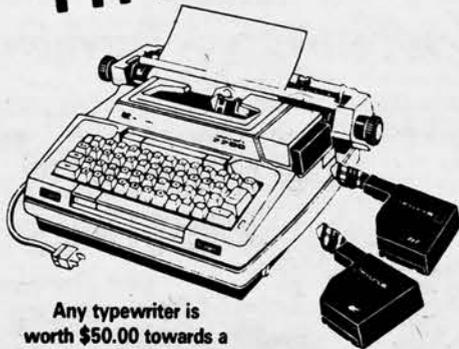
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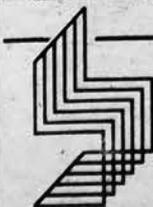
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ISRAEL'S PRIME MINISTER Yitzhak Rabin (left) is presented with a replica of the flag at Touro Synagogue in Newport by Sylvia Hassenfeld (right) national chairman of the UJA Women's Division. The presentation, in honor of the US Bicentennial, was made during the closing ceremony of "This Year in Jerusalem," the UJA conference held in late October. Watching the presentation are UJA president Paul Zuckerman of Detroit, Michigan; Yosef Almogi (far right), Jewish Agency chairman, and Irving Bernstein (far left), UJA executive vice chairman.

**Local On Boston Stage With  
Millie Picon, Hans Conreid**

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Mr. Tobin, who is a seasoned actor with 20 years experience, commented on the dual function of the actor. In a sense, you must hear and not listen; pay attention, but not show attention. "When you are acting, you listen to the audience for their laughs and for their response, but you don't pay them much attention, really. You listen with the inside ear. It's make believe in the theatre, fantasy on a bigger scale."

"You have to let the audience know at any given time that what you are doing is pretend, otherwise we would all be in hot water," Mr. Spindell added. Asked if he considered his interest in theatre to have been of early or late budding, he indicated the former. "...as far as I can gather from other actors' experiences. You see many who are interested after the service, or who were previously interested in theology. Frank Barrett, who was understudying Hans, was a Trappist Monk. The only conflict I ever had was soccer — and that is a type of performing. I tore the cartilage in my knee which was a heaven sent decision, because I could no longer play soccer, and devoted all my time to theatre."

**On Professional Status**

Mr. Spindell continued, "Now, professionally, it was never a question of whether I wanted to do it. It was a matter of getting a good strong, objective opinion of whether or not I was good enough to do it. Fortunately the steps fell into place from responses here in Rhode Island, summer stock situations, then how I stacked up to college situations and then when I was accepted into Julliard, which carries a certain amount of prestige with it, I was reassured even more that maybe I did have some right being in the business. This show is extremely timely because I've been in the union just a year. When I'd actively decided to pursue the business, I went out and got myself an agent, which is a process in itself."

"That's a Broadway show right there," Mr. Tobin interjected.

"This was my first Broadway audition," Mr. Spindell added.

**Sabbath Performances**

Is it a conflict for you when you have to perform on the Sabbath? "There are a couple of holidays I intend to honor diligently. The Jewish influence in theatre is strong enough that they will permit you to honor them," Mr. Spindell said. "I would never work Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur."

"There are a couple of things you can't deny in the business. If you're Jewish, you can't deny it; and if you're not Jewish, you don't tell

anybody! The Jewish influence and the gay influence in theatre are incredible. You can't deny them."

"When I was going to school, Sandy Koufax was in the World Series and it was his turn to pitch for his team. It was Yom Kippur and he sacrificed his turn in the rotation of pitchers in order to go to

Yom Kippur services. I remember him saying to the press when they asked him if he had seen the game that there are no T.V.'s in the temple. At that point, which was before I became a professional actor, I decided that everybody is dispensible for any given amount of time. If Sandy Koufax can take time off from the World Series, then nothing that I could ever be doing could be so important that I couldn't devote time to it."

He continued, "Sabbath means (Continued on page 12)

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## Israel Seeking Its Own Carter

TEL AVIV: The dishonesty, crookedness and corruption which were uncovered in Israel, have found expression in the foreign press and have blackened the name of the Jewish State — writes the afternoon newspaper "Yediot Acharonot," but that is a false image about the true Israel, writes the newspaper.

The truth is — writes "Yediot Acharonot" — that there is a tremendous potential in Israel which has not appeared as yet in the political arena. Israel is full of diligent and honest workers. It is full of excellent doctors, who

instead of emigrating to the "fleshpots" of America, prefer to remain there, and live on small wages and under difficult conditions.

Israel has a great reservoir of talented and moral people in all walks of life. It has brilliant economists who didn't take bribes and capable administrators who are free from corruption. What this country is missing — writes the newspaper — is a new leadership, which would free the country of its heavy shadows. Israel is longing for its own Carter, who will ultimately appear, writes the newspaper.

## Israel Maintains Diplomatic Reps.

JERUSALEM: Despite the mass severing of diplomatic relations with Israel by Black African states after the Yom Kippur War, Israel maintains diplomatic representation in Africa.

This emerged over the weekend in a wire service dispatch quoting Ariel Aran, Israeli Consul General in Montreal, as saying he would soon take up a post in Abidjan, Ivory Coast as Israeli interest officer at the Belgian Embassy there. It was learned here that such

Israeli officers serve in a large number of African countries. Although the arrangement is not widely publicized, it is a matter of routine.

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A: You are doing an excellent job! You have chosen stocks that fit with your goals and that should continue to increase their dividend payments. Furthermore, these 6 stocks, representing 5 industries, provide a generous 6.8% yield. I see no reason to make any changes. Tax-exempt securities don't make much sense for anyone in the lower tax brackets (below 30%). If you want higher income, move maturing term accounts into longer term, higher paying accounts.

Interest rates on Treasury Bills have now dropped to the point where these are no longer an attractive investment for most individuals. Therefore, in February, when your T-Bill matures, the proceeds should be invested in common stocks. You could start by adding another 50 shares to the 50 you already hold in Exxon and General Motors, both NYSE. The balance should be equally divided among BankAmerica, Tenneco, Inc. and Utah Power & Light, all NYSE-listed. BankAmerica is the holding company for the world's largest commercial bank. In the last decade, the dividend has increased fourfold. Diversified Tenneco, Inc. has a stake in a number of major industries including agricultural equipment, automotive, chemicals, packaging, pipeline, oil and shipbuilding. Utah Power & Light has just boosted its dividend 11%, operates in a highly favorable regulatory climate and has recorded good earnings growth.

If you are able to forego current income, you might do well to utilize the dividend reinvestment plans offered by all of the above-mentioned companies. This is a painless form of capital building that will give you a larger income base five years hence when you retire.

Q: Income is the name of the game for us. We are 70 and 65. Your opinion of Southern Natural Resources (NYSE) would be appreciated. We have some surplus cash to invest. What do you suggest? J.W., California

A: Southern Natural Resources, while a buy for investors seeking long-term growth, is certainly not meeting your need for income. I would switch your 150 shares into New England Electric (NYSE) yielding 8.9% from a well-covered dividend. Additional cash could be

placed in South Carolina Electric & Gas (NYSE), Chemical New York Corp. (NYSE), and United Telecommunications (NYSE).

### TAKE LOSS FOR TAX SAVINGS

Q: I have a loss in Uniroyal (NYSE). I could use this to offset capital gains taken earlier this year. Is there any strong reason for holding? G.N., Indiana

A: A hoped-for turnaround was sabotaged by the longer than expected rubber workers' strike. After taking extensive write-downs in 1975 in its program to redevelop assets and lift profitability, the company suffered a break-even second quarter and a loss in the third. Now that tire factories are humming again, earnings should recover. Nevertheless, the tire industry is at best cyclical and Uniroyal is not the most attractive member of the group. The stock may continue its sluggish performance for some

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### Exit Visa Granted To Exhibit Artist

Amidst planning for the exhibit of Soviet Jewish art, "Twelve from the Soviet Underground," which will be held at the Kreitzer Gallery, Spingold Theater, Brandeis University, February 6-27, it was learned that Evgeny Abezgauz, leader of the Leningrad artists, was granted an exit visa to leave the Soviet Union. He is expected to travel to Israel with his entire family this month.

Abezgauz has come to be regarded as the leading figure among the twelve artists who are represented in the exhibit. This documentary exhibit consisting of more than forty photo-murals and several originals is currently traveling throughout the country. It was Abezgauz who organized and housed the original show in Leningrad in his small apartment just one year ago. It was also Abezgauz who managed to smuggle the film on which the current exhibit is based out of the Soviet Union.

Abezgauz becomes the third artist of the Leningrad underground group to leave the Soviet Union. He will be re-united with fellow artists Tatyana Kornfeld and Yuri Kalendarev in Israel soon.

There he will be able to continue to paint his vividly nationalistic works. Abezgauz is the most explicitly national of the Leningrad group, blending Biblical themes with Jewish and Russian folklore tradition. Many of his works are painted picture stories used to unmask social injustice. In "Aliyah Shelanu" (Our Aliyah), one sees a pained and sensitive vision of the Soviet Jew's hopes for going up to Israel from behind the Iron Curtain.

Abezgauz' works, both photomurals and a number of originals will be on display, with the underground art exhibit at the local showing. Several Abezgauz prints will also be on sale at the February showing.

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# Government In Exile Is Considered By PLO

BEIRUT, LEBANON: The formation of a government in exile is being considered by the leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization before the start of the expected Geneva negotiations for a Middle East settlement, it was announced by sources in Palestine.

The sources said that the purpose of the step would be to make it immediately easier for the Soviet Union and the United States to invite the Palestinians to participate in this conference.

Reportedly, the Palestinian leaders are moving closer to acceptance of an Egyptian proposal for their inclusion in a single Arab delegation. They have insisted upon a separate delegation in the past. They would still require invitations from the US and the Soviet Union.

The issue of a government in exile was raised at a recent meeting here with leaders of the Palestinian movement by Yasir Arafat, head of the P.L.O., the sources said.

### Tito, Ceausescu

They added that President Tito of Yugoslavia and President Nicolae Ceausescu of Rumania urged the formation of such a government on Mr. Arafat during his visits to Belgrade and Bucharest earlier this week.

Marshal Tito is reported to have told the guerrilla leader that 90 or more countries would give diplomatic recognition to a Palestinian government. Mr. Arafat returned from Eastern Europe yesterday. He is to visit Moscow soon, after first going to Cairo for talks with President Anwar el-Sadat.

The Soviet Union, too, is understood to have urged the Palestinians to form a provisional government in exile. The idea was first proposed by Mr. Sadat in a speech to the Palestine National Congress in the spring of 1972.

Palestinian leaders have been saying that if a government was formed, its seat would be in Cairo, which is also the headquarters of the Arab League.

Many Palestinian leaders in the past opposed the idea of forming a government before they had obtained a territory of their own. Palestinians who adopted a hard line contended that a provisional government, by seeking diplomatic recognition, would be accepting the rules of the international community before being sure that this community was ready to satisfy the national aspirations of the Palestinians.

### More Guerrilla War

In blunter terms, it was asserted that if negotiations in Geneva or elsewhere failed and Israel did not withdraw from territories occupied in 1967, the Palestinians must be

## Rev. Moon Proves Hostile To Jews

DALLAS (JTA): In a study conducted by the American Jewish Committee, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the Korean-born leader of the Unification Church, is accused of unrelieved hostility to Jews and Judaism, and his teaching, are described as a "breeding ground for fostering anti-Semitism."

Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, national director of the AJ Committee's interreligious affairs department, made the study public at an opening session of the annual meeting of the Committee's national executive council, its top policy-making body, which ran through last week at the Fairmont Hotel.

The study was conducted by Rabbi A. James Rubin, assistant director of the AJ Committee's Interreligious affairs department. The study charges that Moon's book, "Divine Principle," first published in Korean nearly 20 years ago and expanded in a 1974 English-language edition, is "replete with hostile and vicious anti-Jewish stereo-types."

free to resume armed operations, including terrorist acts, which a government could not do so easily as a guerrilla movement.

Mr. Arafat was "testing the waters" when he raised the idea at the meeting last night, Palestinian sources said. There will be a thorough debate before a decision is made, they added.

The meeting of the P.L.O. leadership was the first in more than six months that was attended by representatives of As Saiqa, the Syrian-controlled guerrilla group, which was expelled from the P.L.O. by Mr. Arafat and his supporters during fighting between Palestinians and the Syrian Army in the Lebanese civil war.

Tension between Syria and the

## Local Talent Is On Boston Stage

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to me, in its most direct way, a time to rest and a time to assess what has happened over the previous week. I am able to incorporate my Sabbath and work at the same time. It's fun; I love it. At the same time, there are people who go to the theatre on the Sabbath to get away from the week and to relax. We're there to entertain them."

### Jewish Influence

Mr. Spindell said, "Mollie talks about her husband, Yaacov, and the tremendous influence he left behind for her, and you can't deny that it was influenced by Judaism. I find that a lot of the Jewish philosophies are immediately applicable to my way of working in the theatre: the kind of discipline that a Jewish household can present, you can immediately incorporate into your work."

Mr. Tobin: "Of all the cultural sets you come into contact with, the Jews of America support the theatre more than any other identity — and I'm not even Jewish! I attended Hebrew Union College, though. I was studying music, and that was one of the best places to study. Rose Lichner was my music teacher at that time, and my first wife was Jewish. I'm remarried now."

Mr. Spindell: "The Yiddish influence in theatre is extremely strong, too. My parents speak Yiddish, and I learned a certain amount in the home, but I must confess that I am gaining more Yiddish from this particular production than..."

Mr. Tobin cut in, "And he's getting more meshugah every day!"

### Philosophical Journey

Mr. Spindell: "Let's explore for a moment a comparison of the theatre to religion in terms of ritual aspects. It certainly stems from religious bases in early Greek theatre. It is the presentation of philosophy: the participation of audience and response, and basically the quest to understand what life is about."

Mr. Tobin: "The therapeutic aspects of theatre are really denied in this country. In Europe, the actor is looked upon as a priest. We are therapeutic to their lives. They come to sit there and identify and seek answers."

Mr. Spindell: "In this country it's denied, but the history speaks for itself. In the depression, theatre was booming; during the recent years, when we've run into oil shortages and a low economy, the past two seasons have been the best on Broadway in the decade."

### Stage Fright

Have you ever experienced stage fright, Mr. Spindell? "You mean have I ever not experienced stage fright. What you do is get better at it. You begin to use that same energy to improve your performance."

Mr. Tobin: "Someone told me once that fear makes you alert. For me, that took the onus out of being afraid."

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## Feinstein Wants Methodical Adult Torah Study Program

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (JTA): "Unless the adult Jew studies Torah to tie his roots to Sinai, there is little hope that he will not succumb to the barrage of secular influences that surround him," Rabbi Moshe Feinstein, the dean of Mesivta Tifereth Jerusalem and chairman of the Moetzes Gedolei Ha Torah (Council of Jewish Sages), told 3000 delegates at the Agudath Israel 54th national convention at the Sheraton Deauville Hotel here.

The renowned Torah scholar urged that Agudath Israel's Adult Torah Study program, Torah education network, engage upon a block-by-block program to methodically cover Jewish neighborhoods to organize home-study courses for Jews. "The single source of strength to keep the Jew alive today even more than in previous generations when the societal inroads were not as pervasive as today, is the study of Torah which cannot be substituted by gimmicks or flash effects," he declared.

### 'Oust Him'

Rabbi Moshe Sherer, executive president of Agudath Israel of America, called on Premier Yitzhak Rabin to oust Education Minister Aharon Yadlin because "Yadlin insists upon placing young Jewish Israeli exchange students in non-Jewish homes in the U.S., thus pouring oil in the fires of assimilation and intermarriage."

Sherer denounced Yadlin for stating in the Knesset last month, in reply to a demand by an Agudist Knesset deputy that the Israeli students should be transferred to Jewish families, that "the Education Ministry had requested the gentle American families not to provide the youngsters with non-kosher food."

Sherer also reported that the American Agudath Israel organization will in its 55th year undertake to "harness the huge manpower resources of yeshiva graduates nationally for a consciousness raising program among the Jews, to vastly expand the religious and social services provided by Agudath Israel with a unique Torah flavor."

### On Joining JCR

A heated debate took place on the issue as to whether Agudath Israel should join the newly formed New York City Jewish Community Relations Council. The controversy centered around the fear that providing the New York City Jewish populace with a permanent representative voice on which the large percentage is non-Orthodox, the unique halachic position of the independent Orthodox Jewish community will be watered down and lose its independence.

The protagonists rejected this argument by pointing to the veto clause on religious issues in the Jewish Community Relations Council by-laws. The entire issue was transferred to the highest rab-

binic authority of the Agudath Israel movement, the Council of Jewish Sages, which after conducting hearings will render a ruling, binding the entire organization.

Among the resolutions passed at Agudath Israel's convention was a demand that no financial pressure be applied by Jewish agencies against Soviet emigrants who opt in Vienna for going to a country other than Israel. "Regardless of the negative aspects of Russian emigrants making use of Israeli visas to seek their haven in other countries, discriminating against these persons violates every Jewish tradition," the resolution declared.

## Moscow Activists Freed From Jail

NEWYORK: Soviet authorities have unexpectedly released two Jewish activists who were facing prison terms of up to five years for their part in demonstrations by Moscow Jews last month to demand to know why they have been denied exit visas. Boris Chernobitsky and Dr. Iosif Ahs, who were to stand trial shortly on charges of "malicious holliganism," were told by Soviet authorities that they were being freed because it was their first offence and because both are family men.

The National Conference on Soviet Jewry called the move "unprecedented" and reported that it was "greeted with amazement" by other Jewish activists who said they could not remember a previous incident where criminal charges did not ultimately result in conviction and imprisonment. According to the NCSJ, veteran activist Vladimir Slepak attributed the Soviet action to pressure from the United States.

NCSJ chairman Eugene Gold said the release was welcomed and added, "We are glad the Soviet authorities dropped the unwarranted charges against the two Soviet Jews whose only wish is to emigrate to Israel."

## Deny Request For New PLO Office

AMSTERDAM: A spokesman for the Dutch Foreign Ministry, reacting to reports that followed the opening of a Palestine Liberation Organization office in Brussels, the PLO would shortly also open an office in The Netherlands, said that no such request had been made by the PLO. The standpoint of the Dutch government on this issue remains unchanged, he said. Netherlands Foreign Minister Max Van Der Stoel some time ago, replying to a parliamentary question, stated that the Dutch government will not allow the PLO in The Netherlands as long as the organization does not recognize the right of Israel to exist.

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# Israel And The Lebanese Crisis

By DR. JAY N. FISHBEIN

Bloody civil war has waged ceaselessly in Lebanon for over 19 months. As many as 57 cease fires have been arranged from time to time by the highest Arab tribunals, in Damascus, Cairo and Riyadh, but proved so fragile that in every instance fighting would re-erupt, often before the announcement went off the air. Machine gun fire, shelling and screams were constant, night and day.

As in most wars it was the non-combatant, the helpless, the young and the old, particularly women and children that suffered most. Rockets or mortar shells would fall in market places as shoppers sought to obtain food for their families during a lull in the fighting.

Jews were not involved in the war as they were considered "neutrals." Despite this "neutrality" status they also suffered casualties. As a shell exploded, limbs flew into the air, leaving shattered, lifeless bodies when the smoke and dust cleared, with dark pools of blood on the pavement. One could not identify the victim as Muslim, Palestinian, Phalangist, Christian or Jew. Shattered limbs carry no identity.

People would be slain on the streets indiscriminately by snipers, who fired at anything that moved. For 19 months the population lived in a state of constant terror, venturing from their homes only for dire necessities, or when they found themselves in the midst of intensive shelling, or their homes were set afire by incendiaries. The attacking forces spared no one. Unarmed, helpless, terrified individuals were killed for little or no reason.

Because of the intense fighting, areas tended to change hands frequently. There were road blocks at every corner. Death could result when one carried a pass issued by one faction, when stopped by another. Brutal murder could take place when a relative was or was suspected of being a member of an opposing group. While everyone with a gun was capable of causing destruction, no one apparently gave the slightest thought to disposal of the dead.

Corpses were left on the streets, often after hideous mutilation. Amputating heads became a popular sport, especially among teenagers, as well as dismemberment and disemboweling. When Arabs can be so savage to their own, what mercy could Israel expect should it ever be so unfortunate as to suffer defeat in battle. Bodies lie blackening in the summer sun and when the stench becomes unbearable are doused with gasoline and set afire.

Hospitals are overcrowded with wounded. Doctors and nurses were slain indiscriminately by both factions. There is a perpetual shortage of drugs. Operations are of necessity performed in many instances without proper anesthesia. Medications are virtually unobtainable at time. Penicillin and morphine are often worth their weight in gold. When the Lebanese learned of the Israeli "open-door" policy, ill and wounded walked or were carried great distances, often a hundred miles or more, for treatment in Israeli hospitals.

This small country of 2.6 million inhabitants suffered about 35,000 casualties. The exact number is unknown and may never be determined as so many are casually

buried in mass graves. People are more concerned about keeping their families alive and obtaining the daily necessities of life.

Death is of concern only to the immediate family. Many have fled the country and many more would leave were it possible. Travel within Lebanon is extremely difficult and with the airport closed, finding an escape route poses a serious problem. Foreigners have been able to leave by way of Damascus. To reach a seaport usually means passing through a combat zone, with its attendant dangers.

The PLO has only itself to blame for Syrian bitterness. When four Palestinian terrorists seized a hotel in Damascus and held 90 guests hostage, demanding freedom for comrades in Syrian jails, they gave President Assad no choice. He could not tolerate this public defiance. Syrian troops stormed the hotel, killing one of the terrorists. The other three were hanged the following day in the public square.

In years past Nasser trained and armed Palestinians who were shipped to Gaza to murder Israeli farmers, mine roads, destroy equipment and sabotage pumping stations. The War of 1976 put an end to Gaza as an area of operations. Trans-Jordan became their alternate base.

King Hussein was compelled to permit his country to be used as a base from which terrorists could infiltrate and ravage the land. When Israel retaliated, battles took place as Jordanian soldiers were called upon to protect the camps from which the guerrillas operated.

In time the Palestinians became more aggressive as they considered themselves above Jordanian law. They ruled as an independent government within the state, carrying arms in public, defying government officials and were so powerful that they became a threat to the kingdom. They not only maintained their own army and fortified camps, but instituted a system of taxation or collecting "contributions" from the population, under duress.

Because of Hussein's attempts to curb their activities which invited Israeli counterattacks, attempts were made to assassinate him and take over the country. One such act very nearly succeeded, resulting in the death of a loyal aide who was killed by miscalculation.

To preserve his throne, King Hussein was finally goaded into action. With the support of his Bedouins who had often clashed with the Palestinians and despised them, they were crushed in a brief but bloody battle in September 1970, which Muslims bitterly labelled a "massacre." It earned him the hatred of the Arab world, which persisted until the Yom Kippur War of 1973 when his contributions to the war effort lifted the ban and brought him back into the fold.

The wrath of the Palestinians persists. The memory of those that perished is symbolized by the name "Black September" which became a splinter group of Al Fatah. The Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) led by Yasir Arafat represents the umbrella group of the Palestinian terrorist movement. The constituent groups of the PLO are represented in the Palestine National Council with 165 members. Within this organization Al Fatah is

the largest and most powerful guerrilla group.

After Al Fatah, the next most important is the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP) which was organized in November 1967. At present George Habash, chief of the PFLP is in conflict with Arafat. Consequently, the three main groups of the PLO, Al Fatah, the Syrian backed Al Saiqa, and the Popular Democratic Front were under severe pressure to adopt a more extreme position to counteract the group led by Habash.

It was the uncontrolled activity of the splinter groups that brought about the Syrian invasion. It was a war that no one wanted, least of all Syria.

Egypt's agreement to a cease fire with Israel after the Yom Kippur War placed Assad in a difficult position. Egypt's defection virtually isolated him in the Arab world. Intense rivalry existed with Iran, and Syria was well aware that she could not face Israel alone.

When fighting erupted in Lebanon he was deeply concerned with the Israeli confrontation on the Golan, and was preparing to visit Moscow to enlist Soviet aid in applying pressure on Israel. Assad summoned Yasir Arafat and the Lebanese Prime Minister to Damascus and angrily demanded an immediate halt to the fighting. Despite strenuous efforts by the PLO and the Lebanese government, the fighting could not be suppressed. The various splinter groups had a taste of power and went on a rampage of looting, kidnapping and murder.

The fighting was set off by the killing of a Phalangist leader. In retaliation the Phalangists ambushed a Palestinian bus and killed 26 Palestinians. A PLO group shelled a Maronite Christian community and slaughtered almost every man, woman and child. Finally the Christian forces overran the Jisr al Basha refugee camp and took bloody revenge. The streets became littered with corpses, and the odor of rotting flesh hung heavy in the air.

The camp was a fortress with a labyrinth of underground tunnels and fortified bunkers. Concrete however was no protection against thirst and hunger. When the fighting finally came to a close, many of the corpses found in the bunkers were those of women and old men.

The extent of the upheaval is beyond comprehension. In addition to the thousands who fled the country, many more thousands are homeless. They are constantly on the move, and as fighting follows them, pick up what household goods they can and go on. Friends and neighbors have lost contact with one another. People become bewildered, and know not where to run. Quiet areas suddenly change as machineguns begin to clatter, with the thump of mortars, and again they are sucked up in the flaming inferno of a war they cannot understand.

People who have lived in the same communities, have been neighbors, classmates, had played and worked together, sharing the same problems, had visited and been lifelong friends, suddenly find themselves in opposing camps, not of their choosing. The tragedy that is Lebanon cannot be easily grasped, for it is not clearly understood, by the Arabs

themselves. So much blood has been shed, so much bitterness engendered, so much hatred, so much fear and suspicion.

The origin of this tragedy lies deep in the country's unhappy history. As Lebanon won its independence it became the refuge for about 18 religious sects, and the tensions arising from the increasing influence and power of the Christians contrasted sharply with the underprivileged Muslims. The Shia sect with their larger families felt deprived and demanded redistribution of the wealth and a greater share in the government. The Sunni Muslims and the Maronite Christians between them dominated the country.

Political stability rested precariously on an agreement concluded more than 30 years ago when the constitution called for a Christian President and a Muslim Premier. The Catholic Maronites who constituted the Christian majority enjoyed political dominance. The army commander and most of the officers are Christians, who also outnumber the Muslim deputies. The Premier is traditionally a Sunni and the Speaker of Parliament is a Shia Muslim.

While the various religious Muslim sects have lived in relative harmony, hatred and distrust always existed between Christian and Muslim. Each religious sect, including Jews, lived in their own distinctive quarters in the cities and towns. Usually each village is predominantly one particular sect. Loyalty to the family is paramount. The tribe comes next. Loyalty to the country as we know it is virtually non-existent. There is a complete lack of patriotism or national unity. Years of indifference to the marked poverty of the Muslim, governmental apathy, flagrant discrimination and tax evasion destroyed any feeling of loyalty to the state.

It is particularly tragic because Lebanon has been the only Arab country with any pretense to democracy. As far as Jews were concerned, they received considerate treatment. Lebanon has been far more liberal than any other country with a large Muslim population.

While most Jews live in Jewish communities, others have lived for generations among both Muslims and Christians, forming strong and lasting friendships. Like everyone else, Jews were compelled to move about frequently, when fighting became heavy in their area or when their homes were destroyed.

There can be no question but that the situation has deteriorated to the point that the future of the Jew is uncertain, particularly since the Syrian invasion. Many were shopkeepers and most of the shops have been looted or destroyed along with those belonging to Muslim and Christian Arabs.

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# Israel Is Interested In Party Led By Yadin

JERUSALEM: Archaeologist Yigael Yadin, internationally noted for his work on the Dead Sea Scrolls, has announced his entrance into politics as the leader and spokesman of a new political party.

In what he admitted to be an unscientific manner, he has been traveling about Israel to explore the depths of the citizenry's quarrels and discontents with government. The complaints he claims to have heard involved faltering economic policies, a runaway inflation rate, unwieldy bureaucracies that inadequately cope in areas such as housing and education and government intervention "where the individual is capable of functioning on his own in an orderly and successful manner."

Called Democratic Movement for Change, the new party is aimed at forging a national consensus for broad electoral reform and of ending the current system of party dominance in which, Professor Yadin said, the minority dictates to the majority.

His announcement of the party's formation two weeks ago engendered a certain amount of indifference in some quarters. Political parties come and go in Israel with the speed of fads in the United States. However, a growing number of Israelis are paying attention to what is being said by Professor Yadin and his followers.

### Focus for Discontent

No one, not even he, is predicting that in the election next year the party will topple the Labor Party, which has governed since the nation's inception in 1948, but there are those who feel that by serving as a convenient focus for some of the evident discontent, it may have a chance at getting enough votes to play a key role in a new government. There are even a few optimists who feel that Professor Yadin, by dint of his reputation and his lack of political service in the past, could emerge as an Israeli equivalent of Jimmy Carter and send all the prognosticators and pundits reeling.

Sipping a glass of red wine in his living room lined with burnished antique copper artifacts, Professor Yadin said that recent studies had shown that the floating vote was as high as 40 percent of the electorate. "Obviously this is the constituency of any new party," he said in precise, fluent English. "Many people who knew exactly for years what they were doing have lost faith in the parties. The reason is quite clear. There is a malaise in the country — people have come to the conclusion that the leadership cannot lead."

He said this was not necessarily intended as a personal indictment

### Jewish Journalists To Hold Meet

TEL AVIV (JTA): A World Conference of Jewish Journalists will be held in Jerusalem January 11-15, 1977, it was announced late last week. It is expected to be attended by 80-100 Jewish journalists from all parts of the world who write in a variety of languages in the general and Jewish media. Working sessions of the conference will explore the role of Jewish journalists in the Jewish and general press and their influence on contemporary Jewish life. Prominent Israelis will address various sessions of the gathering.

These include President Ephraim Katzir; Premier Yitzhak Rabin; Defense Minister Shimon Peres; Tourism Minister Moshe Kol; Yosef Almogi, chairman of the World Zionist Organization and Jewish Agency Executives; Leon Dulzin, WZO and Jewish Agency treasurer; and Avraham Shenker, head of the WZO and Jewish Agency organization and information department. A special symposium on Jewish journalism will be held at Katzir's residence. Various tours of Israel are included in the program,

of Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who commands a tenuous and easily shattered majority composed primarily of the Labor Party, augmented by an alignment of smaller parties. It is arrangements such as Mr. Rabin's coalition, Professor Yadin explained, that have tended to hamstring prime ministers in recent years.

### Electoral Reform

Professor Yadin and his followers have not enunciated a detailed program, a course he described as deliberate since the hope is to forge a national coalition that would evolve its positions in due time. What the party is most concerned about at present is electoral reform, so that voters will be able to elect national leaders and members of Parliament directly. Currently, Israelis vote for a party slate, which is a list of candidates picked by party leaders; the voters have no direct say in the order of the list or in the selection of national leaders.

Acknowledging that electoral reform is not likely in time for the next election, Professor Yadin commented: "What we are saying now is that we have to play the game ac-

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### American Jews Aren't Helping

KIAMESHA LAKE, N.Y.: Former Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel said here last week that "American Jews are making practically no contribution to help Israel's demographic drought" by aliya, that they engaged in demonstrations as a substitute of solidarity and that they could do better in their financial support of Israel.

Eban voiced his criticism in an address to 2000 delegates attending the biennial convention of the Women's League for Conservative Judaism at the Concord Hotel here. He said the degree of solidarity of world Jewry, especially American Jewry, with Israel and its goals was central to Israel's capacity to remain strong and negotiate peace.

Eban said that in the area of aliya "American Jews are making practically no contribution to help Israel's demographic drought. We in Israel are simply not enough to insure our security, our culture, our industrial potential." He observed that American Jewish support through "demonstrations are not enough," adding that "sometimes they are used as a substitute for solidarity." He acknowledged the financial support rendered Israel by American Jews but observed that "not one percent of the resources of American Jews goes to Israel annually."

Eban told his audience, "We in Israel cannot bear our burdens alone. What we have created in Israel we have created together with you and it is you who must help us sustain our burdens."

Speaking on the Middle East situation, the Israeli diplomat said there was a disposition on the part of some Arab states and Israel to explore an overall solution to the Mideast conflict in 1977. But he indicated that progress, if any, would be made only with the good offices of the U.S., which alone possesses the capacity of mutual communication with the parties concerned. He warned that a diplomatic vacuum invites military activity and therefore the friends of Israel should welcome the exploration of peace prospects.

Eban outlined areas of mutually acknowledged harmony in the vital interests of the U.S. and Israel. Among them, he said, are strong commitments to democracy and pluralism. He said that the U.S. Israel partnership would remain strong despite attempts on the part of some to disrupt that relationship. He concluded his address on an optimistic note, "We are a people with a future even greater, that its past," Eban declared.

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#### Israel Visit

Mr. Spindell said that he became interested in going to Israel through the National Federation of Temple Youth, as a member of Provty, the Providence chapter. "When I was to become Bar Mitzvah at Temple Beth El, they had set up a pilgrimage program to take a group of us to Israel. It was right after the Six Day War, which was a very poignant time for me to go. We were one of the first planes to leave when they lifted the ban so Americans could travel over there. I became Bar Mitzvah at the Wailing Wall. God knows how many hundreds rushed out to do the same, but I was certainly among the original handful. It was an extremely emotional and impressionable experience. I spent a long summer there and went back a few years later on a work program.

"The Israeli sensibility and the Israeli lust for life was something I could identify with — people working towards a common good; it had a great impression on me. I'm going back to Israel. I don't think I could make a home there, not at this point in my life; maybe in the latter part of my life. I think by the time I learn the Hebrew language fluently and am ready to go there, the Israeli state might be ready to receive some input in terms of the theatre arts."

It certainly is amazing that Israeli high schools don't offer any instruction in the theatre arts. Don't you agree, Mr. Spindell? "Not only in Israel, but in Providence, Rhode Island. When I was attending Moses Brown School they had a speaking course, taught by Phyllis Gunion, which wasn't an accredited program. She had a club which presented plays, but she financed it herself and received no assistance from the school. I must admit that I carry a certain amount of resentment that a prep school of that quality doesn't have a theatre program."

#### Theatre As History

Mr. Spindell does not feel that theatre is important only to those who pursue it professionally. "It is also important as part of an educational process. If children are able to live out history instead of reading it in a book, I think they might get more out of it. They

should have improvisations. I did this on tour in Virginia. It includes them in history. For the public schools to incorporate this is one thing — their funds are limited; but when a private school sinks so much money into a football score board and doesn't have time to organize classes in the theatre arts, it's very disappointing. Some of our best American literature is in the form of theatre."

Mr. Tobin: In Shakespeare's time, Lord knows, children were taught at a very early level basic grammar and understanding of prose, so that a ten year old kid could go to a performance and understand it."

Mr. Spindell: Probably the closest related experience a Jewish boy from Providence can have is to participate in a Purim play. After that, you're left in the cold. I'm really shocked when Mollie talks about Yiddish theatre how ignorant I am — and I come from a Conservative home. What really upsets me about this country is that we have money for everything under the sun except the theatre."

#### Comedy Vs. Drama

Mr. Spindell, in closing, could you comment on whether you prefer comedy or heavy drama? "That's like asking a surgeon if he prefers hand surgery to back surgery. You need both; you have to experience it all."

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## UN Approves Evacuation

UNITED NATIONS: The report by the Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People which calls for Israel to evacuate all occupied territory by June 1, 1977, was approved by the General Assembly by a 90-16 vote with 30 abstentions. The report by the 20 member committee also recommends allowing Palestinian refugees to return to their former homes or to be compensated for loss of property and urges the creation of a Palestinian State under the aegis of the Palestine Liberation Organization. The General Assembly resolution urged the Security Council to act as soon as possible to implement the recommendations. The Council earlier this year rejected the report when the United States vetoed it.

## Israel To Supply Arms To Lebanon

TEL AVIV (JTA): An Israeli source said last week that Israel would supply arms to the Lebanese army if the Lebanese asked for weapons in order to maintain peace and security in the border region of southern Lebanon. The matter was raised in a question about Israel's insistence that Lebanese troops have the dominant role in patrolling their side of the border. The questioner noted that the Lebanese army is in a weakened state and wondered whether Israel was not expecting too much of it. Meanwhile, the northern border remains quiet. Winter rains and fog have brought military movements to a standstill.



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**Lebanese Farmers Impressed By Kibbutzim**  
 JERUSALEM: Scores of South Lebanese farmers, shown the fertile kibbutzim in Upper Galilee with their ultra-modern agricultural equipment, have described their tours as "eyeopeners." One even felt that the tour was "like visiting Hollywood."

**Ask Recognition Of Reform Movement**

JERUSALEM: The World Union for Progressive Judaism opened its 50th anniversary convention here by reaffirming its "unconditional" commitment of Israel and Zionism and demanding full rights for the Reform rabbinat in Israel.

Rabbi David H. Wice, World Union president, told a press conference that the organization demonstrated its devotion to Israel by holding its milestone convention in Jerusalem, by moving its international headquarters to Jerusalem in 1973 and by its recent affiliation with the World Zionist Organization.

Rabbi Richard G. Hirsch, executive director, told the newsmen that the Reform movement wants recognition as an authentic Jewish element by the Israeli authorities, recognition of conversions performed by Reform rabbis abroad, authorization of Reform rabbis to perform marriages, and to serve as chaplains in the Israeli army and the granting to the Reform movement the same governmental aid extended to other religious branches.

**Soviet Immigrants Arrive In Israel**

TEL AVIV (JTA): A group of 70 Soviet Jewish immigrants arrived here December 6 from Vienna. They said that while the Soviet authorities are issuing exit permits, many emigrants are stranded at border railway stations after being told that there are no seats available for them on the trains. Meanwhile, Yuri Vudka, of Raizan, near Moscow, arrived in Israel after spending seven years in Soviet jails and hard labor camps. He was met by his friend, Anna Barovitz, whom he had not seen since his sentence was handed down in July, 1969, and his brother, Valery, who came to Israel after serving a three-year sentence. Yuri was also met by members of Sdeh Eliyahu Kibbutz which had adopted him while he was in prison.

**Arab World Is Now EEC's Largest Trading Partner**

LONDON (JTA): The Arab world is now the European Economic Community's largest trading partner, accounting for more than 13 percent of all EEC exports and 20 percent of all EEC imports. Lord Selsdon, advisor to the Midland Bank Group, told the Euro-Arab business cooperation symposium in Monreux last week that unless there was closer financial cooperation between the Arab world and Western Europe there would be financial chaos.

Development projects of major international significance would fail to get off the ground and "money will be poured down the drain." Arab world development plans now show an average annual expenditure in excess of \$70 billion. When expansion resumes in the industrial world, there may not be enough capital to go around, he warned.

Despite the enormous agricultural potential of many Arab countries, they imported twice as much food from the EEC, than they exported. Food was already a world problem and could become a particular problem for Arab countries unless they increase their own production.

**Jailed For Death Of Arab Communist**

JERUSALEM: An Israeli Army major, whose name had not been disclosed, has been sent to prison for two years and demoted to the rank of private in connection with the death of an Arab communist leader, Ahmed Dahdoul, during riots in the West Bank last April.

This is the first conviction of an Israeli soldier arising out of action against West Bank rioters. The officer is stated to have told his men to "take good care" of the Arab leader, and six other prisoners arrested during a riot at Salfit, north of Jerusalem.

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### Neo-Nazi Activities In France Are Criticized

PARIS: Neo-Nazi activities in France have been denounced by a Communist deputy, Vigil Barel, in a written question to the French Minister of the Interior, Michel Poniatowski.

Barel revealed that former SS General Wilhelm Weber recently made a tour of the south of France preparing for the arrival there of Gustav Krugenberg, a former commandant of the SS "Division Charlemagne." Krugenberg, said Barel, had held a number of

clandestine meetings with his French counterparts in the south of France.

Krugenberg served 25 years in prison for war crimes.

It is known that a number of anti-Semites and former French Nazi collaborators are in the south of France and Corsica. They have often tried to disrupt forums, or book festivals at which Israel was represented.

List your club activities in the community calendar.

## Government In Exile Is Considered By PLO

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P.L.O. leadership has eased during the last few days and this was reflected in the meeting. Palestinian officials said. They said that progress had been made toward an agreement on ways to control heavy weapons held in camps by the Palestinians.

It is believed that the weapons will be stored in the camps under Palestinian guard but in places that are known to the Lebanese authorities and the troops of the Arab League's peacekeeping force.

### Meeting Planned

Finally, it was decided that the P.L.O.'s 42-member Central Council would meet in Damascus on Sunday or Monday to discuss relations between As Saiqa and the other guerrilla groups and to make preparations for a meeting of the full 174-member Palestine National Congress, which is described as a sort of parliament. The meeting is likely to be held in Cairo in January.

It is the full assembly that will have the power to make the major decisions concerning the Geneva conference, a proposed Palestinian state on the West Bank of the Jordan River and in the Gaza Strip, and the possible formation of a government in exile.

The decision to convene the

smaller Central Council for a preparatory meeting is a sign of a relaxation of tensions between the Palestinian leadership of Mr. Arafat on one hand and Syria and As Saiqa on the other.

There had been talk that As Saiqa, with Syrian and Jordanian help would bring anti-Arafat Palestinians together in Damascus for a "popular congress".

### Russian Dissident

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ningrad and later lectured on Leningrad Educational TV on Pushkin's life and literature. Demoted from her job after applying to emigrate in 1973 she was refused a visa on numerous occasions though no official reason was given.

Her husband, Boris Rubinstein, worked in a research institute on armaments. His area of specialization was the magnetic properties of solid state steel, but he never had access to secret information. Having been fired, he was unable to get a job for almost two years. He was invited to write a paper for the Israel "Journal of Technology" and met with two Israeli professors while they were attending a Magnetics Conference in Moscow in 1973. The entire family emigrated to Israel in 1974.

Mrs. Rubinstein is traveling in the United States under the auspices of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry in cooperation with the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council.

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## Israel Concerned Over Lebanese Developments

By Yitzhak Shargil

TEL AVIV (JTA): Israeli circles are viewing with growing concern signs that Syria has once more switched its position in the Lebanese civil war and is allowing Moslem leftists and terrorists to infiltrate its lines into Christian-held portions of southern Lebanon close to the Israel border. Syrian units were reported here to have engaged in a violent clash with Christian Phalangists who they had supported until recently. Three Christians were wounded. Even more ominous, according to the sources, was the capture of the Christian township of Blint-el-Djavel, only three miles from Israel's border, by leftists aided by terrorists who were permitted to pass through the Syrian lines. The terrorists are said to be holding town of 10,000 with a significant force. Several skirmishes have occurred between the leftist-terrorists and Christians in southern Lebanon. Although the Christians are well armed and organized in the south where they have formed the South Lebanese Army, the terrorists are apparently able to seize and hold key villages in the region which could serve as bases for renewed incursions against Israel.

### Changing Sides

The Syrians, who originally backed the PLO in Lebanon but later changed sides to help the Christians, reportedly shifted back

### Slate Meeting Of Zionist Congress

NEWYORK (JTA): The Zionist Organization of America supports a January, 1978 meeting of the 29th World Zionist Congress, objecting strenuously to any convening of the Congress before the holding of Israel's Knesset elections next November.

Leon Hutovich, national executive director of the ZOA, who represents the ZOA on the U.S. Area Election Committee of the Congress, said that "administrative and organizational reasons preclude holding the conference before next summer, and holding it then or in any of the months just before Israel's parliamentary elections would turn the congress deliberations into a battleground for Israel political parties." This, he added, "would result in an overshadowing of the real issues facing the Zionist movement and would destroy the basic purpose for which the congress has been convened."

### 'Anonymous Oranges' Are Shipped To Haifa

HAIFA: "Anonymous oranges" in considerable quantities are being shipped from Haifa to unidentified destinations. The oranges come in cartons carrying only a picture of an orange and the serial numbers of the packing houses, batches and type of fruit, and the tissue wrappers on the individual oranges are completely blank.

The regular exports carry the "Jaffa" mark, as well as the "Produce of Israel" stamp on both carton and wrappers.

The press has reported that the anonymous oranges, which are being shipped in batches of tens of thousands of cases each, are going to countries that do not have diplomatic relations with Israel, but want Israeli oranges, and are willing to pay for them. Their one condition seems to be that the oranges are not identified as coming from Israel.

### ANTI-SANCTIONS

JERUSALEM: Israeli courts can now authorize employers to deduct up to half a worker's pay if the employee engages in work sanctions without union backing while he is at work. The Knesset recently passed a special anti-sanctions law to this effect.

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"Family Finances, Wills, Credit, Estates — Can you Cope?" will be the subject of the second session to be held on Wednesday, December 8, at 10 a.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

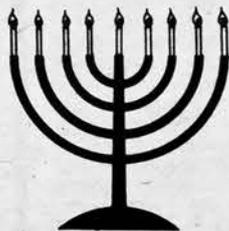
"Job Opportunities for Women" will be discussed at the third session to be held on Wednesday, January 26, at 10 a.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

The fourth and final session of the series will be "A Morning at the Music Mansion" and will be held on Thursday, March 24, at 10 a.m. at the Music Mansion, 88 Meeting Street.

Judith Litchman and Nan Levine are chairmen of the series. Audrey Yashar is ex-officio.

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## 2 Arab-Inspired Resolutions Overwhelmingly Adopted By UN

UNITED NATIONS (JTA): Two Arab-inspired resolutions on the Middle East sponsored by a group of nonaligned countries were overwhelmingly adopted by the General Assembly. They were declared unacceptable by Israel and forcefully rejected by the United States.

Earlier in the day Israeli Ambassador Chaim Herzog withdrew the draft resolution he had introduced in the Assembly and explained the reasons for the move.

The first and more extreme of the resolutions, L-26, approved by a vote of 91-11 with 29 abstentions, called for resumption of the peace conference on the Middle East with the participation of the Palestine Liberation Organization, demand-

## Urges Homes For Visitors

JERUSALEM: Israel's Education Minister Aharon Yadin has been requested by Agudath Israel Knesset deputy Rabbi Yehuda Meyer Abramowitz to transfer immediately to Jewish homes the group of Israeli high school students currently placed with non-Jewish families in the United States.

Rabbi Abramowitz based his demand on a report released here by Rabbi Moshe Sherer, executive president of Agudath Israel of America, that the American Field Service, the agency with which the Education Ministry arranged the U.S. stay of these Jewish students, had rejected an offer by the American Agudath Israel youth organization to place the youngsters in Jewish homes.

According to Rabbi Sherer, an official of the American Field Service responded to the plea of an American Agudist youth leader to permit the Orthodox group to house these Israeli youngsters in Jewish homes where they could at least observe kashrut, with a retort that "the purpose of this student exchange is to expose foreign youth to a new type of culture." Rabbi Sherer branded this activity "a reprehensible encouragement to assimilation."

The Agudist Knesset deputy requested that the education minister inform the Knesset as to the steps taken to transfer the Israeli students to Jewish homes in the United States.

## 5-Year Term In Bank Of Israel

TEL AVIV: Arnon Gafny, director general of the Finance Ministry, has been appointed to a five-year term as governor of the Bank of Israel by the Cabinet. The position is roughly equivalent to chairman of the Federal Reserve Board in the United States. He was sworn in on Sunday, October 31.

The nomination of Asher Yadin, who had been selected September 5 but was later arrested on suspicion of taking bribes and kickbacks in his previous post as head of the trade union health insurance services, was withdrawn by the Government at the same time.

Mr. Gafny, a career civil servant, was backed unanimously. This was in marked contrast to the case of Mr. Yadin, whose appointment had been opposed by some ministers because he had been prominent in the affairs of the ruling Labor Party.

The new Governor's appointment required the approval of president Ephraim Katzir, but this was only a formality. The Cabinet had not managed to put Mr. Yadin's nomination before the president as complaints to the police against him surfaced just after his selection was announced.

The Bank of Israel is responsible for the conduct of monetary policy, and the Governor, who has ministerial status, acts as economic advisor to the Cabinet. Mr. Gafny took office Monday, November 1.

ed Israel's withdrawal from all Arab territories and declared that the fulfillment of Palestinian rights is essential to achieve peace in the Middle East. The second resolution, L-27, was described by many delegates as "moderate" and, like the first, did not mention the Geneva conference. It was approved 122-2 with eight abstentions.

Only the U.S. and Israel cast negative ballots. The resolution called for convening a Middle East peace conference under United Nations auspices by the end of March, 1977.

Israel's UN Ambassador, Chaim Herzog, explaining his objections to the second resolution before the voting, said that while it indicated a "softening" of attitudes and a move toward Israel's position, regrettably the delegates of Egypt and Syria had pointed out that the two resolutions must be taken as a whole and this made them completely unacceptable. He charged that the two resolutions changed the ground rules of the Geneva conference, proposed a dictated settlement and were "one-sided, biased and hostile to Israel."

In voting against the first resolution, Israel and the U.S. were joined by Denmark, Iceland, Canada, Costa Rica, West Germany, United Kingdom, Norway, Nicaragua and The Netherlands. The countries abstaining included Sweden, Mexico, Venezuela, Luxembourg, Belgium, Australia, Austria, Bahamas, France and Finland.

U.S. Ambassador William Scranton denounced the first resolution as unbalanced "in its references to the potential elements of peace." He declared that "One side cannot be expected to give everything and gain nothing." He noted that the draft does not refer to the end of the state of war in the Middle East but refers only to the interests of the Palestinians while ignoring the security of Israel and the right of a "free independent Israel" to exist in the region. Scranton said the U.S. was "compelled to vote against" the second resolution because it sets "an artificial deadline for reconvening the Geneva conference."

Elaborating on that later in his remarks, Scranton said that with a new Administration soon to take office in Washington the U.S. does "not consider it appropriate to join now in a definition of detailed options or time limits governing evaluating of this crucial negotiating process" toward reconvening the Geneva conference. He said that timing the resumption of the Geneva conference and its procedure must be determined by the parties themselves and by the co-chairmen, the U.S. and USSR. "This is obviously a question that will be addressed by the new American Administration," he said.

Scranton said the U.S. also objected to the request contained in the second resolution to UN Secretary General Kurt Waldheim to resume his contacts with the parties to the conflict because "it is phrased in such a way as to imply that the PLO should be one of the parties consulted in preparation for reconvening the Geneva conference."

In that connection, the American envoy stressed that the U.S. believes that additional participants in the Geneva conference is a question "which can only be addressed by the original parties themselves." Referring to the general situation in the Middle East, Scranton said that conditions in the area "are now conducive" to the resumption of efforts to solve the problems of the area. He said the U.S. therefore welcomes the recent statements by President Anwar Sadat of Egypt and Israeli Premier Yitzhak Rabin.

### RECORD TOURISM

TEL AVIV: According to official estimates, over 800,000 tourists will have visited Israel by the end of 1976 — a record number for one year.

## Want To Preserve Sephardi Heritage

NEW YORK: On the eve of the Jewish New Year, the American Sephardi Federation (ASF) called upon Americans of Sephardi origin who live in areas with no Sephardi communal structure to identify themselves by calling or writing the A.S.F., so that they may receive news and information of Sephardi interest.

There are an estimated 200,000 Sephardi across the United States whose unique heritage is unfulfilled, and who have no way of educating their children in their own "minhag." The A.S.F. is prepared to provide these Jews — as well as an American interested in Sephardi life — with its current publications and materials at no charge or obligation to the recipient.

This is no mere offer of printed matter. It is part of an all-out effort to save a valuable culture from virtual extinction in residential areas outside the major cities of the U.S. By serving as a center for Sephardi communication, the A.S.F. hopes to assure cultural continuity for

## Yadin Party

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ording to the existing rules. Our aim is to beat the system through its own weakness." His party, if it should find itself with a balance of power, would not be obstructionist, Professor Yadin said, but it would hold the governing party's feet to the fire and make it fulfill campaign promises. If the new party is formidable enough in the election, he added, it will demand that the government submit to a new ballot within six months using a revamped system better approximating one man, one vote.

With Israelis beset by inflation, increased costs of staples, soaring educational fees and a host of other financial and social ills — not the least being the problems besetting Jews from North Africa — Professor Yadin is emphasizing internal problems. This strikes a responsive chord, though no one who has lived here for any length of time ever really forgets the constant threat from neighboring Arab states.

"Our immediate objectives are to start something new from scratch," Professor Yadin said. "I have a feeling something can happen, something can change." A still small but growing number of Israelis appear to agree.

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(The Treasure Chest is a syndicated column appearing in newspapers and magazines throughout the US and overseas. It is written by Alan Shawn Feinstein, financial advisor and author.)

**Probe Into Charges That PLO Raising Funds Via UN Mission**

By Joseph Polakoff  
WASHINGTON (JTA): The United States is "trying to determine" whether a report that the Palestine Liberation Organization's Mission at the United Nations in New York is raising funds in this country to help finance its terrorist operations and guerrilla activities, the State Department confirmed.

"Should it turn out any members of the PLO Observer Mission are involved in fund-raising activities in this country, such activity would be clearly beyond the scope of activities for which they are admitted," spokesman Frederick Brown said. He added that the probe is on a "priority basis" and that the U.S. has asked the UN Secretariat "to convey our serious concern" to the PLO regarding fund-raising. He indicated "possible expulsion" of any PLO members involved in the reported venture but not the Mission as a whole.

**Overseas Account**  
Columnists Jack Anderson and Les Whitten reported today that PLO Mission members collected funds from sympathizers in the U.S. and deposited them in a PLO account overseas. The columnists said they have proof in the form of "a thank you note" written in Arabic on the stationery of the PLO's UN office. "The letter is signed by Jacob Oubedi, the PLO's top fundraiser in Beirut and is addressed to the Palestinian Committee in the state of Virginia," Anderson and Whitten wrote.

They said the Virginians collected \$4084 which Oubedi was quoted as saying would go into the "PLO national chest." "We hope you will continue to work for our holy cause and revolutionary victory," Oubedi wrote, according to the columnists.

Oubedi, whose code name is "Abud Khaled," the columnists said, noted that the Virginians' money had been turned over to him by the PLO director in New York Zoyer Tarazi. The columnists said Tarazi admitted that the Virginians delivered the \$4084 check to him. According to the columnists, Tarazi said the PLO has entered many states but money for the PLO is "scarce."

The PLO registered with the Justice Department as a foreign agent for "information activities," not fund-raising. Oubedi apparently is not registered.

Two previous violations by PLO members of their Mission restrictions — travel beyond the 25-mile limit of Columbus Circle in New York City in the past year have not resulted in their expulsion. The violations consisted of visits to Chicago and Washington. "Our very serious concern was made known to the PLO Mission," at the time, Brown said.

Meanwhile, a State Department source confirmed to the JTA that the United States has entered its fourth month of communication with the PLO in Beirut.

**Death Threat Sent By Extremist Wing**

PARIS (JTA): Death threats from an extreme right-wing group in Spain have been received by several members of Madrid's Jewish community, according to reports reaching here. A Jewish spokesman for that city's 3000 Jews declined to name the recipients or the number. According to the Madrid newspaper, El Pais, at least four Jews, and several non-Jews received threats from the organization calling itself "The Adolf Hitler Sixth Commando of the New Order."

These included editors of El Pais; the newspaper, Diario de Barcelona; and the magazine, Posible which last week published a lengthy article on fascist groups in Europe. Others threatened included the Perpetual Secretary of the Royal Academy of the Spanish Language and the owner of a bookstore who had been attacked several times by right-wingers, according to El Pais.

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