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Safam Performs Traditional Jewish Melodies In Modern American Sound



SAFAM, a musical group which has been called the Jewish 'rock' group will perform in concert Saturday, Dec. 12.

Safam, a musical group that creates and performs traditional Jewish melodies in modern tempo will appear in concert Saturday evening, Dec. 12, at the Temple Emanu-El Auditorium (on Sessions St.) in Providence. The concert is sponsored by Temple Beth Am-Beth David of Warwick, and was moved to Temple Emanu-El because of its larger auditorium.

Safam, a nationally known group, has been credited with creating a unique Jewish-American sound by adapting traditional Jewish melodies — including some that are part of Sabbath services — to contemporary American sound. To some of the younger generation Safam, which in Hebrew means mustache, is considered the Jewish "rock" group. SAFAM also performs several pieces written by its members.

The four members of Safam are not full-time performers. One is a cantor. Another is the city solicitor of a Massachusetts town. A third is manager of an auto parts

business. The fourth owns a brokerage firm.

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SAFAM has appeared in concert throughout the United States and Canada, produced three albums and become one of the leading Jewish singing groups in the country.

Following their performance here Dec. 12, Safam will appear at Madison Square Garden in New York.

Tickets may be obtained by calling 737-3435 or 739-5321 or by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope with a check made payable to Temple Beth Am-Beth David to Alan D. Horowitz, 123 Glenbrook Rd., Warwick, RI 02889. Tickets are \$7.50 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students and \$3.75 for children under 12.

Year-Long Study Indicates Soviet Jews Adjusting Well In United States

More than 900 Soviet Jewish immigrant families were interviewed about their economic and community adjustment in a study conducted by Rita and Julian Simon of the University of Illinois. The report revealed that three-quarters of the Soviet Jews who emigrated to the United States find their overall standard of living and their incomes are better here, but only 15 percent say their social status is improved. Only 20 percent say they have a better cultural life, according to the preliminary results of the year-long study.

The study found that the Soviet emigre's

had little social contact with non-Jews and that they associated primarily with other Jews from the Soviet Union. Although most of the emigres did not feel their social status was better here than in Russia, the report stated that "they do not consider America's acceptance of them and how they fit into the Jewish community to be important or troublesome problems."

The results of the study were presented at the 50th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations, a group representing more than 200 Jewish philanthropic

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Service Disciplinary Hearing Set Against Sec. Of The Israeli Cabinet

TEL AVIV — A Service Disciplinary Hearing is scheduled next month against the Secretary of the Israeli Cabinet who is charged with leaking a rumor that former President Carter had asked Chancellor Helmut Schmidt of West Germany, in a telephone conversation in 1980, to press Prime Minister Menachem Begin to make concessions in the talks on Palestinian autonomy.

The news report had already been published and denied in the Israeli press, but could have affected the 1980 American Presidential election.

Carter explained, according to the rumor, that he was hampered by his need for Jewish support in the upcoming election. When Schmidt replied that he, too, was facing an election, Carter was said to have replied, "Yes, but you don't have any Jews."

Aryeh Naor brought this information to Israeli-born journalist Raanan Lurie in his own handwriting, while at lunch in the Hilton Hotel in October 1980. Lurie contends that Naor brought the information to display his journalistic abilities because Naor was seeking employment at Die Welt, a German daily, where Lurie was employed at the time. Lurie, a political cartoonist who lodged the complaint, is now employed at The Times of London. The article was never published in Lurie's paper because of lack of corroboration.

The charges against Naor state that he offered the news report as secret information obtained because of his official position.

Lurie contacted the Israeli Attorney General and informed him that Naor had secretly sent the newspaper information calculated to help the paper's case. The hearing is scheduled for Dec. 15, in which

Naor said he will go to Hamburg to give evidence for Die Welt in Lurie's suit.

The Attorney General's office stated that Naor's intrusion in Lurie's civil dispute was inconsistent with his office as Cabinet Secretary.

A columnist in the Tel Aviv daily Maariv, Moshe Zak, who had told the story in his paper seven months earlier, wrote later that he suspected that it had been planted by persons hostile to Israel.

Hassenfeld Meets With Reagan At White House

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Some 30 Jewish Republican supporters of President Reagan including Sylvia Hassenfeld of Barrington met with him at the White House for about a half hour last week, but refused to say what was discussed at the meeting.

The group, consisting of members of the Coalition for Reagan-Bush which supported the Republican ticket in the 1980 elections, denied they were asked not to make any comment to reporters. There was speculation that they declined to make a statement because the President was scheduled to meet Friday afternoon with a delegation representing the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations.

Early last September, 38 leading Jewish Republicans, including some who were at the White House meeting, joined in a public statement "strongly" opposing the Reagan Administration's proposed sale of five AWACS surveillance aircraft, enhancement equipment for 62 F-15 jet fighters and other advanced weaponry to Saudi Arabia.



NEW YORK'S MAYOR EDWARD KOCH dedicates the Anatoly Sharansky Steps at the Isaiah Peace Wall opposite the United Nations. Prisoner uniformed youths holding Soviet Jewry "freedom flags" and stand on the spiral stairway in the background. The Steps resulted from a year-long effort by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry on behalf of the 33-year-old mathematician suffering in the solitary confinement cells of the notorious Perm labor camp.

Friends Of Seminary To Honor Elaine Odessa At Breakfast

Mrs. Benton Odessa will be honored by the Rhode Island Friends of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America at a breakfast meeting on Sunday, December 13, 1981 at 9:30 a.m. in the Alperin Meeting House of Temple Emanu-El. Guest speaker will be Rabbi Michael Greenbaum, Associate Dean for Administration of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, and instructor of Judaica at the Seminary. Rabbi Greenbaum is responsible for planning and policy implementation in all non-academic areas, including budget and finance, buildings and plant, and personnel.

Mrs. Odessa received the Seminary's National Community Service Award at the 17th Annual Awards Dinner in Boston on Sunday, November 22, 1981. Over 90 of Elaine's friends and family joined an overflowing gathering as she was presented with this coveted award, which recognizes "devotion to Judaism, and commitment to widening its influence for the good of all people."

Mrs. Odessa was presented to Dr. Gerson D. Cohen, Chancellor of the Jewish

Koch Denounces Kahane As 'Another Arafat'

NEW YORK — Mayor Koch of New York told law enforcement leaders at an Anti-Defamation League conference on terrorism at the Grand Hyatt Hotel that Rabbi Meir Kahane, leaders of the Jewish Defense League, is a "disgrace to Jews." He referred the rabbi as "another Arafat," making reference to Yasir Arafat, the leader of the Palestine Liberation Organization.

"Meir Kahane applauding is urging someone to do it again, and that is terrorism, the Mayor said about Rabbi Kahane's reaction to the shooting into the Glen Cove, L.I. home of Oleg A. Troyanovsky, the Soviet delegate to the United Nations.

The incident occurred Saturday evening two weeks ago. Kahane denied that his group had been involved in the shooting, in which no one was injured.

Theological Seminary of America, by Rabbi Wayne M. Franklin, Rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, Providence. Rabbi Franklin and Dr. Cohen lauded Elaine for her generosity and devotion on behalf of Judaism, her love for the community in which she lives, and for her interest and dedication to the Seminary and to Israel.

Mrs. Odessa is presently a patron of the Jewish Theological Seminary and became a recipient of the National Community Service Award in recognition of her "exemplary leadership in endeavors to enrich the life of her Community and Conservative Judaism."

Elaine, with her late husband, Benton, established the Elaine and Benton Odessa Scholarship Fund at the Seminary. They also established an Endowment Fund at Temple Emanu-El. The Odessa family have an additional Endowment Fund at Temple Emanu-El that provides the necessary funds for an annual Cantorial Concert in memory of Benton Odessa.

Elaine is a member of the board of trustees of Temple Emanu-El; she is a past president of Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood, and a member of the Mother's Association of Temple Beth David-Anshei Kovno. She serves as presidential advisor to Temple Emanu-El Sisterhood.

Mrs. Odessa is a past president of the Roger Williams Chapter B'nai B'rith Women; a member of the Board of Trustees of the Jewish Federation of R.I., as well as a board member of its Women's Division. She is also affiliated with Hadassah, Miriam Hospital, Jewish Home for the Aged, Pioneer Women, National Conference of Jewish Women, Brandeis University and Yeshiva University of New England. Her other involvements include the Butler Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

Mrs. Odessa has three children: Edward, the president of General Fabrics of Pawtucket; Susan, a speech pathologist working with cerebral palsy patients; and David, a student at the University of Hartford. Elaine serves as chairman of the Board of General Fabrics.

The members of Temple Emanu-El and "Rhode Island Friends of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America" are all invited to this breakfast meeting.



ELAINE ODESSA received the Seminary's National Community Service Award at the 17th Annual Awards Dinner in Boston. Pictured with Mrs. Odessa is (From left) Rabbi Wayne M. Franklin, rabbi of Temple Emanu-El, Providence; Stanley Hatoff (background), chairman of the New England Community awards dinner; and Dr. Gerson D. Cohen, Chancellor of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Written And Created Locally

Second Edition Of Orthodox-Oriented Cartoon Booklet Published For Young

NEW YORK (JTA) — The second issue of "Mendy and the Golem," an Orthodox-oriented comic book for Jewish children with two or more cartoon stories on Jewish themes in each issue, has been published by Mendy Enterprises. It is scheduled to be issued six times a year.

David Sears, artist, and Leibel Estrin, writer, of the series are both local residents of Providence.

Publisher Yankel Pinson said Mendy Enterprises is a non-profit enterprise which seeks to promote Jewish orientation through a medium widely read by children of all faiths and ethnic backgrounds. He said it was not backed by any organization.

Each of the two issues carries advertising promoting the Lubavitch-sponsored campaign to persuade Jewish children to "sponsor" a letter in a second Torah scroll, now being prepared in Jerusalem under

Lubavitch auspices. All letters in the first Torah scroll were "sponsored" by Jewish children, Lubavitch spokesmen reported.

Each copy of the cartoon booklet sells for \$1. A one-year subscription for six issues is \$5. Pinson explained the start of the project by declaring "we were looking for a way to get kids excited about being Jewish and what it means to be Jewish."

Each issue is designed to emphasize specific commandments. In the first issue, the theme was the mitzvah of Hachnossat Orchim (hospitality to guests). Through games, puzzles and stories, Pinson said, it is hoped that young readers will learn the importance of treating others with respect.

Mendy is the local rabbi's son and Sholem the Golem is his eight-foot, 400-pound friend. Pinson said that, unlike standard comic books, Mendy and the Golem is meant to be read by and with parents.

The theme of the second issue is the Mitzvah of Hashavat Avaida (returning lost objects). It also contains the Sh'ma and a brief explanation of its significance for Jews.

A spokesman reported that the company had raised \$10,000 for initial expenses and that the first issue had attracted 1,000 subscribers. He said the print run for the second booklet was 25,000 copies and that the total of subscriptions had risen to 2,800. He said requests for information and for subscriptions were being received daily at the company's offices in Manhattan.

JCC Hosts Ethiopian Jew

The Jewish Community Center will host Nahum Ben Yosef, an Ethiopian Jewish refugee, who left his country a year ago, leaving his wife and children behind. They have been unable to join him here in the United States.

He will discuss the plight of the Falashas in his native country on Sunday, Nov. 29 at 1:30 p.m. at the center.

Temple Emanu-El will also host Yosef at its Friday evening service on Dec. 4 beginning at 8:10 p.m. The community is invited.

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Militant Activists Break From Klan; Plan More Drastic Action

NEW YORK (JTA) — A significant number of militant Ku Klux Klan activists have broken away from the main bodies and, joined by known Nazis, are planning more drastic action than the standard Klan cross burnings and rallies. That is one of the findings of a six-month long investigation by the American Jewish Committee into current Klan activities. Also reported were:

- Dissatisfaction with "moderate" Klan leadership, leading, in one instance, to a suspected attempt to bomb The Temple, Nashville's largest Reform Congregation, as well as to a plot to bomb a transmission tower belonging to a TV station supposedly Jewish-owned. Several Nashville Jewish business men were threatened with violence.
- Increasing joint ventures with Nazi groups, one of which led to a charge that six Klansmen and Nazis had murdered five Communist Party workers.
- The emergence of women in Ku Klux Klan activities. Initially, their presence was detected when a 50-year-old woman was taken into custody in Nashville and another was discovered in a prominent role among Alabama terrorists.
- Intensification of Klan efforts in West Germany.

Not An Isolated Phenomenon

The breaking off of militant activists from established Klan groups does not appear to be an isolated phenomenon, according to the AJCommittee Trends Analyses unit. In Catonsville, Maryland, Klansmen, unhappy with lack of militancy in the local Klan unit, formed their own group, the leadership of which was taken into custody and charged with intent to bomb the residence of the local NAACP official.

Reports from informed sources, the

AJCommittee asserts, indicate that a similar situation is developing in Alabama, where Klansmen contemplate forming an independent group also committed to violence.

Recently, according to the AJCommittee, law enforcement officials in West Germany have expressed concern over the sharp increase in Invisible Empire Knights of Ku Klux Klan activity in Germany, where the Klan is attempting to recruit resident German neo-Nazis to their ranks in areas surrounding U.S. military bases.

First Outbreak Of Anti-Semitism Since Law Passed

FAIR LAWN, N.J. — Swastikas and anti-Semitic epithets have been spray-painted on two synagogues, the Jewish Center, the door of an auto shop at the high school and the community of Fair Lawn's water tower. The incident was the first major outbreak of anti-Semitism reported in northern New Jersey since a new state law took effect in September that provides for a five-year jail term for anyone convicted of attempting to incite fear by burning crosses, painting swastikas or defacing buildings with threatening symbols.

Police have increased patrols in the area surrounding all six synagogues in the middle-class community of about 32,000 in central Bergen County.

"The community is outraged," said Detective Peter Kemp. Authorities speculated that the vandalism was the work of teenagers and not related to last June's discovery that a six-member cell of the Ku Klux Klan had apparently been meeting surreptitiously in a storage room in an apartment complex here.

Administration's View Of Saudis As Moderates Is A 'Fairy Tale'

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Shirley Leviton, president of the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), declared here last week that only those who believe in "fairy tales" can accept the Reagan Administration's assertion that Saudi Arabia will be a moderating influence toward a Middle East peace.

She told the more than 400 women from across the country attending the NCJW's 1981 Joint Program Institute that with the fight over the sale of AWACS surveillance planes and other military equipment to Saudi Arabia there is a need for "binding up wounds" and "moving courageously toward fulfilling our nation's commitment to the Camp David peace process and the Camp David agreement."

But, Mrs. Leviton warned, "It is imperative for us to remain cautious and aware of the Administration's perception that Saudi Arabia is a moderating influence in the Arab world, that it will ultimately recognize Israel's existence as a nation, and that it will play a major role in protecting American security interests in the Middle East."

"As knowledgeable citizens, we know the cost of blind faith and we cannot believe in fairy tales," she declared.

Outlines Priorities And Objectives

Mrs. Leviton spoke at a dinner at the Hyatt Regency which marked the start of intensive advocacy training for the NCJW members in public policy and family self-sufficiency and Israel and American foreign policy. Mrs. Leviton noted that while choosing priorities the NCJW must focus attention on problems both at home and abroad.

"As activists involved in many service projects in our own communities we have all seen the effects of the current economic policies on the family," she said. She noted that President Reagan has called on the voluntary organizations to help people being cut off by federal budget cuts. "How can organizations with limited funds serve the needs of the millions cut off from federal aid by the 25 percent cuts in allocations?" she asked.

Mrs. Leviton said that while there is the need to meet these social problems and combat such groups as the Moral Majority, "The necessity for strong advocacy in behalf of Israel has never been so vital."

In addition, she warned that the terrorist "battleground" for the Palestine Liberation Organization and similar groups "is no longer limited to Israel.

Ten EEC Governments Support Participation In Sinai Force

by John Palmer

The 10 EEC governments have agreed to a statement supporting the participation of Britain, France, Holland, and Italy in the proposed Sinai peacekeeping force.

But by reiterating their Venice Declaration supporting Palestinian self-determination and the need to associate the PLO in future peace negotiations, the EEC governments may be inviting an Israeli veto on European participation in the Sinai operation.

The draft statement was finally agreed by senior foreign ministry officials from all EEC capitals in London and will be put to EEC foreign ministers in Brussels. However, the Greek Socialist Government is still anxious about the timing of the publication of the statement in view of possible adverse reaction from the Arab world.

After contact between the British Government, as the holder of the ministerial council presidency, and the US Government, the wording of the EEC draft statement has been changed to meet criticism from Israel.

It appears to make no direct reference to the recent Saudi Arabian peace plan and it specifically states EEC participation in the Sinai operation as part of the Camp David agreements.

However, later in the draft statement, the Ten make it clear that they still stand by their Venice Declaration of June, 1980.

The foreign ministers of the EEC are aware they are being called to walk a tightrope with the United States and Israel on the one side demanding unconditional support for Camp David, and the majority of the Arab states on the other opposed to EEC involvement in the Sinai because it would be an endorsement of Camp David.

The Council of Arab Ambassadors, representing Arab governments in London, told the Foreign Office on Friday that they hoped the EEC would reconsider taking part in the Sinai force, which they said might jeopardize cooperation between the

EEC and the Arab world in a peace settlement.

Meanwhile, Israel reaffirmed its opposition to Saudi Arabia's eightpoint Middle East plan last week, saying its views were not changed by a Saudi diplomat's remarks that the plan recognized Israel's existence.

An Israeli Cabinet spokesman, Arve Naor, was asked to comment on a statement by the Saudi acting UN ambassador, Gaafar Allagany, that the plan "does recognize Israel." Allagany made the remark to the New York Times.

Naor said: "The Israeli Government's position remains unchanged. Prime Minister Menachem Begin has said the Saudi plan is a design to annihilate Israel by stages... the plan has not changed and there is no reason for us to change our mind."

Terrorists Wound Arab Village Chief, Kill Son

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The son of an Arab village chief who has cooperated closely with Israeli authorities on the West Bank was killed last week in a terrorist assassination attempt. The victim, Khazem Al-Khatib, 23, died instantly when unidentified gunmen fired bullets apparently intended for his father, Yussuf Al-Khatib, 60, who was seriously wounded. The elder Al-Khatib was rushed to Ramallah Hospital where his condition was reported to be "stable."

The Palestine News Agency Wafa in Beirut quoted a terrorist military spokesman as saying that a guerrilla unit "carried out the people's sentence against agents Yussuf Al-Khatib and his son Khazem." The spokesman threatened "all enemy agents involved in the self-rule plan" for the West Bank, Wafa reported.

Yussuf Al-Khatib is chairman of the Ramallah Region Farmers Association which has close ties with the Israeli Military Government.

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Israelis Disregard Arab Voice Of Moderation; Extremism Is Reality

Israel has had a great deal of experience in dealing with Arab leaders who shift from radical to moderate positions. Occasionally, Yasir Arafat and other members of the Palestine Liberation Organization will offer statements indicating that they desire to live in peace with Israel, upon the establishment of a Palestinian nation. However, following the reports of this willingness to coexist, the statements are denied.

In an interview published in the Washington Post on May 25, 1980, Crown Prince Fahd referred to Jews as cousins ("We are all Semites"). He stated his support for United Nations Security Council Resolution 242, which affirms the "sovereignty territorial integrity and political independence of every state in the area and their right to live in peace and offered to join with other Arabs in negotiations if Israel declared its willingness to withdraw from occupied lands.

According to an Israeli official, four days later the Prince told the Moroccan-press agency that he had been misquoted. A month later, he called for a holy war against Israel.

Optimism is not often expressed by Israelis, considering the past track record of the Arabs.

Therefore, there has been little debate concerning the peace plan presented by Prince Fahd. The Israelis impulse is to hear the Arab voices of extremism and to disregard those of moderation, to see radicalism as reality and conciliation as duplicity.

Israeli analysts scorn the interpretation of the seventh point in the Saudi peace plan as recognition of Israel's right to exist as a nation. They say that the original Arabic text of the Saudi plan fails to use the word "all" in referring to the "states of the region," although a transliteration of Prince Fahd's plan by the Saudi press agency did use the word "all." The Saudis, the Israelis say, have only referred to Israel as "the Zionist entity," not as a legitimate state.

In addition, official Saudi newspapers have prominently displayed articles on the opposite interpretation by radical Arabs — that this point does not mean coexistence with Israel. This harder line approach is expected to surface during the meeting of Arab leaders in Fez, Morocco at the end of this month.

The Israelis know that they understand the Arab world more intimately than the Americans or Europeans. The constant shift in position by Arabs is understood to be an attempt to play to competing audiences of Americans and Europeans on one hand, and militant Arabs on the other.

Begin: Far Ahead Of Next In Line

JERUSALEM (ZINS) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin continues to increase his lead in popularity over 11 rivals, according to a poll conducted by Modi'in Ezrachi Research Center at the end of September. Following are the results of the poll: Who is the best suited to be prime minister? Menachem Begin - 46.4 percent; Yitzhak Rabin - 14.8 percent; Shimon Peres - 9.2 percent; Ezer Weizman - 1.4 percent; Others - 4.9 percent; Undecided - 12.4 percent. Q: Who is best suited to be defense minister? Ariel Sharon - 47.0 percent; Yitzhak Rabin - 9 percent; Ezer Weizman - 8.9 percent; Haim Bar-Lev - 6.1 percent; Moshe Dayan - 3.3 percent; Mordechai Gur - 2.2 percent; Others - 4.6 percent; Undecided - 18.9 percent. Q: Who is best suited to be finance minister? Yoram Aridor - 35 percent; Haim Ben Shahr - 11.6 percent; Yigael Hurwitz - 7.8 percent; Jacob Levinson - 5.9 percent; Others - 4.7 percent; Undecided 35 percent. Q: Who is the best suited to be foreign minister? Yitzhak Shamir - 28 percent; Aba Eban - 26 percent; Moshe Dayan - 9.9 percent; Yitzhak Rabin - 2.9 percent; Chaim Herzog - 1.5 percent; Ezer Weizman - 1.5 percent; Others - 4.9 percent; Undecided - 25.3 percent.

Thought For The Week

"Survival Of The Jewish People"

The Alter Rebbe, founder of Chabad-Lubavitch, used to say that "a Jew should live in the spirit of the time," meaning the current weekly Torah portion. We are to be animated and inspired by the content and spirit of this week's Torah portion Tol'dos — which concludes the history of our Father Abraham, the first Jew and father of our people.

In the Divine revelation to Abraham of the future destiny of his descendants, the Jewish people, three points stand out:

- (1) One, "your children shall be strangers in a land not theirs."
- (2) Reassuring, however, was the everlasting covenant between G-d and Abraham assuring the survival of our people under all circumstances and for all times.
- (3) But . . . this promise of eternity for our people was conditioned upon our following G-d's ways and observing His commandments; that we maintain the bond with G-d from birth, a bond not alone impressed in the soul but also sealed in the flesh with the B'riss (circumcision), dedicating body and soul to G-d through observance of His Torah and Mitzvos.

Our sages say that "the experience of the fathers is a guide for the children." What happened to our Patriarchs reflected events that would repeat themselves in the history of our people, both of the individual and of the nation as a whole.

The first point of G-d's prophecy to Abraham — that his descendants would be "strangers in a land not theirs" — is recognized by all as having been fulfilled throughout every phase of our people's exile — including the current phase. To be sure, many Jewish inhabitants of many different countries have in recent years tried to suggest that we are not in Golus (exile). They have maintained that the country of their adoption is their own land and that they are certainly not "strangers" in it. As we are all too well aware, however, from time to time events and circumstances arise which show that the Jews are, indeed, "strangers in a land not theirs."

The truth of the second aspect of G-d's promise to Abraham — that the Jewish people would survive despite all — is universally acclaimed and wondered at. The greatest world empires of the most advanced civilizations — Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece and Rome — have all crumbled into dust; yet the tiny Jewish people, although scattered and dispersed among the nations, "strangers in a land not theirs," continues to survive.

It is the third part of G-d's revelation to Abraham — namely, the reason for this miraculous survival — that people are loth to admit. When problems of assimilation, intermarriage or the drug culture arise, all kinds of solutions are suggested, ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous. Synagogue "rock" services, "symbolic" Mitzvos, nationalism or "Jewish ethnic culture" are but some of the suggestions to maintain the continuity of our people. But the essential elements which perpetuate our people and are the source of our unique strength is not our peculiar physical or intrinsic mental characteristics; not our language or our manners and customs (in a wider sense) — for all of these have undergone vast changes during our history. The essential element which at all times unites our scattered people and makes it one, is Torah and Mitzvos, our covenant with G-d, our Jewish way of life which has remained basically the same throughout the ages and in all places.

Any solutions to the problems plaguing many of our young people, any suggestions for ensuring the survival of our nation, must involve strengthening the B'riss, our covenant and bond with G-d through Torah and Mitzvos (witness the absence of these "contemporary problems" from the Torah-observant community!). A thorough study of our history without prejudice, leaves no doubt that adherence to the Torah and its Mitzvos in our everyday life is the essential factor of our existence and survival.

Adapted from the works of Rabbi M.M. Schmeerson

Submitted By Rabbi Yehoshua Laufer

Examples Of Israeli Court Decisions Make Solomon's Task Seem Simple

by Carl Alpert
HAIFA — "All things come to him that waits — even justice," an Irish writer once said. That applies well to Israel's courts, where the learned jurists are called upon to assure the impartial application of the law. The cases placed before them sometimes make Solomon's task seem simple.

For example:
Innocent Burglars: His client pleads guilty to breaking and entering, the defense attorney told Judge Hayim Devorin in Tel Aviv District Court, and he also admits that he beat up 73-year-old Zvi Eisenberg, who resisted the burglary and later dropped dead. But the culprit can under no circumstances be charged with murder. How did he know that the old man had heart trouble?

The danger of giving advice: A Givatayim contractor had about a million dollars available after a successful business deal and asked his bank to invest it in a dollar-linked account. However, he yielded to the advice of the bank to put it in a mutual fund instead. The dollar account returned a better profit than the mutual fund, and the contractor has now sued the bank to the tune of two million shekels for giving him bad advice.

Now he did it, now he didn't: Soon after the body of Muen Gamazi was found in the gas station where he worked, his brother-in-law, married to Muen's sister, turned himself in and confessed. After careful questioning to ascertain a motive, the police extracted from him a further confession that he was innocent. He had made up the first story just to get even with his wife, with whom he had quarreled.

Living together: A lonesome widow and an equally lonesome widower found each other through a shadcan office and happily set up housekeeping together. They refused to pay the shadcan fee on the grounds that the contract called for such payment only if they got married. The judge, a lady, ruled otherwise and insisted that the happy couple pay for their happiness.

When you lose an election: Following the national election, Israel's Labor Party was left with debts of about 15 million shekels. Worried creditors obtained a court order and among other assets the 1980 Oldsmobile placed at the disposal of Shimon Peres was impounded until the debts were paid.

You need clean hands in court: Yosef Ben Zvi indignantly complained to the police that his Ramat Gan apartment had been broken into and about two million shekels in Israel and foreign currency had been stolen. He refused to disclose the source of the money, but police investigation turned up a complaint from Barclay's Bank that the victim of the theft had defrauded that bank of twice that amount. The victim was arrested.

UJA Surpasses Peacetime High

NEW YORK (JTA) — The United Jewish Appeal 1981 regular campaign, still in progress, recorded a total of \$511.0 million in pledges as of Nov. 13, a new peacetime high. The previous record for a year without open war involving Israel was the \$508.5 million registered by the total 1980 campaign.

According to the report released by national UJA headquarters, Friday's milestone achievement represents a card-for-card increase of 11.8 percent over the previous year. Final returns for 1981 will be announced shortly after the end of the year. The report also indicated that prospects are bright for the new record to be surpassed again by the 1982 regular campaign, launched two and a half months ago. The new drive, showing a pledge total of \$81.9 million to date, is running 24.0 percent ahead of 1981.

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Military justice: A typist with the rank of sergeant, at a military base, complained that her expensive electric typewriter didn't work well. Investigation revealed that she never covered the machine, and used it daily as her make-up table. It works were clogged up with hair, face powder and other evidences of such use. A stiff fine was imposed on her.

Double jeopardy: Military justice of a different kind came to light when survivor's compensation and pension were paid to the legal wife of a soldier who fell in line of duty. Soon thereafter a second woman appeared. She claimed to be his common-law wife and proved that for the last five years of his life the soldier had lived with her. In conformity with the text of the law, as written, the court had no choice but to order duplicate payments to the second woman as well.

There's no place like home: When Zion Asraf, 26, a multiple offender, was sentenced to a year and a half in prison, he appealed. He asked the higher court to impose the maximum sentence possible, of 10 years, on the grounds that he felt more at home in prison than outside. The court refused and asked the prisoner rehabilitation authorities to take the man in hand.

The hand that rocks the cradle: Judge Amos Zamir of Tel Aviv District Court heard the claim of attorney Avner Singer on behalf of two minor children demanding increased monthly support from their father, divorced from his wife. The mother associated herself with the demand. But when the judge heard that the mother, a bank employee, was earning twice as much as her ex-husband, he decreed that her share of the support payments should be increased to more than that assessed against the father.

EDITORIAL POLICY

Letters To The Editor are welcomed by The Rhode Island Herald covering any issues which are of concern to the readers of this publication. It is, however, the policy of this publication to limit the number of letters to the editor by each submitter to no more than once a month.

Another 'Rona Barrett' In The Making?

EDITOR:

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organizations, which concluded its session in St. Louis last week.

A large majority of those interviewed said they do not observe traditional religious practices, such as dietary laws and the Sabbath, even though most stated that being Jewish was very important to them. Ninety percent said they would want

to be Jewish if they would be reborn. However, 16 percent described themselves as fairly or very religious in contrast to 36 percent who said they were not at all religious.

Most of the respondents said they would encourage their children to participate in communal Jewish life, although they them-

selves do not.

Overall, 78 percent of the respondents said they were "pretty or very happy."

In economic terms, 60 percent of the men and 34 percent of the women had found jobs within six months of coming to the United States. The mean family income was found to be \$19,632, from which about \$4,310 was paid in taxes.

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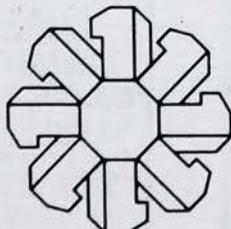
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Gallery 401 Exhibits Collagraphic Images By Artist Ruth Rodman

A lifelong fascination with the poetic sensations of glowing color — a need to capture the swiftly changing subtleties in the interplay between natural light and impressionistic landscapes: These are the artistic obsessions of Ruth Rodman, now recognized as one of America's most creative collagraph printmakers.

Her forte is to focus on intricate textures, soft shadows and luminous organic forms and shapes to achieve an abstract portrait evoking the innermost depth of nature. Her style is boldly innovative and her collagraphic images have captured the attention and admiration of the art world.

Gifted with a remarkable sense of composition, Rodman has again and again displayed the ability to plunge deep and mirror the life forces within the earth, the innermost textures and intricate forms and patterns of roots, fibers, veins of earth and stone.

Her works range from lavish, splashy flower displays to lyrical landscapes such as "Reflection," which interpretively evokes the nostalgic moods and warm colors of autumn amidst the shadowy reflections of starkly barren tree limbs. While naturalistic, the landscapes capture the poetic essence of the procession of New England seasons.

Rodman, a native of Boston, studied at the Museum of Fine Arts. Early in her career she switched from jewelry-making to collages and finally to collagraphs, a form of printmaking in which a specially

prepared collage of textured materials is placed on a press and inked with oil paint. No two prints in the edition are exactly alike since one of the features of collagraph printing is that the plate is inked each time a print is "pulled." The dampened paper and the inked plate pass on the bed of the press through two 350-pound rollers. The rollers, combined with four felt blankets, create pressure and force the paper to pick up the color as well as the myriad subtle textures of the plate. After the printing there is a four to five day drying period during which the prints are weighted so that they dry flat. Then the collagraph is complete.

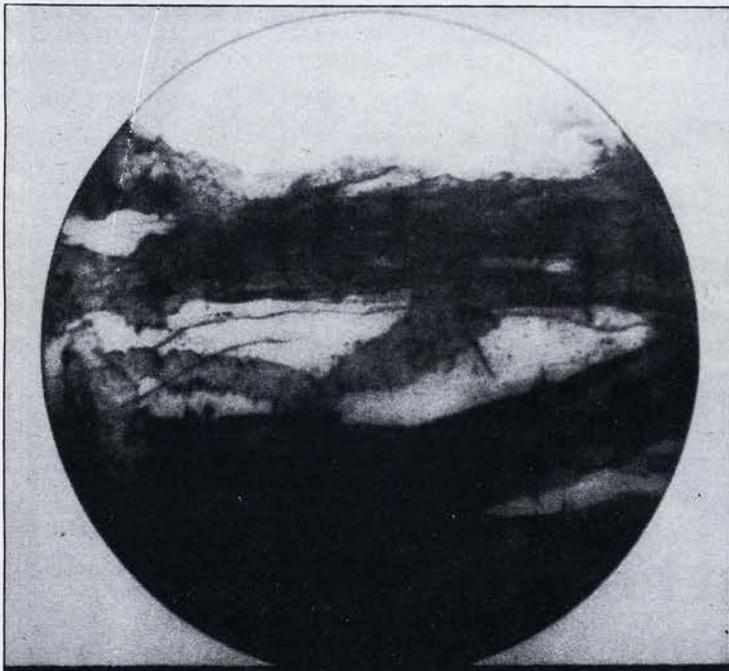
Rodman collagraphs have gained a place in many important collections including the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln, Mass.; the New York Public Library; The First National Bank of Boston; The Minneapolis Institute of Art; and the Bank of America in San Francisco. Her work has been exhibited in galleries and museums around the world.

Gallery 401 will host this talented and outstanding artist in an exhibition, from Dec. 6-Dec. 28. The public is invited to meet the artist from 4 p.m.-7 p.m. on Dec. 6. Gallery hours are Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-10 p.m.; Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; closed Saturday; Sunday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

This exhibition is courtesy of Rose Sagan, *Reflections*, 7 Glen Avenue, Barrington.



RUTH RODMAN displays her collagraphic images at Gallery 401 of the Jewish Community Center from Dec. 6 to Dec. 28.



INTRICATE TEXTURES, SOFT SHADOWS AND LUMINOUS ORGANIC FORMS AND SHAPES are Ruth Rodman's focus in her collagraphic images to be displayed at Gallery 401.

B'nai Israel Holds Successful Auction, Awards Presented

A successful auction was held on Congregation B'nai Israel on Sunday, Nov. 1. Two special awards were drawn by Miss Nancy Hudson of the Woonsocket Call. The winners were Nathaniel Goldstein and Art Bernstein.

Solicitors for the special award were: Mrs. Edward B. Medoff, Herbert B. Stern, S. Ronald Daniels, Mrs. Gerald Brenner, Richard R. Ackerman, Mrs. Gary Gurwitz, Israel Medoff, Martin Goodman, Samuel J. Medoff, Mrs. Armand Tedeschi, Jr., Edward Goryl, Lawrence B. Sadwin, Philip J. Macktaz, Lester A. Macktez, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Macktaz, Mrs. Frank Krasin, Morris Galkin, Mrs. Nathan C. Goldfine, Mrs. Saul A. Wittes, Judge Irving I. Zimmerman, Alan Wayne, Samuel Stein, Mrs. Herman Lantner, Dr. Harris Harnick, Mrs. Herman Levinson.

Auctioneer for the event was Harold Adelberg. Cashiers were Mrs. Harold Adelberg and Mrs. Sheppie Dressler. In charge of publicity was Mrs. Richard Ackerman and Mrs. Armand Tedeschi, Jr.

Runners and aides were Benjamin Castleman, Mrs. Anne Dunn Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. George Woled, Mrs. Herman Levinson, Mrs. Robert Dunn, Miss I. Esther Falk, Mrs. Leo Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Kredenser, Gary Gurwitz, Samuel Sherman, Mitchell Sherman, Jack Kirsh, Howard Kornstein, Mr. and Mrs.

David Sherman, Mrs. Joan Carey, Joseph Couture.

The snack bar was run by Alan Wayne, Aaron Block, Louis Rosenthal, Harry Goldman, Max Weitz and Dr. Harris Harnick.

Chairmen of the Auction were Mr. and Mrs. Julius Sherman. Chairmen of Special Awards were Mrs. Sheppie Dressler, Mrs. Frank Krasin, Mrs. Edward B. Medoff, Samuel J. Medoff and Mrs. Saul A. Wittes.

Hope Link Initiates Two New Members

Hope Link No. 46, O.G.C., has initiated Claire Goodman and Patricia Margolis into the Order of the Golden Chain. Charter member Alyce Arden will attend link meetings.

The next meeting will be held on Nov. 28, at Doric Temple, 1237 Reservoir Ave., Cranston, beginning with a paid-up supper at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting will begin at 7:30 p.m.

In addition, a memorial service will be held for Mae Kaiser.

An auction is planned for February. Please contact Herman Pavlow at 941-7504 for donations.

*Sheryl Labush/
Paul Carlin*

*Nancy Schreiber/
Barry Levin*

Sheryl Labush and Nancy Schreiber were incorrectly identified in their wedding photographs in the Nov. 19 issue of The Rhode Island Herald. We regret the error and any inconvenience it may have caused.

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Mike Kellin Presents An Evening Of Jewish Stories And Songs At JCC

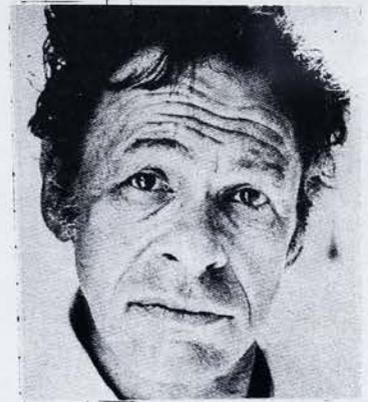
Mike Kellin will serve as Actor-in-Residence at the Jewish Community Center December 1-3. The Residency will consist of workshops at the Center for several groups of community participants — preschoolers to the elderly. In addition, Kellin will appear in a performance of the evening of December 3.

Kellin has a long and colorful acting career. On Broadway, he starred in *The Odd Couple* (for which he won an Oscar) *Stalag 17*, *At War With The Army: Mother Courage* and many more. His motion picture performances include: *The Jazz Singer* (1980), *Midnight Express*, *The Great Imposter*, *Freebee And The Bean*, *The Boston Strangler* to name only a few. In television he starred in the series: *The Wackiest Ship In The Army*, *Kojak*, *Barney Miller*, *Starsky And Hutch*. His career includes many off-Broadway, regional summer stock performances.

As a playwright he won the 1978 C.A.P.S. Award for script of *TIME*, produced as a musical at the Symphony Space in NYC. He has a large number of recordings and has appeared on radio with CBS Mystery Theatre.

Kellin's role as Actor-in-Residence will be to bring some of the richness of Jewish life to the workshop participants through the medium of drama. In this respect, Kellin will be working with a wide variety of people of all ages throughout the three days. He will work with the elderly participants of the JCC Project Hope Mealsite program and conduct children's workshops, including Noah's Ark dramatization and the Golem story. With young adults 'we'll do a shtetl preparation for the Sabbath, Kellin says, "and a scene involving newlyweds discussing their family plans with their parents."

The Actor-in-Residence program will not only include members of the Jewish Community Center, children from the Providence Hebrew Day School and the Solomon Schechter School. In addition,



MIKE KELLIN

dramatic students studying in the Hope High School Theatre Department will spend some hours with Kellin.

Kellin will visit the Jewish Home for the Aged and work with the residents for one afternoon; he will be working alongside the members of the newly formed Yiddish Theatre Club which meets at the Center. Kellin will meet with the Board of the Center and the Center staff in the program to bring his message to them. In addition the teachers of the Jewish schools will join Kellin in a dramatics workshop in the Bureau of Jewish Education library.

On the final evening of his stay, Kellin will perform from classic Jewish literature. His production will include a dramatization of the Jonah legend, a piece by I.B. Singer, and a piece by I.L. Peretz. These dramatizations are all his own design for solo actor. There will be some Yiddish and Hebrew songs as well. The dramatizations are in English, and suitable for all audiences. This performance is called "JEWISH MATERIAL (not gabardine)" and will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are available at the Center.

Around Town



A Round Of Farewells For The Kouffmans

Sarah and Sam Kouffman are indeed an honored couple this month!

They are being feted to a round of brunches, cocktail and dinner parties held by friends who have known them throughout the 30 years of their married life.

The reason for all this is that the Kouffmans will soon be leaving Providence to make their permanent home in Boca Raton, Florida.

A special cocktail party was held for them at the Pawtucket home of Glenda and Lazar Labush on Sunday evening so that close professional friends could wish them well in their new venture.

Dr. Kouffman, who practiced podiatric medicine on the East Side, has also headed podiatry clinics at the Veterans' Administration Hospital and the Jewish Home For The Aged.

A dedicated member of Hadassah, Sarah Kouffman was the guest of honor at a luncheon planned by board members of the Providence Chapter of Hadassah who hosted the nighttime affair last Monday.

Sarah's affiliation to Hadassah was tied long before she married Sam and came to Rhode Island from her home in Brooklyn, New York. She once served as the national president of Junior Hadassah. Sarah has served as part of a presidium this year with Muriel Leach and Sylvia Finkelstein, and last year with Esther Share and Ruth Goldstein.

The very personalized program was presented by Jeanette Saval who composed and delivered a poem about the honored guest.

To top off the warm occasion, an autograph book expressing individual sentiments by all those who attended the luncheon was given to Sarah.

The Providence Chapter of Hadassah also presented a certificate to Sarah indicating a contribution was made to the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem in her honor.

Sarah and Sam Kouffman are the parents of Judith and Henry.

Judith, a graduate of the Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University, is program director of WGBH-TV in Cambridge, Mass.

Henry, who graduated from Boston University as a Film major, was a winner of the New England Film Award by the Motion Pictures Academy of Arts and Science several years ago.

He is currently working as a free-lance promotional film-maker.

Eichenbaums Celebrate 25th Anniversary

Alice and Ray Eichenbaum recently celebrated their silver wedding anniversary.

sary.

Their sons, Howard and Cary, together with a family friend, Marilyn Danger, planned the 25th anniversary festivity which was held at Helga and Eli Bucheister's home in Lincoln.

Alice and Ray, both chemists, met in Austria through the Jewish Society at the University of Graz.

Sons, Howard and Cary, are students at Classical High School. Howard is a senior, and Cary, a junior.

Ray Eichenbaum is actively involved as chairman of the Holocaust Memorial Committee of Rhode Island.

Meredith Bleecker 12-Year-Old Entrepreneur

What started out as a way to conserve the cost of buying decorative and novelty barrettes and combs for Meredith Bleecker of Providence has launched the 12-year-old into the role of a young entrepreneur and an exhibitor at craft fairs.

Meredith and her mom created the designs mainly for Meredith's use. But it has triggered into a full-scale business operation and local shops are making demands of the "MerryMakers" for their home-made line.

Meredith, a seventh-grader at Moses Brown Middle School, performs with the school's Bell Ringers and studies acting, dance and voice at the Young People's School for the Performing Arts.

Meredith also finds time to volunteer at the Jewish Community Center one day a week by assisting the woodworking instructor with the 4- and 5-year-olds.

The daughter of Rochelle and Stanley Bleecker, Meredith has a brother Jonathan who is in the fourth grade at the Gordon School.

Ask For Freedom River

Don't look for Jed Smith, Freedom Rider by Fred Lawrence as mentioned in last week's column.

You'll have an easier time asking for Jed Smith, Freedom River. Fred Lawrence is the nom de plume for Fred Feldman, formerly of Cranston.

If there is a special event or happening you would like to share with the Herald readers in AROUND TOWN, please write to me in care of the Rhode Island Herald, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, Rhode Island 02940.

R.I. Jewish Youth Council To Meet

An open meeting of the Rhode Island Jewish Youth Council will be held on Monday, Dec. 7, at 7 p.m., at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence.

For more information, call the Center at 861-8800.

Fact-Finding Mission To Soviet Union

PARIS (JTA) — The European Inter-Parliamentary Conference for Soviet Jewry wants to send a fact-finding mission to the Soviet Union to seek on the spot solutions likely to facilitate Jewish emigration from the Soviet Union.

The Inter-Parliamentary Conference, which met here last week, said it will seek permission for such a delegation to visit the USSR and negotiate with the Soviet authorities.

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Habib May Return To Mid-East Soon

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The State Department, which has been saying that Philip Habib, President Reagan's special envoy for the Middle East, will return to the Middle East soon, still has set no date for his departure.

Department spokesman Dean Fischer said last week that Habib will probably go back to the Mideast by the end of this month although no date has been set. He said if the U.S. thought there was an "urgency" which required his departure sooner, he would leave earlier. Fischer stressed that the U.S. is "monitoring the situation very closely" in Lebanon but said there was no urgency there now.

The spokesman conceded that the Arab summit conference in Morocco this month could "conceivably be one of the factors" the U.S. is considering before sending Habib back, "but only one of the factors."

Habib, who retired in 1980 as Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs, was sent to the Mideast by Reagan last May to calm the tension caused by the Syrian placement of SAM-6 missiles in Lebanon and Israel's threat to remove them by force. In July, after Habib helped establish a cease-fire across the Lebanese Israel border, his mission was expanded to include the entire situation in Lebanon.

Israeli Premier Menachem Begin, said recently that while Israel supports the Habib mission, it was promised by the envoy, in Reagan's name, that the missiles would be removed from Lebanon.

Yasir Arafat, chief of the Palestine Liberation Organization, reportedly said in a speech that Israel was expected to attack his terrorist forces in Lebanon soon. Arafat also rejected proposals by the United Nations to increase the UN Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) from 6,000 troops to 7,200 and that the PLO forces remove its artillery from the Tyre area.

Fischer seemed to support both UN requests, although he said he had only read press reports of the Arafat statements. "We believe the cease-fire in south Lebanon is in everyone's interest," he said. "We therefore would hope that all involved would be responsive to and supportive of efforts by the UN to strengthen it." He also stressed that respect for the cease-fire included a ban on armed attacks into or from the area of south Lebanon controlled by Maj. Saad Haddad's Christian militia force.

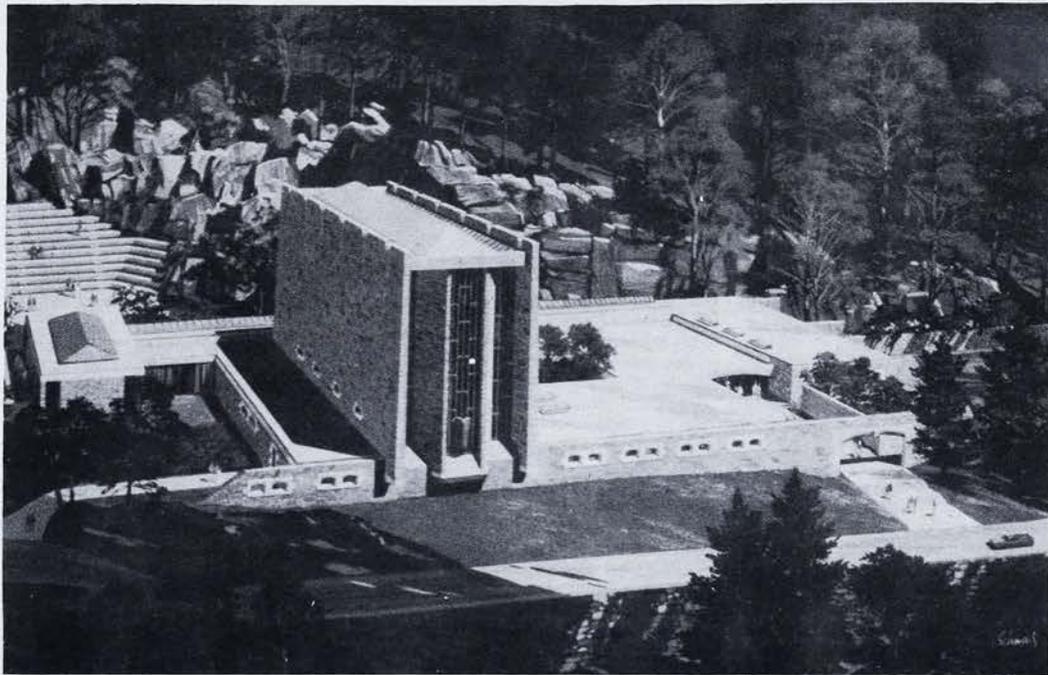
Late Bulletin

President Reagan has asked Habib, to return to the Middle East sometime after Thanksgiving, the State Department announced. Department spokesman Dean Fischer said that while no date has been set, he expects the 61-year-old former Undersecretary of State for Political Affairs to leave for the region before Dec. 1.

Donald Forman Becomes Bar Mitzvah

The Bar Mitzvah of Donald Mark Forman will take place at Temple Beth-El on Saturday, Nov. 28 at 11 a.m. Donald is the son of Mrs. Barbara Forman.

Executive Pledges \$1 Million To West Point Jewish Chapel Fund



ARTIST'S RENDITION of the future West Point Jewish Chapel: Marty Silverman, President, North American Corporation of New York, has pledged \$1 million to the West Point Jewish Chapel Fund building campaign, it was announced by Fund President, Herbert M. Ames. This brings to nearly \$4 million the total raised thus far against the Fund's \$5.5 million goal. Mr. Silverman, a native of Troy, New York, is the son of a tailor who had emigrated from Poland. He worked his way through New York University, going on to graduate from Albany Law School in 1936. During World War II, he fought in the Infantry in Germany with Patton's Third Army. Starting as a Private, and winning battlefield promotions to the rank of Captain during the war, he retired from the Army as a Major. When the war in Europe ended, Mr. Silverman responded to a call for lawyers to help with the war crimes trials. Mr. Silverman volunteered and assisted in bringing to justice the German troops responsible for the infamous "Malmedy incident" in which an American Infantry unit was massacred after surrendering to the Germans.

Cranston Senior Guild Holds Annual Party

The Cranston Senior Guild will hold its annual party at the Venus de Milo, Swansea, Mass., on Wednesday, Dec. 2 at noon, it was announced by Mrs. Sally Levy, president of the Guild.

Participating in the opening services are Leonard Lyons, Lee Kaplan and Louis Covinsky.

Debbie Waldman will be the featured entertainer for the event, specializing in singing the music of many cultures. The committee in charge of the raffle and door prizes, includes: Bessie Lett, Helen Forman, Dorothy Peskin, Martha Zitkin, Josephine Weiser and Jennie Uffer. Assisting for the afternoon are: John Chernov, Irving Adler and Joseph Margolis.

Ethel Ballon is in charge of publicity. Plans for a trip to the Nevele Country Club on May 31, 1982, have been made. The next meeting will be held on Wed., Nov. 25 with coffee hour at noon followed by the meeting at 1 p.m.

Lappins Celebrate 65th

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lappin of 246 Fourth St., Providence, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary, on Oct. 28.

Religious Discrimination Least Visible Of Civil Rights Issues

by Chaim Casper

Dr. Nat S. Caliendo, Jr., the URI Director of Corporate and Foundation Relations, was the opening speaker in URI Hillel's Lunch Program. His topic was "Discrimination on the Basis of Religion."

Religious discrimination is the least visible of all civil rights issues, Caliendo said. In the 1930's and '40's, ethnics stayed within their own group. This caused an envy of ethnics; one group would constantly have an economic advantage over others. Jealousies would arise over not being able to make inroads into the closed group, he said. The Civil Rights Acts of the Sixties attempted to change these overt prejudices.

Today, Caliendo says, religious discrimination is low on the priority list of antidiscriminatory efforts. He quoted the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who explained levels of discrimination this way. "Upon the birth of his (Mr. Jackson's) daughter, Mr. Jackson remarked that 'First, I noticed that she was black. Next, I noticed that she was my daughter. And, finally, I noticed she had my religion.'" It is low on the priority list of antidiscriminatory efforts because there are more visible signs of discrimination.

To address the problem of religious discrimination, Caliendo says, we in the United States have the Constitution as a "blueprint." Congress, over the years, has "provided the legislative mortar with which to 'insure' that our citizens are treated in accordance with the tenets promoted in the Preamble of the Constitution." As examples of such laws, Caliendo mentioned the Omnibus Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Equal Employment Act, the Equal Housing Act, Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, and Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1974. However, there are areas where the principle of religious freedom is clouded over by the question of church and state separation.

Caliendo discussed whether a state University (such as URI) should close down on Rosh Hashannah and Yom Kippur (the Jewish High Holidays). URI is approximately 10 percent Jewish. Is the scheduling of classes and examinations on the High Holidays a form of passive discrimination? Or is it the normal expression of church-state separation at a state university? Caliendo asks.

An appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court by the University of Missouri challenging a decision by the United States' Court of Ap-

peals for the Eighth Circuit dealt with the issue of whether Cornerstone, a student group at the University's Kansas City campus, could hold a non-denominational religious service at the institution's student center. UM "contends that its rules and regulations barring such use of public tax-supported facilities is based on the First Amendment's ban on government establishment of religion and also on the Missouri Constitution requirements for strict separation of Church and State," Caliendo said. University officials have stated that the Court's decision will affect every student who attends or will attend public higher education as well as every tax payer in the country.

The Reagan administration is supporting tuition tax credits for families who send their children to private schools. Since many of the private schools have religious affiliations, a program would be set up which would have the Federal government indirectly supporting religious educational institutions. "Is this a violation of the First Amendment of the Constitution?", asked Caliendo, rhetorically. To date, over sixty witnesses have been heard by the Senate Sub Committee on Taxation and Debt Management on the issue. Supporters of the bill included (besides Secretary Bell and Assistant Treasury Secretary John Chapoton for the Administration) the Rev. Jerry Falwell (President of the Moral Majority), William McGuire (National Education Association), and Rabbi Bernard Goldenberg (National Director of Torah Umesorah - the National Society for Hebrew Day Schools).

"While we know that the question of religious involvement and discrimination is evident in our every day lives and has and will continue to have a significant impact on each and every one of us, the issue is not one of great priority in public policy terms, not because it's unimportant, not because it's insignificant, Caliendo said, but, in my view, because of an unclear line between the First Amendment and indirect political actions which may effect the protection afforded by the First Amendment and attendant civil rights' legislation."

The next program of the Hillel Lunch Program will feature a film presentation: "Cults, Charisma, and Mind Control" with a group discussion following the film on Thursday, Dec. 3 at 12:45 p.m. Lunch begins at 12:15 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

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Melaveh Malkah To Mark Renaming Of The Jewish Bureau's High School

The Adult Education Committee of the Bureau of Jewish Education will sponsor a Melaveh Malkah on Saturday, Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. in the Jewish Community Center Social Hall. The evening will mark the renaming of the Bureau's High School, the Harry Elkin High School of Jewish Studies.

Harry Elkin served the Bureau as executive director from 1954-1964. It was during his tenure that the first community Hebrew high school was established in this state. Because of his influence and efforts, the high school became a model for synagogue high schools in the state and community high schools throughout the country.

The program, chaired by Dr. Mark Goldman, will include presentations by former graduates of the school, the conferring of a plaque and certificate to Mrs. Esther Elkin, choral renditions by the newly established high school choir, and an address by Rabbi Joshua Elkin.

Rabbi Elkin will speak on "Lifelong Learning: Reflections on High School and Adult Jewish Education." Elkin received a B.A. from Columbia College and an M.A. from Teachers College and the Jewish Theological Seminary. He was ordained

from the Seminary in 1975 and recently completed an Ed.D. degree at Columbia Teachers College in educational design and pedagogy. Rabbi Elkin is the Headmaster of the Solomon Schechter Day School in Newton, Mass. Prior to coming to Schechter, he served as the educational director of Temple Emunah in Lexington, Mass. Elkin is currently an adjunct instructor at Brandeis University's Jewish Education Program.

The community is invited to share in the evening's festivities.

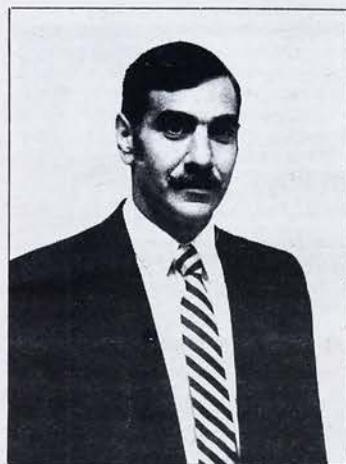
Racquetball Party Slated By Hadassah

The Jerusalem Chapter of Hadassah will have a "Racquetball Party," on Saturday, Dec. 5, from 7:30 p.m. to 12 p.m., at Celebrity Courts, Quaker Lane (Rte.2), Warwick.

The \$20 per couple fee includes two hours of play and a late supper, beginners clinic, volleyball and basketball.

Rental equipment will be available. The public is invited. R.S.V.P. by Nov. 25, by calling 885-2888.

Dr. Stephan Deutsch Is Guest Speaker At JCC Health Series



STEPHAN DEUTSCH, M.D.

The third lecture in the Jewish Community Center's Health Management Lecture Series "Everything You Ever Wanted To Know About a Healthy Body but Were Afraid to Ask" will be held on Thursday, Dec. 10 at 7:30 p.m. Guest speaker for the evening will be, Dr. Stephan D. Deutsch. Dr. Deutsch's presentation will be: "Oh, My Aching Back!"

Dr. Deutsch is a graduate of the University of Iowa College of Medicine. He was trained in general surgery at the Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center and the Montefiore Hospital Medical Center in New York. He received his orthopedic surgical

training at the Harvard Orthopaedic Residency Program. After completing the program, he was appointed a Clinical Fellow in Orthopaedic Surgery at Harvard and joined the staff of the Massachusetts General Hospital.

He came to Providence in 1976 and presently practices at the Miriam Hospital and Rhode Island Hospital. He is Surgeon-in-Charge of the Scoliosis Clinic at Rhode Island Hospital and is a Consultant in Orthopaedics at the Women and Infant's Hospital.

Dr. Deutsch is a Clinical Assistant Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at Brown University. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and has Fellowships in the American College of Surgeons, American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons, the International College of Surgeons, and American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine. He served as Flight Surgeon in the United States Air Force after attending the School of Aerospace Medicine. The program at the JCC is free and open to the public.

Langs Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Lang of Sudbury, MA. have announced the birth of their third child and second daughter, Amy Elizabeth, on November 2.

Mrs. Lang is the former Marjorie Wattman of Providence. Grandparents are Irving and Frances Wattman of Providence and Anita Lang of Boston. Great-grandmothers are Betty Wattman and Sophia Wachter of Providence and Ida Drucker of Boston.

Gert Makowsky Launches Holiday Gift Festival At JCC



GERT MAKOWSKY launches a holiday gift festival at the JCC on Sunday, Nov. 29.

Despite multiple sclerosis, which has no known cause or cure, Gert Makowsky, who is afflicted with the disease, is launching a full scale Holiday Gift Festival at the Jewish Community Center, 401 Elmgrove Ave., Providence.

The Festival will take place from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 29, and 11 a.m.-4 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 30.

Gert's job is the same as any gift shop owner at the holiday season. She has to do promotion, additional buying, and compete with other shops offering the same quality. But her job is complicated by the fact that she is confined to a wheelchair. This fact does not stop Gert.

Some of the items available for sale will be: handcrafted handcut monogrammed glass (which can be purchased directly and

special ordered), boutique items, reasonably priced items for children, personal care kits, "Going to Grandma" T-shirts, ties and belts.

Also available will be Chanukah objects, such as: candles, menorah, decorations and gift wraps.

For additional information call the Center at 861-8800.

Emanu-El Men's Club Hosts Dental Connection

The Men's Club of Temple Emanu-El, Providence, will hold its first Life Membership meeting on Wednesday, Dec. 2, at 7:30 p.m., in the Alperin Meeting House.

A musical program will be presented by Dr. Mayer Levitt and his "Dental Connection."

Dessert and coffee will follow the program.

All paid up members and their wives are invited to attend.

The following men will be honored: Max Alperin, Melvin Alperin, Mervin Bolusky, Bertram Brown, Milton Dubinsky, Jack Feit, Edward Fink, Dr. Joseph G. Fishbein, Abraham Greenberg, David Hirsch, David Horvitz, Dr. Albert Kumins, Dr. Richard Kumins, Irwin Levy, Jacob Licht, Stephen A. Oster, Israel Resnick, Matthew Shuster, Martin E. Waldman, Manfred Weil, Sol M. White, James R. Winoker, Morton Young and Oscar Zaretsky.

Mervin Bolusky is Life Membership Chairman.

56th UAHC Conference To Be Held In Boston

"Cherishing Faith Affirming Freedom" is the theme of the 56th UAHC General Assembly to be held in Boston from Dec. 3 through Dec. 8.

The Honorable Samuel Lewis, Ambassador of the United States to Israel, and Senator Edward of Massachusetts, will address the convention. Albert Vorspan, the UAHC's vice president and director of Reform Judaism's Commission on Social Action will also speak. His presentation will be followed by social action seminars focusing on the Budget and Economic Justice, American Indians — The Forgotten Minority, Soviet Jewry and Human Rights and more.

Monday, evening the Boston Pops will perform a special concert for this convention. For further information contact the Temple president, Ed Goldin.

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Money Sense:

Self Directed Retirement Accounts: Making More With Retirement Savings

By Bill Waters,
Director of Marketing Services
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The popular dream of retirement — a happily-ever-after life of leisure and comfort, supported by pensions and Social Security — is unfortunately more myth than reality. The fact is, for the retiree of tomorrow, neither pensions nor Social Security alone will provide financial security during retirement years.

The inadequacies of the Social Security system have been well publicized, but the problems with our pension programs are less well-known. In fact, because of job mobility, only 32 percent of all couples — and 18 percent of all singles — over age 65 qualify for private pension plans. (Most plans require an employee to participate at least 10 years before becoming eligible for full benefits. However, the average male worker changes jobs once every 4.6 years; the average female, every 2.8 years.)

Thanks to the Economic Recovery Act of 1981, it will now be possible for all working Americans to help safeguard their retirement by establishing their own retirement plans through one of three tax-deferred retirement accounts — Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs), KEOGHs or Simplified Employer Pensions (SEPs):

- **IRA** — Currently, only employees who have no other retirement plan can open an IRA. But as of January 1, 1982, even wage earners covered by corporate pensions will be eligible. For 1982, the maximum contribution will be \$2,000 for individuals, or up to \$2,250 with a non-working spouse; or up to \$4,000 with a working spouse.

- **KEOGH** — This is a plan for the self-employed — full or part-time — and for unincorporated businesses such as partnerships and sole proprietorships. On January 1, 1982, the maximum allowable contribution will double from \$7,500 to \$15,000 per year.

- **SEP** — Any business — be it a sole proprietorship, a partnership or a corporation — can open a SEP if it covers all current full or part-time employees 25 years or older who have worked for the employer at any time during three of the past five calendar years. Like the KEOGH plan, the current maximum contribution of \$7,500 will double on January 1, 1982, to \$15,000.

Tax-deferred retirement accounts are not only among the best vehicles for coping with the high cost of retirement later on, but also for combating taxation and inflation now.

Money placed in tax-deferred accounts is deducted right off the top of taxable income. That means you keep more of what you make. For example, if you are in the 50 percent tax bracket, the highest new tax bracket as of 1982, a deposit of \$2,000 gives you a tax savings of \$1,000.

Furthermore, you pay no taxes on dividends, interest or capital gains earned by a tax-deferred retirement account until you take the money out — presumably at retirement when your tax bracket will be lower.

The tax-free compounding can have a real multiplier effect on the growth of your savings.

Self-Direction And Flexibility With Brokerage Accounts

Tax-deferred retirement accounts can be opened at brokerage firms, banks, savings and loan associations, mutual fund groups and insurance companies. Also, in the case of IRAs, some companies may offer their employees deductions to make it easier to take advantage of IRA investment opportunities. Their deductions will be invested immediately and collectively through a company-selected IRA sponsor.

Brokerage firms usually offer far and away the most investment alternatives for your tax-deferred retirement account. Typically, you can choose among common and preferred stocks, corporate bonds, U.S. government and agency bonds, money market funds, mutual funds, unit investment trusts, annuities and sometimes real estate limited partnerships.

You get significant flexibility when you open an IRA, KEOGH or SEP plan at a brokerage firm because these accounts are self-directed. You are responsible for selecting the investments in your account, so you can tailor a strategy that suits your objectives and life style. And you can switch investments whenever economic conditions or your own needs change.

For The 30s And 40s

For instance, if you are in your early thirties with few financial responsibilities and have good income potential and a base of other secure investments, you might want to invest part of your retirement account more aggressively — perhaps buying shares of smaller or emerging companies with superior appreciation potential.

On the other hand, you might be exactly the same age but divorced with young children to support and only fairly recently returned to the job market. In that case, you might want to be more cautious and invest your retirement fund in annuities, which provide a good guaranteed return, or in high quality fixed-income securities with attractive yields. Or you may favor convertible bonds and preferred stocks that pay more than their underlying common shares.

Or you and your spouse might be in your early thirties, both working and fairly comfortable financially but with a young family to raise. Under these circumstances you might want to split your retirement account investments between good quality growth stocks and bonds. Then, as you enter your peak years and are more financially secure, you might consider more aggressive growth stocks that promise better potential appreciation.

Nearing Retirement

As retirement draws closer, you might wish to shift into high-yielding fixed-income securities and high quality common stocks that you think will do well, plus real estate limited partnership units that offer both income and appreciation potential.

One category of investment which should bear close examination under the new tax law is the so-called "collectible" (any work of art, rug or antique, stamp or coin, metal or gem). After December 31, 1981, the value of any collectible you put in your retirement account will automatically become part of your ordinary taxable income for the year, and you will be subject to certain penalties as well.

The Time To Act Is Now

No matter what investments you choose, the important thing is to open your account as soon as you can and make your contribution as early as possible each year. Remember you're not just sheltering your contributions, but the earnings from them too. For example, if you put \$2,000 into an IRA at the first of the year where it earns 10 percent of \$200 annually, you'll owe no taxes on the income. If, on the other hand, you wait until the end of the year to make your contribution and keep that \$2,000 in a taxable account paying 10 percent a year, you'd have a tax bill of \$100 in the 50 percent tax bracket. So the quicker you put money into your retirement account, the sooner you begin sheltering earnings from current taxation.

Shavit's Departure Is Serious Financial Setback For El Al

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The 12-day El Al strike ended officially last Monday when the airline employees accepted proposals for a settlement by Deputy Premier David Levy. Company sources said it would take several days before normal service is fully restored. Flights in New York and Miami were to resume full operations.

The end of the El Al strike, followed by the resignations of chairman Avraham Shavit and his six-man board last week, appear to have added a new dimension to the airline's troubles and clouded its future.

While the workers claimed that their 12-day walkout — not sanctioned by Histadrut — achieved its purpose by forcing out the government-appointed management in which they no longer had confidence, others believe the departure of Shavit is a setback to the process of solving the air carrier's serious financial difficulties.

Shavit, an industrialist who heads the Israel Manufacturers Association, is credited with having done much during his two years as El Al's chairman to reduce its debts and set it on the road to financial solvency. Observers fear his departure may have halted and possibly reversed the recovery program he instituted.

'The End Of Feudalism'

But a spokesman for the El Al workers committees said Shavit's resignation marked "the end of feudalism" in the company. Transport Minister Haim Corfu, on the other hand, was reported to be urging Premier Menachem Begin to appeal to

Shavit to withdraw his resignation. Shavit has insisted so far that he would not. Arnold Sherman, an El Al spokesman and one of the board members who resigned, said the question was "who is running the airline — management or workers committees?"

Labor circles charged that Levy's intervention in the dispute without consultations with management undermined the role of Histadrut as a bargaining agent and disrupted the normal system of labor-management relations. Some observers said that was Levy's intention. As Likud's senior representative in Histadrut, he has long sought to reduce the power of the Labor Party-dominated trade union federation, they said.

Shavit is said to feel that Levy negotiated with the El Al employees without consulting management. Histadrut also claims it was by-passed and that Levy, who heads the Likud minority bloc in the trade union federation, acted to undermine the Labor Party leadership of Histadrut.

Meanwhile, the status of 18 flight engineers whose impending dismissal triggered the strike, remained unclear. Management had written a letter stating that the engineers' jobs would become redundant when new aircraft are delivered early next year. Levy and the employees apparently agreed that the letter has "no validity." Shavit retorted that since Levy was not a signatory of the letter, he could not withdraw it.

Successful Investing

Telephone Utility Buys

by David R. Sargent



Q — I am interested in purchasing shares of a telephone utility, like GTE. What is your opinion of this industry's prospects? — L.V., Kansas.

A — Profit opportunities for telephone companies have been substantially increased by expansion in nonregulated areas of the telecommunications industry — telephone equipment, satellite communications, data services, cable TV, etc. Growth in these diversified businesses should easily outpace that of traditional telephone service in upcoming years. In fact, it is estimated that by the mid-1980s these non-utility operations could account for as much as 25 percent of a company's total earnings. Meanwhile, the stocks should command somewhat higher P/E multiples as nonregulated business gain importance.

GTE, or General Telephone & Electronics (NYSE), is the largest of the independent telephone companies. Its utility businesses are benefiting from trends within the industry that favor more generous rate decisions and faster recovery of invested capital. In the non-utility area, GTE is focusing its attention on capturing a significant share of the market for data communications products. The long term outlook for the company is good, but the shares are selling near their high for the year and are best bought on

reaction.

Central Telephone & Utilities is another promising buy you might consider. Management of this telephone utility is credited with recognizing early the need to diversify into certain non-telephone activities. Last year non-regulated businesses accounted for 23 percent of Central's revenues and 10 percent of earnings. It is estimated that by 1985 these percentages could rise to 50 percent and 25 percent, respectively. Central has established a foothold in these new areas primarily through acquisitions. In 1978 the company began to acquire cable TV franchises, and today it can boast of a network that extends into six states and serves more than 100,000 customers. More recently, the firm has developed a promising business communications operation that now holds an approximate 12 percent share of the market nationwide. Despite the significant capital investment associated with these and other new ventures, Central's earnings growth should continue to outpace the industry average. Buy.

Don't forget, too, that AT&T — a factor in virtually all segments of the telecommunications industry — is also a promising long term buy. All three of these stocks are good choices for the investor seeking income and growth.

Jewish Braille Institute Plans Literary Contest

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Eleventh International Competition for Blind Writers of the Jewish Braille Institute of America has been announced by the Institute in its continuing effort to expand opportunities for blind persons, according to Dr. Jane Evans, Institute president.

She said prizes totalling \$9,000 are being offered by the institute which she said is enlisting the help of voluntary and governmental agencies worldwide to assure the broadest possible participation. She said blind writers from as many as 40 countries had entered previous contests. She said the event is being conducted in cooperation with the International Year of Disabled Persons.

She reported that "numerous letters in our files attest to the positive effect of previous competitions upon the literary careers of blind writers."

She said deadline for entries, which must be typed in English and double-spaced, is next Feb. 28.

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Banking Board Denies Arab Takeover Of 2 New York Banks

ALBANY, N.Y., (JTA) — New York State Senate Minority Leader Manfred Ohrenstein hailed the New York State Banking Board's decision last week to deny a takeover of two New York State banks by a consortium of investors from Arab countries — Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates.

Financial General Bankshares is the holding company for the Bank of Commerce in New York City and Community State Bank in Albany, as well as 10 other banks in Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee and the District of Columbia. The consortium made a bid for the holding company.

Ohrenstein, who for the past eight months has spearheaded a drive to deny the representatives of the Arab countries their bid, called the vote a victory for New York State.

He said "the integrity of New York State banking system has been upheld. The policies of these countries could have at times been hostile to the interests of the United States. I think this was a pivotal fact in denying the application, although the main reason given was a lack of reciprocity which I have stressed for the last eight months."

The vote was five in favor of the takeover, five opposed, one member abstained and one was absent from the 12-member board. State Banking Superintendent Muriel Siebert was one of the five who voted in favor of the takeover.

The Main Issue

In a 40-minute debate, members of the board who opposed the takeover spoke of Arab control of petrodollars. Those in favor said that the takeover involved only a relatively small amount of money.

The main issue, as stated by Ohrenstein, was that the takeover would give the group a foothold in the banking system. Ohrenstein said the decision means that the process of taking over any of the banks of Financial General Bankshares in other states cannot be attempted.

Clark Clifford, former Secretary of Defense in the Johnson Administration, was counsel for the consortium, and former Missouri Senator Stuart Symington served as adviser.

A number of Jewish leaders supported Ohrenstein in his successful effort to prevent the takeover. Jewish Federations throughout New York State also supported Ohrenstein.

Task Force Raises Issue Of Political Ties; Emphasis On Group Identity

NEW YORK (JTA) — The growing emphasis on group identity instead of individual merit or need, when social and other services are allocated, presents a major challenge to America's Jews, according to views in statements in a booklet issued by a Task Force on Group Status in America of the American Jewish Committee.

The booklet asks whether the growing emphasis on group allegiance is good or bad for Jews; which groups represent the most promising coalition partners for American Jews, and what the issues are around which coalitions might be formed.

The paper, prepared by Dr. Peter I. Rose, professor of sociology and anthropology at Smith College, predicted that "group status and identity will have an increasing role in defining the nature of American society in the 1980s," as will efforts by the various groups to attain their political goals.

Dr. Rose said a key question was how to promote advancement for disadvantaged groups without compromising the principle that individuals be judged on merit. He said some Jews contend that once-traditional ties to the liberal and Black communities no longer serve Jewish interests and that Jews must reach out to forces that are socially and politically more conservative.

But, he added, other Jews believe that "the traditional values and long-term interests of Jews can best be assured by continued allegiance to liberal causes."

In a comment appended to the report, task force member Harold Abramson, sociology professor at Connecticut University, said there is confusion about the meaning of "minority group" and the relation of that idea to ethnicity and class.

He declared that, in America particularly, "we have many examples of ethnic groups which have moved out of one

group status into another." He said Jews, like others, "may often confuse their group status because of shifting cultural values and changing interpretations of a collective ethos."

Another task force member, Stanley Katz, history professor at Princeton University, said the history of bias in the United States had made "affirmative action" necessary. He added he felt the Jewish community would be "extremely self-regarding and short-sighted in trying to organize itself in opposition to such policies."

Peter Schuck, Yale law school professor, said there is much contemporary Jews can do, without the help of government, to aid those who suffer. He said that, by so doing, Jews "reaffirm the moral foundation of Jewish life."

Palestinians Sentenced To Life

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Four Palestinian terrorists were sentenced last week to life imprisonment by an Israeli military court after they were convicted in the killing of six Jewish settlers in Hebron in the West Bank in May 1980. The settlers were murdered from ambush as they returned from Sabbath eve prayers at the Cave of the Patriarchs.

The precedent that no Palestinian terrorist has been executed by Israel was maintained when one of the three judges rejected the death penalty which may be imposed only by unanimity.

Relatives of the slain settlers had demanded the death penalty and one of them Azriel Barrak, said the sentence was "an invitation" to "other murderers to commit similar atrocities."



Your Money's Worth

How To Cut Your Ski Vacation Costs

by Sylvia Porter

This is the week that the skiing season opens in the United States — and there is no better time to stress to you ski buffs that, with proper planning and flexible travel plans, you can slash your ski vacation costs by a minimum 20 percent to 30 percent.

If you plan your ski vacation for this period, you can achieve significant savings. This is known as the "shoulder" season (early December, January through early February, most of April) and hotel lodging then runs 25 percent to 30 percent less than the busier holiday weeks.

At Colorado's Copper Mountain, this "super season" covers Nov. 24, Nov. 29 to Dec. 18, then after April 10, 1982. In addition:

1) Shop around for air transportation. There are special fares 20 percent to 40 percent lower than normal if you meet their restrictions. Tour operators who buy seats in bulk or charter their own planes can offer additional savings. Advance reservations are essential; it's not uncommon for busy holiday weeks to be booked six to eight months in advance.

For instance, last December 1981, lodging at Keystone/Arapahoe Basin was 90 percent booked by July 1, says Fritz Opel, a director of Breckenridge, Keystone/Arapahoe Basin and Copper Mountain, all in Colorado. There are always some airline and hotel reservations available at the last minute, but choices are limited and prices are higher.

2) Consider off-peak travel. Most vacationing skiers travel from Saturday to Saturday; you can save money by traveling midweek. Airports also are less crowded, ground transportation is easier to arrange, and checking into hotels is swifter.

3) Use public ground transportation at resorts. Renting a car that remains idle while you ski is not cost-efficient. In increasing numbers, skiers rely upon public ground transportation to get to and from resorts. Continental Trailways, for exam-

ple, services "Ski the Summit" — directly from Denver's Stapleton Airport and downtown Denver to Cooper Mountain, Breckenridge, Keystone and two nearby towns — Frisco and Dillon.

4) Evaluate your lodging choices. You can stay in a single hotel room on a mountain and ski to your door, or save 30 percent to 50 percent by lodging nearby. Slopeside condominiums are at a premium, yet you actually can lower the cost per person. Six people in a two-bedroom condo (with foldout sofas) will cost less per person than two people in a one-bedroom condo. Families are particularly attracted to ski condominiums; kitchen facilities avoid costly restaurant meals.

5) Students at many resorts frequently will be issued a discount on a full-day lift ticket. Have proof of your student status with you.

6) Many resorts offer discounts to guests who purchase multiple-day lift tickets. Usually the minimum is a two- or three-day ticket.

7) A half-day lift ticket may be available if you like to ski, but also enjoy a few extra hours sleep in the morning. This discount begins as early as noon at some areas.

8) Group rates are offered at most ski resorts with requirements ranging from 10 to 25 per group. The group will receive discounted lift tickets or a complimentary lift ticket for one person over the minimum requirement — great for family or friends to ski together at a savings.

9) Many ski areas have a package rate for a day of skiing, which includes a full-day lift ticket. You can buy discount cards for a small fee that offer a full-day lift ticket, ski rentals and a group lesson.

10) If you're over 60, you can ski for practically nothing — and even nothing. Some resorts offer a lift ticket for those 60 and over at major discounts. Don't skip examining all discount offers.

Christians Pledge \$1 Million To JNF

A Christian Pentecostal-type church in Vancouver, which formed an organization called "Christian Bridges to Israel" two years ago and pledged \$1 million to the Jewish National Fund towards the funding of the infrastructure of a new kibbutz in the Galilee, has already transferred \$300,000 to Israel.

In addition, the Glad Tidings Church under the leadership of its pastor, the Rev. Maureen Gaglardi, had arranged four tours to Israel during the past two years. The kibbutz it is helping is Kibbutz David in the JNF's Galil Canada project.

The Christian Bridges to Israel organization was begun in the spring of 1979 when the Rev. Jacoba Hurst, an Episcopal (Anglican) priest from Georgia met Gaglardi in Vancouver and they discovered their mutual love for and interest in Israel.

Hurst developed a four-point program to:

- Communicate encouragement and support for Israel. Two concert tours were organized for the fall of 1980 to Israel in which seven concerts were given in cities, kibbutzim and military bases. Two additional tours were made in August and September 1981 which were joined by other Christian churches in Western Canada.

- Demonstrate Christian support of Israel in a material way by pledging \$1 million. Various other churches in Western and Eastern Canada, as well as churches in Kentucky, California and Washington, have contributed to the \$1 million fund. Most of the churches are Pentecostal and fundamentalist.

- Express repentance for the silence of Christian churches during the Holocaust. All the Israel tours have included visits to Yad Vashem.

- Influence other churches through educational materials and programs.

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by Robert E. Starr



Today's hand is yet another that shows the advantage a four opposite four card suit can have over what seems like a much better, longer suit. Some players might say, "What's the difference?" This hand will show you. The Slam makes in the shorter suit but fails in the longer one.

North
 ♦ A J 5 4
 ♥ Void
 ♠ A K Q J 8 3
 ♣ A Q 5

West
 ♠ 9 6
 ♥ A K Q 10 5
 ♦ 9 2
 ♣ J 8 7 4

East
 ♠ 8 7 2
 ♥ J 9 4 3 2
 ♦ 6 5
 ♣ K 10 6 3

South
 ♠ K Q 10 3
 ♥ 8 7 6
 ♦ 10 7 4
 ♣ 9 6 2

West was Dealer, no one vulnerable with this bidding:

W	N	E	S
P	2C	P	2D
P	3D	P	3S
P	6S	End	

The bidding is quite interesting and might have been even more so had North given thought to one possibility. As it was, any North-South pair that reached the Slam in Spades were rewarded with a fine Match Point score when several pairs got to the wrong Slam in Diamonds. Of course, some Souths never did bid that four card suit so when they responded negatively to North's forcing, artificial bid of Two Clubs, they again bid negatively when North showed his long Diamond suit. Some even tried to play in No Trump but North would have none of that, usually just bidding game in Diamonds.

As you can see, in Diamonds, two Clubs must be lost as that finesse loses and the high Spades fall together for four tricks. But watch what happens with Spades Trump. West's Heart lead is ruffed in Dummy. Right there is the twelfth trick but even an overtrick can be made quite safely if desired. Simply play two rounds of Trumps ending in the South hand and noting that both opponents had followed. Now ruff another Heart in Dummy with the last Trump.

You can easily return to the South hand with the Diamond ten to draw the last Trump. Now it is no problem to cash the remaining high Diamonds and the Club Ace for all thirteen tricks. Even a Trump lead could have handled this and making that extra trick was not that dangerous but see how easy twelve tricks were as opposed to the play in Diamonds.

I had mentioned above another facet that might have come up in the bidding. When North did hear the Spade bid from his partner he might have envisioned the best or at least given it a try. If, by some remote chance, South did happen to have both high Trump honors a Grand Slam was easily probable. And if that were all he had he still would have responded Two Diamonds, a negative bid. The Grand Slam try would have ferretted this out. If North jumps

right to Five No Trump without stopping at Four first after Souths Spade bid, this simply requests South to go to seven if he has two of the top three honors and to stop at six if he doesn't. He does and he would have bid the Grand Slam. But the story here involves the play at the right suit rather than that special bid.

Moral: When the long suit is not Trump, the extra cards can be used as discards but not when they are Trumps.

Drive Underway To Reach Israel Bond Holders

A major drive is under way to reach all holders of matured Israel Bonds in Rhode Island and secure reinvestment of the proceeds before the end of the year, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin S. Frank, general chairmen of the Rhode Island Israel Bond Executive Committee, announced this week.

"Recent events in the Middle East have made it eminently clear that Israel needs our increased support at this time. Through re-investment of the proceeds of matured Israel Bonds, we can demonstrate our solidarity with the people of Israel and at the same time continue the nation's economic growth," they said.

State of Israel Bonds Fourth Development Issue Savings Bonds purchased in 1969 mature throughout 1981, depending on the month in which they were bought. Third Development Coupon Bonds purchased between March 1, 1966, and February 28, 1967 matured on March 1 of the past year.

During the next five weeks, which will mark the climax of the year's Bond drive, a statewide campaign will be launched to contact holders of matured or maturing Bonds and secure reinvestment of the proceeds.

"Israel faces new challenges in the months ahead," the Franks said. "The terms of the Israel-Egypt peace treaty stipulate that Israel must withdraw from the Sinai in April, 1982. This means the Negev must be made economically viable for the thousands who must move there from the Sinai. Israel Bond reinvestment is an excellent way to help meet this challenge."

For further information, contact the Israel Bond office, 6 Braman Street, Providence, R.I. 02906, or call (401) 751-6767.

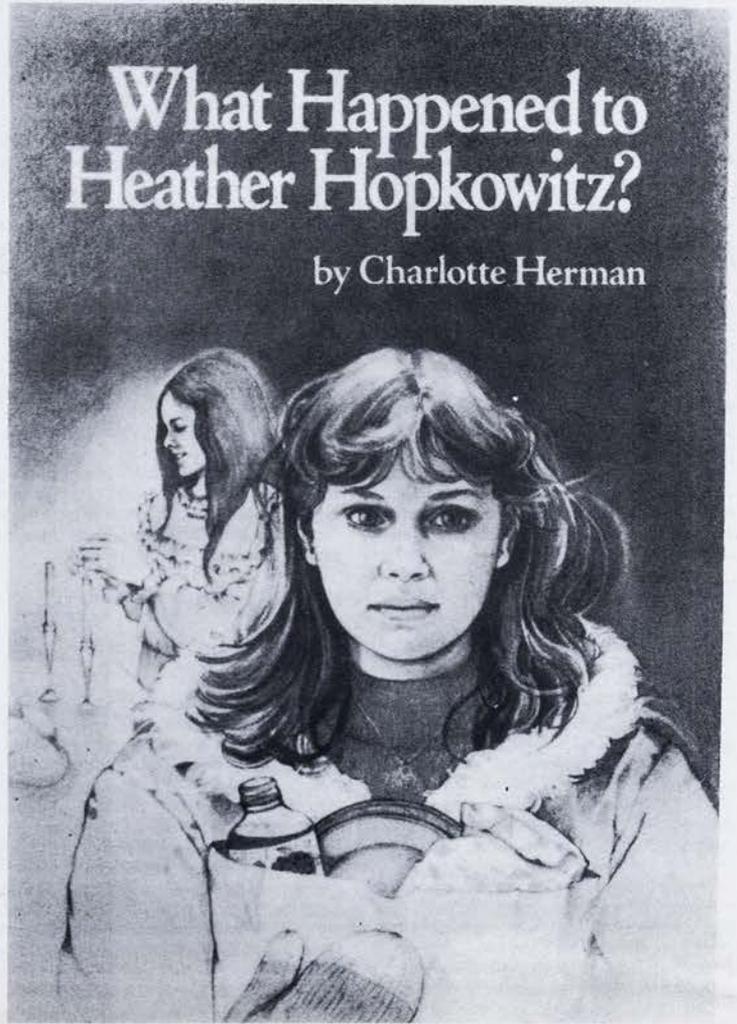
Egypt's Ambassador Thanks Israelis For Condolences

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Egypt's Ambassador to Israel, Saad Mortada, issued a statement from his Embassy last week officially thanking all Israelis who expressed their condolences over the death of President Anwar Sadat last month. The Egyptian leader was gunned down by assassins Oct. 6.

The statement added, "The Embassy stresses that the Arab Republic of Egypt, under the leadership of President Mohammed Hosni Mubarak, continues the process of peace which was begun by the late President. It is determined to continue the efforts to fulfill the wishes of the region's peoples for an overall and just peace."

Jewish Books In Review

A Conflict Of Family And Tradition



by Charlotte Herman

What Happened to Heather Hopkowitz? By Charlotte Herman. E.P. Dutton, 2 Park Avenue New York, NY 10016. 176 pages. \$10.25

Reviewed by Eileen Shmidman

Bravo, a beautiful story. A wholesome, clean cut, breath-of-fresh-air story. I loved it; my children loved it.

Heather and her family are happy, non-observant Jewish Americans. Heather and her friends go to high school and worry about acne, being flat-chested, boys — all the normal teenage worries.

When Heather's parents go on a cruise, Heather stays with her friend Shani. Shani and her family are Orthodox Jews, normal, happy, friendly people. And slowly Heather begins to think about life, about religion, about being Jewish, "Really Jewish." And slowly the conflicts start. In Shani's house Heather has no problems. She loves the whole Shabbos spirit, the whole wonderful glowing feeling of being a "practicing Jew."

And as Heather spends more time with Shani and her family, dim loving memories of Grandma's and Grandpa's house with all the rituals of religion come back to her.

At first Heather does not tell her parents of her changed outlook, afraid that they won't understand. But finally an incident precipitates an all-out explosion. And when Heather's friend says, "Shani has to be religious, she was born to it, but you have a choice," Heather answers, "Well, I guess I've made it then, haven't I?"

The author deals with this difficult and complex topic with warmth, humor, and understanding. It's wonderful to read a story about religion that is neither preaching nor moralistic, but rather a simply beautiful, well put together, warmly sympathetic, real story.

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Soviet Jews 'Held Hostage' Pending Improvement Of U.S., USSR Relations

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Jews in the Soviet Union, whose situation can be called "drastic," are "being held hostage" pending an improvement of the "cool" relations between the U.S. and the USSR. Theodore Mann, chairman of the National Conference for Soviet Jewry (NCSJ) said last week.

Mann, at a luncheon with reporters at the NCSJ office here, said he expected the condition of Soviet Jews, which was described as in an "emergency" situation, would get worse in the next few months before it, hopefully, improved in 1982. He said an improvement is expected to come about as a result of the renewal of U.S.-Soviet trade relations.

Mann stressed that American foreign policy cannot be based on its effect on Soviet Jewry. But he said President Reagan has assured him that the situation of Soviet Jews will be discussed when the U.S. and the Soviet Union begin trade talks, probably next year.

At the same time, Jerry Goodman, the NCSJ's executive director, stressed that the fate of Soviet Jewry should not have to be tied to U.S.-Soviet relations, noting that it has not always been so.

Mann said there has been a "desensitization" on the plight of Soviet Jewry in the government, the media and the public. He said this happened even though the situation has changed drastically for the worse in the last few months. He noted that earlier, the problem concerned mainly a few people who were being persecuted for trying to emigrate while now it includes all of Soviet Jewry.

Cites Apparent End Of Emigration

Goodman noted that there has been almost a 90 percent decrease in emigration since 1979 when 51,320 Jews left the Soviet Union. In 1980, the figure was 21,471. Last month, only 368 Jews left the USSR. Goodman called this an "apparent end of emigration, at least for the time being."

He said that there can no longer even be talk of family reunifications since the Soviets have instituted a policy where only first degree relatives in Israel could send

affidavits needed for Soviet Jews to emigrate. First degree relatives are now defined as parents, brothers or sisters. Children and grandparents are ruled out, he said. He said that since the major decline in emigration visa approvals, many Jews who would like to emigrate are now afraid even to apply for visas.

At the same time, Goodman said there is an assault on Jewish identification in the Soviet Union with the home study groups being broken up, participants jailed and all Judaic books are being confiscated. He said that Soviet Jews who study Jewish culture usually decide to emigrate because they realize there is no future for Jewish life in the Soviet Union.

"We don't know for a fact whether this evidences a Soviet decision to break the back of the Soviet Jewry movement, just as five, six years ago it did indeed break the back . . ." Mann said, "or whether they are simply reacting to American foreign policy and the deplorable state of relations between the U.S. and the USSR at this moment and have made Jews hostages to their goal."

Mann was quick to point out that he was not criticizing President Reagan personally, noting that the President has assured him of his support for Soviet Jewry. Goodman said that Secretary of State Alexander Haig told him he took up the issue of Soviet Jews during his first meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko.

Goodman said he saw a hopeful sign in the appointment of Elliott Abrams as Assistant Secretary of State for Human Rights and the renewed commitment by the Administration in support of human rights. The Senate Foreign Relations Committee last week voted 10-0 to recommend that the Senate approve the nomination of Abrams.

Goodman also said that Max Kampelman is continuing as U.S. co-chairman at the Madrid Conference on the Helsinki accords and was saying the same things he said when he served in that capacity under President Carter.

Mann ruled out support by American Jewry to Soviet Jews who come to the U.S. instead of going to Israel as having any effect on the Soviet decision to cut emigration.

American Jews Responsible For Soviet Jewry

ST. LOUIS (JTA) — "The rescue of Soviet Jewry is the pre-eminent task of this generation of American Jews," Theodore Mann, chairman of the National Conference of Soviet Jewry, told the more than 2,500 representatives from the United States and Canada attending the 50th General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations.

In the near future, Mann said he expects relations between the U.S. and the Soviet Union to improve, particularly with respect to trade, and here is the chance for American Jews to seek assurance that the Reagan Administration will link the issue of Soviet Jewish emigration to any negotiations.

"Our political power depends upon a perception in Washington that we are united on a certain issue" and that this is an issue "of overriding concern to the community," Mann said. Representatives and Senators, as well as the President, must "believe that millions of Americans really care about the safety of these two or three million Jews left in the Soviet Union," Mann said.

Four Recommendations For Action

Jacqueline Levine of Metropolitan New Jersey, outlined four recommendations for action by American Jews: Jews and non-Jews must be mobilized for one million signatures on petitions to be presented to Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev concerning the plight of Soviet Jews; "emergency conferences" need to be held to publicize the desperate situation of Jews in the USSR and it is imperative that there be a record attendance at the Women's Plea for Soviet Jewry, planned for next month in communities around the country; it is important that there be visits to Soviet Jews by well-informed American Jewish leaders, along with regular letters and telephone calls to boost the morale of refuseniks; and there must be political action.



Justin Michael Rosen, 13 months old, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Lester Rosen, of Allentown, Penn. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Babe Morse of Cranston, and Mr. and Mrs. David Rosen of New York. Justin's great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Julius Kaufman of Warwick, and Ida Propper of New York.

Resettlement Manual Published By NCJW To Aid Russian Jews

NEW YORK (JTA) — The National Council of Jewish Women has published a 140-page manual to assist Federation professional staff members and their constituent agencies and volunteers in providing resettlement help to the continuing inflow of Russian Jewish settlers, according to Shirley Leviton, NCJW president.

In announcing the new manual, Mrs. Leviton pointed out that since 1972, more than 80,000 Russian Jews have resettled in the United States. Many arrive bewildered, confused by an unfamiliar environment and often with unrealistic expectations, she said.

They need help in adjusting to a new life in a strange land and their immediate requirements include everything from clothing and shelter to finding employment, Mrs. Leviton said.

"Community Partners: the Staff-Volunteer Team in Soviet Jewish Settlement," underwritten by a \$50,000 grant from the Council of Jewish Federations, is the product of a year of intensive study, field interviews, pilot training and in-depth contributions from Jewish communities.

Mrs. Leviton said the manual is intended to be an ongoing resource to strengthen the community partnership of staffs of federation and their agencies and the volunteers. She said the manual offers detailed guidelines to maximize the effectiveness of the volunteer-professional resettlement team.

Manual topics range from a description of resettlement activities and structuring staff-volunteer components to increase efficiency to training sessions in teamwork.

The manual was developed under auspices of the NCJW Soviet Jewry grant committee. Three communities — Atlanta, Indianapolis and Memphis — in which Federations and their constituent agencies have resettlement programs, served as pilot sites for the research and training aspects of the new manual. Additionally, projects operated by some 55 NCJW sections, independently and in cooperation with other groups, were used as resources, Mrs. Leviton said.

The \$50,000 demonstration grant from the CJF is part of matching funds awarded to the CJF by the federal Department of Health and Human Resources.

Ethiopian Jewish Refugee To Speak At Emanu-El

The highlight of Jewish Book Month programs at Temple Emanu-El, Providence, will be the discussion of the prize winning book, *The Lost Jews. Last of the Ethiopian Falashas*, by Louis Rapoport.

Rabbi Wayne Franklin will review the book as a background to the testimony of Nahum Ben Yosef, an Ethiopian Jewish refugee, who was able to leave his native land a year ago. His wife and children remain there unable to join him. Yosef will speak to the congregation to relate his story, and reveal the plight of the Beta Yisrael who remain behind in Ethiopia and in refugee camps in the Sudan. Friday evening service begins at 8:10 p.m. The community is invited.

Holland's Churches Criticized For Detached Attitude

AMSTERDAM (JTA) — A leading Dutch rabbi has accused the Christian churches of Holland of maintaining a detached attitude toward Judaism and the Jewish people, even when in sympathy with them. Rabbi Avraham Soetendorp, speaking at a symposium on the 50th anniversary of the Liberal Jewish Congregation, observed that after the synagogue bombing in Antwerp last month there was no spontaneous reactions from the churches or any appeal by them to participate in solidarity demonstrations.

Soetendorp's father, the late Rabbi Jacob Soetendorp, had been active in creating better understanding between Christians and Jews. But in recent years, this understanding has become less rather than more, his son declared.

He said that if there is any reaction at all from Christian churches to attacks on Jews it is cool, analytical and aloof. He noted that even the statement by the Council of Christian Churches condemning anti-Semitism lacked any expression of solidarity with Jews. He attributed that attitude to the fact that the Jewish people and Israel are no longer seen as a sign of hope but as a troublesome problem.

In addition, Soetendorp said, the churches view Judaism mainly as an interesting object of study. The new generation of Christians no longer feels any responsibility for the suffering caused Jews by the Nazis and there is now, in several Christian churches, a strong interest in Islam and the Moslem countries because of the large numbers of Turks and Moroccans now living in Holland, he said.

Rabbi Davis Speaks On Moral Majority

Rabbi Maurice Davis, spiritual leader of the White Plains Jewish Community Center, will speak on "The Moral Majority" at Temple Beth El on Friday, Nov. 27 at 8:15 p.m.

This event marks his annual visit to the temple where he was raised.

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"Art Of Our People" Features Work Of Emanuel Schary



NEW YORK — "The Art of Emanuel Schary," a highlight of the World Zionist Organization-American Section's Herzl Institute's "Arts of Our People" series, is a cultural feature of the Institute's 1981 Silver Jubilee year. The program will take place on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 3:30 p.m. at 515 Park Avenue, New York City. It will be moderated by Philip Gutride, Program Administrator of the Herzl Institute and will have the distinguished artist himself presenting and discussing color slides of his impressive body of work.

"Emanuel Schary is renowned for his ability to capture people in revealingly human and touching moments that make his works prized for their simple beauty, tenderness and charm, Gutride said.

"He is a master of human realism that depicts both Jewish and American everyday life. His style combines a rare level of detail and feeling — a gift born out of keenly intense observation."

The fact that Emanuel Schary grew up in Israel imbues his art with indelible images and emotions evoked from his youth in the

Jewish homeland. He came to the United States to continue his art studies, and fell in love with the color, life and earthiness of the old and new New York.

Among the noted Jewish artists presented by the Herzl Institute this twenty-fifth anniversary year, are Nadja Horowitz, Rose Hertzberg and Tutzi Marton. Horowitz is a foremost abstract painter of color and light; Hertzberg is known for her unique paintings of color shapes; Marton combines a distinctive blend of oil, silver foil and 22 carat gold on canvas in a technique used only by her.

"Our aim is to perform the function of an unstructured university, without credits or degrees, but which will serve as a source of vital knowledge, learning and culture that will emphasize what has happened to Jews and Jewish life in the United States, the world and Israel, and provide our students with both the knowledge and understanding and the cultural appreciation necessary to affirm their Jewish identity and their ties with Israel," said Jacques Torczyner, chairman of the Herzl Institute.



NEW YORK (JTA) — Ambassador Yehuda Blum of Israel and Rabbi Joseph Sternstein, president of the American Zionist Federation, told the National Board of the AZF this week that Jews throughout the world are "aware" and "aroused" by the emergence of international anti-Semitism.

Referring to the recent debate on the sale of AWACS to Saudi Arabia and attacks on Israel, Sternstein said that the assessment and appraisal that American Jews are "angered and aroused" is necessary, "lest there spread the notion that actions and decisions adverse to Israel can be conceived and implemented with the false confidence that they will be unrebuffed by an alleged supine and pliant American Jewish community."

ADL Reports Four Jews Recently Released From Argentine Jails

NEW YORK (JTA) — Signs that the Argentine government is accelerating its prisoner release program were underscored by the release of four Jews recently, according to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith.

Those liberated after being held for years without being charged include Deborah Benshoam, now 20, imprisoned at 16; Raul Oscar Nudel, a science student jailed in 1974; Pablo Klimovsky, a mathematician incarcerated for three years, and Jorge Gustavo Salischiker, a lithographer, held for two years after completion of his sentence.

Abraham Foxman, ADL's associate national director and head of the ADL's International Affairs Department, said that these prisoners had been the focus of international attention following the world wide distribution of the ADL pamphlet, "Why Are These People in Argentine Jails? Where are the Disappeared?" after its publication last May.

Foxman noted that the release of the prisoners indicates that Argentine authorities are "registering some achievements" in moving toward the restoration of constitutional rights. But he stressed that "it is important, nevertheless, to continue public pressure until all those held without charges are either set free or formally charged and tried."

To that end, ADL's Argentine Prisoner Project has published a revised edition of

the Prisoner Project pamphlet, with the names and relevant data on additional prisoners and individuals who have vanished without a trace. ADL's Prisoner Project is under the direction of Rabbi Morton Rosenthal, head of the ADL's Latin American Affairs Department.

Four of the six prisoners highlighted in the original edition of the pamphlet — Ms. Benshoam, Klimovsky, Eduardo Grutzky and Norberto Ignacio Liwsky — are now out of jail. In addition, Rafael Rey, whose case was described in a supplementary list issued by the Prisoner Project in August, has been released. He and Liwsky are paroled to what is known as "supervised liberty."

"On the other hand," Foxman said, "no information has been forthcoming, despite many requests and petitions, about the fate of any of the disappeared listed by the Project." He added that appeals from relatives of prisoners and disappeared persons continue to come to ADL's Argentine Prisoner Project and representations about each individual are made to the proper Argentine authorities.

ADL recently received from Argentine government officials a list of 6,070 individuals released from P.E.N. (Detention by order of the National Executive Power) since March 24, 1976. Foxman noted that despite this record and recent releases, more than 800 uncharged prisoners remain incarcerated, while the number of the disappeared is estimated at over 15,000.

Strategic Cooperation Does Not Extend Beyond Storage Of Supplies

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Reagan Administration's two chief national security Cabinet members indicated this week that the United States is not prepared to go beyond the storing of medical supplies in Israel and joint planning in implementing the strategic cooperation agreement worked out by President Reagan and Premier Menachem Begin last September.

Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, appearing on NBC-TV's "Meet the Press" program said that he expects a "memorandum of understanding" to be signed following his talks with Israeli Defense Minister Ariel Sharon which start here Nov. 30. But when Weinberger was asked if the talks could result in the stockpiling of arms in Israel, he said he did not know if the talks would get into that. However, he specifically said that the talks would include the need for having hospital and medical supplies available in Israel should a conflict in the Mideast break out.

Secretary of State Alexander Haig, also made this point on his appearance on ABC-TV's "This Week With David Brinkley." Haig noted that when he outlined the cooperation agreement at the end of Begin's visit to Washington, he specifically mentioned the stockpiling of some medical supplies in Israel, a possible joint U.S.-Israeli naval maneuver in the eastern Mediterranean and joint planning against threats to the Middle East from outside the region.

The Israelis reportedly want the U.S. to stockpile weapons in Israel and want a satellite so they can monitor activities of Arab countries themselves. They now receive information from U.S. "spy" satellites.

"We've got to deal with the realities of what American strategic plans in the area

require," Haig said. "We've got to deal with the political constraints associated with our relationship with Israel and the maintenance of good relations with a number of moderate Arab regimes."

Weinberger stressed that strategic cooperation with Israel is not something new but part of a long-time ongoing process about the ways to defend the Middle East against a threat from the Soviet Union.

U.S. 'Wedded' To Camp David Process

In his television appearance, Haig stressed that the U.S. is "wedded to the Camp David peace process." He rejected the suggestion that the process would be over when Israel completes its final withdrawal from the Sinai next April 25. He said the Camp David agreements call for a continued normalization of relations between progressing very well in the last few weeks, and, above all, the negotiations to achieve autonomy with the Palestinian Arabs on the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Haig reiterated what he said was the President's position on Jerusalem. "The future of Jerusalem is to be decided by the parties," he said. He said the President also believes it should have a "united regime in which all the holy places would be available."

After a delegation of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations met with the President, Howard Squadron, the group's chairman said Reagan recommitted himself to what he told the Presidents Conference on Sept. 15, 1980 when he was a candidate. At that time, Reagan talked of a united Jerusalem under Israel's sovereignty, but also suggested a sort of "vaticanization" for the holy sites.

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Israelis Disregard Arab Voice Of Moderation; Extremism Is Reality

Israel has had a great deal of experience in dealing with Arab leaders who shift from radical to moderate positions. Occasionally, Yasir Arafat and other members of the Palestine Liberation Organization will offer statements indicating that they desire to live in peace with Israel, upon the establishment of a Palestinian nation. However, following the reports of this willingness to coexist, the statements are denied.

In an interview published in the Washington Post on May 25, 1980, Crown Prince Fahd referred to Jews as cousins ("We are all Semites"). He stated his support for United Nations Security Council Resolution 242, which affirms the "sovereignty territorial integrity and political independence of every state in the area and their right to live in peace and offered to join with other Arabs in negotiations if Israel declared its willingness to withdraw from occupied lands.

According to an Israeli official, four days later the Prince told the Moroccan press agency that he had been misquoted. A month later, he called for a holy war against Israel.

Optimism is not often expressed by Israelis, considering the past track record of the Arabs.

Therefore, there has been little debate concerning the peace plan presented by Prince Fahd. The Israelis insist it is to hear the Arab voices of extremism and to disregard those of moderation, to see radicalism as reality and conciliation as duplicity.

Israeli analysts scorn the interpretation of the seventh point in the Saudi peace plan as recognition of Israel's right to exist as a nation. They say that the original Arabic text of the Saudi plan fails to use the word "all" in referring to the "states of the region," although the Israeli translation of Prince Fahd's plan by the Saudi press agency did use the word "all." The Saudis, the Israelis say, have only referred to Israel as "the Zionist entity," not as a legitimate state.

In addition, official Saudi newspapers have prominently displayed articles on the opposite interpretation by radical Arabs — that this point does not mean coexistence with Israel. This harder line approach is expected to surface during the meeting of Arab leaders in Fez, Morocco at the end of this month.

The Israelis know that they understand the Arab world more intimately than the Americans or Europeans. The constant shift in position by Arabs is understood to be an attempt to play to competing audiences of Americans and Europeans on one hand, and militant Arabs on the other.

Begin: Far Ahead Of Next In Line

JERUSALEM (ZINS) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin continues to increase his lead in popularity over 11 rivals, according to a poll conducted by Modi'im Ezrachi Research Center at the end of September. Following are the results of the poll. Who is the best suited to be prime minister? Menachem Begin — 38 percent; Yitzhak Rabin — 14.8 percent; Shimon Peres — 9.2 percent; Ezer Weizman — 1.4 percent; Others — 4.9 percent; Undecided — 12.4 percent. Q. Who is the best suited to be defense minister? Ariel Sharon — 47.0 percent; Yitzhak Rabin — 19 percent; Ezer Weizman — 8.3 percent; Haim Bar-Lev — 6.1 percent; Moshe Dayan — 3.3 percent; Mordechai Gur — 2.2 percent; Others — 4.6 percent; Undecided — 19.3 percent. Q. Who is the best suited to be finance minister? Yoram Aridor — 35 percent; Haim Ben Shalom — 11.6 percent; Yigael Hurwitz — 7.8 percent; Jacob Levinson — 5.9 percent; Others — 4.7 percent; Undecided 35 percent. Q. Who is the best suited to be foreign minister? Yitzhak Shamir — 28 percent; Aha Eban — 28 percent; Moshe Dayan — 9.9 percent; Yitzhak Rabin — 2.9 percent; Chaim Herzog — 1.5 percent; Ezer Weizman — 1.5 percent; Others — 4.9 percent; Undecided — 25.3 percent.

Examples Of Israeli Court Decisions Make Solomon's Task Seem Simple

by Carl Alpert
HAIFA — "All things come to him that waits — even justice," an Irish proverb once said. That applies well to Israel's courts, where the learned jurists are called upon to assure the impartial application of the law. The cases placed before them sometimes make Solomon's task seem simple.

For example: Burglary: His client pleads guilty to breaking and entering, the defense attorney told Judge Hayim Devorin in Tel Aviv District Court, and he also admits that he beat up 73-year-old Zvi Eisenberg, who resisted the burglary and later dropped dead. But the culprit can under no circumstances be charged with murder. How did he know that the old man had heart trouble?

The danger of giving advice: A Givativim contractor had about a million dollars available after a successful business deal and asked his bank to invest it in a dollar-linked account. However, he yielded to the advice of the bank to put it in a mutual fund instead. The dollar account returned a better profit than the mutual fund. When the contract was completed, the bank to the tune of two million shekels for giving him bad advice.

Now he did it, now he didn't: Soon after the body of Moe Garnazi was found in the gaitolator where he worked, his brother-in-law, married to Moe's sister, turned himself in and confessed. After careful questioning to ascertain a motive, the police extracted from him a further confession that he was innocent. He had made up the first story just to get even with his wife, with whom he had a bitter divorce.

Living together: A lonesome widow and an equally lonesome widower found each other through a shadchan office and happily set up housekeeping together. They refused to pay the shadchan fee on the grounds that the contract called for such payment only if they got married. The judge, a lady, ruled otherwise and insisted that the happy couple pay for their happiness.

When you lose an election: Following the national election, Israel's Labor Party was left with debts of about 15 million shekels. Worried creditors obtained a court order and among other assets the 1980 Oldsmobile placed at the disposal of Shimon Peres was impounded until the debts were paid.

You need clean hands in court: Yosef Ben Zvi indignantly complained to the police that his Ramat Gan apartment had been broken into and about two million shekels in Israel and foreign currency had been stolen. He refused to disclose the source of the money, but police investigation turned up a complaint from Barclay's Bank that the victim of the theft had defrauded that bank of twice that amount. The victim was arrested.

UJA Surpasses Peacetime High

NEW YORK (JTA) — The United Jewish Appeal 1981 regular campaign, still in progress, recorded a total of \$511.0 million in pledges as of Nov. 15, a new peacetime high over the previous year for a year without open war involving Israel at the \$505.5 million registered by the total 1980 campaign.

According to the report released by national UJA headquarters, Friday's milestone achievement represents a card-over-card increase of 18.8 percent over the previous year. Final returns for 1981 will be announced shortly after the end of the year. The report also indicated that prospects are bright for the new record to be surpassed again by the 1982 regular campaign, launched two and a half months ago. The new drive, showing a pledge total of \$51.9 million to date, is running 24.0 percent ahead of 1981.

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Military justice: A typist with the rank of sergeant, at a military base, complained that her expensive electric typewriter didn't work well. Investigation revealed that she never covered the machine, and used it daily as her make-up table. Its works were clogged up with hair, face powder and other evidences of such use. A stiff fine was imposed on her.

Double jeopardy: Military justice of a different kind came to light when survivor's compensation and pension were paid to the legal wife of a soldier who fell in line of duty. Soon thereafter a second woman appeared. She claimed to be his common-law wife and proved that for the last five years of his life the soldier had lived with her. In conformity with the text of the law, as written, the court had no choice but to order duplicate payments to the second woman as well.

There's no place like home: When Zion Asraf, 26, a multiple offender, was sentenced to a year and a half in prison, he appealed. He asked the higher court to impose the maximum sentence possible, of 10 years, on the grounds that he felt more at home in the maximum than in the court. The court refused and asked the prisoner rehabilitation authorities to take the man in hand.

The hand that rocks the cradle: Judge Amos Zamir of Tel Aviv District Court heard the claim of attorney Avner Singer on behalf of two minor children demanding increased monthly support from their father, divorced from his wife. The mother associated herself with the demand. But when the judge heard that the mother, a bank employee, was earning twice as much as her ex-husband, he decreed that her share of the support payments should be increased to more than that assessed against the father.

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Letters To The Editor are welcomed by The Rhode Island Herald covering any issues which are of concern to the readers of this publication. It is, however, the policy of this publication to limit the number of letters to the editor by each submitter to no more than once a month.

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Thought For The Week "Survival Of The Jewish People"

The Alter Rebbe, founder of Chabad-Lubavitch, used to say that "a Jew should live in the spirit of the time," meaning the current weekly Torah portion. We are to be animated and inspired by the content and spirit of this week's Torah portion, 'Toledot' — which concludes the history of our Father Abraham, the first Jew and father of our people.

In the Divine revelation to Abraham of the future destiny of his descendants, the Jewish people, three points stand out:

- (1) One, "your descendants shall be strangers in a land not theirs."
- (2) Reassuring, however, was the everlasting covenant between G-d and Abraham assuring the survival of our people under all circumstances and for all times.
- (3) But... this promise of eternity for our people was conditioned upon our following G-d's ways and observing His commandments: that we maintain the bond with G-d from birth, a bond not alone impressed in the soul but also sealed in the flesh with the B'riss (circumcision), dedicating body and soul to G-d through observance of His Torah and Mitzvot.

Our sages say that "the experience of the fathers is a guide for the children." What happened to our Patriarchs reflected events that would repeat themselves in the history of our people, both of the individual and of the nation as a whole.

The first point of G-d's prophecy to Abraham — that his descendants would be "strangers in a land not theirs" — is recognized by all as having been fulfilled throughout every phase of our people's exile — including the current phase. To be sure, many Jewish inhabitants of many different countries have in recent years tried to suggest that we are not in Gola (exile). They have maintained that the country of their adoption is their own land and that they are certainly not "strangers" in it. As we are too well aware, however, time from time to time circumstances arise which show that the Jews are, indeed, "strangers in a land not theirs."

The truth of the second aspect of G-d's promise to Abraham — that the Jewish people would survive despite all — is universally acclaimed and wondered at. The greatest world empires of the most advanced civilizations — Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece and Rome — have all crumbled into dust; yet the tiny Jewish people, although scattered and dispersed among the nations, "strangers in a land not theirs," continues to survive.

It is the third part of G-d's revelation to Abraham — namely, the reason for this miraculous survival — that people are loath to admit. When problems of assimilation, intermarriage or the drug culture arise, all kinds of solutions are suggested, ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous. Synagogue "rock" services, "Synagogue Mitzvot, nationalism or "Jewish ethnic culture" are but some of the suggestions to maintain the continuity of our people. But the essential elements which perpetuate our people and are the source of our unique strength is not our peculiar physical or intrinsic mental characteristics, nor our language or our manners and customs (in a wide sense) — for all of these have undergone vast changes during our history. The essential element which at all times unites our scattered people and makes it one, is Torah and Mitzvot, our covenant with G-d, our Jewish way of life which has remained basically the same throughout the ages and in all places.

Any solutions to the problems plaguing many of our young people, any suggestions for ensuring the survival of our nation, must involve strengthening the B'riss, our covenant bond with G-d through Torah and Mitzvot (without the absence of these "contemporary problems" from the Torah-observant community). A thorough study of our history without prejudice, leaves no doubt that adherence to the Torah and its Mitzvot in our everyday life is the essential factor of our existence and survival.

Adapted from the works of Rabbi M. M. Schmeerson

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