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CELEBRATING THE HOLIDAY SEASON at Bryant College, Smithfield, RI, are Alex Furer (left), and Jay Weiner (right). Furer and Weiner are members of the Hillel Foundation at Bryant. The Chanukah celebration was part of Bryant's annual Festival of Lights, a campus-wide holiday celebration for all religions.

Israel's Annexation Of Golan Heights Threatens Peace Process

WASHINGTON — Administration officials believe that Israel's decision to annex the Israeli-occupied Golan Heights of neighboring Syria, will weaken the America-led peace process in the Middle East, disrupt efforts to resolve the civil war in Lebanon and increase Arab suspicion of the United States.

Syria has called the legislation, voted on Monday in Israel's parliament, a "declaration of war" and has vowed to defend its territories.

Defense Secretary Caspar Weinberger, in an interview on ABC-TV, charged that Israel has violated the Camp David peace process. Weinberger implied that sanctions may be imposed against Israel for the annexation. Pentagon officials were reviewing the list of weapons Israel has on order, but said plans were not yet underway for another arms cutoff, since the U.S. halted shipment of F16 fighter planes when Israel bombed Iraq's nuclear reactor in June.

Although Weinberger is among Israel's harshest critics, anger about the annexation has spread throughout the entire administration. The U.S. is bitter in particular, over the fact that Israel, despite repeated advice against the annexation, was able to win Cabinet approval in little more than eight hours and that the Knesset pushed the bill through the three-step legislative process into law when the United States was preoccupied with the imposition of martial law in Poland.

American officials say that Prime Minister Menachem Begin has complicated the efforts of U.S. envoy Philip Habib to resolve the conflict over Syria's placement of missile in Lebanon for use against

Israel. The action, officials say, has increased the possibility of another Israeli-Syrian war.

The United States is also concerned that the annexation will affect relations with Egypt is new president, Hosni Mubarak, another U.S. ally in the Middle East. Mubarak's efforts to mend Egypt's relations with other Arab countries might also be jeopardized since he cannot speak out forcefully against the annexation because of upsetting plans for the return of the occupied Sinai desert by Israel.

The administration may choose to impose an arms sales suspension against Israel or to slow down progress on the recently signed strategic cooperation pact between the two countries. In either case, sanctions or impeding the pact would serve as a signal to the Arabs that the United States does not approve and is in fact, angered at the annexation and the possible repercussions for Middle East peace.

The parliament bill to annex the heights passed its first reading with a 60-17 vote and went to committee for only three hours. It returned to the floor for the final two votes, each approving the bill by 63 to 21.

Most Labor members were absent for the vote first vote and the bill was sponsored by Begin's Likud Bloc and coalition allies, and opposed by a few splinter parties dissenting Laborites.

Following 18 days of recuperating from a broken bone in his hip joint, Begin called immediate Cabinet meeting at which he won unanimous approval for annexing the heights. From his wheelchair he pushed the bill to the Knesset for ratification.

Administration Assesses Downward Trend Of Soviet Jewish Emigration

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Reagan Administration warned that if the present downward trend of immigration of Jews from the Soviet Union continues, the rate this year will be the lowest "since the Soviet Union began to permit significant Jewish emigration in the early 1970s." The Administration also charged that along with this cut in emigration "Soviet authorities began a major crackdown on Jewish activists."

The charges were contained in the President's Eleventh Semi-Annual Report to the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe on the Implementation of the Helsinki Final Act. The report, which covers the period June 1 to Nov. 30, was transmitted last week by Secretary of State Alexander Haig for President Reagan to the Congressional commission headed by Rep. Dante Fascell (D. Fla.).

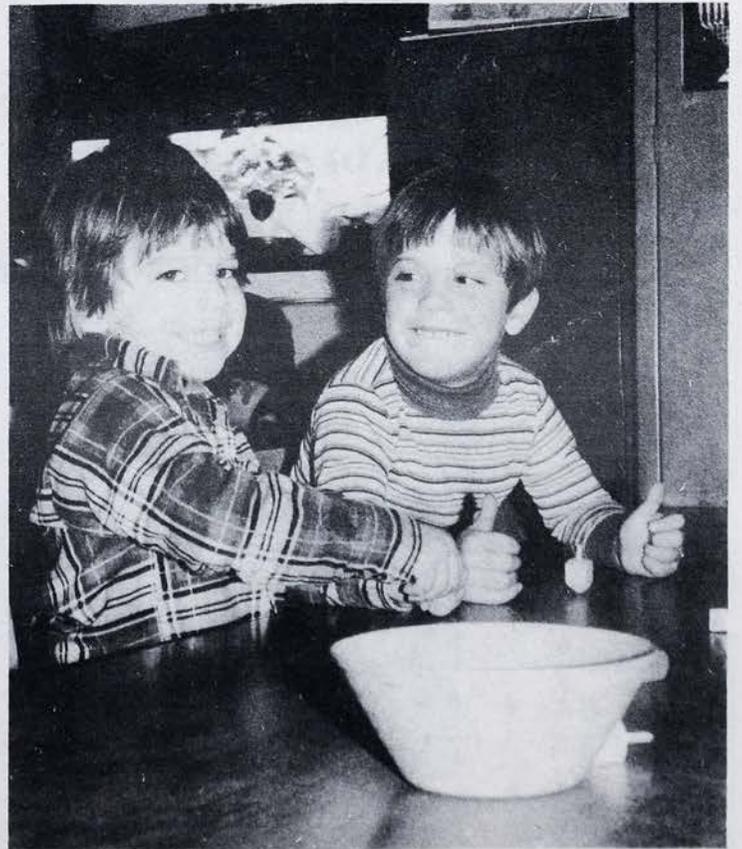
"Only 8,047 (Jews) have left in the first nine months of 1981, as compared to 17,734 during the same period in 1980 and 38,678 in the first nine months of 1979," the report said. "Many Soviet Jews attribute this decline to the deterioration of East-West relations in the past several years and to Soviet reluctance to lose skilled manpower."

The report said that potential emigrants, "Jewish applicants, especially," have experienced difficulty in receiving the required letter of invitation from abroad needed to emigrate. The report noted that, in addition, Jewish sources estimate that

more than 200,000 Soviet Jews already have the necessary letter from Israel. Some Jews have been waiting as long as eight years to emigrate.

The Presidential report noted that Max Kampelman, the chairman of the American delegation to the conference reviewing the Helsinki accord, has brought up all these violations during the spring session and when the conference reconvened in October in Madrid. In November, Kampelman raised the question of Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who helped save 100,000 Hungarian Jews from the Nazis in World War II and who is believed to be in a Soviet prison since the end of the war. He was recently granted American citizenship. The Presidential report also noted a reduction in the rate of emigration from Rumania. It said that during the first nine months of 1981, 677 Rumanian Jews left for Israel, as compared to 778 during the same period in 1980. Several hundred applicants have waited three months or more to emigrate, the report said, and some cases are several years old.

"The Rumanian authorities maintain Jewish emigration is static due to the dwindling Jewish population in Rumania, which they state is substantially made up of elderly people who are reluctant to emigrate," the report said. "They point to the fact that several hundred thousand Jews have left Rumania since World War II, and only perhaps as few as 35,000 remain."



Adam Nagle (left) and Leonard Schwartz (right) join in the spirit of preparing for Chanukah by making dreidels at Temple Sinai Nursery School in Cranston. Turn to pages 14, 15.

UN Assembly Adopts Resolution Reaffirming Palestinian Rights

UNITED NATIONS (JTA) — The General Assembly adopted by overwhelming margin six draft resolutions calling in various terms for the reaffirmation of Palestinian Arab rights, including the establishment of a Palestinian state. The votes last Thursday night concluded the 11-day debate on the "Palestine Question."

The resolutions were in line with recommendations to the General Assembly's 153 member-states, proposed by its committee on Palestinian rights. The committee's recommendations emphasized that the Palestine question was at the core of the Middle East conflict and that its solution must encompass the establishment of an independent Palestinian state. The committee also declared that participation by the Palestine Liberation Organization was a "must" in any deliberations, under United Nations sponsorship, on the Middle East.

Only the United States and Israel voted against all six resolutions.

Substance Of The Resolutions

The first resolution — 121-2, 23 abstentions — called to the attention of the UN Security Council that action on the recommendations proposed by the committee on

Palestinian rights was "long overdue" and authorized the committee to continue its work.

The second resolution — 119 in favor; U.S., Canada and Israel opposed; 22 abstentions — called for an expanded work program for a special unit on Palestinian rights.

The third resolution — 122 in favor; U.S., Israel, Canada and Norway opposed; 20 abstentions — called for the convening of an international conference on the Question of Palestine not later than 1984, with the committee on Palestinian rights serving as the preparatory body.

The fourth resolution — 111-13, 20 abstentions — reaffirmed the rights of the Palestinians to return to their homes and property and also to establish an independent sovereign state.

The fifth resolution — 139-2, four abstentions — declared that everything Israel had done to alter the status of Jerusalem was null and void.

The sixth resolution — 88-21, 36 abstentions — referring to Camp David expressed strong opposition to all "partial" agreements and separate treaties. It termed such accords flagrant violations of Palestinian rights.

Vanessa Redgrave Involved In Promoting Two Anti-Zionist Films

NEW YORK (JTA) — Vanessa Redgrave, whose staunch support of the Palestine Liberation Organization provoked a controversy last year when she was cast as a Jewish prisoner in a Nazi concentration camp in the CBS-TV production of "Playing for Time," is now involved in promoting two anti-Zionist films, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith reported this week.

According to Justin Finger, director of the ADL's civil rights division, Ms. Redgrave is promoting a propaganda film entitled "Occupied Palestine," which was premiered in October at the San Francisco Film Festival, and is preparing another film that accuses "Zionists" of being Nazi collaborators. In the late 1970s she produced and played a leading role in "The Palestinian," in which she was shown dancing in a PLO camp, holding a rifle.

The "Occupied Palestine" film, according to Finger, "is a slick, so-called documentary that villifies Israel and misrepresents conditions in the Jewish state today." Although Ms. Redgrave does not appear in the film, nor does it bear her

name, he pointed out, it is being advertised as "Presented by Vanessa Redgrave Productions."

Finger said that financing for the new film has been provided by the Crown Prince of Kuwait, other Kuwaiti "petrodollar tycoons" and Palestinians. The Kuwaiti and Palestinian financial assistance, he said, was solicited during a Middle East tour made by Ms. Redgrave to promote "Occupied Palestine." Finger said that the premise of Ms. Redgrave's new film, an alleged conspiracy between Zionists and Nazis during World War II, is a frequent theme of Soviet anti-Jewish propagandists and extreme left-wing groups.




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Are Soviet Spies Posing As Jewish Emigres?

by Wolf Blitzer

WASHINGTON — In recent weeks, both *The New York Times* and *Newsweek* magazine have published detailed articles on the Soviet Union's espionage activities in the United States. One particularly sensitive point raised in both articles is of special concern to Israel and the American Jewish community — namely, that the Soviet intelligence arm, the KGB, has undoubtedly had a few of its agents pose as Jewish emigrants to Israel, the United States and elsewhere.

The *Times* reported that the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has faced a problem in "discerning whether spies are being slipped in among the 400 Soviet emigres who arrive in the country each month."

R. Jean Gray, the FBI's special agent in charge of Soviet counterintelligence in New York, told the newspaper, "It used to be they would take a name from a tombstone in Michigan or someplace of someone who died at the age of 2 and write for a birth certificate and spend years creating a false identity. Now, all they have to do is send him in as a Soviet emigre. An illegal may come in and spend five years driving a taxi, but then be called into action. By then, he may even be a citizen, and he's learned the language. Maybe then, he seeks a job with Grumman Aerospace, saying that in Russia he was an engineer."

According to Gray, the FBI has been attempting to develop a profile of the sort of person who may be only masquerading as a refugee. When suspicion arises, he said, "we try to interview them or we try to neutralize their activities by interviewing everyone they're talking to — or else we notify the Immigration Service that the person should be returned."

There could be another twist, Gray continued. In some cases, the spy may not be posing as a refugee, but actually be an emigre unwillingly pressed into service as a Soviet agent — threatened, for example, with reprisals against family members still in the Soviet Union.

Double Agents

Ideally, reluctant Soviet spies can be utilized as double agents to funnel misinformation. But this can be tricky, according to FBI agents. The Bureau may be deceived into believing it has a double agent working for the United States, when the spy is really a triple agent — a Soviet agent who really works for the Soviets while pretending to the FBI that he has switched his loyalty.

"You can be reeled in for a year before you realize you've been hooked," said Gray.

Newsweek, in its cover story of the KGB in America, pointed out that over 130,000 immigrants have fled to America from Eastern Europe in recent years. There are agents "hidden among them," it said.

U.S. and Israeli officials agree that the Soviets have tried to plant spies in Israel as

well as in the United States. For Israeli security experts, the matter, obviously, is of tremendous concern — although rarely discussed in public.

The Shin Bet, the Mossad, the military intelligence services, the police and other security agencies in Israel spend a good deal of time worrying about and searching for such spies.

Uppermost on their minds, of course, is the case of Dr. Israel Beer, a military adviser in the 1950s to both Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion and then Deputy Defense Minister Shimon Peres. Beer was arrested in 1961 and convicted of spying for the Soviet Union.

Beer was the most successful Soviet "mole" in Israel's history. As recalled by *L'Express* journalists Jacques Derogy and Hesi Carmel in their *The Untold History of Israel* (Grove Press), Beer after arriving in Palestine in the late 1930s, advanced rapidly through the Haganah ranks. He became one of only six Israeli army colonels, stationed on the northern front under the orders of General Yigael Yadin. He later became assistant chief of military planning and operations at General Staff Headquarters. Ben-Gurion and Peres later asked him to write the official history of the War of Independence, "on the recommendation of Shaul Avigur, the founder of the Mossad."

Israelis Are Extremely Cautious

How secure is Israel today? The question is important not only for Israel, but for the

Christian-Jewish Syllabus Issued

NEW YORK (JTA) — A rabbi and a Catholic layman have prepared what the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith calls the first syllabus on "the growing Christian-Jewish dialogue." "Preparing for Christian-Jewish Dialogue" was written by Rabbi Leon Klenicki, coordinator of the ADL's interreligious affairs department, and Dr. Eugene Fisher, executive director of Catholic-Jewish relations of the National Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The authors said the syllabus had been written to meet the educational needs of a new religious era in which "the challenge of confrontation is replaced now by the challenge of dialogue."

The ADL said the syllabus outlines a course covering three epochs in Judeo-Christian history from the rabbinic period to the present, with emphasis on the Holocaust and Israel. The experiences of religious pluralism in America is particularly stressed. Each lesson includes a bibliography.

The authors said the syllabus is particularly useful for classrooms, interreligious groups and ecumenical commissions because it deals with the main questions they said are essential to the dialogue encounter.

United States as well. This is because a great deal of sophisticated U.S. military technology has been provided to Israel over the years. As noted by *The Times*, the transfer of such technology "is regarded as a major focus of current spying efforts."

U.S. military officials with a first-hand knowledge of Israeli security clearance procedures have told me that Israeli officials are extremely cautious in making sensitive information available. Anyone with even the most remote possibility of being connected with Soviet intelligence is automatically removed from exposure to such information.

There has been no recent evidence that any top secret information has been compromised as a result of Soviet spying in Israel. (On the other hand, there have been some dramatic arrests in the United States. Christopher Boyce and Alexander Lee, for example, were arrested in 1977 for selling the Soviets data on U.S. espionage satellites. Former U.S. Army cryptographer Joseph Helmich was sentenced

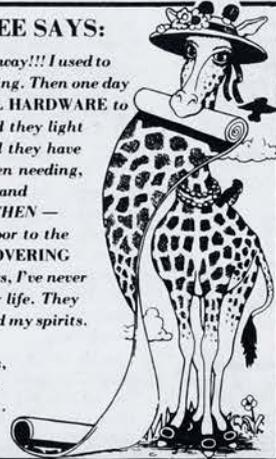
to life in prison in October for selling cipher information to the Soviets.)

But there also is no denying that top Israeli security agents are always nervously taking the most stringent precautions to avoid Soviet penetration. Commented one Pentagon official: "It's their (Israel's) great nightmare. They're always paranoid about it."

According to well-placed U.S. and Israeli sources, most of Israel's top intelligence security experts actually even oppose the re-establishment of Israeli-Soviet diplomatic relations on the ground that a Soviet embassy in Tel Aviv would quickly become the headquarters for a large-scale spying operation. Dr. Beer, it has been recalled, was arrested after being spotted passing documents to high Soviet Embassy control, press counselor Vladimir N. Sokolov. A large number of Soviet and other Eastern European "diplomats" floating around Israel would severely complicate the life of Israel's intelligence services.

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Letters To The Editor

"Unmitigated First Class 'Schmuck'"

EDITOR:

I have hesitated, for a period of time to write this letter because it entails using a Yiddish word — a vulgarism which may be offensive to the publishers of this newspaper as well as to some readers.

However, the point to be made is so important, I believe the end justifies the means.

A review of a book written by Mayor Edward I. Koch appeared in a recent issue of a national news magazine. In his book, the review states, Koch is quoted as saying "I am not a schmuck. This statement, obviously is not true. The Honorable Edward I. Koch, Chief Executive, New York City, is an unmitigated first class 'schmuck.'"

In a recent speech before the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, he referred to a fellow Jew as "another Yasir Arafat." (R.I. Herald, November 26, 1981)

These are the very tactics used by Arafat and other bitter enemies of our people. They continually refer to Menachem Begin and other great leaders as "Hitlers" — or other vile despots. They do this, most naturally, in an effort to destroy Israel and

To refer to this illustrious individual as did Mayor Koch only emphasizes the fact that the word "schmuck" seemed to be purposely devised to so ably characterize His Honor.

In his book, "The Joys of Yiddish," author Leo Rosten writes — "The word 'schmuck' is widely used with gusto; few impolite words express comparable contempt."

If the group addressed by the Mayor did not strongly, violently and publicly object to this portion of the Mayor's speech, then I believe the entire purpose of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith is truly immobilized and serves no useful purpose.

Harry Kolodney
Pawtucket

EDITOR:

I wish to commend the Jewish Herald on its excellent coverage (Nov. 5, 1981) of the Rhode Island Women's Fair. I have just received a copy of the article and was impressed with the reporting of the issues discussed that day.

I would like to correct one portion of Linda A. Acciaro's detailed coverage of my workshop, "Housewives, A Career Choice." That concerns the area of insurance. "Only the owner has the ability to collect on an insurance policy" was not stated in that workshop. I do urge women to own their husband's insurance policy because only the owner can borrow on the policy and only the owner can name the beneficiary.

Quite often men have borrowed on the policy, in good faith for business purpose but never told their spouses. There have been many incidents of men changing the beneficiary, obviously without notification. Both situations leave the widow economically deprived as well as emotionally bereft.

I appreciate the opportunity to clarify this point.

Sue Plastrik, Chair
Government Relations Commission
National Council of Jewish Women

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Keeping in mind both the uniqueness of the individual and the importance of unity, the Lubavitcher Rebbe Shlita, Rabbi M.M. Schneerson has called for the writing of a special series of Sifrei Torah dedicated to the entire Jewish people. To reinforce the unity of "Am Ehad," one nation, he has asked that everyone, no matter where they are or what their level of commitment, participate by sponsoring one letter in the Torah.

Letters may also be purchased for friends, relatives and departed ones. All that is needed are their Jewish names, and the Jewish names of the mother. In the past, the honor of writing a letter in a Sefer Torah would be sold for hundreds of dollars. However, since this is not a fund-raising project, but a concrete demonstration of the unity of the Jewish people, you can sponsor a letter for as much, or as little, as your conscious and your budget dictates.

Already, a Sefer Torah Scroll has been written for children. More than 300,000 boys and girls from all over the world participated. When the project was completed, more than 15,000 came to the dedication ceremony at the western wall. Immediately, another children's Sefer Torah Scroll was started. So far, more than 100,000 children under Bar and Bas Mitzvah-age have joined together.

For forms and more information on how to sponsor a letter for either the children's Sefer Torah Scroll, or the general Sefer Torah Scroll for families and adults, write or call: Chabad-Lubavitch of Southeastern New England.

EDITOR:

There's an old expression, "In unity, there is strength." And while that's true of groups in general, it is especially true of the Jewish people in particular.

At a time when our "friends" are busily selling sophisticated weapons to our enemies, the need for true Jewish unity is greater than ever before. We are told in our prayers that, when the Jewish people are one, our father in heaven blesses and protects us.

But how can a group of people with widely divergent views and opinions express their solidarity in a way that's meaningful for all of them? The answer is both simple and dramatic: Precisely in the one thing that binds them together and makes them Jews — The Torah.

Ethiopian Jew

WASHINGTON (JTA) — B'nai B'rith International last week appealed to the government of Ethiopia to save that nation's Jewish population from a reign of terror conducted by the governor of the Province of Gondar.

Noting that Dec. 10 was the 33rd anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Philip Lax, chairman of the International Council of B'nai B'rith, charged in a letter to Tesfaye Demeke, the Ethiopian Ambassador to the United States that the governor "has lawlessly imprisoned, tortured and killed Ethiopian Jews. He has failed to enforce the government's land reform program, thus permitting Jewish peasants who seek to gain control of the land that is now lawfully theirs to be shot and killed by their vengeful former landlords."

The B'nai B'rith leader charged also that the governor of Gondar has refused to allow visits to the province's Jews by their co-religionists from other countries. "On this day consecrated to the equality of all individuals and peoples, we ask the government of Ethiopia to move swiftly to ensure that the rights of Ethiopian Jewry, guaranteed by the Ethiopian revolution, are respected by all its officials... and urge the government permit, on humanitarian grounds, the universally sanctioned reunification of families," Lax said.

He pointed out that B'nai B'rith's concern has been heightened by reports in recent months from observers returning from Ethiopia as well as from press reports about conditions of Jews there. He asked Demeke to pass on the request to officials in Addis Ababa.

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the Jewish civilization. Whether one agrees or does not agree with the policies of Rabbi Meir Kahane — he is a Jew — a Rabbi and a dedicated man. In his wildest beliefs, does the Mayor think the Rabbi is a murderer of innocent children? Does he feel the Rabbi wishes to push the Israelis into the sea, as does this arch enemy to whom he makes the comparison?

Thought For The Week

The idol-worshipping Greek rulers of the Holy Land, in collaboration with some Jewish sympathizers (called "Hellenists" because they acclaimed and emulated Greek culture) entered the Hechal (Inner Sanctum of the Beis Hamikdosh — Holy Temple) and defiled all the oils. When the Hasmoneans defeated them, one cruse of oil was found, which evidently had not been touched by the Greeks. It contained enough oil only for one day. The Menorah was rekindled and the oil miraculously lasted eight days, until new oil could be prepared. Chanukah celebrates the miraculous victory over the Greeks which culminated in the cleansing and re-dedication of the Beis Hamikdosh. The Hasmoneans, who brought about the miracle of Chanukah by their resistance against overwhelming odds, had a secret weapon — mesiras nefesh or self-sacrifice.

The purpose of all our festivals is to take the lessons of the ancient events which the festival commemorates, and apply those lessons to the present day — to the daily life of the Jewish individual and the Jewish community. When we apply the lessons of the ancient Chanukah miracle to the present day, several points stand out in bold relief.

First, we see that even so holy a place as the Beis Hamikdosh can be made impure under certain circumstances, though outwardly remaining intact. Second, in such a case, cleansing and re-dedication of the Sanctuary can be achieved only through Mesiras Nefesh, a self-sacrificing determination to resist the "forces of darkness" without entering into any calculations whatsoever as to "what the odds are" in the struggle. For, since there can be no compromise with an enemy bent on defiling that which is sacred in Jewish life, the only Jewish answer can be unconditional resistance, leaving the final outcome of the struggle to the Divine Will. However, it is a perennial lesson of our history that, when we possess the "secret weapon" of the mesiras nefesh attitude, the outcome of the battle is never really in doubt.

The ancient events of Chanukah emphasize yet another "fact of life" for the Jew; namely, that in Jewish life, material welfare is always linked to spiritual well-being. Thus, in the case of Chanukah, although the Greek persecution started with a spiritual assault, with an attempt "to make them forget Thy Torah and to transgress the statutes of Thy Will," it was soon followed by a policy of robbing the Jews of their material wealth also — and of their children. The same link of physical and spiritual welfare was again evident in the deliverance of the Jews. When, under the leadership of the handful of Hasmoneans, the Jews resisted assimilation with steadfast faith, G-d helped them to completely get rid of the enemy, thereby saving not only their souls and also their wealth and children.

Nowadays, as often before, Jews who want to remain loyal to the heritage of their fathers find themselves outnumbered, and endangered by the "forces of darkness" threatening the world in general and the Jewish world in particular. Nowadays, our "sanctuaries" are the Jewish home, the Yeshiva (Torah-school) and the synagogue. These Sanctuaries of G-d are not immune from defilement, and it still requires the same kind of Hasmonean determination to preserve their purity and holiness. But although the odds may seem overwhelmingly unfavorable, the reward for resistance is more than worth the effort — for, with G-d's help, the outcome of the "battle" is certain to be miraculous, the victory is certain to be complete (spiritually and materially) just as it was in the days of Chanukah.

Submitted by Rabbi Y. Laufer. Adapted from the works of Rabbi M.M. Schneerson.

Labor Alignment MK's Moscow Bound

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Three Labor Alignment Knesset members left this week for Moscow at the invitation of the Soviet Peace Committee. They are Ora Namir and Rabbi Menachem Hacoen (Labor) and Chaika Grossman (Mapam). They are joined by two Hadash (Communist) leaders, David Hinin and Salam Jubran.

In their cable accepting the Peace Committee's invitation, they wrote: "We believe the invitation, the visit, and meetings with representatives of the Soviet public will encourage the efforts of peaceseekers in Israel towards a just and lasting peace in the Middle East and towards an improvement of relations between Israel and Soviet Union and their advancement towards normalization."

The delegation is to stay in the USSR for 10 days. Meetings have been scheduled with representatives of the Peace Committee and of other public groups, but none — as yet — with Soviet government officials.

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West Bank Arab Accused Of Terrorism Extradited To Israel

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Ziad Abu-Eain, a 22-year-old West Bank resident accused of participation in a bombing which killed two boys and injured 36 other persons in Tiberias in 1979, was formally extradited to Israel.

Deputy Secretary of State William Clark, who had been studying the legal aspects of Israel's extradition request, signed a surrender warrant last week. American authorities in Chicago, where Abu-Eain has been held in prison since his arrest by the FBI in August, 1979, turned him over to Israeli officials. The extradition is the first since Israel and the U.S. signed an extradition treaty in 1963.

Clark said, in his written statement, "I have concluded that our treaty with Israel and compelling law require a conclusion that Abu-Eain be extradited. We have been formally assured by the government of Israel that the crimes charged against Abu-Eain — murder, attempted murder and causing bodily harm with aggravating intent — are common criminal charges which will be tried in an ordinary civilian court."

Lost A Series Of Appeals

Abu-Eain, who had been living with relatives in Chicago when he was arrested, lost a series of appeals against extradition. Last Oct. 13, the U.S. Supreme Court declined to review his case, letting stand a lower court's ruling that extradition was permissible. This left the final decision in the case to the State Department.

Abu-Eain a resident of Ramallah, was supported by Arab-American groups and others friendly to the Palestinian cause. Arab Ambassadors in the U.S. made representations to the State Department on his behalf. Israel pressed vigorously for extradition.

When it appeared that the State Department was taking an inordinately long time to decide, Sen. Dan Quayle (R. Ind.) introduced a sense of the Senate resolution last week urging immediate extradition on grounds that the accused could be freed

shortly on a writ of habeas corpus. This drew a rebuke from the State Department.

Department deputy spokesman Alan Romberg quoted Clark as saying that for the Senate to seek to "influence" the Department's decision is "as improper" as it would have been to try to influence the case when it came before the Supreme Court. Clark made that statement in a letter to Senate Majority Leader Howard Baker (R. Tenn.) after Quayle introduced his resolution.

(In Israel, meanwhile, Supreme Court Justice Miriam Ben-Porat issued a temporary injunction Sunday against the Military Government on the West Bank barring it from demolishing or sealing off Abu-Eain's home in Ramallah. Ben-Porat acted on the appeal of the accused's father who feared the house would be destroyed. Israeli authorities recently blew up three houses in Beit Sahour and Bethlehem.

Americans Urged To Press USSR To Allow Jews To Emigrate Or Practice Religion

PITTSBURGH (JTA) — A B'nai B'rith executive urged Americans, both Jews and non-Jews, to press the Soviet Union to reopen the gates of emigration to the hundreds of thousands of Jews who wish to leave and to allow those who remain the right to practice their religion.

Addressing the Women's Plea for Soviet Jewry on Human Rights Day last Thursday, Warren Eisenberg director of the International Council of B'nai B'rith, said that in recent years Jews have been held hostage to productive relations between the United States and the Soviet Union. "When they show signs of progress, emigration flows; when the relationship cools, emigration is dammed up," Eisenberg said.

Noting that the emigration of Jews from the USSR had virtually ceased, slowing from more than 50,000 in 1979 to less than 10,000 for 1981, Eisenberg said as bad as

this was, it was made worse by flagrant persecution and anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union.

He pointed out that although Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev took a stand against anti-Semitism at the 26th Communist Party congress last February, "He cynically opposes the most basic Jewish right to be identified with a national homeland." Eisenberg added that of the 105 identifiable cultural groups in the USSR, only Jews suffer cultural and religious deprivation, a behavior he described as "unconscionable."

Eisenberg urged Americans — especially those who have supported the cause of Soviet Jewry — to "lay the groundwork for actions that can and will pay off again."

Eisenberg criticized the Reagan Administration for following up its tough talk with shipments of grain to the USSR.

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JEFFREY A. BROWN

At its 26th annual conferment dinner on Friday, Nov. 6 at the Astors' Beechwood in Newport, The Rhode Island Chapter of the American Society of CLU awarded the CLU designation to Jeffrey A. Brown.

Brown is a resident of East Greenwich, is married to Barbara Horowitz and has one child, Seth.

A 1970 graduate of Princeton University, Summa Cum Laude, he received his Law Degree and Masters of Law in Taxation from Boston University Law School.

Ferdmans Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Ferdman of St. Louis, Mo., have announced the birth of their first child, Julie Beth, on Dec. 1, 1981.

Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herman Spector of St. Louis, and the late Jeanette Spector. Paternal grandparents are Mrs. Mae Ferdman of Pawtucket and the late Benjamin Ferdman.

He is president of Temple Beth-El Brotherhood and chairman of Miriam Associates of The Miriam Hospital. Brown is also a member of the board of the West Bay Jewish Center and The Jewish Family and Children's Service. He is also active in the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Brown is presently President of Compensation Planning Associates, Inc., a pension Design and Administration company affiliated with Massachusetts Mutual in Providence.

Brown is currently a member of the Rhode Island Life Underwriters Association, The R.I. Bar Association, the Massachusetts Bar Association and is an instructor in the Master of Science in Taxation program at Bryant College.

Ohawe Shalom Plans Gala New Year's Eve

The men's club of Congregation Ohawe Shalom of Pawtucket has planned a New Year's Eve party to be held Thursday, Dec. 31 at 9 p.m. in the congregation's main function room of the temple, East Ave. corner Lowden St., Pawtucket.

The menu will consist of a deluxe kosher buffet of assorted cold cuts: knishes kishka, assorted salads, etc., will be served and music for dancing will be provided by an orchestra from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. A continental breakfast will be served. Make reservations early. Donation: \$25.00 per couple. For information and reservations call Herman Geller at 723-2425, Carl Passman at 723-6734, Aaron Feinman 722-9415 or Elliot Brown 724-2727.

Carol Goldstein To Wed Stan Silverman

Carol Lynn Goldstein, daughter of Mrs. Aron Goldstein of East Providence and the late Aron Goldstein, will wed Stan Silverman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Silverman of Hollywood, Fla. Both are graduates of Boston University. They will be married June of 1982.

Sons Of Jacob Installs Officers, Directors

Installations were conducted by Congregation Sons of Jacob on Sunday, Dec. 13 for officers and Board of Directors elected on Sunday, Nov. 30, 1981. The installing officer was Rabbi Morris Drazin.

Re-elected were president, Harold Silverman; vice president, David Friedman; and recording and corresponding secretary, Harold Labush.

Newly elected officers are treasurer, Isadore Friedman and financial secretary, Israel Schwartz.

Board of Directors include Joseph Matzner, Max Levine, Larry Parness, Dr. Barry Weisman, Jack Resnick, Jack Levine, Tom Pearlman, Albert Brody, Sam Berman, Alex Goodblatt, Morris Gorden, Irving Zaidman.

Honorary member for life is George Labush. The Garboymen are Hyman Parvess and Joseph Seigal.

Lee Vilker Becomes Bar Mitzvah



LEE HOWARD VILKER, son of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Vilker, became Bar Mitzvah Dec. 19 at Temple Torat Yisrael in Cranston. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vilker of Pawtucket. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Priest of Providence.

Winklemans Announce Birth

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Winkleman of Providence have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter, Freda Betsy, born on Nov. 9, 1981.

Maternal grandparents are Abraham Zeltzer of Providence and the late Bessie Zeltzer.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Charles Winkleman of Cranston. Great-grandfather is Morris Barber of Providence.

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Around Town

by Dorothea Snyder



A DOUBLE SIMCHA

Pearl and Mitchell Sherwin celebrated a double Simcha in November.

It was the Providence couple's 40th anniversary and a special birthday for Mitch.

Both milestone events were combined at a brunch at the Crestwood Country Club.

Although the Sherwins were the honored couple that day, they felt the most important people were their many friends and relatives who came from near and far to share the joys of their dual celebration.

To carry out these warm thoughts and feelings, Pearl and Mitch's guests were greeted by a large display board which read "Welcome V.I.P.'s. Sign In Please."

Illustrated at the bottom of this board was a birthday cake for Mitch, two wedding rings and the words "40 Years Together."

Signers included some of the bridesmaids who were at the Sherwins wedding in 1941.

Beige and brown cloths and napkins centered with a mixture of brown pods, golden green and earth-tone flowers on bamboo mats set the autumnal mood of that November afternoon.

A visual highlight was a "Days of Our Lives" collage pictorializing all the milestones of the Sherwins' married life... the marriage license, wedding picture, baby pictures and sons' graduation pictures.

The anniversary-birthday cake was designed with violins and notes, for Mitch is a violin enthusiast.

Mitch also enjoyed solo flying when he and Pearl were a young married couple.

So Pearl scouted around for the biggest airplane she could find, and with good fortune at Woolworth's, she was able to present Mitch with a replica of an early hobby.

With a more serious note, Pearl then gave Mitch a lucite piano which staccatos the tune "It's Only Just Begun!"

PIANO ENSEMBLE MUSICALE

A piano recital for piano students by piano students without parents, relatives and friends?

Unheard of?

Not to Gloria Spivack who originated this idea for her piano students.

So that these youngsters, ranging in age from 7 to 15, can get to know and play for each other and have the experience of performing in an intimate audience, Gloria planned a Piano Ensemble Musicale last Sunday afternoon at her East Greenwich studio.

What's unusual is the "strictly for duets only" program... with one exception of a student who performed a medley of Roumanian, English and American folk tunes.

Gloria worked along with her students by playing a secondo (lower register) to their primo (upper register).

The duets are performed either with two persons playing one piano or two on two pianos.

Gloria's students come prepared for this Musicale with researched knowledge of the composer and his work. They present an oral report before their turn at the piano.

"I try to encourage young people to have an interest in music and to attend concerts," said the enthusiastic teacher of piano.

"Last year I invited an assistant professor from the University of Rhode Island to present a lecture demonstration of the harpsichord.

"He played Bach and explained how modern piano evolved from the harpsichord. My students tried out the instrument with the Bach pieces they knew."

The Sunday afternoon Musicale ended with a social hour for students to mingle and compare "notes."

"Now," as Gloria said, "my students feel more prepared to play for their June recital held at the Mansion House."

Gloria Spivack's music career has quite a list of credits.

She is a graduate of Boston University College of Fine Arts, is an adjunct professor of piano at Rhode Island Community College of Rhode Island in Warwick, and is certification chairman for the Rhode Island Music Teachers Association.

Gloria is a former president of the Schubert Club and at present, the treasurer. She is a member of the Rhode Island Music Educators Association and

has taught for many years in East Greenwich, North Providence and Cranston.

Her students have competed in state ratings and festivals. They have won high honors and excellence in performance.

Gloria and husband Herbert are East Greenwich residents and have two children.

Daughter Elaine and her husband Daniel, an executive at General Mills, moved to Minneapolis from Chicago last summer.

A former speech pathologist, Elaine is now an insurance trainee with Prudential and teaches Sunday and Hebrew School.

She is a contributing writer for the Minneapolis Jewish Times featuring interviews and articles such as Jewish holiday cooking.

The Spivacks' son Robert is a computer engineer in Santa Clara, California.

Bowled Over

When Betsy Ellman bemoaned the fact that husband Sheldon never took her bowling on Saturday night, the genie in him surfaced for Betsy's 40th birthday.

The plot went this way.

The Ellmans made previous arrangements to go out to dinner with another couple who supposedly was competing in a bowling tournament.

Betsy and Sheldon were requested to go

inside the bowling alley where they could see the trophy presentation.

Instead, surprised Betsy found 40 friends bursting with felicitations and platters of cold cuts and drinks to be served.

Not only did Betsy get her wish to bowl, but she had a choice of 8 alleys to strike or spare.

Incidentally, Betsy is no novice in fooling Sheldon.

For his 40th birthday a year ago, Betsy arranged for all their friends to meet at the Marvel Gym parking lot at Brown and board a bus to a Red Sox game in Boston.

The Ellmans, who live in Warwick, have two sons — Scott, 18, and Mitchell, 14.

If there is a milestone event, theme party, special event you would like AROUND TOWN to feature, please write to me in care of the HERALD, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, Rhode Island 02940 or call 274-0946.

Cranston Hadassah Celebrates Chanukah

Cranston Chapter of Hadassah will hold a Chanukah party on Monday, Dec. 21 at 1 p.m. at the Villa Del Rio Social Hall, Warwick.

Mrs. Charlotte Marcus, nutritionist, dance and exercise teacher, will present a program emphasizing the importance of nutrition and exercise for good health.



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Mishkon Tfiloh Announces Chanukah Dinner Dec. 20

Dorothy Berry, chairman of the 20th Anniversary-Installation of Officers and Chanukah Dinner at Mishkon Tfiloh, has announced the appointment of the following participants of the dinner to be held Sunday, Dec. 20 at the social hall of the synagogue on Summit Ave., Providence.

Installing officer will be Rabbi Philip Kaplan, whose address is entitled "Gloves in Hand." Candlelighting will be conducted by Gary Bernstein.

Berkat Hamazon will be led by Edward C. Spencer. Master of Ceremonies is Dorothy Berry.

Jeannette E. Resnick will present "Honoring the Founders."

Reservations will be handled by Rachel Rotkopf and Esther Kaplan.

PHDS Teachers Attend Conference

Sharon Rallis, coordinator of General Studies at Providence Hebrew Day School, has announced that three of the school's teachers; Denise Kavanagh, Rosemary Kelley and Susan Lena recently attended a special conference on learning to use history and nature to interpret the Rhode Island environment.

The conference, sponsored by the Rhode Island Environmental Education Association was entitled "Searching for a More Complete Picture Using History and Nature." Topics included were identifying trees through leaves, studying coastal ponds, and examining the life of a colonial child.



OUR YOUNGER SET: Jonathan Lee Levin, son of Dr. and Mrs. Robert E. Levin of Farmington, Ct., turned 2 years old on Oct. 11, 1981. He is the grandson of Mrs. Kalman Gastfreund of Providence and the late Kalman Gastfreund and Mr. and Mrs. J. Buddy Levin of Providence. He is the great-grandson of Philip Paige of Providence and the late Elizabeth Paige.

Rabbi Calls For Reduction In Chanukah Gifts

Rabbi Sholom Strajcher, Dean of Providence Hebrew Day School, has introduced a special project in the school which he hopes will gain momentum with the Jewish community of Rhode Island.

The project called, "Light a Candle for Your Fellowman" is an appeal to parents to reduce the number of Chanukah gifts that are normally distributed at this time of year. In its place, the Rabbi is hopeful that the parents will consider making contributions to relief programs such as the American Association for Ethiopian Jews that have been established to rescue the Ethiopian Jewish community from persecution and destruction.

Rabbi Strajcher also suggested that parents and children set aside additional funds to be contributed to various charities and to the State of Israel through the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

Cutler Appointed Principal At Schechter

The Board of Directors of the Solomon Schechter Day School of Rhode Island is pleased to announce the appointment of Ada Beth Cutler as Principal. Mrs. Cutler served as Assistant Director of the school prior to this appointment. Rabbi Alvan Kaufman continues to serve as Director.

Mrs. Cutler has been involved in elementary and Jewish education for 11 years. She is a graduate of the Prozdor Department of the Jewish Theological Seminary and spent one year as a visiting student at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. Mrs. Cutler is a graduate of Barnard College. She pursued her graduate studies in education at the City College of New York.

Mrs. Cutler has been a teacher in the New York City school system, as well as in a Minneapolis day school. In New York, she was a demonstration teacher for special reading and math programs. She has served as a teacher trainer as well.

As the first Kindergarten teacher at the Solomon Schechter Day School, she designed the curriculum for the Kindergarten, as well as the first, second, and third grade General Studies Curriculum.

Writers Guild Elects Schwartz

Carolyn J. Schwartz of Pawtucket, local poet, was elected publicity chairman of the Blackstone Valley Writers Guild at the annual election on Dec. 13. Other officers were Jim Foster, pres.; Louis Hatch, vice-pres.; and Mary Blaty, treasurer.

Guest writers are always welcome at meetings, which include workshops and friendship. The next meeting will be in the new headquarters at the Pawtucket library on Jan. 31. Copies of "The Sampler," including members' works will be available at that time.



Parents Plights And Rights

by Dr. Steve Imber

Dear Dr. Imber:

My son is a fourth grade student in a public elementary school. We have been concerned about his learning problems for some time. Teachers at the school have tried to individualize instruction for him especially in reading, but his progress has been very slow. We recently referred him for an independent evaluation. The evaluator has told us that our son is presently reading at a first grade level and has serious writing problems based upon her initial findings. Now what?

Very Discouraged

Dear Discouraged:

I sympathize with your plight. Although the evaluator has not completed her assessment, you have also informed me that your son appears to have normal intelligence and is performing at grade level in mathematics according to teacher comments and evaluation data obtained so far.

Certainly one very reasonable question is why hasn't the child ever been referred for a special education evaluation by one of his teachers. He appears to be functioning three years below grade level in reading and is having noticeable difficulties completing all written assignments.

Although you've decided to have an independent evaluation you might want to make a written request for a referral for special education services to your local Supervisor of Special Education. Explain in your referral that you are now having an independent special education evaluation done which includes the psychological and educational testing, but that you would like to set up a meeting to review the results as soon as the testing is completed. Since you initiated the evaluation you are responsible for payment; however, the public school's staff is required to consider the results in any decision regarding your son's educational program (Education for Handicapped Children: Regulations of Rhode Island Board of Regents for Education, amended June, 1980).

You may wish to have the person completing the independent evaluation attend your meeting to insure that her results are clearly understood.

Dear Dr. Imber:

I am a first year resource teacher responsible for over 28 children. Some of my students only receive one half hour of my time per week. I'm also supposed to consult with regular classroom teachers, and there is just no time in my schedule to do this. Isn't there some provision of the regulations for handicapped children for maximum caseloads for resource teachers?

Overwhelmed

Dear Overwhelmed:

The present regulations for Handicapped Children do have caseload specifications pertaining to administrators of special education, school psychologists, social workers, special education self-contained classroom teachers, speech pathologists and physical and occupational therapists. Unfortunately, there are no such requirements for resource teachers.

While it may not be especially comforting to us, our plight is shared by many other resource teachers around the nation.

Resource teachers have a number of specific responsibilities including teacher consultation and in-service training, testing, behavioral analyses, development of specific educational and behavioral intervention programs, tutoring, and consultation with parents and other professionals.

Given present economic conditions your situation is not likely to improve except through alternative grouping and time management procedures. You might wish to assess the situation with your Supervisor of Special Education.

You might also wish to convey your concerns to the Board of Governors by writing them a letter.

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Temple Shalom Begins Festival Of Chanukah

The Congregation of Temple Shalom of Middletown will begin their celebration of the Festival of Chanukah with a special Shabbat service on Friday evening, Dec. 18 at 8 p.m. in the main sanctuary, Rabbi Marc S. Jagolinzer will chant the liturgy and preach the sermon entitled, "A Little Bit Goes A Long Way."

Also participating in the service will be the Temple choir, under the direction of Susan Woythaler, who will offer special Chanukah selections. The Oneg Shabbat following will be sponsored by Dr. and Mrs. Martin L. Cohen.

On Sunday evening, the Temple will celebrate the Festival of Lights with their annual Latke Party and Chanukah Dinner. Festivities begin at 4:30 p.m. with a cartoon show for the young people, followed by a festival candlelighting ceremony at 5 p.m., song fest and a delicious dinner provided by the temple's kitchen committee headed by Doris Fischer.

Entertainment will be provided by the Temple Shalom Players, who will present, "Twas the Night Before Chanukah." Concluding the evening will be raffles and the giving of gifts to the children.

Temple Beth-El Celebrates Chanukah

A family Chanukah service will be held at Temple Beth-El on Saturday, Dec. 19 at 9 a.m. Shabbat Vayeshev will be held Friday, Dec. 18 at 7:30 p.m.

Shabbat Chanukah Sidrah Miketz will take place Friday, Dec. 25 at 8:15 p.m. Rabbi William G. Braude will speak on "Hillel: Man for all Seasons."

Parents and children are invited to attend the outdoor Menorah Lighting Ceremony at the main entrance of the Temple on Dec. 20, at 6 p.m.

Appropriate blessings and Chanukah songs will be sung and a special Sisterhood treat will be distributed to the children. This outdoor ceremony will be held every evening during the week of Chanukah at 6 p.m., except Friday. Everyone is invited.

Chabad Lubavitch Celebrates Chanukah

The annual Chabad Chanukah celebration will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 23 at 7 p.m. at the Jewish Community Center.

This year, the Chanukah Celebration will honor both elementary and high-school-aged boys who have recently had their circumcision. A Pidyon HaBen (Redemption of the First Born) ceremony will also be performed. Russian immigrants who have recently arrived will be formally welcomed into the Providence Jewish community.

Highlighting the evening is a performance by Zechariah Freedman noted Jewish folksinger and composer.

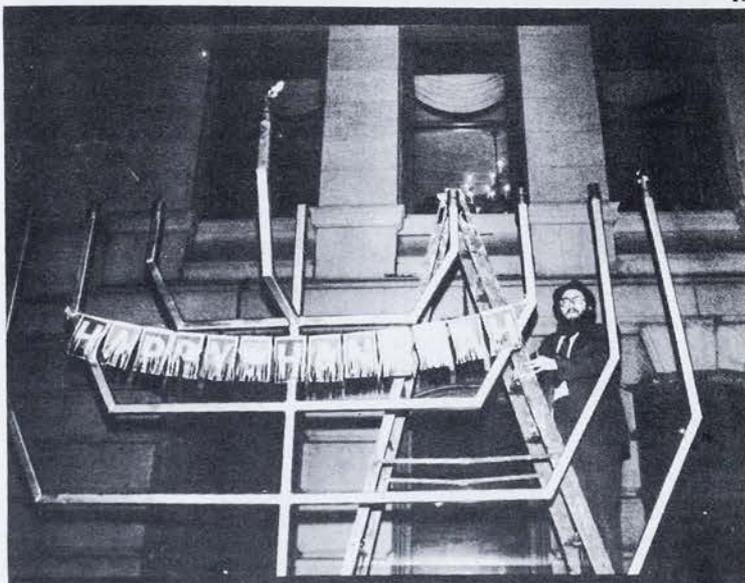
The Chabad Chanukah Celebration is open to the Rhode Island Jewish community. Anyone wishing more information should contact Chabad at 273-7238.

To help give all Jews the opportunity to participate in the holiday of Chanukah, Chabad Lubavitch of Southeastern New England has once again published its special Chanukah brochure. It lists the Providence candlelighting times and blessings, and gives a short message from the Lubavitcher Rebbe Shlita, Rabbi Menachem Mendel Schneerson.

Chabad also has a limited number of menorahs available to any family or individual who needs one. Both the menorahs and the free brochure can be obtained from Chabad, 48 Savoy St., in Providence, 273-7238.

In addition, Chabad is planning several unique Chanukah activities. A twelve-foot menorah will be erected with G-d's help at the Ohave Shalom Synagogue, East Ave., Pawt. And every night during the holiday (December 20th through the 28th), a public candlelighting ceremony will take place at 4:30 p.m. The candlelighting ceremony will feature prominent Jewish and community leaders. The entire Jewish community is invited to see and enjoy the largest menorah in Rhode Island. On a national level, Chabad has sponsored these extra-large menorahs in every major city in America, including New York, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C.

Chanukah Services And Celebrations



RABBI YEHOShUA LAUFER, director of Chabad Lubavitch lighting the largest Menorah in New England. This year the Menorah will be placed at the Ohave Shalom Synagogue at East Avenue in Pawtucket. Ceremonies will be led by Rabbi Y. Dubovick, Elliot Brown and Carl Passman every evening at 4:45 p.m. The community is invited to attend.

Touro Association Holds Chanukah Party

Touro Fraternal Association will hold its 4th annual Chanukah party on Dec. 20 at 1:30 at the Auburn American Legion Hall, Legion Way, Cranston.

The event will feature a demonstration of Karate and Self Defense by Tai-Kwon Do Center and a demonstration from the Providence Police K-9 Corps.

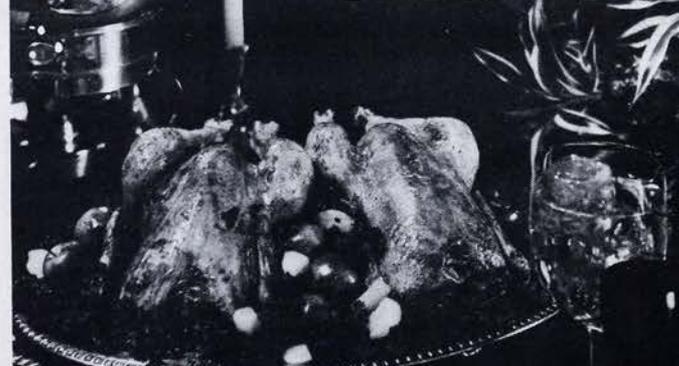
Coffee and donuts will be served and gifts will be provided for all the children.

Sons Of Jacob Holds Chanukah Services

Congregation Sons of Jacob, 24 Douglas Ave., Providence, will hold Chanukah services at 6:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. for afternoon services throughout the entire Chanukah holiday beginning Monday, Dec. 21. All services will be conducted by Rabbi Morris Drazin.

A Chanukah party will be held Sunday, Dec. 27 following the morning service.

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Money Sense:

The Pension Fund Phenomenon: It's Impact And Implications

By Bill Waters,
Director of Marketing Services
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Because of their participation in pension and profit-sharing plans, many individuals have a big stake in the stock and bond markets even though they have never invested on their own. The American Council of Life Insurance reports some 49 million workers are now enrolled in private or public-sector retirement plans.

Estimates put total pension-fund capital between \$600 billion and \$650 billion, and assets are increasing at a rate of 12 percent to 15 percent a year. Pension funds, in fact, are the largest and fastest growing source of wealth in this country. They already own some 20 percent to 25 percent of the equity in American companies and about 40 percent of all outstanding bonds.

Because of their tremendous presence in the securities markets, pension funds have become a growing source of concern. Among the questions being debated: Who really controls pension fund assets? How should they be invested? Will fund assets be sufficient to pay workers their promised benefits in retirement? There are no easy answers to any of these questions.

Fund assets represent deferred earnings of employees held in a qualified trust until required to meet their benefit payments. Pension assets, then, belong to the employees who worked to generate them, and in this sense workers through their pension funds may be considered the emerging ownership class.

Although employees own their pension assets responsibility for fund management lies with the corporation, which may also act as a fiduciary for the fund account. Periodic review and careful assessment of the portfolio's investment record are required to evaluate the corporate managers performance. Hence while ownership clearly rests with the employees the corporation is responsible to see that the pension assets are managed in the best interests of the employees.

Traditionally, fund assets have been invested — according to general standards of prudence — in conservative vehicles, such as high-quality bonds and stocks. The aim of fund managers has always been to seek maximum returns with minimum risks to insure that money would be available to pay retirement income to beneficiaries.

In recent years, however, inflation has eroded the real value of pension assets, and fund managers have been hard pressed to find conservative investments that offer returns large enough to offset purchasing power losses. So, where permitted, they have begun to venture into investments that might offer a better chance of beating inflation, such as emerging growth companies, and real estate limited partnerships.

At the same time fund managers are diversifying, some members of the financial community and the political arena have begun to argue that pension fund assets represent so much wealth that they should be channeled into investments that are obviously good for the economy as a whole, for regional economies or for the workers who are their beneficiaries — or into all three areas. These advocates see the funds as the pool of capital that will finance the revitalization and reindustrialization of America.

Whether this emphasis on the public benefit or the social responsibility aspects

of pension investment programs will gain momentum remains to be seen. However, some states and cities are exploring or experimenting with investment programs that would funnel some public pension fund dollars into home mortgages and companies with plants and offices within their borders.

With inflation continuing to have an impact on investment returns, there is some concern that assets in certain pension plans may not be adequate to meet their promised benefits. However any shortfalls would have to be met by increased taxes in the case of the public-sector pension funds or by infusions of corporate cash in the case of private-sector funds. Employees in private plans are further protected by the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), which set up a government agency to ensure that employees would receive promised benefits even if a company goes bankrupt or terminates its plan.

Of greater concern to many pension specialists is that many employees are never vested in pension plans nor qualify for benefits because they change jobs too frequently. And even those employees who do receive payments often find the income is far from adequate because most benefits are not adjusted for rising consumer prices. If inflation averages just 5 percent a year, for example, the value of a fixed pension drops by 23 percent at the end of five years. With a 10 percent annual inflation rate, the value plunges 39 percent during that time.

Of course, if inflation really abates, the problems facing pension funds and retirees will lessen considerably. In the meantime individuals can do a lot more to prepare for retirement on their own, thanks to the recently passed Economic Tax Recovery Act of 1981.

The 1981 law makes it possible for almost all employees, even those covered by company or government-sponsored retirement plans, to set aside tax-free dollars for retirement in Individual Retirement Accounts starting next year. You will be able to contribute \$2,000 annually or 100 percent of compensation, whichever is less, to an IRA. Such contributions will be tax-deductible, and all interest, dividends and gains realized in the account also accumulate tax free. However, any withdrawals from an IRA account will be included in your taxable income when made. (Presumably at retirement when your tax bracket should be lower). Furthermore if you withdraw any money before you reach the age of 59½ you will be charged a penalty tax of 10 percent in addition to regular income taxes on the amount withdrawn.

Under the old law, only an employee having no retirement plans could establish an IRA, and the maximum contribution was limited to the lesser of \$1,500 or 15 percent of compensation.

The growth of pension funds will continue for years to come, making questions concerning their ownership and control increasingly pertinent. The importance of pension funds as a supplement to Social Security and individual savings requires that people with a stake in such funds be aware of how they are being managed and invested.

Successful Investing

IRA's Gaining Acceptance

by David R. Sargent



Q — My husband and I own a small business and would like to start a pension plan of some kind. We have gone to several banks to find out about IRA and Keogh plans, but so far no one has been able to explain these plans satisfactorily. Everything I read confuses me. Can you tell me, which plan would be better, and how much can be contributed each year? Are they generally a good idea, or is there something better? — T.W., Florida.

A — Keogh plans came first and were created for the self-employed. They require that if contributions are made for any one employee, they must be made for all employees. Effective 1982, you may contribute 7.5 percent of your net income, up to \$15,000 per year, to a Keogh IRA plan, on the other hand, are for individuals, or individuals and their spouses. IRA rules have been broadened so that most people are eligible — anyone with earned income, regardless of participation in other employer-sponsored pension plans. Effective January 1, 1982, the limit on contributions has been raised to 100 percent of earnings up to \$2,000 per year, or \$2,250 if the account also covers a non-working spouse. Contributions may be deducted from taxable income, and earnings on the accounts are allowed to compound tax free, as long as your total contributions do not exceed the legal maximums. Nor do contributions have to be made every year to preserve Keogh and IRA tax advantages.

The rule changes have focused more attention on IRA's. Banks, brokerage firms, and mutual funds are more interested in signing up new IRA accounts — you must appoint one of these institutions as custo-

dian — and are better prepared to educate the public about IRA rules now. So I would advise you to make the rounds again, looking for an acceptable custodian, and include brokerage firms and mutual funds in your search.

Of course, your final decision will depend on what type of investments you want. An IRA account with a bank or thrift institution may be invested in 6-10 year savings certificates, for safety of principal and high yield. But early withdrawal penalties are apt to be stiff. Self-directed brokerage IRA's make good sense if you have the time and inclination to manage your own portfolio. Stock trading decisions are made easier by the absence of tax considerations.

Mutual fund IRA's are proving very popular. They achieve adequate diversification with a small account, and all investment decisions are made for you. If you go with a mutual fund "family" or group — preferably no-load — you can switch from one fund to another within the group without following IRA rollover procedures. But none of these choices is irreversible; you are allowed to "roll over" your account once a year without being taxed. You have until April 15 to contribute for 1981. Act now to take advantage of this opportunity for tax-deferred retirement savings.

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Your Money's Worth

Having Enough Liability Insurance For Property Damage

by Sylvia Porter

Point One: The price of a typical new car has risen to more than \$10,500, and of many cars, to a much higher total.

Point Two: Almost half of all motorists in the United States today carry \$10,000 or less in liability insurance for property damage.

Point Three: The threat to your family's financial security implicit in the above two facts is dreadful to contemplate — and yet, it could be eliminated by an extra cost of only \$7 to \$10 a year.

Millions of you who drive cars regularly are running the risk of losing your entire savings (and more, going way into debt) if you happen to be found at fault in an accident that destroys one of the \$15,000 or \$20,000 vehicles on our highways today. Because of sensational damage awards made by juries, the need for higher limits of bodily injury liability insurance has been well publicized in recent years. But the risk posed by steadily climbing automobile prices and inadequate property damage insurance has gone almost unnoticed.

The dollar amounts involved have not made headlines as have the spectacular damage awards in personal injury cases. But, as a State Farm Mutual spokesman put it, "In reality, many families' assets can be wiped out just as completely by a \$20,000 judgment for vehicle damage as by a \$100,000 judgment for personal injury."

For many years, most motorists carried \$5,000 of coverage for property damage liability and this amount appeared fairly adequate when a fully equipped new car could be bought for \$2,500.

But it's clearly inadequate today, when even the smallest stripped-down models cost more than \$5,000.

Almost 2 percent of its customers still carry only \$5,000 of property damage coverage, reports State Farm. Another 42 percent carry \$10,000 — still less than the average price of a new car.

There has been a gradual shift toward higher limits of property damage coverage during the past decade. As recently as 1973, this insurer says, 80 percent of its customers carried \$10,000 or less. Now, those with \$25,000 have grown from 11 percent to 39 percent, while those with \$50,000 of coverage have jumped from 2 percent to 12 percent.

If you carry \$10,000 in property damage liability insurance and you have the bad luck to "total" someone's \$15,000 car, what can happen?

Usually, the owner of the car will have collision coverage. His insurance company will pay him the \$15,000 — minus the deductible — and will then seek reimbursement from your insurance company under your property damage liability coverage.

Since you have only \$10,000 of coverage, his insurance company can turn to you for the other \$5,000. It could go to court and try to take the \$5,000 from your savings, your equity in your home, or even your wages. (It has been done.)

How much property damage liability coverage do you need to protect your financial security?

Most experts recommend \$25,000 as the bare minimum, with \$50,000 as a safer amount. And the extra cost of raising your coverage to an adequate level is small.

To increase an adult suburban Chicago driver's coverage from \$10,000 to \$25,000, says State farm, would cost less than \$4 a year. To go from that to \$50,000 would add about \$3 more per year.

When you consider how much you stand to lose with inadequate property damage insurance, it seems foolish not to spend another \$7 a year for adequate coverage!

Which leads to the grim — but essential — warning that Christmas is a peak season for home burglaries. Your coverage for your precious possessions in your home may now be as inadequate as your coverage for your car in accidents to other cars. Give yourself a present. Get all your insurance up to date — and feel secure.

Robert Wells Receives Hodson Scholarship

Robert Wells, son of Mr. Edwin Wells of Scott Street in Pawtucket, is the recipient of a 1981-82 Beneficial-Hodson Scholarship at The Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Maryland.

Robert is a 1978 graduate of Pawtucket West Senior High School, where he was Salutatorian of his class, as well as a National Merit Scholarship Finalist. Robert was a member of the Rhode Island Honor Society and was active with the yearbook and newspaper at Pawtucket West. In addition, he played for three years on the school's varsity tennis team.

Currently a senior at Johns Hopkins, Robert is majoring in political science. He is a Dean's List student, and has been a member of the Political Science Honor Society, the Blue Key society, and treasurer of Pi Lambda Phi fraternity.

Lax Qualifies For Million Dollar Round Table

Marvin William Lax, an 11-year agent with the Penn Mutual Life Insurance Company in Warwick, has qualified for membership in the prestigious Million Dollar Round Table (MDRT). Only three percent of the world's life insurance agents qualify for MDRT each year through high-level client service and production.

Lax entered the life insurance sales field after graduating with a BS in Business Administration.

Lax is a recognized professional insurance broker dealing with personal estate planning and business insurance. He is originally from New Jersey and came to Rhode Island to attend college. Lax, his wife Rhonda, and their son Ryan, reside at 84 Blaisdale Avenue in Pawtucket, RI.



MARY CLARE DOYLE LECTURE: Special attendees and speakers at The Miriam Hospital's sixth annual Mary Clare Doyle Lecture were (From Left) Jeanette Matrone, R.N., nurse-in-chief, The Miriam; Mary Clare Doyle; Elaine Osborne, R.N., associate nurse-in-chief, The Miriam; Marion Spencer, R.N., M.S., chairperson of the Gerontology Nursing Program, Boston University; and Lorraine Beal, R.N., M.S., Gerontology Clinical Specialist, The Miriam. Sponsored by The Miriam's Nursing Service Department, the lecture series was instituted to honor Mary Clare Doyle, R.N., who held the positions of associate and assistant director of Nursing Services from 1968 to 1974.

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CHANUKAH CALENDAR 5742/1981

	<p>1. Sunday, December 20, 1981 At nightfall, from about 5:00 p.m. and on, place one candle in the extreme right holder of the Menorah. Light the Shamash-Servant candle (the candle shown on the far left of the illustration), then recite blessings I, II and III and with the Shamash kindle the Chanukah candle. Then place the Shamash in its appropriate holder.</p>
	<p>2. Monday, December 21, 1981 At nightfall, from about 5:00 p.m. and on, place 2 candles in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 2 candles, from left to right.</p>
	<p>3. Tuesday, December 22, 1981 At nightfall, from about 5:00 p.m. and on, place 3 candles in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 3 candles, from left to right.</p>
	<p>4. Wednesday, December 23, 1981 At nightfall, from about 5:00 p.m. and on, place 4 candles in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 4 candles, from left to right.</p>
	<p>5. Thursday, December 24, 1981 At nightfall, from about 5:00 p.m. and on, place 5 candles in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 5 candles, from left to right.</p>
	<p>6. Friday, December 25, 1981 Place 6 candles (large enough to burn until at least 5:20 p.m. in Providence) in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 6 candles, from left to right. Then the women and girls should kindle the Shamash candles, reciting the appropriate Shabbat blessing. All the above should take place before 4:02 p.m. (Eastern Standard Time, in Providence. For the proper time in other cities, consult a Rabbi.)</p>
	<p>7. Saturday, December 26, 1981 After the Shabbat ends at 5:05 p.m., recite the Hallel (separation between Shabbat and weekday) prayer. Then place 7 candles in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 7 candles, from left to right.</p>
	<p>8. Sunday, December 27, 1981 At nightfall, from about 5:05 p.m. and on, place 8 candles in the Menorah, at the right. Recite blessings I and II and kindle the 8 candles, from left to right.</p>

SOME LAWS OF CHANUKAH

- Chanukah lights should be kindled each of the eight nights of Chanukah, at nightfall (except Friday and Saturday... see the "Chanukah Calendar" for the exact time).
- For the order and number of lights to be kindled each night, see the accompanying "Chanukah Calendar".
- Before kindling the lights, the appropriate blessings should be recited. (See below)
- After the lights are kindled, we recite or sing the prayer "Haneiros Hailalu" — הנרות הללו. It is also customary to sing other Chanukah songs.
- The Chanukah lights should remain lit for at least a half hour into the night, i.e. after 3 stars appear in the sky. Therefore, before kindling the lights, one should be sure that the candles are large enough to do so, or—if oil is used—that there is sufficient oil to do so.
- No use should be made of the light shed by the Chanukah lights, such as reading or working by their light.
- Women who live in a dormitory or in their own apartment, and are not visiting another household that evening, should kindle their own Chanukah lights.
- The Chanukah Menorah should not be touched or moved from the moment of kindling on Friday afternoon (December 25) until the moment when it is permissible to kindle the lights on Saturday night (December 26).

To be on the safe side, so as not to desecrate the Shabbat, it is advisable to kindle the Chanukah lights a few minutes earlier on Friday afternoon (see #6 on Chanukah Calendar) and a few minutes later on Saturday night (see #7 on Chanukah Calendar). If one failed to kindle the lights on the 1st evening of Chanukah, then blessing III should be recited when the lights are kindled for the first time.

If on Friday night the candles go out before they burn down completely, **DO NOT REKINDLE** them. Rekindling them on Shabbos would desecrate the Shabbos.

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Before kindling the lights, the following blessings are recited:

- ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד. אלקינו סלו העולם אשר קדשנו במצוותיו וציוונו להקטין את הנרות.
- Boruch atoh Ado-noi Elo-heinu melech ho-olom asher kideshenu b'mitzvotav v'tzivonnu l'hadlik ner Chanukah.
Blessed are You, O Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has sanctified us with His commandments, and commanded us to kindle the Chanukah light.
 - ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד. אלקינו סלו העולם אשר קדשנו במצוותיו וציוונו להקטין את הנרות.
 - Boruch atoh Ado-noi Elo-heinu melech ho-olom shechos nussim la-avoseinu bayomim hoheim bizman hazeh.
Blessed are You, O Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who performed miracles for our fathers in those days, at this time.
- The following blessing is said only on the first evening (for the first time one kindles the lights this Chanukah):
- ברוך אתה יהוה אלהינו יהוה אחד. אלקינו סלו העולם אשר קדשנו במצוותיו וציוונו להקטין את הנרות.
- Boruch atoh Ado-noi Elo-heinu melech ho-olom shehecheyanu v'kiyomenu v'hiyiyonnu lizman hazeh.
Blessed are You, O Lord our G-d, King of the universe, who has granted us life, sustained us, and enabled us to reach this occasion.
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Recipes For Chanukah

The next time you want to add an elegant touch to home entertaining, whatever the time of day, coffee can help create something special.

Candlelight Coffee

1 tablespoon Maxim 100% freeze-dried coffee or Brim freeze-dried decaffeinated coffee

1/2 cup cold water
1 cup finely shaved or crushed ice
1/2 cup creme de cacao liqueur
Or use Maxwell House coffee.

Dissolve coffee in water; pour into cocktail shaker with ice. Add liqueur and shake vigorously. Pour over additional crushed ice in cocktail glasses and serve with short straws. Makes about 2 cups or 4 servings.

Dreidl

6 tablespoons instant Maxwell House, Yuban or Sanka brand 97% caffeine free coffee

2 tablespoons wine
2/3 cup sugar
3 quarts cold milk
Prepared whipped topping

Or use 1/3 cup Maxim 100% freeze-dried or Sanka brand freeze-dried 97% caffeine free coffee.

Combine coffee and wine in bowl or in electric blender container. Beat with hand beater or 30 seconds at high speed of electric blender until coffee is dissolved. Add sugar and 3 cups of the milk and beat until blended. Pour into punch bowl; stir in remaining milk. Top with dollops of whipped topping and sprinkle with nutmeg, if desired. Serve in punch cups. Makes about 3 quarts or 25 servings.

Hanukkah Peach Frappe

3 tablespoons instant Maxwell House, Yuban or Sanka brand 97% caffeine free coffee

1 1/2 cups cold water
1/2 cup bourbon

1 can (16 oz.) sliced peaches, chilled

1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
1 pint vanilla ice cream
Crushed ice

Or use 1 package (10 oz.) Birds Eye quick thaw peaches, thawed; makes about 4 cups.

Or use 2 cups cold water and 1 tablespoon imitation rum flavor.

Dissolve instant coffee in cold water in a medium bowl; stir in bourbon and set aside. Reserve 5 small peach slices for garnish, if desired. Combine remaining peaches with syrup, the nutmeg and about 1 1/2 cups of the ice cream in blender container. Blend at high speed until smooth. Add to coffee mixture; blend well. Serve in tall glasses over crushed ice or pour into punch cups. Top each serving with a small scoop of the remaining ice cream. Garnish with reserved peach slices and mint sprigs, if desired. Makes about 5 cups or 5 large or 10 small servings.

Traditional Deliciousness Foolproof Kasha Formula

1 Cup Wolff's Kasha
1 egg, slightly beaten
2 cups boiling liquid (water, chicken, beef, or vegetable broth)
1 tsp. salt (use less if broth is highly seasoned)
1/4 tsp. pepper
2 tblsp. butter or margarine (optional)

In two-quart sauce or skillet, combine kasha, egg, and seasonings. Stir constantly over medium heat for about two minutes or until the egg is "set" and each grain is separate and dry. Add boiling liquid, cover pan tightly, and cook gently over low heat for 15 minutes or until kasha grains are tender. If desired, stir in butter or margarine. Makes about 3 cups.

The Story Behind Chanukah Gelt

In a new book released by Mesorah Publications, Ltd., publishers of the ArtScroll series, Rabbi Hersh Goldwurm, a noted scholar and writer, offers an unusual perspective on the reason behind the festival of Chanukah. According to Goldwurm the festival was declared twenty-five years before the Jewish military victory over Syria. What is more, Judah the Maccabee, leader and hero of the Jewish rebellion, laid down his arms and returned to his tiny Judean village of Modi'in while nearly all of Jerusalem and the entire countryside were still under the control of hostile forces.

The event that prompted the proclamation of the festival was the liberation of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem and its cleansing after three years of desecration by the occupation army of King Antiochus. It was then, in 165 BCE, that the famous jug of pure olive oil was discovered and the "Miracle of Lights" took place. Strange though it seems in the light of modern history's wars of liberation, the Maccabees were content to remain a vassal state of Syria as long as they could be free to resume their Temple services and be free to practice their religion. Only the greed and arrogance of Antiochus' successors kept the Jewish rebellion alive, because Syria launched new military campaigns to subjugate the weak Jewish province and loot its inhabitants. Judah and three of his brothers were killed fighting these encroachments until finally, in 140 BCE, Simeon, the last survivor of the "glorious brothers" was proclaimed Prince of the Jews, and Israel embarked on a lengthy era of peace. As Goldwurm depicts it, Chanukah primarily celebrates freedom of religion, not military prowess.

Goldwurm's historical thesis is part of "Chanukah — its History, Observance, and Significance," a three-part book that studies Chanukah from the orthodox vantage point, but which is thought-provoking

and informative apart from its religious orientation. The book begins with a philosophic exposition on the religious symbolism and significance of Chanukah. Then comes Goldwurm's history, which he follows up with two of the most famous tales in Talmudic literature, that of Hannah and her seven sons, and the story of the Jewess who seduced and slew an enemy general. The history is generously sprinkled with scholarly footnotes, but, happily, they do not interfere with the flow of a fast-moving tale of heroism, battle, and religious inspiration. The last section of the book presents the prayers, psalms, and songs of the candlelighting service, fully translated and with an extensive but readable commentary; the religious laws of Chanukah, and a lengthy and varied section of rabbinic insights.

The "insights" section is especially fascinating. It deals with such matters as: Why is Chanukah eight days instead of seven or nine? What is the origin of the names Maccabee and Hasmonean? What is the origin of the name "Chanukah" and where is it alluded to in the Torah? What is the origin of the beloved customs of distributing Chanukah "gelt" (money) and playing dreidel?

The philosophical introduction was written by Rabbi Nosson Scherman and the parts on the prayers and rabbinic insights by Rabbi Meir Zlotowitz. Scherman and Zlotowitz are general editors of the award-winning ArtScroll Series, of which "Chanukah" is part; the full series contains 45 titles thus far and releases 12-15 new titles each year.

Rabbi Hersh Goldwurm has been a professor of Talmud in several yeshivos and currently lectures on Jewish history. His earlier books, all part of the ArtScroll Series, are translations and commentaries on the "Book of Daniel" and the Mishnaic tractates Yoma, Pesachim, and Shekalim.

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The Festival Of Lights In Every Jewish Home



With the commencement of Chanukah on December 20, windows in Jewish homes throughout the world will be enhanced by the glow of Chanukah Menorahs.

Each year, on the 25th of Kislev on the Jewish calendar, the Menorah or Chanukah is brought out, polished and cleaned, and placed on the window sill for the neighborhood to see. As twilight approaches and the first stars appear, Jews around the world say blessings and light the first candle. Chanukah has then officially begun.

On each of the next seven nights, the number of candles lit is increased by one, kindled right to left, so that at the end of the holiday, eight candles, plus the Shammash, stand aflame. The Shammash is a "helper" candle which stands above the rest, either in the center or to one side of the Menorah —

and is used to kindle the flame of the other candles.

The lighting of the Menorah commemorates the rededication of the Temple in Jerusalem by Judah Maccabee and his followers, who, against overwhelming odds, fought to practice their religious beliefs. The Chanukah Menorah is the most important symbol of Chanukah. Originally, Hanukkiot were oil candlesticks of all shapes. Eventually, however, the familiar shape of eight branches plus a Shammash became popular.

Although the original Menorahs were kindled with oil and wicks, today's candles are the more familiar source of light. The lighting of the Chanukah Menorah, which is such a treat for children, will be even more of a treat when the candles are homemade.

The recipe for candles can be found on page 21.

Preparing For Chanukah



Pictured with Harriet Zarchen are (From left) Lauren Feldman, Sharon Imber and Matthew Guttin.

Chanukah is a time for celebrating and the children at Temple Sinai Nursery School in Cranston prepare for the holiday under the guidance, on this particular day, of Harriett Zarchen, Anna Browder and Jane Anthony.

Preparing for Chanukah is a joyous time at the nursery school with the making of potato latkes, dreidel and menorahs. The children sit attentively at tables carefully shaping the candles out of clay, painting, spinning the dreidels or cutting out stars of David.

Harriet's approach to teaching the students, whatever it be for Chanukah, other Jewish holidays or a typical day in the nursery school, is with "tender, loving care."

Harriet has few rules, but those she does impose are strictly adhered to by the children because they are safety rules.

Next year will be the 13th anniversary of the school and coincidentally it is the Bar Mitzvah year for the temple. The school has achieved much recognition in terms of the quality of education the children receive. The State Board of Education has placed Temple Sinai on its list of most preferred schools in this local area. Parents moving here from Arizona or New Jersey have enrolled their children in the program on the recommendation of the board.

"We're small enough to be able to



(From left) Debra Bojar and Andrew Rabin.



MAKING MENORAHS: (From left) Alan Rappoport, Mason Rabinowitz and Mark Sholes.



(From left) David Cardozz and Jami Segal.



(From left) Carrie Feldman, Andrew Rabin, Debra Bojar.

At Temple Sinai Nursery School

meet each child's needs," Harriet says. "Parents should not have to be put on a weekly list."

This is the first year of teaching at Temple Sinai for Anna who previously taught at the Jewish Community Center, Providence Hebrew Day School and the Brown Play School.

June is a 7-year veteran at the nursing school and joined the staff when her two children enrolled in the program.

Many of the children are Cranston residents, but Harriet says there are a number of parents who transport their children from the South County and outlying areas for classes.

Following the play time, the children gather around Harriet in a circle, sing the good morning song and share items they have brought to class. They each beam with pride as Harriet makes their contribution special and worthy in the eyes of the other children.

The group then sings with Harriet, "I have a little dreidel. I made it out of clay and when it's dry — dreidle I will play" and "twinkle twinkle Chanukah lights, shining brightly on eight nights."

"The children learn to share their holiday experiences. Everybody's aware that Chanukah is a special and happy holiday."



(From left) Correy Venliatuelo, Jennifer Lai and Jason Anderson.



Pictured with Anna Browder is Jasin Forman.

Historian Sheds New Light On History Of Chanukah

Have you ever thought about why we give and receive Chanukah gelt on Chanukah? There seems to be no mention of gift-giving in the story of the Maccabees. So how did this custom begin? A bit of historical sleuthing turns up some answers.

Chanukah has been celebrated for a very long time. The main part of the holiday has always been lighting candles for eight days. Traditionally, when the candles were burning, no work was done. This was a time when family and friends would gather together to celebrate the holiday and relax and enjoy each others' company. Often during this time the story of the Maccabees was told, and then both children and adults would play games. Children would act out the Chanukah story. The adults would sometimes play a complicated game of riddles. As you know, each Hebrew letter has a number value. This is what made the game so hard: the number value of the letters in the answer to the riddle often had to add up to 44. This is the same number of candles lit during the eight days of Chanukah.

During the Middle Ages in some communities, other games began to be played; among them, cards. At first, the rabbis were opposed to this because the Talmud does not approve of gambling. (In the Mid-

dle Ages, people gambled when they played cards.) The rabbis then decided, however, that on happy occasions and holidays, such as weddings, the New Moon, Purim, and Chanukah, card playing was permitted.

Then card playing became more and more popular. People even began making up their own games and decks of cards. One game involved using 31 picture cards of the Canaanite kings whom the Israelites fought against in Biblical times.

Soon another game became very popular, especially in Germany and Poland. This game was played often on Chanukah and it, too, included winning and losing. The game was called Dreydel — the same game we play today. The dreidel, of course, is the four-sided top, with a Hebrew letter on each side. The Gimmel means "take all." The Heh stands for "half." The Nun stands for "nothing" and the Shin means "put in." After the dreidel stops spinning, whatever letter is on top tells the player what to do. So if the Shin is on top, you put all your coins or chips in the pot; if you are lucky enough to get a Gimmel, you take all the coins in the pot.

Dreydel is the perfect game to play on Chanukah because the Nun, Gimmel, Heh and Shin start the words Nes Gadol Hayah Sham. This means, "A great miracle hap-

pened there." The story of Chanukah and the Maccabees is certainly filled with miracles.

For a long time, only adults played cards and dreidel. Finally, in the 1700's, children began to play. But they did not have any coins! It's certainly less fun if you cannot win or lose. To solve this problem, children were given coins or "gelt" so they could properly play dreidel. The children, of course, were delighted. From then on, they expected a small amount of coins on Hanukkah.

In the 1700's, when the children began receiving gelt, it also became a tradition to give teachers bonus gifts on Chanukah to show the dignity of the Torah and all its rewards. Presents were also given to the poor and to community workers. Brides and bridegrooms began exchanging presents. So Chanukah became a time for gift-giving.

We now have some idea of why we get gelt and presents during Hanukkah. The reasons are all happy ones, just like the holiday.

Gift Books For Chanukah 1981

The books listed below are suggested as Chanukah gifts. They cover a variety of subjects and interests and a broad range of prices. The list was prepared by the JWB Jewish Book Council.

ART BOOKS

A History of Jewish Costume by Alfred Ruben. (Humanities Press, \$68.75.) An authoritative text with excellent illustrations of Jewish costumes from around the world, from ancient to modern times.

Images from the Bible by Elie Wiesel and Shalom of Safed (Overlook Press, \$35.00.) A retelling of the Creation story with a selection of paintings by a famous Israeli artist.

Jerusalem, Song of Songs by Jill and Leon Uris. (Doubleday, \$39.95.) A history of the City of Gold, illustrated with beautiful color photos.

GENERAL INTEREST

The Complete American-Jewish Cookbook by Anne London and Bertha K. Bishov. (Lippincott-Crowell, \$14.95.) A comprehensive, understandable, and time-tested cookbook.

The Jewish Almanac by Richard Siegel and Carl Rheins. (Bantam Books, \$9.95.) A compendium of Jewish history, tradition, religion, wisdom, and achievements.

Leo Rosten's Treasury of Jewish Quotations by Leo Rosten. (McGraw-Hill, \$15.00.) A quote for every occasion, edited by the author of *The Joys of Yiddish*.

The New Standard Jewish Encyclopedia by Geoffrey Wiggoder and Itzhak Karpman. One of the best one-volume reference works for any home library.

A Treasury of Jewish Folklore by Nathan Ausubel. (Crown, \$9.95.) A classic collection of its type — stories, traditions, legends, humor, wisdom, and folksongs.

Voices of Wisdom by Francine Klagsbrun. (Pantheon, \$16.95.) A stimulating anthology of Jewish wisdom, both ancient and modern.

Voices Within the Ark edited by Howard Schwartz and Anthony Rudolf. (Avon paperback, \$14.95.) An international anthology of over 350 modern Jewish poets.

FOR YOUNGER READERS

Ages 4 to 8:

The Aleph-Bet Storybook by Deborah Pessin. (Jewish Publication Society, \$4.95.) A story about the creation of the letters of the Hebrew alphabet.

The Best of K'tonton by Sadie Rose Weilerstein. (Jewish Publication Society, \$9.95 hardcover, \$5.95 paperback.) A holiday collection of the stories beloved for generations of a Jewish Tom Thumb.

Ages 8 to 14

Hanukkah: Eight Nights, Eight Lights by Malka Druker. (Holiday House, \$8.95.) The history and significance of Hanukkah, plus games, recipes, and customs.

Picture Stories from the Bible by M.C. Gaines (Scarf Press, \$9.95.) The Bible in full-color comic strip form.

Pride of Our People by David Gross. (Doubleday, \$14.95.) The stories of 100 outstanding Jewish men and women. Illustrated.

Little Known Facts About Chanukah

Did you know that at West Point Military Academy, there is a picture of Judah the Maccabee in a display of Great War Heroes of History? Did you know that Chanukah always begins on the 25th day of the Hebrew month of Kislev because it was resolved that the Temple in Jerusalem be rededicated on the exact day it had been defiled by the Syrians some years before?

The Dial Chanukah Program also tells us a story about George Washington and the Chanukah candle. It was the winter of 1776 in Valley Forge. Simon, a lonely Jewish soldier, sat huddled in the icy cold. In spite of his hardship and hunger, he was grateful to have escaped the terrible persecutions in Poland. As he lit the candle on his small Chanukah menorah, Simon felt a hand on his shoulder. He looked up into the eyes of

General George Washington. "Tell me about the candlestick," the General said gently.

Simon poured out the story of Chanukah, of his prayers for freedom, and of his faith in Washington's victory. "You are a Jew, a son of the prophets," the General said, "if you predict we will win, we shall win."

Years later Simon met Washington again. President Washington said, "I've never forgotten that little Chanukah candle, and that your words brought renewed hope into my heart that fateful night."

If you'd like to hear more stories, facts and legends about Chanukah then Dial Chanukah, (212) 976-2929, from Dec. 20 through December 28. The charge is just one message unit when dialing from a 212, 516 or 914 area code.

"My experience has been that most Jewish parents take extra care to structure a child's choices to foster those values they feel are important."

by Linda A. Acciardo

From the moment a child is born he begins to learn about the world around him; he experiences for the first time the colors, shapes, sounds and movements in his environment. Fostering this development and encouraging a child to learn are the ultimate responsibilities of both parents and teachers.

"As an educator, what concerns me is that since children are constantly learning — what are we going to teach them? The child is going to pick up on whatever you surround him with in his environment," says Suzanne Dubuc, former teacher and principal and now owner of The Learning Tree, a retail store of educational materials for teachers and parents.

A child can be taught aggression, selfishness, hatred and deceit or with exposure to the positive elements in his world, he can be taught compassion, love, creativity and self-worth.

Each item in The Learning Tree is designed as a tool to aid in this process. It is the only store in the Rhode Island area, and possibly the New England region, that carries these special supplies.

"The idea for opening this type of store was so novel that we were unable to secure financing for the business." The problem — there was no category in which the Society for Retired Executives, which Suzanne approached for a loan, could label a learning store. Because of the population decline and student enrollment decreases in the public school systems, the counselors at the society were hesitant to take a risk on such a novel business venture. So, Suzanne and her husband decided to take a second mortgage out on their home.

The Learning Tree, now in business for two and one-half years, sells not only to parents and teachers, but to school systems, including The Providence Hebrew Day School, which mainly purchases supplies for its gifted children's program.

"My experience has been that most Jewish parents take extra care to structure a child's choices to foster those values they feel are important."

Suzanne's own philosophy of education, developed from 10 years as a teacher and later principal, is also a fairly structured one. "I allow the child to make choices but within the framework of my structure. As they mature you give them more choices. Suzanne will have the opportunity to test that theory with her own child due in about two weeks.

Her philosophy also is reflected in the types of items she will purchase for the store. "I feel strongly that I should not compromise values but instead structure an environment to reflect those things I feel are important. People come in and are happy with what they see. If we had items from 'Star Wars' every kid would want them. But you won't see fluffy things, guns or aggression-type toys in here."

What you will find are useful tools, games, puzzles, books, records, toys and the more technical materials and manuals for teacher instruction. For the one- to two-year-old, parents will find books that are indestructible and that teach basic vocabulary on subjects such as hearing, knowing, doing and seeing; books on how to get along with others and sharing. From age 2 to 4, a child begins to learn how to lace his shoes, zipper his clothes, match colors and numbers and differentiate between different textures — and Suzanne has purchased items that directly teach these basic functions. "It's fun but the child is learning at the same time."

By the time a child reaches the age of four, he begins to develop special orientation and object recognition skills. Puzzles have been designed to encourage the child to match the right shapes to the right colors — a prerequisite for reading ability.

A small child cannot center his hand movement and the toys that are geared toward developing fine motor and eye-hand



Barbara Barnes, manager of The Learning Tree and Suzanne Dubuc, owner.

The Learning Tree Toys That Teach

coordination are especially useful for parents of pre-school age children. "These skills have to be learned," Suzanne says. "If the child is not taught at home, by the time he gets into a structured environment he will need remedial help."

Suzanne picks up a plastic board with pegs, wheels and donut-shaped objects. "What kid could resist this — it's colorful and at the same time it helps him develop that coordination.

As the child progresses in age his concept of special orientation becomes more sophisticated. One game called, Mr. Mighty Mind, made in Israel, is designed to teach the child how to make shapes from a variety of colored wooden parts that are available. As the game continues, the task, geared toward the six-year-old, becomes more and more difficult.

Building kits to foster mechanical skills and chemistry sets to teach basic electricity are also on hand to instruct the older child.

The 'Item of The Year' according to Suzanne is 'Capsela.' With this mechanized construction kit, the child builds transparent plastic precision gears that are electrically powered and working model.

Of the puzzles that are sold at the store, the Victory Jig-Saw Puzzle is one which teaches the child not only geographic knowledge of the continent of North America, but also with graphic designs, shows what the principle industry is in that particular state or the agricultural factors which are indigenous to that region.

Although The Learning Tree does sell books, "we are not a bookstore," Suzanne says. "The books we sell help kids to feel more positive about themselves and are designed as values clarification tools."

Communication between parents and children is so important, Suzanne says, that she has maintained a stock of games that are specifically created to foster rapport within families. "They are geared toward developing good self-concepts and respect for others. As vehicles to help parents and kids communicate, the games are not based on competition." They range from role playing to fostering open emotional dialogue between parents and their children.

Items that foster creativity come in the form of kits that allow the child to use his or her imagination. 'Make A Plate' consists of all the equipment to design, for example, a dinner plate for the seder meal. The company which produced the kit, will take the child's design from a paper plate and inscribe it into a plastic replica that's even dishwasher safe.

The items in the store run the gamut of working looms, used by some customers, Suzanne says, who want to teach their children about the ancestry of their families working in the textile factories, to the 'Super Sandwich' which teaches a child

nutrition in an entertaining way.

Having problems in mathematics class? Take advantage of supplemental tools offered at The Learning Tree including the "Sum Stick" or a math scrabble game that teaches basic arithmetic, as well as how to balance equations.

Parents concerned with what their children should or should not watch on television, will find handy reference books that serve as guides to wise choices in TV

programming. Books on sex education can also help to guide the parent who is unsure of how to approach the subject, but would like sex education to be taught in the home.

With the wide variety of supplies available the task of choosing the right item for a child at a particular age can be confusing. However, Suzanne and each of the eight employees at The Learning Tree are all certified teachers from differing levels of education; elementary to junior high school years.

Suzanne herself received a Masters Degree from the University of Hawaii and holds, she jokingly says, an ABD (All But Dissertation).

As a resource center, The Learning Tree carries toys that are non-sexist, specific items for gifted children and remedial type of supplies. Because Suzanne orders on a small scale, she is unable to take advantage of the discounts for larger purchases. Ordering is done carefully and each item is scrutinized for quality and learning potential.

Her role is much different now than when she taught or held the position of principal at the Meadowbrook School. "It's definitely more fulfilling. When I was a principal, whenever someone walked through the door there was always a problem. No one had a smile on their face."

The teachers who are employed at The Learning Tree have found that their expertise seems to be more appreciated within the confines of the store rather than in the structured environment of the school. "It's just a matter of meeting on neutral ground. The teachers will say, 'It's a shame that in this store I'm more of an expert than at school.' Here, we're looked at as allies."

The problems that the public school systems are facing, in terms of budget cuts and constraints in spending, seem to be working to Suzanne's benefit. The crisis confidence of parents dissatisfied with public education have brought them into the shop for supplemental supplies to teach their children at home. Teachers, as well, will make personal purchases at the store because they are unable to secure the supplies through the normal channels when their requests are denied.

"We don't tend to get unenthusiastic or complacent people in here. They are more conscientious about their child's education."



Nira Vardeny:

Creative Movement Israeli Style

by Linda A. Acciaro

Seated at the piano in her apartment, the instructor asks her students to listen to the music, feel the vibrations and react to the melodic tunes.

The children watch their teacher attentively as she gently and in a soft-spoken voice, asks them to visualize that they are snowflakes falling to the ground. In unison, they begin to raise their arms and move slowly toward the floor, crumpling their bodies, and bringing their arms, legs, and torsos into their own imagined snowflake shapes.

The instructor is Nira Vardeny and the children are learning musical ideas through rhythmic movement classes. The concept involves connecting the rhythmic patterns of music with the child's imagination and body movement.

To celebrate Chanukah the children walk to the music and pretend their bodies are the candles. "The music starts very strong and the sounds become progressively softer as the children melt to the floor and change their shapes with the music.

"The holidays make it so nice. I ask them how we can dance the flame and they hold out their hands," Nira says as she cups her two hands together to imitate the children.

"It's entertaining for the children. It teaches them how to express themselves without having to feel pressured."

The ultimate purpose of the creative movement classes, beginning as early as age 3, is to develop the child's sense and appreciation of music. "They will know the difference between melodies and notes." The average child will study with Nira for seven years and then be prepared to begin classical music classes.

Nira herself, is an accomplished musician, having graduated from the College of Music, Dalcroze System for primary grades in Haifa, Israel, with a major in Rhythm music. She is also a graduate of the Dunie Wieszman Conservatory with a major in piano.

A member of Temple Emanu-El, Nira came from Israel with her husband Valy who is a professor of Physics in the Engineering Department at Brown University.

Besides teaching in her home, Nira holds classes at the Solomon Schechter Day School. She previously taught kindergarten movement classes at the Jewish Community Center. Both her son Gily, age 5, and daughter Orly, age 7, take classes from their mother.

Speaking of her children, Nira says smiling, "they all the time correct me with my English. 'You're English is funny go back to school and learn how to talk,' they tell me."

For a woman who came from Israel just three years ago, Nira speaks well. Only one word she had difficulty pronouncing and she quickly rushes to find an Israeli/English dictionary to clarify her point.

She even pours through the files of albums, mostly classical pieces, to find the word. Nira pulls out an album of a popular country western singer. "You know him?" she asks. It's none other than Kenny Rogers. Also among her collection of albums is Elvis Presley. "Yes, I like him very much." Her taste in music ranges from classical to pop and country to jazz.

Nira does not feel that children are born musically inclined and not one of her students has had any difficulty in the classes, which progress from simple visual associations with music to the more advanced learning of notes. "They start to understand about the notes. But, it's not dry, it's exciting."

In order to achieve the goals of increasing the student's ability to control his/her body and to achieve harmonic movements, it is necessary for the students to learn to balance both movement and rest, tension and relaxation, instinctive reaction and concentration. The children bring new ideas and interpretations of the music and the child's reaction is used as a means of activating his imagination. "We draw upon the children's own experiences in creating the lesson." The experiences range from everyday life, to holidays and different seasons.

The reason the children come to class with enthusiasm is primarily because of their instructor. When she teaches, she pours her whole heart and soul into giving



Nira Vardeny instructs her students in a soft-spoken and gentle manner.

the children undivided attention. They respond. They react. They obey without question. At age three, four or five, despite the rambunctious nature and the lack of attention span of many children, they don't seem to be a problem for Nira. The smiles on the faces, and the healthy and positive reactions are proof of her success as a teacher.

"Sometimes I will confuse them when I play on the piano. I put out all the cards and they must choose which note is being played."

Movement classes in Israel are so important, Nira says, that if a school does not have the course as part of its curriculum it is not considered a good educational system. "Just as gym is very important here, movement classes are important in Israel.

Adults in Israel are also taught rhythm music. "We cannot make the same lesson as we do for the children." The concepts are more sophisticated and geared toward adult understanding.

"We draw upon the children's own experiences in creating the lesson."

On the more elementary level, the children are learning to associate sounds and notes with different animals. Nira jumps up from her seat on the couch and begins to play — strongly, with quick and vibrant sounds. "A lion?" She looks at this interviewer kindly. "Well, the children would say a bear. Doesn't it sound like a bear?" The interviewer concedes — the children have more of a handle on interpreting Nira's music scores into visual images.

"It's drama with music," Nira explains. She tells the children a story about a man who keeps a garden. They are asked to visualize the garden and the animals who might arise on the scene. "What animal comes first?" Horses accompany the galloping music — rabbits and squirrels appear on the scene as she picks up the pace of the beat. "It's entertaining for the children. It teaches them how to express themselves without having to feel pressured."

The children imitate with movement and express their feelings. A child who is shy can feel comfortable expressing himself. "He's open. He can give great ideas about a subject with his imagination."



Classical Movement Class: (From left) Amy Fink, Fran Amkrout, Taly Gilante and Gily Vardeny.

Basic Skills

Getting Back To Basics

by Linda A. Acciaro

If a parent notices his child's writing is illegible, he makes excessive spelling errors in his homework assignments, or has a tendency to write some of the letters of the alphabet backwards, this may indicate that he has a learning problem. Being alert to the signals that a child sends is the first step in the path to discovering that learning difficulty and correcting the problem.

"Listen to what your children say about their assignments. Why are they having trouble doing it? Keep the lines of communication open."

The staff at Basic Skills is a highly trained group of professionals whose primary function is to assess a child's learning problem in the areas of math, spelling, reading and writing and suggest a recommended course of action to improve those deficient skills.

"Listen to what your children say about their assignments. Why are they having trouble doing it? Keep the lines of communication open with the teacher and take advantage of teacher/parent meetings, especially if they have specific concerns about your child's needs," says Diane McAleer, a diagnostic-prescriptive teacher whose experience spans pre-school through graduate levels of education. In addition, she is the Director of Educational Assessment and part-owner with Patricia Macial, Director of Programming, of Basic Skills, Inc., an individual educational assessment service located in Providence. The main purpose of Basic Skills is to identify and strengthen problem areas for both children and adults through a four step program.

The initial assessment is conducted by Diane, who covers every facet of where the problem could possibly stem. Beginning

with a free consultation with the parents, Diane will ask for data on physical impairments.

"For an eight-year-old whose having difficulty decoding words, I would ask if there are any physical problems, such as ear infections, request all records of the child, any previous testing he may have been given and as much background information as possible."

The actual testing, in this case, involves specific skills testing or phonetics, word analysis, sight/word vocabulary and basic sight vocabulary tests. "I look at the pattern of errors and from that pattern determine the kind of remedial work the child needs."

"The score on the testing is not indicative of what the child can actually do," Patricia says.

"More important is the way the child answers the questions — how he approaches a problem," Diane adds.

Each case that Basic Skills takes on is unique. No two clients have the same needs. Consequently, in addition to Diane and Patricia, there are a list of resource persons, such as qualified tutors and consul-

"More important is the way the child answers the questions — how he approaches a problem"

tants who are on hand for assistance. "If the appropriate person is not available, we'll find one."

Planning and choosing the appropriate tutoring program for the client and a periodic evaluation of the student's progress are essential. The program chosen could include a personal referral for a tutor or packets for parents to teach them how to tutor their own child at home. This option is usually taken when the child



is out of school during the vacation periods.

"There is a continuous, ongoing evaluation and modification of the program. If a student masters a skill or we've missed something in the assessment, every sixth session is designed to make those changes with the input from the parents. In many cases, the teacher is the key to picking up on learning problems," Patricia says.

"We don't string anyone along, before they commit themselves, they know everything that is involved," says Patricia, who tutors, as well as manages the office, plans programs and handles the public relations and advertising. She has been a teacher for 20 years and holds an M.A.T. and B.Ed. in Education with concentrations in English and Communication.

With the four step program they have devised, "a lot of tutoring time is not wasted. That person knows where to begin and what approach to take," says Diane, who has completed her M. Ed. in Learning Disabilities and holds an M.S. in Urban Education and a B.A. in American studies.

"We try to match the tutor very carefully to the need of the child," Patricia adds.

The staff at Basic Skills will offer the

tutoring services in private homes, at schools or in their own office if the location is convenient.

Everyone is concerned about getting back to basics and about half of the inquiries that are received by Basic Skills involve adults who want to improve in specific areas.

"They are usually fully-employed adults who want to be more mobile in their job and improve in a specific area or, they are housewives re-entering the job market who need a brush-up course in certain skills," Diane says. The adults, she adds, are usually self-motivated. Sometimes they are instructed by the company by which they are employed to improve a certain skill to maintain their job.

"For adults the program is especially appealing," Patricia says. "It is strictly private and the client can feel comfortable. Many people will choose us rather than a group situation. The privacy can be very important."

"Our program is very personalized and individualized," Diane says. The wide variety of services we offer are what make us unique."

Israel Develops Artificial, Low-Cost Orange Drink For World Markets

JERUSALEM — It may seem paradoxical, but Israel, one of the world's foremost producers of citrus, has come up with an artificial orange drink as a competitor to natural juice.

A team of scientists at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem has now developed a method of making food emulsifiers to facilitate the production of drinks with a delicious orange taste which will cost less than half the price of natural juice. Its nutritional value is similar to that of orange juice.

The research was conducted at the Casali Institute of Applied Chemistry which is part of the Hebrew University's School of Applied Science and Technology.

Heading the research team studying emulsifiers and emulsion is Dr. Nissim Garti of the Casali Institute.

Most of Dr. Garti's research on the preparation of food emulsifiers was sponsored by the Robert Szold Institute for Applied Science at the Hebrew University, established by the PEF Israel Endowment Fund, Inc., of New York.

The know-how transferred to Israeli companies now producing the food emulsifiers is under license by the University's Yissum Research Development Company.

The idea of formulating such a drink began when a kibbutz in central Israel, one of the main producers of orange drinks and juices for export, asked Dr. Garti to try to prepare an orange drink that would be similar to natural orange juice but would cost much less.

Dr. Garti started off with the essential oil of the orange peel, which has many of the aromatic properties of orange juice.

However, as this oil does not mix with water, he needed an emulsifier to form a stable and homogeneous liquid. Miss Vered Kaufman, a doctoral student at the Casali Institute and member of Dr. Garti's team, conducted research to find such a blend of emulsifiers. The end result after many trials was a liquid which is similar to natural orange juice in its opacity, stability, color and taste, as well as in its nutritional value.

Kosher Emulsifier

Emulsifiers are made of compounds consisting of two parts, one that is hydrophilic (taking to water) and a second hydrophobic (not taking to water). The interaction of these two opposites is normally achieved with the aid of a catalyst in an organic reaction.

The preparation of food emulsifiers in most factories is carried out by direct reaction between fatty acids and hydrophilic compounds. This is done in two-phase reactions. The Hebrew University research team found a new method to accomplish the same feat in one stage (the so-called "one-pot reaction"), starting straight from the fat rather than fatty acids. The new process is based, also, on using hydrogenated vegetable oil rather than animal fat, thus producing a low-cost and perfectly kosher emulsifier.

The new inexpensive process was developed some time ago at the Casali Institute's laboratories by Eli Pinthus when he was an M.Sc. student. He produced the emulsifier SSL (sodium-stearoyl-lactylate) by a simpler and more economical process than previously used, and started using the emulsifier in the baking industry. The importance of the sub-

stance is that it totally replaces the use of margarine or shortening in bread production. Not only is it more economical — only one-tenth of the amount has to be used in relation to margarine — but it also lengthens the shelf life of bread.

The emulsifier business is now booming. From small beginnings — producing 300 kg. of SSL on the roof of the Casali Institute — Eli Pinthus has gone on to manufacture over 1,000 tons a year of this substance as well as a few more similar compounds at the factory he manages at Ma'ale Adumim,

between Jerusalem and the Dead Sea.

Recently, several agreements have been signed between Adumim Chemicals and commercial firms in Mexico and South Africa for rights to use the know-how of these products and other blends of emulsifiers also designed at the Hebrew University. Negotiations with a few large companies in England, Sweden, Spain and Chile are in progress.

Dr. Garti's team comprises a dozen dynamic young researchers, more than half of them Israeli, and the rest coming from the United States, Argentina, Uruguay, Mexico and Gibraltar. They are working on several fascinating projects which include emulsions for paper coating and cutting oil, products which have direct application for the general public.



Cong. Beth Sholom - Sons of Zion will conduct a Chanukah dinner, with the Puppet Workshop performing for all ages a specially written Chanukah play entitled "A Brighter Life," on Sunday evening, Dec. 20 at 6 p.m. All children will receive gifts.



by Linda A. Acciaro

Combine the musical talents of an owner of a brokerage firm, a full-time cantor, city solicitor and owner of an auto parts business and you'll have the main ingredients for the making of an amazing musical group called Safam. Their style is vibrant, uplifting and unique.

The members of this group perform a mixture of traditional Jewish and contemporary American tunes that stirs audiences from San Francisco to New York and from Atlanta to Canada.

Their recent performance, sponsored by Temple Beth Am-Beth David, attracted a crowd of about 300 people in Temple Emanu-El's auditorium Saturday night. Without an agent, sound or set-up crew, the members of Safam, who all hold full-time positions, manage to perform about 25 concerts annually. This is their first public appearance in this area, other than a number of performances in Woonsocket.

Despite the demands on their time, "the show must go on," says Daniel Funk, lead singer and spokesman for the group. Funk

is the city solicitor for the town of Newton, Mass., as well as a high holiday cantor.

Their popularity since the formation of the group six years ago has even surprised the members themselves. "We are beginning to find out that we are more popular and many more people know about us than we think," Funk says. In addition to Funk there are four charter members, Robbie Solomon, Joel Sussman, and Alan Nelson. Brad Clemens plays drums and Earl Gingras plays bass.

"Those who know about us are avid followers. Considering the amount of time we've put in, it's amazing what we've done," Funk says.

Safam has recorded three albums, from which songs are played three hours daily on a New Jersey radio station. "We have a tremendous following in New Jersey," Funk says. A concert held there recently attracted an overflow crowd of 900. "We had to turn away 100 people."

Although other Jewish groups, some from Israel, perform the same type of music, Funk says, "There are few who do



Safam



quite as much as we do. Our strength is in the vocal and creative music that transcends all ages," appealing to the children and the older adults in the audience.

Rock, folk, pop, Chassidic and cantorial styles of music are all a part of Safam's repertoire. They handle each with appropriate melodies adapted from popular and easily recognizable songs. "Adon Olam" is performed to the tune of "Blue Moon" or like a barbershop quartet. They range from the beautiful melodic rendition of the "Song of Psalms" to the pop adaptation of "Judah Maccabee," which has as its chorus, "Get Down Judah."

Safam, which means mustache in Hebrew, began singing already created songs until both Joel and Robbie wrote their own lyrics.

Robbie, the lead singer of the group, who also served as cantor at Temple Sinai in Sharon, Mass., for five years, has composed many of the original songs, including, "Leaving Mother Russia." Following the song, a request was made for the audience to stand and show their solidarity for Soviet Jewry. The song is dedicated to Anatoly Sharansky, the 33-year-old mathematician suffering in the solitary confinement cells of the notorious Perm labor camp and is the only definite

song in the United States that describes the plight of Soviet Jewry.

Although the group receives requests to perform from Chicago, Canada, Atlanta, New York, Connecticut and San Francisco, they hope to someday present their music in Israel.

The ultimate goal of Safam is to "become nationally renowned as the best Jewish music group in this country," Funk says.

"We think of ourselves as the leaders of Jewish music."

Despite their gaining popularity they certainly don't perform for the financial rewards. "When you split everything six ways and consider the small Jewish market we appeal to, we can't rely on the money to live on. Maybe when we start charging \$5,000 a concert, we'll even be able to afford our own set-up crew, Funk says laughingly.

"If things in other parts of our life are hectic, it can get tough, but it's fun and we have a good time at it," Funk says.

Safam has never been received negatively from any of its audiences. "We never bombed in concert," Funk says. "We may have had a performance that we weren't happy with, but everyone else leaves happy."

Review

by Maria Rae Brigham

Saturday night's performance by "Safam" was a pleasing blend of Chassidic music and American songs. The six man ensemble's selection of songs reflected their pride and love for both Israel and their Jewish heritage.

All accomplished musicians, their performance was warm and enthusiastic, appealing to young and old alike.

The group's selection of American songs ranged from a light-hearted rock n' roll number entitled "Judah Maccabee," done with humor and spirit, to more serious, moving selections such as the classic, "Exodus" sung by Daniel Funk. His powerful voice, accompanied by the group's excellent harmony succeeded in touching the audience.

For those never having heard Chassidic music before, it becomes obvious that one need not understand the language to appreciate its beautiful sound and depth of feeling. Somehow, it is both lamentful and happy at the same time. It is the music of a people crying for freedom and who have endured. It represents suffering and hope — universal to all men. In this there is no language barrier.

Extremely diversified in the kinds of music they play, Safam's blending of songs and changing of moods throughout the concert is done naturally

and with ease. The music shifts from up tempos with a contagious beat to songs that make a statement such as, "I Am Leaving Mother Russia" sung and written by Robbie Solomon. During this song about Russian Jews, who are unjustly imprisoned or unable to leave the sweet lemon, part of the lyrics say, "And we know what silence brings. Another Hitler waiting in the wings." The song's message is a strong one, further enhanced by Robbie's sensitive voice which adds much conviction to the words. Many of the original songs sung by Safam were written by either Robbie or Joel Sussman.

Alan Nelson's voice adds a unique richness to the Chassidic songs especially and also to the harmony of the songs sung in English.

Individually, the members of Safam are either excellent musicians or vocalists, most are both. Together they are a thoroughly entertaining act. They involve their audience on two levels: emotionally and spiritually by virtue of their musical abilities and their choice of material. There is a great sense of comradeship between the group and their audience. With the added element of a sense of humor and the fact that the members of the group seem to be enjoying themselves every minute too, Safam makes for an evening well spent.

by Dave Seidman



Rhode Island Jewish Bowling Congress

BOWLING NEWS



UNDER 30'S COUPLES LEAGUE

We would like to welcome two couples who have just joined our league; Bruce and Marcia Werber and Ronnie and Linda Thurber. The league is looking forward to their "holiday" party which is going to be held at Archie's Tavern on Sunday, December 20.

The Robinsons (Judi and David) are really on a hot streak. Judi had a beautiful 201/539 while she beat David that game by 23 pins. David proved to her that he can out bowl her (or at least tried to) with 235/603.

We want to congratulate Richard Dressler with his triple of 131!!

The Sugermands are still bowling up a storm. Susan had a fine 495 while Michael bowled a 583 for a whopping 1078. Some of our other outstanding scores are: Eileen Rose 466, Harry Rose 235, Sue Pariseau 183, Jean Pariseau 197, Bob and Toodie McNichols 470 + 535 = 1005, Ellen Rappoport 156, Barry Rappoport 220, Joe Goodman 217, Judy Goldstein 187, Elliott Goldstein 206, John Waldman 207/563, Allyn and Bruce Gordon had a super game — 210 and 215 for Allyn for a high of 425, Trudy Sloane (with a 118 avg.) bowled a 445, Steve O'Neil 211/559, Mike Scully 195/541, Ed Flynn 190/486, David Mills 198/478, Ellen Segal 161/449, Kenny Segal 172/454, Tony Conti 180/467, Rene Pariseau 180/520, Diana Lough 196/460, Bernie Lough 207/533, and Jimmy Drape 187/538.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

The duckpin turkey winners from the 11/22/81 tourney held at Legion alleys were: Steve Tippe, Ron Chorney, Joe Gallagher, Evan Cronson, Arnie Moses, Jack Brier, Arnie Pepper, and John Brennan. Sweepstakes winners were Ken and Meri Tolchinsky, Marshall and Mindy Saltzman, Bruce and Allyn Gordon, Jerry and Sheila Shaulson. Ten pin winners were Len Varga, Mike Owen, Frank Boffi, and Howie Wasser. Duckpin winners were Syd Matzner, Charley Gormley, Mark Kerzner, and Arnie Pepper.

The Congress is planning a Monte Carlo night tentatively set for Feb. 20, 1982. Check with your league reps for details. We need your support and we need workers for this event. The yearbook committee needs new ads. Contact Janie Dressler or your league rep if you have new ads. Also, anyone bringing in a full page prepaid ad wins a ticket to the banquet. The Lottery draw tickets are still available. See Len Waldman or your league rep for this limited offering. As soon as all tickets are sold, Len will hold the drawing.

RI FELLOWSHIP

November saw the Hi single and triple go by the board as Ken Resnick took over single with 168 and shared triple honors with Paul Finstein with 411. Neil Cohen continued his strong bowling with weeks of 370-383-349-376 keeping his average over 122. Second in average is steady Stan Roberts a vastly improved bowler this year with nights of 387-401-357-350 while boosting his average to 121 plus. Duffy Giglio stayed in third average slot with 120 plus with 372-367-357-376. Some outstanding scoring from Joe Weisman 134/356, 146/372, and 135/358, Al Walker 128/360, Charlie Kilberg 161/387, Emis Miller 116/340, Norm Cohen 141/352, Irv Gross 115/326, while some good singles were turned in by Sherwin Zaidman 153, Julius Nasberg 153, Alan Hopfenberg, 139, Ralph Nathans 139, Mel Bloom 138, and Neil Gouse 132.

The Grasshoppers and Sombreros are only two games apart while making a shambles of the first half race. They lead the rest of the league by nine games as of the end of November. The Sidecars had the top triple with 1336 and the Boilermakers had top single with 495.

TUESDAY NIGHT BOWLERS

Early in the month saw Steve Tippe bang the boards for 147/389. Lloyd Morse hit 348

and Buzzy Labush hit 137/379. Good efforts by Bob Paige with 125/360, Don Peters 154/367, Bill Snell 126/359, and Mark Kerzner 123/306. The second week of the month saw Buzzy lead with 140/330 and former tenpin shooter Joe Gallagher hit 136/345. Fred Factor ended his slump with 128/338, Jeff Paige had 120/326, Charles Gormley had a first with 122/358, and Sy Port had 118/322. The week of the 17th saw Steve Tippe top out with 130/383, Al Izzo 121/349, Al Ross 142/338, Jeff Langie 119/346, John Brennan 114/323, and Neil Dimeglio 138/365. The 24th was a good week for Bob Paige as he hit for 156/378 while his teammate Harold Fishman went 134/358. Izzy Yamuder hit 134/366 and Al Kerzner hit 118 while Brandeis finally took four games. Great effort by Joe Gallagher this week with 135/355, Al Ross 128/320, Mark Kerzner 134/340, and Frank Kassed 120/348.



KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS DUCKPIN

Some outstanding bowling this month by the Page team as Saul Miller hit 142, Scott Altman 134, Arnie Pepper 97, and Evan Cronson 141 put together a 514 single which hasn't happened in this league for four years. The three game total of 1308 is also tops for the year. Syd Matzner who has been bowling for umteen years had the highest single of his career with 181. John Raleigh had 117, Aaron Fox had 350/336, Joe Matzner hit 333, Larry Priest had a solid 368, Harry Keller went 135 and then left for Florida, Larry Waldman finished with a triple strike en route to 124, ditto to Saul Miller for 142, and top average still belongs to Harvey Rosenblatt with 121 followed by Evan Cronson with 115. The league Chanukah party is set for Dec. 21 at the bowling alley. Sincere sympathy to Izzy Krasnoff on the loss of his brother.

BUD TRINKLE

Dave SS Rosen leads the way with a strong 211 average as he hit for 266/730. Lenny Varga woke up to 240/670 and is making his move. Sal Cornicelli continues his consistent bowling with a fine 226/608. Howie Wasser finally climbed over 180 with a powerful 258/644, and Roger the Dodger Wilgus climbed out of the doldrums with a 217/600. Joining the heavy hitters were Lou Pascone 207/598, Maxie Cohen 234/584, Al Schartz 209/579, Jim Aiello 219/577, Ken Tolchinsky 235/575, Sam Feingold 209/576, Bill Ciesnanski 208/558, Al Borowsky 211/544, Frank Pisaturo 200/549, and Mike Owen 209/547. Other notable scores by Larry Scheer 543, Ray Wasser 201/524, Slim Carpenter 213/533, Tim Miller 515, Dick Lyons 510, Larry Segal 200/506, Bruce Wasser 195/500, Lenny the draw Waldman 485, Bob Starkey 194, and Max Fine scored 483. The Celtics were top team for the month with a 767/2118.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS TENPIN

The beginning of the month found Lou Guillemette with a 213/594, Max Cohen 225/559, Dave Cokin 196/553, Scott Kirk 193/550, Dennis Tente 184/517, Wayne DeCosta 198, Doc Markowitz 192, and for the ladies Lisa Miller 194/525, Bev Lazaroff 470, Pauline DeCosta 170, and Tina Fain 316 with an 89 average. The 11th saw Max Cohen hit for 215/557, Dennis Tente 193/540, Dave Cokin 190/534, Joel Martin 190/513, Len Schwartz 190/503, Doc Markowitz 224, and again the ladies were headed by Lisa Miller with 214/566, Elsie Markowitz 192/497, and Bev Lazaroff 173/471. Warming up on the 18th was Dave Cokin with 213/600, Scott Kirk 225/583, Dennis Tente 227/571, Brent Goldstein 204/549, Abe Shore 181, Neil Benharris 192, and Wayne DeCosta 200. Again Lisa Miller led the fems with 202/523, Pauline DeCosta had 180/485, and Gloria Golden hit 175.

The 25th was led by a 129 average bowler as Abe Shore had a strong 213/566, red hot

Dennis Tente hit 206/565, Dave Cokin hit 195/521, and Lee Nulman had 211. Elsie Markowitz had 178/480 to lead the ladies and Tina Fain had 132/345. Average wise Davey Cokin tops the men with 185 and Elsie Markowitz 164 tops the women.

SINAI

The thunder of the month was provided by Ed Bowers who broke all Sinai records with a 298 game. Ed had eleven strikes in a row and as the entire bowling alley was standing behind him in utter silence Ed made his approach and watched his ball veer off the mark for an eight count. Ed is leading the league in average with 204 and had a 676 for the night. Old Folks Harry Coppel and the Big L — Larry Field are tied for second in average with 184 and Harold Cohen is next with 180. Frank Boffi had 253, Larry hit 244/619, Bob Silverman 233/611, Harvey Hutt 233/625 while still chewing on that famous cigar, Abb Dressler hit 227, Clint Smith 224/608, Mark Palombo 226/597, Dave Seidman 223/591, and Tony Palombo 209/591.

Irv Waldman hit 197/540, Bob Roiff had 540 while winning the jackpot, Ralph Rotenberg hit 206/526, Harold Grant came out of the phone booth and scored his best with 553, Dr. Perry Garber had 525, Herb Bloom 209, Marty Brown davened for a 209, Andy Port had 528, Sid Dressler's brother went 580, and Lowell Delerson had 542. The Cowboys of Perry Garber, Harry Katzman, Lew Weinstein, and Ed Bowers had the top single with 850. Get well wishes to Seymour Goldman as Richard needs you.



BETH-EL

As we head toward winter, it appears that the top bowlers are finally finding their form. While Harry Rose still dominates the leader board (hi avg. - 195, hi series - 712, hi single - 270), some other perennial superstars are starting to turn it on. Dave Robinson, Dave Cokin and Elliot Goldstein are all in the 180's, along with John Murphy, who shows no signs of rustiness after missing a year. Also back in the 180's is Mike Sugerman, on the comeback trail after a summertime slump.

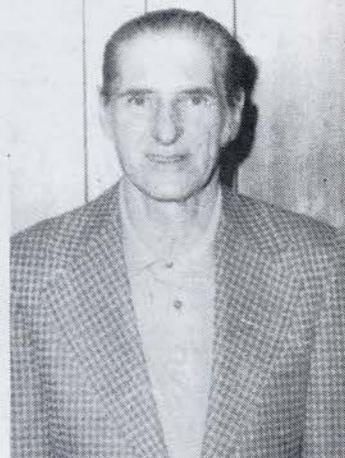
Some individual highlights of recent weeks include a 573 for Barry Levin, 609 by Rick Dressler, 573 from Marty Goldstein, a 228 game by Jason Blank, and a big 247 for Tom Block. Some lower average bowlers have been sharp, too. Hank Priest had a 561 series, Perry Shatkin rolled 552, Lloyd Rustigian with 570, Richard Dressler's 510, Steve O'Neil with 528, and Ken Segal had a 482. Peter Klein had his best effort since 1979-80, with a 196-487, and Fred Kass had a great night with a 223-577. The top team through the first 8 weeks is "Miller," with an impressive 23-9 mark, but several teams are within striking distance. For "Miller" anchorman Mike Sugerman, first place has to be a strange sensation, as Mike's teams haven't fared too well in recent campaigns.

Now it's time to recognize a few bowlers who have recent scores they'd like to forget. Our Golden Gutter goes to Mr. Asteroids, Steve O'Neil, with a 350 series, highlighted by a remarkable 84 game. A 94 game from Fred Kass more than qualifies him for our Silver Gutter, while the Copper Gutter goes to Harold Levin for his 368 series. Early leaders in the chase for the annual Golden Gutter Award for biggest decline in average, are Mike Robertson, (190 last year, 163 this year) and Joe Goodman, (173 in 1980, 155 in 1981), along with Bruce Gordon (178 down to 159).

LOVIN' COUPLES

Moving up in the rankings are Ken and Meri Tolchinsky on the strength of a 404/1074. Jay and Myra Blank had 350/972, Bob and Micki Silverman hit 374/947, Keith and Gail Bender 336/945 improved their league leading average to 321 plus. Rob and

Bowler Of The Month



ABE SHORE is a seasoned veteran of the RIJBC. In a year when all records are being broken by predictable bowlers it is refreshing to have a bowler such as Abe have a night of 213/566. Abe is only a 129 average bowler and this feat should be recognized. Abe bowls for the Knights of Pythias Mixed Tenpin League. Hats off to a great competitor. Abe is this corner's choice as Congress Bowler of the month.

Peg McAteer helped the Tolchinsky's lead their team, the Cut-Ups to a 623/1783 month. Rob and Cheryl Waldman had 311/898 and Al and Linda Colucci had 337/896. Individually, Meri Tolchinsky had 541 which is the female best of the year, Jay Blank 510, Keith Bender 200/566, Bob Silverman 222/598, Ken Tolchinsky 212/533, and Myra Blank 462. Myra and Hubby Jay are members of a team called Balls Galore and together with Carl and Barbara Scroggins this tandem hit for 621/1773 which was good for second place. Half and Half with Rob and Cheryl Waldman and Don and Liz Salisbury also hit 621. Congrats to Brian Keough who was a winner of a turkey in the Congress tourney. Don and Liz Salisbury and Bob and Micki Silverman won turkeys from the league tournament. A welcome to new bowlers Ron and Claire Olson.



RIJBC COUPLES

Tony and Kate Palombo still lead in average with 340 as they hit for 371/1011 but moving up fast to challenge are Bill Montigny and Clara Lobello who are at 326 on the strength of a 399/1064. Abe and Esta Lobell had a strong 384 game, and Jerry and Sheila Shaulson had 397. Abbott and Phyllis Dressler climbed into the third spot in average at 120 with a powerful 361/1033, Adrian and Debbie Horovitz hit 375/1027, Ben and Bernice Rubin hit 377/996, Mark Palombo and Janice Cornell had 372, Larry and Joan Scheer moved their average up to 319 with a solid 1012, and Rita and Mel Goldstein came in with a fine 1001. Barry and Eleanor Bornstein hit for 990.

Individually, Jerry Shaulson had 237, Sam Jarcho 233/596, Tony Palombo 207/553, Bill Montigny 235/571, Arthur Rubin 206, Jerry Spigel 207, Adrian Horovitz 201, and Mark Palombo 198/573 had good efforts, while Clara Lobello 192/567, Sharon Myers 201/514, and Phyllis Dressler 192/510 led the ladies. The big noise came from 125 average Esta Lobell who had a 208 game, Debbie Gerstenblatt with a 93 average had 153, and the Foxes had top team honors with 687/1932 with Carol and John Desforges helping out Lobello and Montigny.

Chanukah Gifts For Children And Adults

This year, when planning Chanukah gifts for family and friends why not include a gift which truly reflects the spirit and meaning of the holiday. The Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York has a number of gifts and ideas which will provide lasting and meaningful enjoyment.

When is a dictionary not a dictionary? When it's a fun-filled picture work book overflowing with lively illustration, bouyant colors and lots of special features. **My Dictionary**, is a must for every Jewish home, school, library and resource center. It includes over 800 individual and 40 group vocabulary entries. This hard cover book from Israel will provide a child with many years of use and enjoyment.

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A special reader activity book on Chanukah for educable developmentally disabled students, prepared by noted author and psychologist Hershel Stiskin is

available from BJE. The book is filled with illustrated stories and exercises for teaching Chanukah to the special student.

For those who love music and singing, **Chanukah Melodies** is available which includes a songbook and cassette. BJE also has a variety of records by the talented singing duo, Shimon and Ilana featuring their Chanukah songs and Israeli music.

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These are just a few of the many gift items available from the Board of Jewish Education of Greater New York, all designed to give special meaning to the holiday. For a complete catalogue and further information contact the Customer Service Department at BJE, 425 W. 58th St., New York, New York 10019, 212-245-8200.

Candle-Dipping Recipe

For the candle-dipping you will need:
paraffin
cotton string or store-bought candle wicks
newspaper
cooking pot
tall tin can (should fit comfortably in pot)
fork
scissors

1. Candle-dipping can be messy. Spread newspaper around where you will be working.
2. Fill the can about 2/3 full of water and place it in the pot. Fill the pot about 1/2 full of water and put over medium heat.
3. As the water in the pot and can begins to boil, add chunks of paraffin to the can until it is nearly full. Wax is lighter than water, and as it melts, it will form a layer on top of the water.
4. For candle-dipping, the melted wax must be at just the right temperature — not too hot, or the wax will slide off the wick; not too cool, or it will be too thick for dipping. You'll have to find the right temperature by trial and error. In general, turn the heat down to a low setting once the wax has melted, or else turn it off. (If you turn the heat off, make sure the wax does not begin to thicken.)
5. Cut a piece of cotton string or wicking

material at least twice as long as the can is high, and weave it between the prongs of a fork, leaving the ends dangling.

6. Holding the fork handle, dip the dangling wicks into the can until they touch bottom. As the wicks pass through the layer of molten wax, the wax will be deposited on them. Pull the wicks out of the can and wait for the wax to harden. Be sure to keep the two wicks separated.

7. Continue to dip, always letting the wax harden between dippings. After a few dippings, the wicks may need to be straightened, but as the wax builds up, the candles will become quite stiff and straight, on their own. Dip the wicks quickly in and out of the wax until the candles are the thickness you want. It takes many dippings — sometimes 50 — before the candle is fat. (You may speed up the process by filling a tall pitcher with cold water and alternately dipping the candles between the wax and the water.)

8. When your candles are complete, they will have the connecting wick between them. Snip the loop with a scissors and trim the wicks to about half-an-inch.

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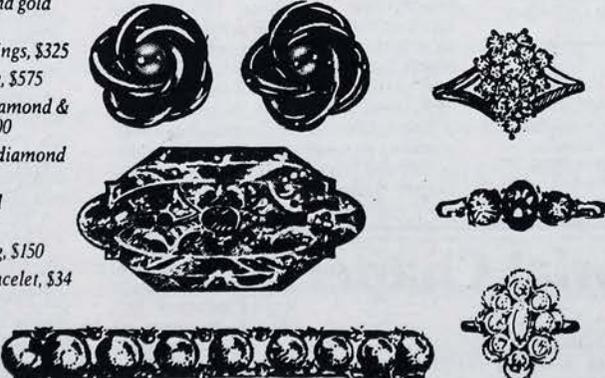
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Obituaries

ARMAND GHERTLER

PROVIDENCE — Armand Gherbler, 79, formerly of 62 Overhill Rd., Providence, died Monday, Dec. 7 at the Charlesgate Nursing Home. He was the husband of Sonia (Richmand) Gherbler of 1250 Farmington Ave., Westgate Apts., West Hartford, Conn.

Born in Roumania, he was a son of the late Rudolph and Jeanette (Halperin) Gherbler.

He leaves one son, Gerald Gherbler of Ridgefield, Conn. and a daughter, Rosalie Spector of Waterbury, Conn.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to a favorite charity.

Funeral services were held in Connecticut. Burial was in Waterbury Hebrew Benefit Cemetery.

CAROLINE GOLDBERG

PROVIDENCE — Caroline (Steiner) Goldberg, 86, a resident of the Jewish Home for the Aged, died Saturday, Dec. 5 at the home. She was the wife of the late Martin Goldberg.

Born in Texas, she was a daughter of the late Moses and Fanny Steiner. She was a resident of Providence for 50 years.

There are no immediate survivors. Funeral services were held at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to a favorite charity.

DOROTHY RATNER

TEXAS — Dorothy Ratner died Friday, Dec. 11 at the Golden Manor Nursing Home.

Born in Boston she was the daughter of the late Isaac Millen and Anna Bornstein. She was the wife of the late Louis Ratner. She leaves two sons, Dr. Ralph Levitt of Lincoln, and Dr. Erving Ratner of San Antonio, Texas; one daughter Mrs. Sylvia Brown of San Antonio, Texas; two brothers Harry Millen of Brookline, Mass., and Phillip Millen of Brighton, Mass., and six grandchildren.

Burial was in Montifiore Cemetery in Woburn, Mass. Arrangements by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the Jewish Home for the Aged. Shiva will be observed at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Levitt, 18 Lakeview Rd., Lincoln, R.I.

DINAH COBDEN

LEEDS, England — Dinah Cobden, 85, died on Sunday, Nov. 29, in Leeds, England. Born in Leeds, she was the widow of Julius Cobden and the daughter of the late Morris and Annie Schiller.

She leaves a daughter, Ruth Cobden Caple of Leeds; a son, Harry Cobden of Warwick; two grandchildren of Warwick; two brothers, Louis and Phillip Schiller and a sister, Sylvia, all of England.

Mrs. Cobden lived in Syracuse, N.Y. and Providence, R.I. for a number of years before returning to England in 1969.

The mourning period is private.

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SAMUEL FRIEDMAN

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — Samuel Friedman, 83, founder and president of Brite Industries and a former Providence resident, died Saturday, Dec. 5 in Hollywood. He was the husband of Pauline Friedman.

Friedman came to this country from Russia when he was 13. During the next 10 years in New York City, he graduated from Evening High School, with honors, and attended City College, where he studied accounting and law.

He founded Brite Mfg. Co., which later became Brite Industries and was sold to Liggett & Myers in 1968.

He was one of the original developers and vice president of the Colony Motor Inn. The hotel was later named the Colonial Hilton, now owned by Johnson & Wales College. He was an original founder of the Atlantic Bowling Corporation.

He did extensive business in the Orient and sponsored many Chinese people in this country. He was a generous contributor to the Federation of Jewish Charities and an active member of the Anti-defamation League of B'nai B'rith. He served on the boards of Trinity Square Repertory Theater, the International Institute and the Rotary Club of Providence.

He was born in Russia, a son of the late Benjamin and Pauline Friedman. He was a 20-year Providence resident.

Besides his wife he leaves two daughters, Linda Miller of Providence and Foster, and Penny Schreiber of Lake Success, L.I., New York; a brother, Meyer Friedman of Bal Harbour, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in his memory may be made to the International Institute of Rhode Island, 421 Elmwood Ave., Providence.

IRVING MILLER

ATTLEBORO, Mass. — Irving Miller, 83 of 37 Mayhew Rd., died Wednesday, Dec. 9 at Sturdy Memorial Hospital, shortly after being admitted. He was the husband of the late Lillian (Carroll) Miller.

Miller had been assistant manager of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.'s Attleboro office from 1927 to 1940. He was founder and operator of Miller's Delicatessen, Hope Street, Providence, from 1940 to 1946. In 1955 he became a general agent for the Franklin Life Insurance Co.

He was the cantor of Congregation Agudas Achim, Attleboro, for 54 years, and was its past president and life trustee, a member of Redwood Lodge 35 AF&AM and was a 32nd-degree Mason. He was also a member of the Attleboro Kiwanis and a life member of the APOE 1101, North Attleboro.

Born in Poland, a son of the late Eli and Ida (Passcovitz) Miller, he had lived in Attleboro 60 years.

He leaves two daughters, Mrs. Alice R. Coren of South Yarmouth and Miss Sybil E. Miller of Attleboro; three grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at Congregation Agudas Achim, Toner Boulevard. Burial was in Sharon Memorial park, Sharon. Arrangements by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

In lieu of flowers contributions in his memory may be made to Congregation Agudas Achim, P.O. Box 433, Attleboro.

CORRECTION

Two photos in the Dec. 10 issue of The Rhode Island Herald about "Ethiopian Jews conducting a seder dinner and a Falasha woman" should have been credited to Yoav Levy.

Rabbi Schindler Encourages Jews To Express Views, Despite Anti-Semitism

BOSTON (JTA) — Rabbi Alexander Schindler, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregation (UAHC), says American Jews should "reject the council of timidity and never hesitate to state our views and vote our consciences," even if it means stirring "the demons of anti-Semitism" raised during the recent debate over the sale of AWACS planes and other weaponry to Saudi Arabia.

In a Sabbath sermon, prepared for delivery at the UAHC's 56th biennial assembly last week Schindler asserts: "The strategy of subtly threatening Jews with a backlash if they don't keep their mouths shut is part of a larger pattern of rising anti-Semitism in the United States and the world. Yet, to knuckle under to the hate-mongers out of fear of what they might do is to give them the victory they seek — and they will come back for more, like any blackmailers."

In his message to the UAHC convention, the Reform leader describes a meeting with President Reagan in the White House 2 weeks ago where the President "took a great deal of time to assure me and other members of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations that he was not anti-Semitic. I believe the President," Schindler states.

"But all Americans — not just Jewish Americans — are in trouble when the President of the United States has to do that. He must do it," Schindler says, "because anti-Semitism is alive and ticking in this land."

"The number of reported incidents mounts daily. Synagogues are defaced, cemeteries desecrated, religious schools vandalized, slanderous leaflets distributed. And I am convinced the number of attacks on Jews and Jewish institutions is greater than the number reported. Too many Jews dismiss such incidents as pranks or hope that, if ignored, they will somehow go away."

Despite this trend, Schindler insists that "Jews in America must never fear to

arouse the public against the hate-mongers because the overwhelming majority of Americans will stand at our side — against bigotry and hate and for the American ideal."

According to the UAHC leader, "Jews do not have to wage this struggle alone. We can reach out to form coalitions of decency with moderate Christian leaders, with civic leaders, with Blacks and labor and the liberals and with conservatives, too — true conservatives who are pledged to the preservation of American values, not the riders of the Trojan Horse."

Schindler points out that "our traditional alliances held up during the recent AWACS battle. It was led by true and tested friends — the Kennedy's, the Cranstons, the Packwoods. Labor was most supportive and 16 of 17 Blacks voted against the AWACS sale, as did all the Hispanics in the House."

In contrast, Schindler observes, "the Moral Majority did not do nearly so well by us. Its leader, Rev. Jerry Falwell, did sign an anti-AWACS advertisement. That was all — no mail, no telephone calls, no sermons to support its public position. In fact, the higher the Moral Majority rating of a legislator the more likely he was to approve the arms sale to Saudi Arabia."

Urges U.S. Jews To Oppose Law Of Return Change

On the proposal in Israel's Knesset to amend the Law of Return, Schindler calls for the "collective voice of American Jewry" to be heard in opposition. Describing the proposal by the Agudat Party in Israel as "wanton destructive of Jewish unity," Schindler declares: "How can any Jewish leader, after Auschwitz, permit the institution of a 'selection process' at Jerusalem's gates?" He added: "We will not accept a secondary status in Jewish life. We refuse to be beggars at Jerusalem's gates. We mean to fight for our full and equal rights as Jews," he adds.

Foreign Aid Bill Grants Over \$1.4 Billion In Aid To Israel

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The House adopted by a 222-184 vote last week a bill authorizing \$5.7 billion in foreign aid of which one half goes to the Middle East.

The bill provides for Israel, in the current fiscal year that began Oct. 1 and for 1983, the same amount it received last year — \$1.4 billion in military assistance and \$785 million in economic aid. All of the economic aid is a grant and \$500 million of the military assistance is a direct credit, meaning it is forgiven.

Egypt's appropriations will be the same in the next two years as in the 1981 fiscal year. This includes \$900 million in military assistance, of which \$100 million is forgiven, and \$750 million in economic assistance, all of it a grant.

The bill deleted all appropriations for Syria. An amendment adopted last week provided up to \$7 million to aid in the rehabilitation of Lebanon. The bill also specified that \$11 million in each year can be used for special requirements in the Middle East, such as regional cooperative agricultural, health, energy and educational projects. Of this amount, \$4 million can be used for projects that would promote regional cooperation between Israel and Egypt with other Middle Eastern countries.

Reversal Of Party Positions

The voting saw a reversal of the party positions that characterized previous votes on foreign aid in which Republican opposition had prevented adoption of a foreign aid bill since 1979. Rep. Peter Peyser (D. N.Y.), noting that he has voted for all previous foreign aid bills, said that he opposed this bill in protest against the Reagan Administration's cuts in domestic programs.

He noted, however, that even if the bill had been defeated, countries such as Israel would receive their appropriations in the continuing budget resolution.

The Democrats, who waited for the Republicans to cast their votes before voting themselves, supported the bill by 125-98 but for many Democrats, it was the first time they had cast votes against foreign aid. The Republicans, traditionally opposed to foreign aid and able, with the help of conservative Democrats, to defeat such measures in past Congresses, supported the authorization bill by a vote of 97-86.

The Republican reversal came after President Reagan sent House Republicans a special appeal Monday and Secretary of State Alexander Haig met with them Monday morning before leaving for Europe. The House bill was worked out by the Administration and the Democratic-controlled Foreign Affairs Committee.

A House-Senate conference committee will have to work out differences between the House measure and an earlier Senate bill which authorizes \$5.8 billion in foreign aid. The funds for Israel, Egypt and other Middle Eastern countries are not expected to be effected.

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Bridge

by Robert E. Starr



Holding good cards is always welcome, especially if one is playing for high stakes. One of the more appealing aspects of Duplicate Bridge is that everyone holds the same cards. What one does with the cards he has is the thing so supposedly, in that case, the better player will always win. No matter what kind of cards he holds. But that is not always true. Sometimes, when you hold poor cards, you are at the mercy of your opponents. If, at a certain time with a certain hand, they do something brilliant, beyond your control, you will receive a poor score without doing anything wrong. Such was the case in today's hand when only one Declarer found the correct way to make his contract. His opponents were what is called in Duplicate "Fixed."

North
 ♠ Q 10 7 4 2
 ♥ Q 6 4 2
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ K 8

West
 ♠ 8 6
 ♥ 9 3
 ♦ 10 9 5 4
 ♣ 10 6 5 3 2

East
 ♠ 9
 ♥ A K 10 8 5
 ♦ K 8 7 3
 ♣ A J 9

South
 ♠ A K J 5 3
 ♥ J 7
 ♦ Q J 2
 ♣ Q 7 4

Both sides vulnerable, East dealt with this bidding:

E	S	W	N
1H	1S	P	4S

Some Norths only went as high as three in responding to their partner's overall bidding, ignoring the fact that they were vulnerable. Actually they should think just the reverse. Their hand doesn't change, of course, but South should have a better hand as a minimum to make a vulnerable bid than he might have not vulnerable. Regardless, every pair did get to game but only one Declarer made the bid.

The first three tricks were identical, West leading a Heart with East winning his two high ones and continuing low. Each Declarer ruffed high and then drew two rounds of Trumps. They then did what seemed the easy thing to do, they led a low club from their own hand to Dummy's singleton King. That is the usual way to do it and, of course, East won his Ace and could lead any suit but Diamonds.

That Heart Queen in Dummy is high and good for a discard but no discard is going to do any good. Sooner or later that Diamond finesse is going to have to be tried and will lose to East for the setting trick. Every Declarer but the one who made the hand felt this was the way it had to be but really it was not. As in some other hands we have had, after East opened the bidding every high card could be accounted for. The finesse had to lose. But how do we avoid it.

We can by playing the Clubs differently to our advantage. Knowing East also has

that Ace, instead of leading to Dummy's King, win the last Trump lead in Dummy and lead from it. Now see East's predicament. If he takes his Ace you can discard the losing Diamond in Dummy on your Queen. Whereas if he plays low, as he should, the Queen wins. Now go over to Dummy with a Trump and this is the time you use that good Heart Queen for a very vital discard, a Club.

At this time each hand has a singleton Club honor so lead the Club, let East win his Ace and what can he lead now. He will either have to give up a Ruff and Sluff or a Diamond gives up a free finesse. Either allows the hand to be made and legitimately, too.

Moral: When you know by the bidding exactly where all the high cards are, play the hand as if you can see all four open.

Queens Task Force On Anti-Semitism Organized

FOREST HILLS (JTA) — The president of the newly-organized Queens Task Force on Anti-Semitism, Paul Taubman, has reported that the Task Force is moving to complete its program to combat the rash of incidents which have plagued the heavily-Jewish borough.

Taubman is a past president of the Jewish Community Council of Queens which arranged with Borough President Donald Manes to appoint the Task Force. In announcing the formation of the Task Force, Manes said it would "consider all aspects of anti-semitism in the borough and recommend and develop educational, security and other programs to counter deplorable incidents of anti-semitism which periodically occur in the borough."

Manes said the Task Force "will concentrate on underlying prejudices and misunderstandings which may contribute to these incidents." The Task Force is a part of the Borough President's Council Against Religious and Racial Intolerance.

Jewish Bureau Teaches Judaism To Christians

NEW YORK (JTA) — A new outreach program to educate non-Jewish students in Buffalo public schools and Christian religious schools about aspects of Judaism has been pioneered by the Bureau of Jewish Education, according to the current issue of the "Pedagogic Reporter."

The program is called VISITOR, an acronym for Volunteer in Service in Teaching our Religion. The bureau trained volunteers in four workshops on how to explain Jewish concepts to Christian audiences.

The bureau also joined with the Buffalo Jewish Federation, the local branch of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and other local branches of major Christian organizations to sponsor an interfaith conference.

The conference brought Catholics, Protestants and Jews together in workshops on Jewish festivals.

Mideast Expert Warns Saudi Arabia Will Not Play Leading Role In Peace Process

WASHINGTON (JTA) — William Quandt, who was the Middle East expert on the National Security Council under President Carter, has warned Americans not to expect Saudi Arabia to take a leadership role in achieving an overall Arab-Israeli peace settlement.

"The Saudis cannot and will not be the Arab party who takes the lead in the next phase" of the Middle East peace process, he told a press conference at the Brookings Institution where he has been a Senior Fellow since leaving the White House in 1979. "They (the Saudis) can be helpful or they can be harmful in that process. But they will not be the heirs of the late Egyptian President (Anwar) Sadat." Quandt noted that the Saudis will sit on the "sidelines" while Syria, Jordan and the Palestinians negotiate with Israel and if such talks were concluded successfully the Saudis would be "next in line."

Quandt's remarks last Friday were made in connection with the publication by the Brookings Institution of his 190-page study of U.S. relations with Saudi Arabia, "Saudi Arabia in the 1980s: Foreign Policy, Security and Oil."

Saudis Cannot Replace Iran

While noting the importance of Saudi Arabia to the U.S., Quandt stressed at the press conference that the desert kingdom cannot replace Iran as the "major pillar" of U.S. security policy in the Persian Gulf. Americans should not "expect the Saudis to emerge as a regional super-power," he stated. "They are not cut out for the job. They don't aspire to it. They don't have the resources to draw on except for their oil or money."

Quandt said that the Saudis are not a regional leader and do not want to be one. He said the Saudis now have the capability to defend their oil fields but cannot defend the rest of the region from a threat from the Soviet Union. The Saudis will not allow the United States to have bases in Saudi Arabia, Quandt said. But he maintained they welcome the U.S. presence in the Persian Gulf itself and in Oman, Somalia and Kenya.

U.S. Lost 'Credibility' In Saudi Arabia

Quandt charged that the U.S. has lost "credibility" in Saudi Arabia because of the lack of a coherent policy to meet such situations as the fall of the Shah in Iran, the

Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the Soviet penetration of the Horn of Africa and the lack of progress in the Arab-Israeli peace process. He added that this problem existed before the Reagan Administration.

"If we could do something about the Arab-Israeli conflict other than go through the motions in this rather laid-back California style of Camp David negotiations," Quandt said, "if we could really get some momentum behind our rhetoric then I think there would be a sense that the United States is behaving like a super-power." He said until this happens or the U.S. does something about the other problems in the Mideast, "a lot of our friends are going to wonder whether we have more in mind than selling arms."

The Meaning Of Fahd's Plan

On the eight-point plan proposed by Crown Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia, Quandt said Fahd offered it during Sadat's visit to Washington last August when the late Egyptian leader made it appear that the Saudis would join the Camp David process. He said the plan was proposed as a means of denying that the Saudis were joining the process.

Quandt maintained that the main point of the plan was an effort by the Saudis to get the U.S. to begin contact with the Palestine Liberation Organization by having the PLO's approval of Fahd's proposals considered as acceptance of United Nations Security Council Resolution 242. But this did not happen.

The Fahd plan became a major issue in November when, because of the debate over the sale of AWACS planes to Saudi Arabia, Reagan said the plan implied implicit Saudi recognition of Israel for the first time, Quandt noted. He said, in addition, the West Europeans were also pushing the Fahd plan following Sadat's assassination.

On the AWACS itself, Quandt said he would not have offered them to the Saudis at this time. His study warns that the Saudis will always seek more and more technically advanced weapons from the U.S. He urges the U.S. to attempt to convince the Saudis that such "relatively simple" equipment as anti-tank weapons and anti-aircraft missiles would better suit their purposes than sophisticated aircraft.

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Charlotte Jacobson Elected Head Of The Jewish National Fund

NEW YORK, N.Y. — Prominent Zionist Leader, Charlotte Jacobson, has been elected President of the Jewish National Fund to succeed Rabbi William Berkowitz. Mrs. Jacobson's two-year term as head of the 80-year-old Zionist afforestation and land development agency begins immediately.

Charlotte Jacobson is well known both in Israel and the United States for her long service as a leader of the World Zionist community, and her expertise in International Health and Social Development Programs. She is the first woman President of the JNF.

Mrs. Jacobson is universally acknowledged as an outspoken champion of Israel's cause. She was unanimously elected by the JNF of America Board of Directors at its biennial meeting at JNF House in New York. She continues to serve as Chairman of the American Section of the World Zionist Organization.

First elected to the Executive Jewish Agency in 1968 at the 27th World Zionist Congress, she had previously been National President of Hadassah from 1964 to 1968. She is also a member of the Board of Governors of the reconstituted Jewish Agency for Israel and as chairman of its Commission on Higher Education supervises its allocations for the seven institutions of higher learning in Israel that it supports.

A native of New York City, and raised in an atmosphere of Zionist commitment, Mrs. Jacobson has been active in Hadassah for more than thirty years. She has been successively Hadassah's National Vice-President, and National Treasurer prior to her election as President. She served as chairman of the Medical Building and Development campaign until 1976 and was responsible for the rebuilding of the Hadassah Hospital on Mt. Scopus after the six-day war.

She has visited Morocco, Iran, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Romania, Hungary, France, South Africa and Australia to study immigration problems. In 1966, she led a special Hadassah Mission to the Soviet Union to study at first hand the condition of the Jews there. She also led a special Hadassah Mission in 1969 to South American Jewish Communities and in 1974

she undertook an extended tour of Australia on behalf of Keren Hayesod. More recently, she led a group to survey medical and social services in Egypt, Jordan and Syria. In December 1979 she visited China to survey that country's social and medical programs.

Mrs. Jacobson has received many important awards including the Solidarity Award of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry for "her solidarity with Jews struggling in the Soviet Union to find their place with the Jewish people," and for helping "to forge the world-wide advocacy effort and providing wisdom and energy to further the cause of freedom;" the Philip W. Lowm Medal of the Hebrew Teachers College of Boston for distinguished service to Jewish education and culture in the United States; the Henrietta Szold Award of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel "for her tireless efforts on behalf of American immigrants."

Hebrew Day Expands Physical Education

As a result of funds raised in the Providence Hebrew Day Torah Freedom Run, the school has been able to expand its Physical Education program with the purchase of new equipment and the employment of two highly qualified specialists, Maryanne Loneczak and Jay Anderson.

The Physical Education curriculum at the school promotes physical fitness in everyday life and teaches skills for practical application in all sports. In describing the objectives of the program Loneczak said that "PHDS seeks to develop the students minds and bodies into feeling that physical education allows them to be healthier and happier people."

Rabbi Sholom Strajcher, Dean of the school, announced that in order to facilitate the expanded curriculum, arrangements have been made with the Jewish Community Center as well as with Brown University's Marvel Gym for the use of their facilities.

Children Celebrate Chanukah



JERUSALEM — In the Pediatrics Department at the Hadassah University Hospital on Mount Scopus, sick children celebrate Chanukah. Nirit Zavdi, a two-year-old patient from Moshav Fatsael, in the Jordan Valley, plays with a variety of tops, some made from egg containers, next to the lit candelabra. Nirit's father was born in Russia and came to Israel twenty years ago; her mother came from Egypt.

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Bridge

by Robert E. Starr



Holding good cards is always welcome, especially if one is playing for high stakes. One of the more appealing aspects of Duplicate Bridge is that everyone holds the same cards. What one does with the cards he has is the thing so supposedly, in that case, the better player will always win. No matter what kind of cards he holds. But that is not always true. Sometimes, when you hold poor cards, you are at the mercy of your opponents. If, at a certain time with a certain hand, they do something brilliant, beyond your control, you will receive a poor score without doing anything wrong. Such was the case in today's hand when only one Declarer found the correct way to make his contract. His opponents were what is called in Duplicate "Fixed."

North
 ♠ Q10742
 ♥ Q642
 ♦ A
 ♣ K8

West
 ♠ 86
 ♥ 93
 ♦ 10954
 ♣ 106532

East
 ♠ A K1085
 ♥ A K873
 ♦ A J9

South
 ♠ AKJ53
 ♥ J7
 ♦ QJ2
 ♣ Q74

Both sides vulnerable, East dealt with this bidding:

E	S	W	N
1H	1S	P	4S

Some Norths only went as high as three in responding to their partner's overall, citing the fact that they were vulnerable. Actually they should think just the reverse. Their hand doesn't change, of course, but South should have a better hand as a minimum to make a vulnerable bid than the right have not vulnerable. Regardless, every pair did get to game but only one Declarer made the bid.

The first three tricks were identical. West leading a Heart with East winning his two high ones and continuing low. Each Declarer ruffed high and then drew two rounds of Trumps. They then did what seemed the easy thing to do, they led a low Club from their own hand to Dummy's doubleton King. That is the usual way to do it and, of course, East won his Ace and could lead any suit but Diamonds.

That Heart Queen in Dummy is high and good for a discard but no discard is going to do any good. Sooner or later that Diamond finesse is going to have to be tried and will lose to East for the setting trick. Every Declarer bid the one who made the hand felt this was the way it had to be but really it was not. As in some other hands we have had, after East opened the bidding every high card could be accounted for. The finesse had to lose. But how do we avoid it.

We can be playing the Clubs differently or to our advantage. Knowing East also has

that Ace, instead of leading to Dummy's King, win the last Trump lead in Dummy and lead from it. Now see East's predicament. If he takes his Ace you can discard the losing Diamond in Dummy on your Queen. Whereas if he plays low, as he should, the Queen wins. Now go over to Dummy with a Trump and this is the time you use that good Heart Queen for a very vital discard, a Club.

At this time each hand has a singleton Club honor so lead the Club, let East win his Ace and what can he lead now. He will either have to give up a Ruff and Sluff or a Diamond gives up a free finesse. Either allows the hand to be made and legitimately, too.

Moral: When you know by the bidding exactly where all the high cards are, play the hand as if you can see all four open.

Queens Task Force On Anti-Semitism Organized

FOREST HILLS (JTA) — The president of the newly-organized Queens Task Force on Anti-Semitism, Paul Taubman, has reported that the Task Force is moving to complete its program to combat the rash of incidents which have plagued the heavily Jewish borough.

Taubman is a past president of the Jewish Community Council of Queens which arranged with Borough President Donald Manes to appoint the Task Force. In announcing the formation of the Task Force, Manes said it would "consider all aspects of anti-Semitism in the borough and recommend and develop educational, security and other programs to counter deplorable incidents of anti-Semitism which periodically occur in the borough."

Manes said the Task Force "will concentrate on underlying prejudices and misunderstandings which may contribute to these incidents." The Task Force is a part of the Borough President's Council Against Jewish and Racial Intolerance.

Jewish Bureau Teaches Judaism To Christians

NEW YORK (JTA) — A new outreach program to educate non-Jewish students in Buffalo public schools and Christian religious schools about aspects of Judaism has been pioneered by the Bureau of Jewish Education, according to the current issue of the "Pedagogic Reporter."

The program is called VISITOR, an acronym for Volunteer in Service in Teaching our Religion. The bureau trained volunteers in four workshops on how to explain Jewish concepts to Christian audiences.

The bureau also joined with the Buffalo Jewish Federation, the local branch of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and other local branches of major Christian organizations to sponsor an interfaith conference.

The conference brought Catholics, Protestants and Jews together in workshops on Jewish festivals.

Mideast Expert Warns Saudi Arabia Will Not Play Leading Role In Peace Process

WASHINGTON (JTA) — William Quandt, who was the Middle East expert on the National Security Council under President Carter, has warned Americans not to expect Saudi Arabia to take a leadership role in achieving an overall Arab-Israeli peace settlement.

"The Saudis cannot and will not be the Arab party who takes the lead in the next phase" of the Middle East peace process, he told a press conference at the Brookings Institution (where he has been a Senior Fellow since leaving the White House in 1979). "They (the Saudis) can be helpful or they can be harmful in that process. But they will not be the heirs of the late Egyptian President (Anwar) Sadat." Quandt noted that the Saudis will sit on the "sidelines" while Syria, Jordan and the Palestinians negotiate with Israel and if such talks were concluded successfully the Saudis would be "next in line."

Quandt's remarks last Friday were made in connection with the publication by the Brookings Institution of his 100-page study of U.S. relations with Saudi Arabia, "Saudi Arabia in the 1980s: Foreign Policy, Security and Oil."

Saudis Cannot Replace Iran
 While noting the importance of Saudi Arabia to the U.S., Quandt stressed at the press conference that the desert kingdom cannot replace Iran as the "major pillar" of U.S. security policy in the Persian Gulf. Americans should not "expect the Saudis to emerge as a regional super-power," he stated. "They are not cut out for the job. They don't aspire to it. They don't have the resources to draw on except for their oil or money."

Quandt said that the Saudis are not a regional leader and do not want to be one. He said the Saudis now have the capability to defend their oil fields but cannot defend the rest of the region from a threat from the Soviet Union. The Saudis will not allow the United States to use bases in Saudi Arabia, Quandt said. But he maintained they welcome the U.S. presence in the Persian Gulf itself and in Oman, Somalia and Kenya.

U.S. Lost 'Credibility' In Saudi Arabia
 Quandt charged that the U.S. has lost "credibility" in Saudi Arabia because of the lack of a coherent policy to meet such situations as the fall of the Shah in Iran, the

Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the Soviet penetration of the Horn of Africa and the lack of progress in the Arab-Israeli peace process. He added that this problem existed before the Reagan Administration.

"If we could do something about the Arab-Israeli conflict other than go through the motions in this rather laid-back California style of Camp David negotiations," Quandt said, "if we could really get some momentum behind our rhetoric then I think there would be a sense that the United States is behaving like a super-power." He said until this happens or the U.S. does something about the other problems in the Mideast, "a lot of our friends are going to wonder whether we have more in mind than selling arms."

The Meaning Of Fahd's Plan

On the eight-point plan proposed by Crown Prince Fahd of Saudi Arabia, Quandt said Fahd offered it during Sadat's visit to Washington last August when the late Egyptian leader made it appear that the Saudis would join the Camp David process. He said the plan was proposed as a means of denying that the Saudis were joining the process.

Quandt maintained that the main point of the plan was an effort by the Saudis to get the U.S. to begin contact with the Palestine Liberation Organization by having the PLO's approval of Fahd's proposals considered as acceptance of United Nations Security Council Resolution 242. But this did not happen.

The Fahd plan became a major issue in November when, because of the debate over the sale of AWACS planes to Saudi Arabia, Reagan said the plan implied implicit Saudi recognition of Israel for the first time, Quandt noted. He said, in addition, the West Europeans were also pushing the Fahd plan following Sadat's assassination.

On the AWACS itself, Quandt said he would not have offered them to the Saudis at this time. His study warns that the Saudis will always seek more and more technically advanced weapons from the U.S. He urges the U.S. to attempt to convince the Saudis that such "relatively simple" equipment as anti-tank weapons and anti-aircraft missiles would better suit their purposes than sophisticated aircraft.

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