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Samuel Shlevin To Be Honored By ADL



Samuel Shlevin

Samuel M. Shlevin, Executive Director of the Providence Hebrew Day School in Providence and long-time champion of civil and human rights throughout Rhode Island, will be honored at an Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith Humanitarian Service Award dinner, Wednesday, September 12 at Temple Emanu-El in Providence. Among distinguished guests honoring Mr. Shlevin

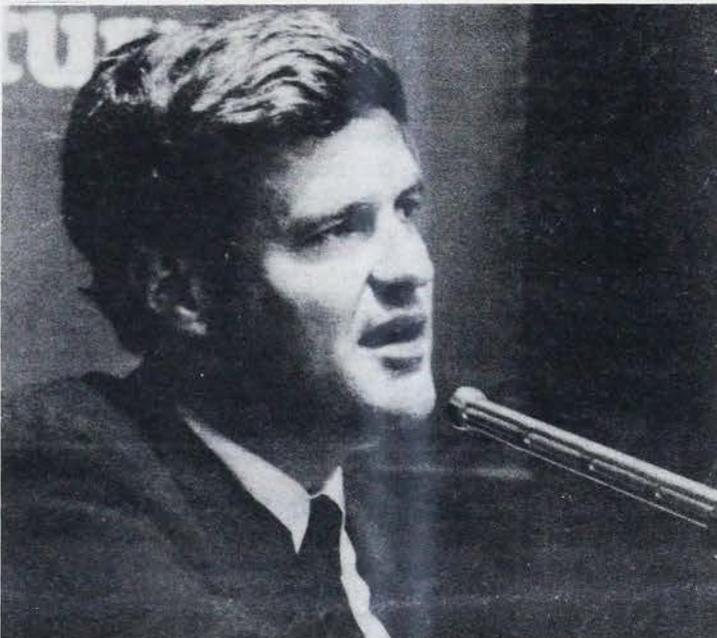
will be Rhode Island Governor J. Joseph Garrahy, U.S. Federal Court Judge Bruce Selya, Archbishop George N. Hunt of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island, and Archbishop Louis Gelineau of the Catholic Archdiocese.

Shlevin has devoted much of his lifetime to furthering the cause of civil and human rights in Rhode Island. He was a founder of the Rhode Island Coalition Against Bigotry and was appointed by Governor J. Joseph Garrahy to serve on the Commission on Religious, Racial and Ethnic Harassment. He also is the only layman ever to receive the "Outstanding Community Leadership Award" from the Rhode Island Council of Churches.

During his six years as the Rhode Island chairman of the ADL, Mr. Shlevin has been in the forefront of the League's program of countering anti-Semitism and implementing prejudice reduction education. Mr. Shlevin has been active in the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, cancer and heart societies, B'nai B'rith, Jewish Federation, Temple Emanu-El and Ohawe Sholam synagogue.

Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres at 6:00 p.m. will be followed by the dinner at 7:15 p.m. For further information and reservations, please contact Albert Gordon at 861-4100, or Herman Selya at 751-9315.

Theodore Sizer: New Education Leader At Brown



Theodore R. Sizer, new Chairman of the Department of Education, Brown University.

by Karen A. Coughlin

"These things aren't easy to talk about," Theodore R. Sizer, new Chairman of the Department of Education at Brown University, said as he shook my hand at the end of our conversation at his George Street office.

Sizer, a former Dean of the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University and Headmaster at Phillips Academy, Andover, Ma., was appointed to the Brown post in early July.

It is not easy to reject the notion of the comprehensive high school in light of its predominance in American culture. But Dr. Theodore R. Sizer does just that.

"The comprehensive high school is supposed to provide a wide range of services to a wide variety of youngsters. The experience of the 'unspecial majority' in such schools is often very superficial," Sizer claimed. He served as Chairman of A Study of High Schools, cosponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals and the Commission on Educational Issues of the National Association of Independent Schools from 1981-1984.

It is not easy to assert that "intellectual education is the most effective vocational education going" at a time when unemployment problems persist in our economy and Americans seem anxious about preparing their children for the high-tech future, but Theodore Sizer makes just that assertion.

"Those people most in need of an intellectual education don't want it," is the argument most often heard, Sizer says, adding, "Which is to say they will be slaves."

It is not easy to voice concern about growing state involvement and control over public education nationwide at a time when state laws and regulations — high school diploma requirements and teacher certification rules — are often presented as the harbingers of a "new dawn" in American education. Even the controversial issue of merit pay for teachers is, Sizer says, "politically at least, a state issue."

"The states have a constitutional responsibility to see to the civil literacy of

the populace, and for more advanced education, "to be concerned with the results of that," Sizer says. The states should be concerned with students' being able to read and write, master and apply math concepts and so on — at a general level."

The current danger in state involvement is that it is now "headed toward specifics of classroom management and textbook selection," he says.

"It is a great irony that in the name of excellence there is the bureaucratization and politicization of our public schools," he said.

Clearly then, Sizer does not look to the easy solutions, especially those formed by pressures from special-interest lobby groups as they developed in the late 1960s and 1970s with their preference for centralized authority, to improve American education.

And yet, Theodore Sizer is a realist. "People do things out of self-interest," he said unequivocally, in discussing his notion that the restructuring of education should come from the public's demand.

"There are two publics — one, decreasing in size and made up of parents of children now in school, and another comprised of people who do not have children in school," he said. To bring about educational reform in keeping with the interests of both groups, political leaders and educators must "tune" the self-interest of the public at large to what seems right for students, he said.

President Lyndon Baines Johnson was better able to accomplish this "tuning" of interests in education than any other President in recent history, Sizer feels. Of the landmark Johnson-era Elementary and Secondary Education Act, he notes that "not one word was changed as it came out of the legislature," adding that Johnson knew how to make necessary compromises, while President John F. Kennedy did not.

Sizer served on the White House Task Force on Cities and the National Advisory Committee, Title II, of the Higher Education Facilities Act during the

Washington Report: Statesman Urges Arab-Israeli Talks

by Wolf Blitzer
 Jerusalem Post

Alfred Atherton, a senior state department official who has been closely involved in U.S. policy in the Middle East for some 20 years, has outlined proposals for reviving Arab-Israeli peace negotiations next year.

In the latest issue of *Foreign Affairs* quarterly, Atherton insists that Israel must once again accept the notion of withdrawing from some of the West Bank as an essential element in the peace process.

"For Israel," he writes, "the pursuit of peace will require recognizing that the choice is between retaining exclusive control of the occupied West Bank, Gaza and Golan Heights — which in my view will render a stable Middle East peace unattainable for the indefinite future — or working toward a solution which accepts the basic concept of 'territory' for peace embodied in Resolution 242."

Atherton, a former special Middle East envoy who recently returned to Washington after serving as ambassador to Egypt, is now director-general of the State Department's foreign service. The article, he says reflects "entirely" his own personal views.

Still, the ideas presented by Atherton are known to be shared by many other career State Department officials. They will be promoted by the U.S. foreign policy established irrespective of a Reagan or Mondale victory in November.

One of the most respected Middle East specialists in Washington, Atherton recognizes the difficulty in reviving peace talks, but insists the situation is by no means hopeless.

"If Israel were again prepared to take that concept (of territory for peace) as a point of departure, and if the Arabs were prepared to make the hard decisions facing them, it should not be beyond human imagination to devise arrangements that would take into account the changes that have occurred since Resolution 242 was passed," he writes.

"Such arrangements would need to deal, *inter alia*, with questions of security for both Israel and its neighbors, with the

roots Israel has put down in the occupied territories through the establishment of settlements there, and with the needs of peaceful intercourse," he adds.

Atherton maintains that the U.S. "remains the best hope for helping the nations of the Middle East find a peaceful future. I believe, further, that most of the leaders in the area know this in their hearts."

Continuing, he writes: "It is not too soon for us to start thinking now about the policies we will pursue in the new year to protect U.S. interests and to achieve U.S. objectives in the Middle East."

In the article, entitled "Arab, Israelis — and Americans: A Reconsideration," Atherton asserts it was his experience that "domestic political considerations have probably carried more weight in determining American Middle East policy over a longer period of time than they have on any other major foreign policy issue since the days of the China lobby. I say this not as a criticism, but as a statement of fact."

"It is a fact which Israel has long recognized, but which Arab leaders — with the sole exception of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat — have tended to wring their hands about rather than including it in their own calculations."

Atherton, who served under former secretary of state Henry Kissinger in 1975, criticized the U.S. commitment to Israel at that time not to recognize or negotiate with the PLO until it accepts Resolution 242 and Israel's right to exist.

"It has long been my personal view," he writes, "that such a dialogue would have been an opportunity to exploit the latent divisions within the PLO, between those who advocate terrorism and reject the very idea of peace in Israel, and those who are prepared to take a more pragmatic and less extreme approach."

Atherton singles out for special praise Sadat, Jimmy Carter and Menachem Begin for their respective decisions leading to the start of the Israeli-Egyptian peace process.

"President Carter, from his first meet-

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Local News

Linseys To Be Honored By B-G U.

The American Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, is planning an evening in tribute to Joseph M. and Thelma Linsey, it was recently announced by Bob Bernstein, Chairman of the Rhode Island Chapter. The event will be a dinner and "Night at the Races," on Thursday evening, September 20, in the "Queen of Clubs — The Lady Sara Room," at Lincoln Greyhound Park in Lincoln, R.I.

In making the announcement, Mr. Bernstein said, "We are very pleased to have this opportunity to honor Joe and Thelma. Their compassion and generosity have touched many over the years and it is appropriate that their friends express their respect in this way."

Mr. Linsey, well-known community leader, philanthropist and businessman, and Mrs. Linsey have long been supporters of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, as well as numerous other organizations in the New England area. The Linseys became Founders of Ben-Gurion University early in the development of the New England Area and have continued as active members since that time. Mr. Linsey is a member of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee of the New England Area and was recently elected to the



Joe and Thelma Linsey

Board of Directors of the American Associates. In 1983, Mr. Linsey became the New England Chairman of the newly-established Physical Education and Sports Committee of the American Associates.

Cardiac Rehab Seminars At Miriam

The Miriam Hospital has scheduled seminars on cardiac rehabilitation from 7 to 8 p.m. every Wednesday through the summer in Sopkin Auditorium. Kenneth Korr, M.D., will discuss open-heart surgery and new ways of treating heart attacks on Wednesday, August 29. The series will start again in October.

Beth Am-Beth David Holds Open House

The annual Open House and Religious School Registration at Temple Beth Am-Beth David will be held Thursday, Sept. 6, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Temple, 40 Gardiner St., Warwick.

Again this year there will be "something special" about the evening.

Rabbi Richard Leibovitz, who assumed the pulpit at the Temple Aug. 1, will be on hand to meet the children of the school and their parents and to discuss the Temple with prospective members.

The "something special" just a year ago was the Temple's contemporary new sanctuary and chapel which had been completed that summer.

The Open House will give current and prospective members an opportunity to speak with Rabbi Leibovitz, Cantor Steven Dress, officers of the Temple and teachers and administrators of the Religious School. They also will be available to answer inquiries concerning membership, the school and the High Holiday observances and conduct tours of the facility.

Classes in the Religious School begin Sept. 9, and students are being accepted for the following programs:

PRE-SCHOOL: for 4 to 6-year-olds. The Eunice Zeidman Memorial Pre-School meets Sunday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon and provides an introduction to Jewish customs, prayer, song and dance.

MECHINA: for 7-year-olds. This Headstart Hebrew and Judaic Studies program meets Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon and Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Temple affiliation for the Pre-School and Mechina programs is not required.

ALEPH thru HEY: This more intensive religious education program is designed for 8 to 13-year-olds and includes preparation for Bar and Bat Mitzvah. Classes meet Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon and Tuesday and Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Students in the Aleph through Hey classes who live in the vicinity of the Southern Area Extension School (East Greenwich, West Warwick, North Kingstown, etc.) may enroll for Monday and Wednesday classes there and attend Sunday classes at the Temple.

Further information on the school is available from Mrs. Marsha Werber (828-6776). Membership information may be obtained by calling Mrs. Sheila Land (884-5397). The Temple office (463-7944) may be contacted also.

West Bay Jewish Center Announces Programs

West Bay Jewish Center has released its program of activities for 1984-1985. These programs will include a toddler playgroup for two year olds, Lunch with Punch (a lunchtime puppet theater), and a multi-media arts and crafts workshop for three to six year olds. In addition, West Bay will offer adult functions which are aimed at bringing the community together for social and educational purposes, and a full program of Jewish festival activities (many of which will be co-sponsored by the Homestart Program of the Bureau of Jewish Education). Details concerning membership and program registration can be obtained by writing to: West Bay Jewish Center, P.O. Box 92, East Greenwich, R.I. 02818.

Aquathon At Crestwood C.C.

On Saturday, August 25, from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, at Crestwood Country Club, an Aquathon to benefit Cystic Fibrosis will be held. The event is open to anyone up to 18 years of age. Prizes will be awarded.

For more information call Peggy at 336-7570.

Bucci Named Head Teacher



Margot Bucci

Temple Sinai Nursery School is happy to announce the appointment of Margot Bucci to its Head Teacher position.

Margot's background includes a B.A. from Windham College, M.A. from Boston State College. Her interests and hobbies include arts and crafts, music, swimming and gardening.

She has her R.I. certification. Temple Sinai Nursery School will begin its 15th year September, 1984.

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Mameh-Loshn, Yiddish-Loshn

by Cindy Gilman

Besser Is Dem Fish Oyf Yenems Tish

Most people vacation during the summer months. However, planning a vacation in my house causes a major *milchomeh*. Father and son want to go camping in the mountains. To me, camping in the mountains means a trip to the Catskills resorts, and having the pool attendant deliver my pickled lox directly to the chaise lounge, while I sit and listen to the *vaybelech* discuss how they spent their winter ridding themselves of cellulite.

Her vos ich zog! My family want to rough it: tents, backpacks, sleeping bags, and fishing poles. *Vart eyn minut, boychecklech* — where do I plug in my blow dryer and Mr. Coffee? And... what's this *tepl* they bring along? *Hob rachmones...* *un noch eyn zach*. What about the mosquitos? I'm one of those *mazeldike* people that wears an invisible sign, "Mosquito Attack Area." One night in a tent and I'll look like a lumpy Kabuki dancer covered in calamine lotion.

Just thinking about it makes me *zitz un kratz*. And what about the *viddeh chayehs*? You never know what's roaming around in the *finsternich* — lions and tigers and bears... Oh no!

By now, *mayne fraynd*, you know I'm not exactly an "outdoorsy person." My husband, however, is — an avid fisherman. I try to share this sport with him. So we made an agreement.

I said, "You catch 'em, and clean 'em, and I'll eat 'em."

I am a peace loving person, non-violent. I cannot kill anything. So, we make a deal — the fish have to be dead before they enter the house.

A devoted fisherman, he wakes up in the middle of the night (*me darf zayn meshuge!*) puts on his fishing costume (first the *gathes*, a shirt, a jacket, rubber pants, rubber boots, *noch a jacket* and a *tserisine shmutziker* hat, which he refers to as his "lucky hat") and off he goes in the dead of night to conquer the sea.

Several hours later, I sit half-dazed, sipping my third cup of morning coffee and Danny runs to the window, *un er shrayt*, "Ma, Daddy's home and he's got two big bags of fish."

Oy a broch, in just a few minutes the aroma of fish will fill the air. At 8

o'clock in the morning this does not exactly thrill me. I greet him with, "Nu, are they dead?" Avoiding the questions of a half *farshloffene* wife, he heads for the kitchen, and flops two *fulle zekelech* of fish into the sink.

"You said you liked mackerel, didn't you? he asks with a big *shmeychl*."

"Yeh, I love mackerel," I say, "but 42 mackerel could put my thyroid gland in a state of shock from iodine overdose."

"Go take a look," he says. *Er zagt*, and this the biggest mistake I make. Ich gib a kook, and 42 mackerel are "break dancing" in my sink. *Mamenyu! Ich gib a kvitch* (which is different than a *kvetch*). Just as a *kvitch*, the fish give a final *krechitz* and they are out.

"*Oy Gott... oy*. Why do they always wait for me before they take their last breath of life?" I don't know whether to cry or *brech*.

The love of sports is passed on *dor v'dor*, from generation to generation. I remember the day Danny caught his first fish. He was filled with *naches* as he walked into the house holding his first big catch.

Aza kleyne fischele, such a puny little thing, it looked like an oversized goldfish.

"Oh, Dan, look at this great fish you caught."

He beamed from ear to ear, and then very shyly he asked, "Ma, will you cook it for dinner tonight?" Hoo-ha am I in trouble!

"Well, Dan, I already prepared a nice chicken for supper."

"That's o.k.," he says, handing me the fish by the tail. "Cook it tomorrow night." *Oy vey!*

The next day at the fish market I remove from my handbag a little plastic bag, which contains "the fish." The woman standing next to me gives me a look, and I smile back. I proudly hold up the bag and ask the fishman for one and a half pounds of any fish that closely resembles "*Hershele*." Then, I ask him to dispose of the remains. That night I tossed and turned — could I live with myself? *A lign iz a lign!* Well, it was just a little fish story.

Zay Gezunt.

Cindy Gilman's Yiddish column appears monthly in the Herald.

Theodore Sizer

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Johnson Administration. He also served on the National Advisory Committee on Education Professions Development during the administrations of both Presidents Johnson and Richard Nixon.

It was during Johnson's administration that Sizer with Philip Whitten wrote 'A Proposal for a Poor Children's Bill of Rights' which was published in *Psychology Today*. According to this 'Bill of Rights,' a child from a low-income family would be issued a voucher with increasing value in proportion to his poverty. It would attach to such a child a specific dollar value to be collected by the school he attends, thus making him literally more valuable to schools.

Sizer makes it clear that it is money that gives children and parents choices in education. His voucher plan gives poor children money to be collected by the schools they choose to attend, thus unlocking them from attendance at the neighborhood school.

"Upper income families act on the choice of schools largely by moving to towns and neighborhoods that have good public schools. Poor families don't have these choices," Sizer said. "The concept of choice makes for a different contract between student and teacher."

This voucher concept is like the formula used to determine welfare payments and is "an exact copy of the G.I. Bill of Rights," he said, adding that in the 1960s "it was politic to say we're using the well-tried machinery of the G.I. Bill of Rights."

Again the realist, Sizer asserts that the main distinction between public and private schools is the social backgrounds of the students.

Torat Yisrael News

A special series of family holiday workshops will be offered at Temple Torat Yisrael this year.

"This program, funded by an improvement grant from the Bureau of Jewish Education of R.I. is a very exciting opportunity for entire families to share in holiday preparations at synagogue and at home," stated Lonna Picker, education director at Temple Torat Yisrael. "This year we are offering a series of three workshops — each scheduled to take place a few weeks before the holiday it deals with. Next year we hope to offer others."

At each session, families will have a chance to learn special holiday facts and to put their "Hands on the Holidays" by creating something original to be used in their home celebrations. Sessions in this year's series are being scheduled prior to Sukkot, Purim and Pesach.

The first workshop Lamma Sukka Zu will be held on September 23. In addition

"Public schools are not all that different from private schools. Both offer instruction packaged in units of 40-50 minutes," he said.

Sizer predicts that "Religion will be trivialized by the introduction of prayer into the classroom as the result of political movements."

He feels, however, that "As long as history is taught there is a place for the study of issues stemming from religious movements. Otherwise, how could a teacher talk about Henry VIII?"

"But schools should not be places for evangelism," he said, noting that its baldest example was among Protestant Christians in the 19th century. In the past, where there were questions about school prayer and the recognition of certain religious holidays "for example, Christmas and not Chanukah, nobody took it very seriously," he said.

Theodore Sizer's most recent book, *Horace's Compromise: the Dilemma of the American High School*, was published this year, and is the first of three books to be issued by A Study of High Schools.

Horace, a central character in the book (which is in part a collection of stories arising from Sizer's observations of schools), "is a representative, devoted, veteran English teacher in a suburban high school. The compromises that he has to make even there, given the structure of his school, create the intolerable dilemma which is the theme of the book," Sizer summarized.

And among things that are not easy to do, it is not easy to obtain a copy of *Horace's Compromise* at the local public and college libraries because it is in such great demand. Which is to say that perhaps in the on-going cycle of reform in American education, the day has come for the realist who shuns easy solutions.

to discovering all of the why and whereof of building a Sukka, each family will design a wooden plaque to hang in their Sukka. An etrog and lulav will be given to every participating family.

JCC Sponsors Trip

Last fall's JCC-sponsored trip to Israel was such a success that the Center is doing it again this year. The 1984 tour will leave Logan Airport for Tel Aviv on Monday, October 22, via El Al Airlines, and return Monday, November 5. Transportation between the JCC and Logan will be by chartered bus.

The comprehensive tour includes 9 days of escorted sightseeing in Tel Aviv, the Southern coastal plains, the Lower Galilee, Tiberias, the Negev, Eilat, and Jerusalem. Dorothy Weiner of Wiener Travel, who handled last year's tour as well, has planned a flexible itinerary.

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From The Editor

Register To Vote

by Robert Israel

This week news came of the efforts of the NAACP who are marching 350 miles to register voters from northern Virginia through to New York City. The purpose of the marchers is to follow the "Underground Railroad" route used by escaping slaves in the 1800's, which they've renamed the "Overground Railroad." In a similar march last year, over 50,000 new voters were registered.

One of the problems that those seeking to register voters have discovered is apathy.

"We've run into a lot of apathy in the past," said one young man on the march. "But I think our personal approach with people, in which they tell us their concerns and we point out how registering can help address those, will work."

I have seen this apathy myself in the statements of many people I have known that have expressed disenchantment with our democratic system. They have become so cynical with the election process that they have become turned off to the suggestion that voting is critically important.

Voting is a constitutional privilege that should not be taken for granted. There was a time in the history of this country when

those wishing to vote were denied the right to do so — Blacks, women, and other minority groups. To take this privilege for granted is to deny the efforts of suffragists and others who fought to attain the right to vote. It is to accept silence and to let others speak for you. It is to suppress one's voice, rather than raising one's voice and demanding to be heard, which is what the right to vote guarantees you.

Recent statistics have indicated that only one out of every four persons in a family income of \$10,000 or less votes. This information, provided by another group seeking to register people, Project Vote, is startling, when one realizes that a shift of 45,000 votes would have changed the results in five U.S. Senate races and 20 races in the House of Representatives. Thirteen of those House seats were decided by 1,500 votes or less.

And so I urge you, if you haven't done so already, to register to vote and to insist that all those eligible in your family register to vote at the earliest possible moment. This year, during the Presidential election, there is much at stake — the very future of this country — and unless you make yourself heard by voting for the candidates of your choice, you will become another silent statistic.

Equal Access Weakens Our Democracy

It is lamentable, though not at all surprising, that President Reagan signed into law a bill that will allow students to gather for religious prayer meetings in public high schools when classes are not in session. The so-called "equal access" law is consistent with the worldview of Reagan and his fellow conservatives, who promote the injection of religion into public policy as the salvation of this country (whether or not its citizens want to be 'saved').

What is surprising, and even more lamentable, is the response of liberal Democrats like Rep. Barney Frank of Massachusetts, who said of the bill, "People should understand what this means, which is that... the young Trotskyites can meet, it means gay rights activists can meet. I think it's wonderful, but I'm surprised at some of my allies" (*New York Times*, August 12, 1984).

Frank's motives may be honorable in supporting a law which allows religious, social and political groups access to public high schools, but the motives of those who promoted the legislation — and the consequences of its enactment — are not.

The wording of the equal access bill was modified to include social and political groups to assuage the consciences of the liberal Democrats who voted for it in the House of Representatives, but the bill was designed to reintroduce prayer in public schools, nothing more and nothing less. Moral Majority head Rev. Jerry Falwell told the *Philadelphia Inquirer*, "We knew we could not win on school prayer. However, equal access gets us what we want all along."

Frank (and Long Island's Congressmen, all of whom voted for the bill), must have ignored the fact that the vast majority of new groups taking advantage of this law will not be Trotskyites or gay activists, but rather will be religious prayer groups of specific denominations which, by definition, will exclude (and perhaps ostracize) students of other beliefs.

Nor does it seem that Frank and his colleagues took into consideration the full ramifications of the law. As Marc Perl, Washington representative of the American Jewish Congress, has pointed out, outsiders are permitted to come into public secondary schools and participate in religious and political activities. And if a school allows one non-curriculum related club (Perl cited the examples of a chess club or Boy Scout troop), school officials must admit all student groups, no matter how extremist. "The legislation erodes the authority of school officials," said Perl. "Religious proselytizers, fringe cults and 'political groups' such as the Ku Klux Klan and the Nazis have the doors of our schools swung wide open for them."

The founding fathers of this country established a principle of separation of church and state which has well served all its citizens, including those of every belief and no belief, for the past 208 years.

The efforts of conservatives and fundamentalists, aided by well-intentioned liberals, to reverse that policy can only serve to weaken the democracy on which the strength of our country rests. Reprinted from *Long Island Jewish World*.

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Israeli Election Winners & Losers

by Irving Greenberg

The Israeli election is a virtual standoff, with the Labor leader Shimon Peres struggling to put together a viable coalition. Within the overall balance, however, there have been significant winners and losers.

LOSERS

Labor Alignment: For the second straight election, Labor chose to play it safe. It opted to keep Peres as its number one rather than risk an internal fight for leadership. Navon did get the number two spot. Navon is Sephardi — barely; he is identified with Ben Gurion and the old establishment. Aside from Peres' own weakness as a popular politician, the list's symbolism was: the unreconstructed Alignment. This image summons up Sephardic voters' cumulative decades-long resentment and brings them back to Likud. Nor did Labor offer any fresh economic initiatives.

Agudath Israel: After reaching a peak of influence as swing vote, having stolen National Religious Party's thunder in the religious community, with unprecedented millions funneled to its institutions, Agudath Israel's leadership got greedy. Its Ashkenazic Members of the Knesset (MKs) refused to honor an agreement to rotate out of Parliament to make room for Sephardim and new Hasidic representatives. The result was an ugly altercation in which Gerer Hasidim beat up Agudath's MK, Menachem Porush, and formation of an Agudath-type Sephardi party, *Guardians of Torah (Shass)*.

Agudath's European-born constituency is much smaller than all the P.R. about ultra-Orthodox resurgence and large families would have you believe. Given a chance, many Sephardic voters voted for Shass, to express ethnic as well as religious concerns. The Council of Torah Sages which 'leads' Agudath turned out to be a paper tiger; its mandate to vote Agudath did not save Agudath from a big drop. The Agudath lost ground but the traditionalist viewpoint picked up votes by giving greater representation to Sephardim. However, the voter backlash against Agudath's visible successes gave additional electoral strength to the Citizens' Rights and Shinui parties which execrate Agudath and favor separation of Church and State.

Ariel Sharon: Had Likud lost decisively, Sharon would have been a major contender to pick up the pieces. Now Shamir, Arens, and Levy can focus on blocking Sharon. The campaign revealed widespread disillusion with the Lebanon war's results. Sharon has been the lightning rod for those resentments. Sharon can be used to rally the faithful but he so angers the opposition that he cannot be up front in many areas. Sharon is politically boxed in. And now Rafal Eitan is in the Knesset for Tehiya to compete for the ex-general, be-tough-to-Arabs vote.

Tami: This Sephardic (Moroccan) splinter party shrank to one seat. The future of its primary figure, Abuhatzzeira, remains clouded with his conviction for mishandling funds. In the absence of sharp policy distinctions between itself and Sephardic lists and the National Religious Party (NRP), the party appears to have no future.

Moderates: Chadash — the Communist Party — held its Arab vote and obtained four seats despite the availability of Progressive List (integrating Arabs and Jews) and Yahad and Labor campaigning for Arab votes.

Ezer Weizmann's Yahad party was unable to garner more than three seats despite Weizmann's popularity and visibility in Israeli public life. Not enough voters cast their ballots to bridge polarization. Weizmann will have to hang in there and hope for future ripening of public opinion.

WINNERS

Right Wing, Territorial Parties: Smaller doctrinaire parties committed to holding on to the West Bank gained in this election. Lebanon and the absence of peace initiatives have strengthened the minorities who are convinced that a) holding the land is a religious or national calling, or b) that you can never trust the Arabs.

Likud still has important elements that would trade some territory for a serious peace. On the other hand, put together the pro-annexation small parties (Tehiya-5, Morasha-2) with Likud-41, NRP-4, and the hawkish wing of the Alignment and you have a clear majority favoring continued settlement until and unless

there is a major new peace initiative from the Arab side. Abba Eban's views, so highly appealing among American Jews, have lost ground in Israel.

Religious Parties: Despite fierce internecine warfare in Agudath and the National Religious Party, the religious vote itself remains stable. The breakthrough (Morasha from NRP to fight for territorial annexation; Shass from Agudath) added to total religious voting.

National Religious Party: NRP was drifting in the wake of Agudath, religiously, and of the territorial parties, politically. Facing possible and total breakup, NRP fought back by reasserting its classic and most successful role as the bridge between labor and middle class, between secular and religious, between those who put security first and those who put land first. NRP did not stop the erosion. The big question is: can the party stick to its renewed tone of moderation?

The NRP occupies the most strategic position in coalition negotiations. It is the only party with a net package of four seats to offer to either side. (Yahad has three — and will be vetoed by Tehiya; Agudath has two and would be vetoed by Shinui and Citizens' Rights.) NRP has been calling for a national unity government to deal with the intractable economic problems. If it can lead to this outcome, its own prestige will grow considerably. If NRP can check the growing extremism and nationalism in Orthodox ranks, the party can play a major role in leading Israel away from polarization and *kulturkampf*.

Meir Kahane: Meir Kahane has had a particular attraction for those alienated, with less democratic values (comparable to George Wallace's appeal to rednecks and hardhats in the 1960s). He gains support from Russian *olim* (immigrants) who credit the Jewish Defense League (JDL) with opening up the Russian Jewry issue and who find his nationalistic, religious, and hardline anti-Communist line appealing. The removal of Menachem Begin's competing but more responsible appeal freed up enough voters to get Kahane the one percent of the total national vote which is the minimum to get a seat. This will give him a financial base and respectability which has eluded him for the past decade.

Kahane's gain is Israel's loss. Peace with the Arabs and justice for minorities are set back. Kahane, with his incitement of violence calls to expel the Arabs, received 22,000 votes in all of Israel. Were he running in electoral district American style, he could win nowhere. But in Israel's national proportional representation system, he gets and seat and a platform. Kahane will furnish wonderful copy for all the Arab propagandists and Israel-haters as well as give the color of legitimacy to the charge that Israel is turning chauvinist, fascist, etc. Consider Kahane's seat the price of being a democracy; but the cost in public relations will be astronomical.

In general, the election results will yield a black eye for Israel in public relations. The conventional wisdom made Likud the source of all the expansionism and labor the fount of liberalism, socialism and modesty in foreign policy. In short, Labor is portrayed as Abba Eban — a gross simplification and exaggeration. American Jews will have to stay alert to challenge the caricatures; the truth is in the nuances. Hopefully, the bedrock of American support will withstand these new pressures as well. With Ronald Reagan's popularity still strong, American conservatives and hardliners may even find Likud more appealing.

This is a transition election. A national unity government is a distinct possibility. The long-term indexes of inter-communal relations continue to improve — although not enough to have changed the outcome of this election. American Jews need not agree with all Likud policies but they should learn to appreciate Likud's role as the expression of the poor and the neglected coming to power. Irving Greenberg is President of the National Jewish Resource Center.

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Developing A Peace Curriculum

by Simon Pressman

Last month Brandeis University in Waltham, Mass. approved a Peace curriculum for the coming semester. This means that Brandeis has added its name to a growing list of colleges and universities around the country where the subject of peace will be part of the mainstream of learning. This new minor in peace studies will help students expand their understanding of "the tremendous problem of war in society," the school announced.

There are now over a hundred colleges and universities offering peace studies as a minor or non-degree course. In contrast, many centers of higher learning promote recruitment for the military and stress ROTC in the curriculum, but lack a comprehensive approach to the knowledge of how, when and where peace can be achieved in the world other than from force of military power by governments in general.

A mini-directory of Peace Studies programs shows that courses range from Peace Resolutions to War/Peace Theory, a course which explores how to obtain peace without an aggressive military presence. The introduction of facets of a Peace curriculum would range from philosophies of non-violence to the study of what makes other nations function, plus the indepth analysis of what prompted the need for warfare during the past three hundred years.

At the University of Rhode Island in Kingston an ad hoc committee of professors, students and chaplains have been meeting informally for the past few months to discuss a realistic approach to a Peace curriculum. After studying the curricula of the over 100 colleges and universities, a first course in peace studies will be presented to the URI administration for approval to start at the spring semester.

As an aside, there has been a concerted move to develop a Peace Academy for the United States. What most of us do not realize is that a bill has been passed in Congress approving the formation of a Peace Academy. There has been very little mention of this in the media, so there must be some reason that it is being ignored by the press. Is it a non-news item of little importance?

Why the need for a Peace Academy? Anyone who travels to Newport has an

opportunity to see the structure at the end of the Newport Bridge which houses the U.S. Naval War Academy. There our military strategists study, discuss and project the ways and means of waging war in the defense of our country. But nowhere in our country is there a Peace Academy where our future diplomats, politicians and military leaders can learn about the ways and means of waging peace through dialogue, discussions and negotiations with foreign countries.

One would think that in our present state of world diplomacy, it would be prudent for our representatives, both military and civilian, to know how to approach plans for peace, with the destruction of our planet as an assured alternative. The leading nations of the world are so intent on overbuilding their nuclear arsenal that there is a nagging need for down-to-earth discussions between nations, between world leaders and between people. Let us hope that URI's initiative in developing a Peace curriculum will set the pace among the great universities of the country in teaching about the issues, the statistics and the objectives of achieving peace on our fragile earth.

It is hoped that through a Peace curriculum we will arrive at a better understanding of the diverse people of the world and what their aspirations and hopes are. It will mean a change in our outlook for the future of our children and for the generations to follow. Haven't we learned by now that there is already enough know-how to achieve world peace just as there is to start World War III?

Colleges and universities presently offering Peace curricula are: Kent State University, Kent, OH.; Manhattan College, Bronx, N.Y.; Wayne State University, Detroit, MI.; Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.; and University of Denver, Denver, CO., to mention only a few.

In addition, there are 26 Catholic colleges with a Peace curriculum as well as universities overseas in Denmark, Sweden and England, to mention a few. This is only the beginning of teaching a Peace curriculum and the University of R.I. is to be congratulated in joining this humanitarian hope for mankind.

Simon Pressman, President of Seniors Helping Others and Coordinator for the South County Nuclear Freeze Group, lives and writes in Narragansett, R.I.

Equal Access Bill Becomes Law

(JTA) — President Reagan signed into law last week a bill prohibiting public high schools from banning gatherings of students for religious or political purpose outside of class hours but on school premises, a measure widely protested by Jewish organizations and one of dubious constitutionality.

The measure, popularly dubbed the "freedom of access" law, was one of a legislative package the President accused the Democrats of "bottling up" in Congress as he signed it at his Santa Barbara home.

The signing took place amidst reports that some Reagan Administration lawyers felt its language would permit schools to allow use of their buildings by religious cults and extremist groups, a warning issued repeatedly by major Jewish organi-

zations during the measure's convoluted journey through the Republican-controlled Senate and then an initial defeat and subsequent approval by the Democratic-controlled House just before adjournment for the election campaign.

Still another problem, because of assured constitutional challenges, experts said it was doubtful that the new law would meet its central purpose of allowing student groups to conduct prayer sessions on school premises, regardless of stated non-interference with regular school hours.

Four federal appeals courts and state appellate courts in New York and California have barred a variety of religious activities by student groups in public schools, declaring they were barred by the First Amendment on church-state separation.

AJC Launches Religious Freedom Project

The American Jewish Committee recently criticized the steady trend toward erosion of the Principle of Church-State separation in the U.S., and announced the launching of a major Religious Freedom Education Project to revive the principles of tolerance and pluralism in national discussions of religion and public affairs.

In releasing the statement on Religion and American Pluralism, Howard I. Friedman, AJC's president, said: "The erosion of Church-State separation has reached the stage where it demands a vigorous response. Recent attempts to inject religion into the official public life of the country, however well meaning, violate Constitutional principles and weaken our country's pluralistic ethic."

As evidence of the erosion of Church-State separation, the statement cited passage by Congress of a bill to allow student-run religious groups to meet in the public schools, continued attempts to introduce silent prayer into the schools, and the Supreme Court decision to allow the public display of city-owned nativity scenes. It noted that Congress and the Supreme Court were likely to deal further with this issue in their next sessions.

The statement also noted that prominent officials of both parties, from the President on down, had improperly injected religion into the realm of public affairs by using the prestige of their office to endorse particular beliefs and practices.

"The erosion of Church-State separation," the statement asserted, "threatens to increase intolerance in American society" by lending "endorsement to one form of religious practice over others. The country now needs an end to polarizing behavior and rededication to mutual respect and free expression."

In his comment on the statement, Mr. Friedman said he realized that many people who sought to inject religion into public affairs did so from well-meaning motives such as a desire to restore traditional values. But, he added, "it would be unfortunate if their efforts lead instead to a break from Constitutional principles and a rise in intolerance in the U.S."

In describing AJC's new action program on this issue, David M. Gordis, AJC executive vice president, said, "The Religious Freedom Education Project will be a major agency priority over the next year. AJC will mount programs both nationally and in our chapters throughout the country. We will aim through this project to raise understanding of the dangerous implications of the Church-State issue, protect Constitutional guarantees, and develop positive ways to teach traditional values. We will also seek to work with a wide variety of other groups in promoting pluralism in the U.S."



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National/World News

Washington Report: Statesman Urges Arab-Israeli Talks

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ing with Sadat onward, had impressed the Egyptian president with the argument that the Arabs could not expect Israel to withdraw from occupied territories for less than full peace and normal relations. An end to the state of belligerency, the most any Arab leader had been prepared to offer them until then, would not be sufficient," Carter argued.

"There is no question that this argument, and Sadat's confidence in Carter, had greater impact on Sadat's thinking than many of us realized at the time, and influenced the evolution of his thinking — to the point when he made his bold decision to go to Jerusalem."

Atherton, despite his criticism of Begin for re-interpreting Resolution 242 to reject any territorial withdrawal from the West Bank, praised his willingness to leave all of Sinai.

"Another critical development in 1977 was the accession of the Israeli Likud government headed by Menachem Begin," he

writes.

"Just as Sadat's willingness to negotiate directly with Israel, for peace, in the full sense of the word, was essential for successful negotiations, Israeli readiness to withdraw completely from all Egyptian territory as a part of a peace settlement was equally essential.

"If Begin had insisted on the position of previous Israel governments, that Israel would have to retain possession of security position in eastern and southern Sinai, there would have been no settlement. It was Begin's willingness to make the bold decision to make total peace, that brought Egyptian-Israeli peace into the range of the possible."

Atherton regards the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty "as the one new and, I believe, irreversible reality in the 30-year-old Arab Israeli conflict. Without it, the prospects for a comprehensive peace in the region — dim as they may seem today — would be infinitely more distant."

S.F. School & Synagogues Targets Of Anti-Semitic Vandalism

SAN FRANCISCO (JTA) — Police are continuing to investigate the occurrence of anti-Semitic vandalism at five synagogues and a Jewish day school. The buildings were plastered last week with posters declaring "Death to the Jews" and "Long Live the PLO," with a large swastika in the center.

Peggy Isaak Gluck, a Northern California Jewish Bulletin staff writer, reported that Inspector Tom Dickson, liaison to the Jewish community for the San Francisco police department, said the police would examine each of the affected synagogues in the hope of finding the perpetrators.

Two worshippers on their way to Tisha B'Av services discovered the posters. Identical posters were found on Congregations Adath Israel, Ner Tamid, Beth Shalom, Sherith Israel, and Chevra Thilim, plus Hebrew Academy, Gluck reported. Similar posters were found on San Francisco synagogues about three years ago. But, according to Dickson, "they weren't as threatening as this one. This is a threat to all Jews. We suspect it may be the same person or group who did the last one."

Dickson said his investigators would "call people who deal with the PLO," but noted that he suspected vandals other than that group. "This is an out-and-out threat and very serious," he said. Theodore Seton, chairman of the Jewish Community Relations Council, who visited the synagogues and school, indicated that he shared Dickson's uncertainty about the origin of the posters. Gluck reported Seton as saying that "the combination of pro-PLO and pro-Nazi sentiments in these posters is not traditional for most anti-Semitic groups."

He added, "We are doing everything possible to cooperate with the police to find the source of these outrages," and expressed gratification that the police department "has been responsive and has launched a serious investigation."

Rabbi Michael Samuel of Congregation Chevra Thilim, one of the target synagogues, said, "It should be a reminder to Jews — and other minority groups — that in this country these hate groups are unfortunately alive and well and will do anything to promote their campaign of hatred."

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Dr. Miller Elected President Of CJMCAG

Dr. Israel Miller, senior vice president of Yeshiva University, was elected president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany at the biennial meeting of the Claims Conference in Jerusalem.

Dr. Miller succeeds Dr. Nahum Goldmann, founder and first president of the Claims Conference from its inception in 1951 until his death in 1982. Dr. Miller served as acting president of the Claims Conference after Dr. Goldman's death.

The Claims Conference functions as the officially recognized body to represent the interests of all Jewish victims of Nazi persecution throughout the world to the German Federal Republic (West Germany).

In his address to the meeting, Dr. Miller noted that 1984 marks 32 years since the signing of the Luxembourg Agreements between the Claims Conference, the State of Israel, and the German Federal Republic (West Germany). The Agreements constitute the cornerstone of the relationship between the West German government and the Jewish people and the State of Israel.

At the meeting, it was announced that more than 50,000 Jewish victims of Nazi persecution received payments from the Claims Conference Hardship Fund, established in 1980 as a result of an agreement with the West German government to provide 400 million Deutschmarks for one-time payments.

The money would be paid principally to such Jewish Nazi victims as those who left Eastern Europe after 1964 and were in no position to file timely claims under existing German legislation.

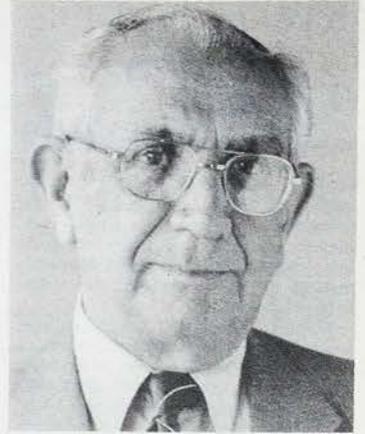
Mr. Kagan reported that 120,000 individual claims were received by the Hardship Fund. 52,000 claims were already paid involving the disbursement of 260 million Deutschmarks.

The Hardship Fund is still confronted with the responsibility of processing a large number of pending applications, Mr. Kagan said.

Dr. Ernst Katzenstein, Permanent Representative of the Claims Conference in Germany, reported on the progress of the Indemnification program arising out of agreements between the Claims Conference and German Federal Republic. Dr. Katzenstein said that, through December 31, 1983, the German Federal Republic had paid out more than 66 billion Deutschmarks in benefits to Nazi victims.

The Claims Conference negotiates annually for cost-of-living adjustments in annuities paid to Nazi victims under these laws.

"Hundreds of thousands of Jewish Nazi victims throughout the world continue to look to the Claims Conference for the protection of their interests under the West German Indemnification Laws," Dr. Katzenstein said.



Mr. Spitzer reported on the Claim Conference's financial operations and referred in particular to its program of assistance to Righteous Gentiles who, at the risk of their own lives, were instrumental in saving Jews during the Nazi Holocaust.

The Claims Conference has aided nearly 500 non-Jews who protected Jewish survivors from Nazi persecution.

"The Claims Conference fulfills a moral responsibility of the World Jewish community to these brave individuals," Mr. Spitzer said.

World Conference Condemns Israeli Settlements

(JTA) — The International Conference on Population in Mexico City, sponsored by the United Nations, concluded with the adoption of a revised program that includes a new provision condemning the "establishment of settlements in territories occupied by force."

The new provision did not mention Israel by name but it was clearly aimed at the Israeli settlements in the West Bank and other territories Israel has been holding since 1967.

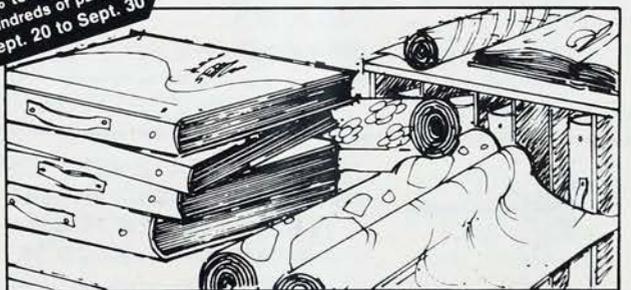
The anti-Israel provision was included in the final report of the conference despite the strong opposition of the United States and Israel. The two countries tried to eliminate the settlements provision but their efforts failed by a vote of 87-2 (Israel and the United States), with 26 abstentions.

The revised program with the anti-Israeli provision was adopted by a consensus vote of the 149 countries at the conference.

The measure against Israel was a cause for a bitter dispute since the conference opened August 6. The chairman of the U.S. delegation at the conference, James Buckley, termed the settlement issue "entirely irrelevant and extraneous to the business of this conference."

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Their Love Is The Strongest



Moments after the Fiftieth Anniversary service for Mildred and Sidney Backman was performed by Rabbi William Braude. Grandson Richard Millman assisted. (Photos by Dorothea Snyder).



Portrait of the Backman Family. Bottom from left, Jordan Backman, Mildred and Samuel Backman, Estelle Millman. Standing from left are Debra Uffer, Richard Millman, Michelle Uffer, Martin and Adrienne Uffer, Harvey and Carole Millman, Stephanie Backman, Carolyn and Samuel Backman.

On August 29, 1934, Mildred Marks and Sidney Backman were married by Rabbi William Braude in the Broad Street home of Mildred's maternal grandmother. Their attendants were Manny Fishbein, best man, and Evelyn Marks, maid of honor.

Fifty years later on August 19, 1984, Rabbi Braude officiated at Mildred and Sidney Backman's Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary service in the chapel at the Jewish Home for the Aged in Providence where Sidney is a resident. Holding up their original wedding bands, Rabbi Braude said, "These rings are none the worse for wear, as sturdy, as radiant as they had been 50 years ago."

Attending the service and the reception that followed were Mildred's maid of

honor, her sister Evelyn Marks and Sidney's best man Manny Fishbein.

Bright yellow and green-clothed tables ribbed by silky streamers and Oriental centerpieces greeted the 100 guests who entered the Martin M. Chase Auditorium. Exotic birds of paradise, ginger, anthurium and zinnias were everywhere. Delthurnium, ribrum lilies, mont blanc lilies, iris and gerbera blossomed out of a tall white wicker urn on the buffet table.

Speeches and toasts were delivered to the Fiftieth Anniversary couple by their son Samuel Backman, their best man and friend Manny Fishbein, and Frieda Spilka, Sidney's aunt who is affectionately titled the "matriarch of the family."

"Of all the people I have known, the homes I visited, the close friends I have," Manny told me, "I have never felt such warmth and companionship among the children, their father and mother as was in the Backman home. Even during the days of the Depression, their love was the strongest. I never heard an argument or disagreement. Everyone was one."

The Backman children who made their parents Fiftieth Anniversary party are Carole Millman of Providence; Adrienne Uffer, Cranston; and Samuel Backman, Springfield, Virginia. Adrienne and Samuel are twins.

The love and warmth that was so openly expressed and felt at this affair could have

thawed the Antarctic. "See," a smiling Manny Fishbein said looking around the room with pleasure. "See what I mean. Of all the parties I've been to, this is the warmest I've attended."

Bill Edelstein, the Jewish Home's executive director, remarked how he "thought it significant that the family chose to have the party at the Home because it is, in fact, their home."

"People have happy occasions at their home," Edelstein continued. "It showed the Home was not a place of last resort, rather a place filled with hope, vitality and true life experiences."

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"My heart is so full," spoke Frieda Spilka of the day's happiness. Seated at the center, she is surrounded by Richard Millman, left, and Ray Wasser, right. Standing from left are Anita Blank, Joshua Elliott, Liz Elliott, Samuel Backman, Shirley Wasser.



Mildred Backman stands behind her sister and maid of honor Evelyn Marks and beside granddaughter Estelle Millman.



Friends Forever. With Mildred and Sidney are their dearest and longtime friends Manny and Charlotte Fishbein. They related that Manny and Sidney have been friends since the age of 6. Charlotte and Mildred were girlhood friends at nine. Sidney met Mildred through Manny, and Charlotte met Manny through Sid.



Grandparents and grandchildren during the candlelight ceremony. Mildred and Sidney with Jordan and Stephanie Backman, Debra Uffer, Estelle Millman, Michelle Uffer and Richard Millman.



Harvey Millman tells his guests about a special award to the Fiftieth Anniversary couple. "The candlelight ceremony we just saw was a re-lighting of the Olympic torch to complete the games and to present medals for the Fifty Year Togetherness Decathlon. Wearing their medallion honors, Mildred and Sidney, their daughter Adrienne and husband Martin Uffer are overcome with tears and tender emotions."

Education

Elkin & Midrasha High Schools Merge To Meet Community Needs

by Robert Israel

Temple Emanu-El's Midrasha High School and the Bureau of Jewish Education's Harry Elkin High School of Jewish Studies have joined forces to become one high school serving the entire state of Rhode Island. This recent merger was discussed by the staff and participants of the high school last week at an interview at Temple Emanu-El in Providence.

Temple Emanu-El's Midrasha high school was started in 1977, offering advanced classes for the graduates of its religious school. The school was also opened to any student in the community who sought to further his or her education.

The Bureau of Jewish Education's high school had been in existence for several years and had been known as the High School for Jewish Studies until 1981, when it was renamed in honor of Harry Elkin, an early executive director of the BJE. Founded to meet the needs of students in the Providence area, a branch of the high school was opened to meet the needs of students in the Cranston and Warwick areas who had attended Temple Torat Yisrael and Temple Beth Am-Beth David religious schools. The high school also offered classes in advanced Hebrew studies.

Two years ago, because of dwindling enrollment in both schools, the staff of both schools met to discuss a possible merger. After several meetings, a merger was decided upon, and the Harry Elkin Midrasha High School became a reality.

"The process of creating the new high school brought together representatives of the three Temples involved and the Bureau of Jewish Education in a cooperative effort," said Elliot Schwartz, executive director of the BJE. "It involved meetings with teachers, rabbis, and the lay people of the Temples. And there are many positives involved in the creation of the new high school. The funding now can be concentrated on one school, rather than two schools. We can offer an increase in course offerings to the students and continue to strive for quality education."

"By establishing a state-wide high school," said Ron Salavon, "we are expanding our services. We have primarily taught students from Conservative Jewish backgrounds, since all three synagogues are Conservative. We are presently exploring ways that we can also bring in students from Reform and Orthodox backgrounds as well."

The new high school will also better serve the community, according to the Bureau of Jewish Education's Carol Ingall. "As more and more graduates leave the two Day Schools in our community, the

need for an expanded high school has grown," she said. "By merging, we are now able to offer a wide variety of classes in literature, Bible, four levels of Hebrew, and other courses. The social options have also grown. One of the benefits of a student attending the high school, in addition to academics, is to meet other students his or her age for social interaction. Now we'll have classes where 15 to 20 students will attend, whereas before, the enrollments in classes was half that number."

Sam Vilker agrees.

"In addition to the formal education the students are receiving," he said, "an important aspect is the informal education that allows them to meet and socialize. We intend to expand the social opportunities by arranging sleep-ins at the Temple, field trips, Wednesday night programs and other events. We have also arranged for bus transportation from and to Warwick and Cranston."

Marsha Goldfine, a parent whose daughter attends the high school, is enthusiastic about the merger.

"The education available at the high school is valuable," she said, "and should be supported. I recently talked to a graduate of the high school who is now a student at Brown University and he told me his professor in Judaic studies praised him for the background he received at the high school. It's important to have a school of continuing education for young students so they can continue with their Hebrew studies."

Evelyn Brier shares Mrs. Goldfine's enthusiasm for the program.

"By merging with the Bureau of Jewish Education," she said, "we are now able to offer a wide variety of courses taught by a wide variety of teachers. We're also planning to offer mini-courses and higher level courses taught by people in the community. The BJE has an Israel component and, through scholarships made available by the Jewish Federation of R.I., a high school student attending the program can spend a summer studying in Israel in an 8-week program, receiving credits at the high school."

"It's important to also stress the religious component to the high school," said Elliot Schwartz. "The rabbis of all three synagogues will be playing a vital role in the education of the students and will be involving the students in the religious experiences that will have a great influence on the students' lives. Rabbis Liben and Franklin from Temple Emanu-El, Rabbi Rosen from Temple Torat Yisrael and Rabbi Liebovitz from Temple Beth Am-Beth David will all be involved with the high school."

Bob Landau, who is a community volunteer and an attorney, is working with the high school board to draft a constitution and by-laws.

"Even though I don't have children who are attending the school," Landau said, "I've wanted to get involved with the school because I feel it is an important

addition to the Jewish community."

For those interested in volunteering their time at the high school or enrolling their child, an opening program will take place on Sunday, September 9. Classes will begin on September 12. For more information, phone the Bureau of Jewish Education of R.I. at 331-0956.



Standing (l-r) Marsha Goldfine, Principal Samuel Vilker, BJE-RI Executive Director Elliot Schwartz. Seated (l-r) Principal Evelyn Brier, School Committee Chairman Ronald Salavon and Bob Landau.

Photo by Robert Israel

Lease For Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute To Be Signed With Wilshire Temple

A lease for facilities on the premises of the historic Wilshire Temple in Los Angeles that will house the new Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute (LAOTI) will be signed at an official ceremony on Thursday, August 30 at 3:00 p.m. in the office of Ted Kanner, Executive Vice President of the Jewish Federation-Council of Greater Los Angeles. Signing for the Wilshire Temple will be Dr. Ralph Bookman, President.

This was announced jointly by Gertrude S. White, National President of Women's American ORT, of Springfield, New Jersey, and Alvin L. Gray, of Cleveland, President of the American ORT Federation, under whose joint auspices the school will operate in cooperation with the World ORT Union.

Joining Mrs. White and Mr. Gray at the gala signing ceremony, which will mark the official "birth" of a second ORT school in the United States that is affiliated with the far-flung global ORT network of some 800 vocational and technical education installations in 21 countries, will be Shelley Appleton, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the World ORT Union; Rona Newman, President of District XI (Pacific South West) of Women's American ORT; Stanley Black, President of Los Angeles Men's ORT and Vice-President of the American ORT Federation; Stephen Breuer, Executive Director of the Wilshire

Temple, as well as other national and local leaders of Women's American ORT and the American ORT Federation and distinguished guests.

Mrs. Gertrude S. White, National President of Women's American ORT, said that the signing of the lease with the Wilshire Temple, on whose premises the Los Angeles ORT Technical Institute will operate, is a "landmark event for the entire ORT network. LAOTI," she said, "follows the Bramson ORT Technical Institute in New York, which opened its doors to students in 1978, as a trailblazer in innovative and effective approaches to the kind of relevant, life-related vocational and technical education for which ORT is renowned throughout the world. We hope that both schools," she observed, "will serve as models and inspiration for similar institutions of learning across the nation. America urgently needs quality public education, with an emphasis on rejuvenated vocational and technical education: Bramson ORT and LAOTI point the way toward a possible resolution of what we have come to call the education crisis in the U.S."

American ORT Federation President, Alvin L. Gray, noted that, "When LAOTI begins operations in September, 1985, it will serve the second largest Jewish community in the U.S. in the ORT tradition."

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Social Events

Ellen Schaeffer Weds Anthony Monahan



Mrs. Anthony L. Monahan

Ellen B. Schaeffer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney H. Schaeffer of 135 Sayles Ave., Pawtucket, and Anthony L. Monahan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony L. Monahan Sr. of 70 Othmar St., Narragansett, were married August 19, 1984, in a 4 p.m. ceremony at the Metacomet Country Club, East Providence where a reception followed.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a dress of white cotton voile with a lace yoke and a full apron style skirt accented with lace. She carried a bouquet of white roses, greens and babies breath.

The bride was attended by matrons of honor Leslie L. Clark and Sandra H. Abrams, sisters of the bride. They wore blue and white mini-print tea-length dresses accented with lace. They carried long-stem white roses. The flower girl, Beth Abrams, a niece of the bride, wore a white beribboned and ruffled Victorian gown.

Best man for the groom was Brian Smith. Ushers were Mark and Scott Masone, cousins of the groom.

After a cross-country trip, the couple will live in Narragansett.

Bradford Louison Sworn First Lieutenant

Bradford N. Louison of Taunton, Mass. recently received his commission as a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Reserve. He serves in the judge advocate general corps.

Lt. Louison is the son of Mrs. Carol Louison of Taunton and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Silverman, formerly of Providence and now of Barrington and West Palm Beach, Florida.

He is married to the former Miriam Alpert of Fall River. Louison completed the basic law course given by the U.S. Army law school in Charlottesville, Va., and underwent annual training at Fort Lee, Va. A member of the Army Reserve Individual Mobilization Program, he is assigned to Fort Dix, New Jersey and attached to the 1022 Civil Affairs Brigade in Taunton.

Marcia Stairman Graduates From Cornell

Marcia Beth Stairman, daughter of Melvin and Judith Stairman of Swampscott, Mass., graduated summa cum laude from Cornell University on May 27, 1984. She is a granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Stairman of 79 Pershing St., Cranston.

Ms. Stairman was elected to membership in the Phi Beta Kappa and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies. She plans to attend Harvard University Law School.

Debra S. Asher To Wed Dr. Robert C. Stone

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Asher of New City, N.Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Debra, of Newtonville, Mass. to Dr. Robert C. Stone of Brighton, Mass. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Stone of Cranston.

Ms. Asher is a graduate of the School of Physical Therapy at Northeastern University. Her fiancé is a graduate of Clark University and the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine.

The couple plans to wed on June 30, 1985.

CORRECTION

In the announcement of Dr. Ross in the *Herald*, August 10, the copy should have stated Dr. Ross is the son of Irvina Katz of Great Neck, N.Y.

Goldblatt Appointed Director



Richard Goldblatt

Richard A. Goldblatt, of 53 Rip Van Winkle Circle, Warwick, has been appointed Executive Director of the Concord (Mass.) Family Service Society. He will begin those duties on August 27.

Goldblatt will oversee the operation of this 175-year-old nonprofit agency which helps people with family and individual needs in the Massachusetts towns of Acton, Bedford, Carlisle, Concord, Harvard, Lincoln, Littleton, Maynard, Stow and Sudbury.

The new director comes to the society after serving more than two years as Assistant Director of Family and Children's Services in Stamford, Conn. That agency provides services in three communities with close to 160,000 residents living in areas ranging from the inner city to affluent suburbs.

From 1979 to 1982, Goldblatt held a state-wide mental health planning position with the Rhode Island Department of Mental Health, Retardation and Hospitals.

Goldblatt and his wife, Donna, and their three children — Lori, 10, Jeffrey, 7, and Gregory, 5 — will be moving to the Greater Concord area. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Burton D. Goldblatt of Providence.

Singles Scene

JCC SINGLES EVENTS

The JCC is a favorite spot for New England single adults to meet. Our Single Adult Department sponsors a variety of social, cultural, and Judaic events each month. Favorite activities include wine and cheese parties, discussions, and brunches with guest speakers. Events are for ages 20-60 unless otherwise noted. The department publishes a complete monthly calendar, available on request. Among our upcoming special programs are:

COFFEE HOUSE — Wednesday, September 5, at 7 p.m. Board games, dance music, and refreshments. Ages 20-35. M \$50¢, NM \$1.00.

BRUNCH — Sunday, September 9, at 11 a.m. Guest speaker will be Mark Patinkin of the Providence Journal-Bulletin on "Confessions of a Columnist." M \$3.50, NM \$6.00.

DISCUSSION/DESSERT — Thursday, September 13, at 7:30 p.m. The topic will be "Being Single: What it Means to Me." Judith Jaffe, M.S., will be the facilitator. M \$1.00, NM \$2.00.

HAPPY HOUR — Wednesday, September 19, at 7 p.m. An evening of wine and cheese, dance music, and friends, new and old. M \$2.50, NM \$4.00.

For more information and a detailed calendar, call Judith Jaffe, 861-8800.

Greater Providence Jewish Singles
On Tuesday, August 28, there will be Israeli folk-dancing at 8 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El, Providence. Open to all.

On Friday, August 31, the monthly Friday night service will be followed by an Oneg Shabbat at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El.

On Thursday, Sept. 6, the Greater Providence Jewish Singles programming meeting will be held in the library of Temple Emanu-El at 8 p.m.

ADULT SINGLES LABOR DAY DANCE AT TEMPLE EMANU-EL NEWTON

The Adult Singles Group of Temple Emanu-El, Newton will hold a Labor Day Dance on Monday evening, September 3, beginning at 8:00 p.m. The dance will be held in the Community Hall of the Temple, 385 Ward Street, Newton Centre.

Dancing will be to the music of the John Rampino Orchestra. There will be a cash bar, door prizes, and coffee and pastry. All singles in the New England area 38 years of age and older are invited to attend. Admission is \$6.00 per person.

Chester Rubin, Director of Youth and Adult Activities at Temple Emanu-El is advisor to the Adult Singles Group.

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After our successful summer get togethers, Chaverim looks forward to greeting you at our fall preview, Sunday, September 9, 7-11 p.m. at the Driftwood Restaurant, Route 9, Shrewsbury. We'll have your favorite hors d'oeuvres again and Ron LaFlash will do the D.J. honors. \$5.00 for members and \$7.00 for nonmembers.

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Howard Lewis Joins Marathon Group



Howard R. Lewis

Howard R. Lewis of Providence has joined Marathon Development Corporation as Vice President and Project Manager for the Wayland Manor, a 117 unit apartment-hotel property recently acquired by an investor group for which The Marathon Group is advisor.

Formerly with G.L. & H.J. Gross Inc., Realtors and a native of Rhode Island, Lewis is a Life Trustee of the Rhode Island School of Design and Secretary of the Corporation. He is a member of the board of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra and past member of the board of the Trinity Square Repertory Theatre and Jewish Family Services, Inc. Currently, he serves on the Mayor's Waterfront Study Committee and has been active in the Providence Preservation Society.

Wayland Manor, built in 1924, is a prestigious landmark in the Wayland Square area on Providence's East Side. It has served for years as the home of prominent Rhode Islanders and their guests.

Marathon Advisory Corporation arranged for the purchase of Wayland Manor in the Spring of 1984 in a three-way transaction involving the swap of land in Louisiana for the property. Marathon Development Corporation has been retained as the managing agent for the property and has plans to make a number of improvements to the building including the upgrading of the restaurant and lounge now known as Cheswick's.

The Marathon Group was formed by Robert P. Freeman in May of 1980. Its various subsidiaries serve as advisor on real estate financing and manager and developer of real estate for individual and institutional clients. In Providence, it has been responsible for the development of Davol Square Marketplace, the highly successful office-retail development on the industrial waterfront, as well as The Simmons Building which is adjacent to the Marketplace. Currently, Marathon is marketing the Corliss Landing Condominium on the Providence waterfront and has active involvement in a number of other projects. Mr. Freeman is one of the owners of Locke-Ober Cafe in Boston. Prior to forming Marathon Companies, he helped to spearhead the

redevelopment of the Newport waterfront with his Bannister's Wharf project and served as President of Realty Income Trust, a publicly traded real estate investment fund with investments throughout the United States.

End Of Summer Events At Children's Museum

Puppets, bugs and a mime/storyteller are on the schedule for the last week of August at The Children's Museum of Rhode Island. Mime/storyteller Milbree Burch, who defined her craft as "the marriage of language, characterization and movement," will teach moonwalking and other elements of mime and tell stories to Museum visitors on Tuesday, Aug. 28, from 2 to 3 p.m.

Morning activities take place at the Museum from 10-11:30 a.m. On Tuesday morning, Aug. 28, children will make butter from cream and sample it in "Great Grandmother's Kitchen." Visitors can write their names in Braille on Wednesday, Aug. 29 in "My Way, Your Way," the Museum's exhibit on disability awareness. Thursday and Friday morning, Aug. 31 & Sept. 1, children can say goodbye to summer by making insect masks out of paper plates, colored paper and paint.

On Wednesday and Thursday from 1-4 p.m., Museum visitors can make puppets or portraits of themselves. Children create "Me-Puppets" by drawing their own faces and attaching puppet bodies. A Polaroid snapshot is the start of a Me-Portrait. The child then adds his or her photograph to a picture he's drawn of his real or fantasy world.

The Children's Museum, located at 58 Walcott Street in Pawtucket, is open Tuesday through Thursday and Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday from 9:30 a.m. to noon and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m. The Museum will be open Labor Day, Sept. 3, from 1 to 5 p.m. It will close for its annual refurbishing the two weeks following Labor Day. Admission to the Museum is \$1.50 per person, Museum members free. There is no additional charge for the above activities. For directions and more information call 726-2590.

Photo Contest Announced

The Providence Animal Rescue League is sponsoring a statewide pet photography contest for Pet Lovers of all ages. Winners will be chosen from three age groups; under 12 years, under 18 years and over 18 years of age.

Winning photographs will be chosen on overall photographic quality, subject material and composition. A photograph of two or more dogs, two or more cats, or cats and dogs posing together is acceptable. All photographs should be in black and white and should be no smaller than 4 by 6 inches and no larger than 8 x 10 inches. All photographs become the property of the Providence Animal Rescue League and cannot be returned.

The deadline for entering the contest is November 15th. All entries should be received by the Providence Animal Rescue League with the photographer's complete name and address affixed to the back of the photograph. Mail entries to the PARL, 34 Elbow Street, Providence, R.I. 02903.

Menopause, PMS Workshops At Planned Parenthood

Pre-menstrual syndrome and menopause will be the subjects of two workshop series offered by Planned Parenthood of Rhode Island in October. Participants will learn about symptoms and appropriate responses. Each series will consist of four meetings. For more information, call 421-9620.

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Review: "What The Butler Saw" At Trinity Rep



Becca Lish and Richard Kneeland in Trinity Summer Rep's *What the Butler Saw*.

by Lois D. Atwood

Trinity Summer Rep is taking another look at the world of psychiatry in its second production, Joe Orton's *What the Butler Saw*, a farce that had the opening night audience aching with laughter.

Set in a fashionable London clinic, the play features a lecherous psychiatrist, Dr. Prentice (Richard Kavanaugh), and his wacky wife (Cynthia Strickland); a lissome innocent applying for Prentice's secretarial post (Becca Lish); a less-than-innocent bellboy (David P.B. Stephens) who has met the wife under dubious conditions; a mad psychiatrist (Richard Kneeland); and a policeman, played by director Peter Gerety after William Damkoehler had an appendectomy just before opening night.

Those are roughly standard ingredients in farce, but the mixture here is unusually charming. Kavanaugh isn't as practiced in deceit as he would like to appear. Lish is very mannered but a sweet young thing with shreds of common sense, and when they start revolving in and out of doors,

the pace keeps up with the action. Both Kneeland and Strickland have startling hair, his being orange-brown and hers, henna shading to vermilion. Kneeland's also stands straight up for about three inches, adding to the unreality of his credentials. Funny business with his various properties, particularly surgical gloves and a valise, is very good. Stephens is an attractive blackmailer and Gerety, a good unimaginative policeman. Strickland, in a difficult role, manages not to be shrill as she sets the scene for Prentice's efforts at straying.

Aside from quantities of Scotch whisky that have no noticeable effect except for one slurred speech, everything contributes to the general hilarity. Robert D. Soule's set includes a curtained, luxurious alcove; John F. Custer's lighting carries the mood; and William Lane's costumes display with decency. I'm not even sure one has to be in the right mood to enjoy *What the Butler Saw*; it is silly, obvious, unexpected, and delightful.

California Suite At City Nights Dinner Theatre

City Nights Dinner Theatre begins its third month of production, with Neil Simon's hit comedy *California Suite*.

The show, directed by Gil DiCarvalho of Attleboro, Mass. will run all Friday and Saturday evenings in August, starting August 10, in the Ballroom of the Elk's Building on Exchange St., next to the Pawtucket Times Building. There is easy access from Route 95, Pawtucket Exit 27. There is also plenty of nearby parking.

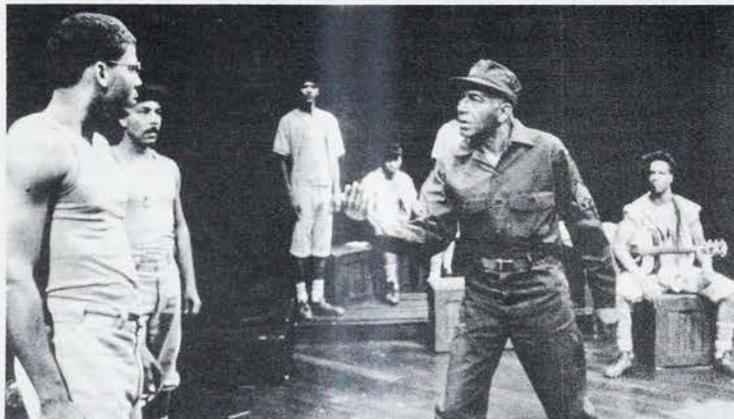
Tickets for the complete dinner of baked stuffed chicken breast and show are only \$13.50. Cocktails are available. Dinner is served promptly at 7:00. Curtain is 8:15.

Upcoming in September and the first half of October is the smash hit Broadway musical *Cabaret*. The musical will run all Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. (Sunday dinners and performances begin an hour earlier). Tickets for the musical are \$15.

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Gil DiCarvalho, left, and Joan Dillenback



The 1982 Pulitzer Prize winning drama "A Soldier's Play" by Charles Fuller will open the fall season at the Colonial Theatre on Tuesday, September 4 (8 p.m.) for a three week run. Directed by Douglas Turner Ward, who is also a co-founder of the Negro Ensemble Company, the bi-racial cast includes (l. to r.): Eugene Lee, John Dewey Carter, Sam Jackson, I.L. Duke Graham Brown, Ben Epps. The drama takes place in 1944, in an Army base — Fort Neal, Louisiana — and concerns the search for the murderer of the tyrannical Sgt. Waters, in classic "whodunnit" style, while examining a man's ultimate search for his own dignity.

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by Karen A. Coughlin

If you have school-age children, chances are that right now you're in the midst of that yearly ritual known as back-to-school shopping.

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Full-color pictures of apple-cheeked little boys and girls in perfectly coordinated outfits, pictures of older youngsters in the right corduroy jeans and the right sneakers and finally, pictures of college-bound late adolescents with high-quality (expensive) trunks and high-quality (expensive) linens all leave you with one feeling — anxiety.

You wonder how you can put all this on your children's backs, and continue to give them piano, ballet and tennis lessons, without taking the shirt off your own.

You wonder, "Can't anybody get this for me wholesale?" "Is the back-to-school cycle going womb-to-tomb?"

No — reassure yourself. When it's back-to-law school or back-to-medical school time, you won't have any shopping to do. Then you'll be able to give all your assistance long-distance and by check.

But in the meantime — at Robert's, believed to be the first children's specialty store in New England, you can dress your child as modishly or conservatively as you want (or as he'll let you), and still have control over your purse strings.

Back To School At Robert's



Michael Jackson style jacket keeps Bryan Begin, 6, of North Scituate warm. Slicker and matching hat keep sister Mary Elizabeth Begin, 4, dry at Robert's, Garden City.

Photos by Karen Coughlin

Robert's children's store, headquartered in Garden City with branches in Walnut Hill Plaza, Woonsocket and Lincoln Mall, Lincoln, was founded by Robert Levine (thus the name) in Pawtucket in 1927. As downtown shopping demographics changed, the Pawtucket store was closed, and the Garden City and Lincoln stores were opened in 1974 under the management of George and Jason Levine, sons of the founder.

In 1981, David West left his management position at Uniroyal in Connecticut to become the new owner of the three-store chain with his father, Harry, and his wife, Vivian.

"Robert's offers something unique — quality brand merchandise at a reasonable price with the assistance of knowledgeable sales people," David West said.

Back-to-school time in August is his second-biggest sales month. "We have one salesperson in Lincoln who got her first day off in 21 days last week," West said, adding that "we routinely increase our staffing during August as well as in November and December by scheduling more

hours for regular personnel. We don't like to have inexperienced personnel working with customers during these busy times."

Business is good at Robert's, with an average of 20,000 customers per month among all three stores, West said.

And, in browsing through the Garden City and Lincoln Mall stores recently, all that West said seemed to be true.

There was, as he said, an "in-depth" stock of better quality brand merchandise for youngsters and young teens in everything from preppy kilt skirts and shetland sweaters to Michael Jackson jackets in red or black. There were gray or red T-shirts that said "Awesome" and plaid smock style first-day-of-school dresses that would melt the heart of any population bomb cynic.

West and his staff enjoy watching the interaction between parents and children, he says. "Choice of back-to-school clothes is dominated by the mother's taste in the kindergarten through grades three or four group."

For these younger school children, mothers like smock dresses, applied

overalls, sturdy pants and jumpers, he said.

Choice of school clothes for older youngsters involves a good deal of negotiation between parents and children, he noted. Fashion looks for youngsters in 8 to 14 boys' and 7 to 14 girls' size ranges don't last as long as they used to, West added.

"Kids in these age groups are influenced by a lot of peer pressure that comes from rock video and the pop culture in general," West said.

In the bigger boys' and girls' sizes, important colors for fall are purple, lavender, teal, gray and black. These are seen in everything from parachute pants to dresses.

"A black simulated leather skirt has been a big item for older girls this year," West noted.

And for mothers who put their foot down and draw the line at the black simulated leather skirt, Roberts has a lovely selection of pastel oxford cloth shirts, plaid blouses and skirts, and, of course, jeans.

"We're in the youthwear division of Levi-Strauss, and jeans sales remain strong. The denim and corduroy jean is a staple, and I don't see anything to replace it," West said.

You don't see the struggle for the last word in a clothes choice debate so much when grandparents shop with grandchildren, West said. "Grandparents really seem to want to please the child, and are usually more flexible about style and price."

So if your son or daughter really wants a red Michael Jackson-style jacket that glitters with silver zippers, send him shopping with grandma. And console yourself, Robert's has a liberal exchange policy.



What time is it? It's back to school time for Melissa Smith, 7, of Cranston, who liked the tote bags in Robert's Garden City store.



Stacy Bliss, 10, left, and sister Cindy, 13, of North Attleboro, look over the striped denims at Robert's Lincoln Mall store.

R.I. Women Artists In Late 19th Century At Bert Gallery In September

PROVIDENCE, R.I. — Bert gallery, located in the lobby of the Biltmore Hotel in downtown Providence, continues its tradition of being the first private gallery established primarily to rekindle and promote the rich heritage of Rhode Island art by presenting shows on significant artists and themes in Rhode Island art. The gallery will open, September 9th from 2-4 p.m., its first fall show entitled "Rhode Island Women artists in the late 19th century: Impact on the Rhode Island Art Community." This well researched show will feature not only the fine art of twelve important female artists from this time, but also informative vignettes on the artists and the art community. The show will run until September 30th and there is no charge for admission. The gallery hours during the show will be Thursday thru Sunday 10-4 p.m. The artists who will be represented in the show will be:

Clara Maxfield Arnold is a noted water colorist who is best known for her still life paintings.

Gertrude Parmelee Cady (1875-1957) spent her childhood in Barrington and ranks among the leading Rhode Island women water colorists.

Nancy Dyer (born 1903) was a native Rhode Islander who was the daughter of the leading male water colorist in the state H.A. Dyer.

Eliza Gardiner (1871-1955) rose to become one of the first American artists to achieve national recognition in the medium of color block printing.

Edna Lawrence (1898-present) came to Rhode Island at a young age when her father became the minister of the oldest Episcopal Church in Wickford.

Nancy Jones Love (born 1888) was born in Providence and became well known as a painter in oils and water color.

Nancy Prophet (born 1890) was a black sculptress who achieved considerable fame in her lifetime.

Emily Selinger was a noted painter of flowers.

Hope Smith (1878-1965) remains one of the most successful women painters of her time.

Helena Sturtevant (1877-1947) was a very versatile and important painter in her time.

Emma Swan (1853-1927) was born and painted in Providence.

Mabel Woodward (1877-1945) Born in Providence, Mabel went on to become one of Rhode Island's most prominent female artists.



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Obituaries

BARBARA HAUSMANN

WARWICK — Barbara Hausmann, 49, of 2320 Post Rd., a teller at the Rhode Island Hospital Trust National Bank for the past year, died August 18 at Kent County Memorial Hospital. She was the wife of Gerhard Hausmann.

Born in Providence, a daughter of Jack and Lena (Milivsky) Goldberg of St. Petersburg, Fla., she lived in Warwick for 25 years.

Mrs. Hausmann and her husband owned the former Stork Pharmacy, Warwick, for 15 years. In 1972, she was a saleswoman for the Outlet Co. She was a member of Temple Beth Am-Beth-David.

Besides her husband and parents she leaves two sons, Randolph and Geoffrey Hausmann; a daughter, Audrey Hausmann, all of Warwick, and a sister, Arlene Sasserville of Pawtucket.

A funeral service was held at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

GERTRUDE P. ROTMAN

PROVIDENCE — Gertrude P. Rotman, 91, of 50 Randall St., Charlestown East, died August 18 at her home. She was the widow of Abraham H. Rotman.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., a daughter of the late Henry and Ethel Colitz, she had lived in Providence 81 years.

She was one of the original founders of Temple Emanu-El and was the first secretary of the first Sisterhood of the temple. She was a member of the Jewish Community of Rhode Island and a member of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island.

She leaves two sons, Stanley E. Rotman of New York City and Jack E. Rotman of Westport, Conn.; two daughters, Ruth C. Protter of El Cerrito, Calif., and Harriet R. Wilson of Newton, Mass.; a sister, Anna Levin of Providence; 11 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

A funeral service was held today at 2 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El, Morris Avenue. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick. Arrangements were by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St.

ETHEL WOLFE

PAWTUCKET — Ethel Wolfe, 80, of the Oakhill Nursing Home, a stenographer for the American Emery Wheel Works for 15 years before retiring in 1960, died August 19 at the home.

Born in Baltimore, Md., a daughter of the late Moses and Anna (Kaplan) Wolfe, she had lived in Providence most of her life before moving to Warwick for 10 years. She had been in the nursing home for the past two years.

She was a graduate of the former Bryant and Stratton Business College.

She leaves a sister, Flora Bromberg of Providence.

A funeral service was held at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

ALLICK FACTOROFF

WARWICK — Allick Factoroff, 70, of 11 Sweetwater Rd., a livestock inspector for the U.S. Department of Agriculture for 18 years before retiring nine years ago, died August 18 at Kent County Memorial Hospital. He was the husband of Shirley (Myerson) Factoroff.

Born in Manchester, N.H., a son of the late Abraham and Ida (Young) Factoroff, he lived in Providence before moving to Warwick in 1950.

He was a graduate of the former Rhode Island State College, now the University of Rhode Island, and a member of the Alpha Epsilon Phi fraternity. He was a World War II Army veteran and served in the European and South Pacific Theaters. He was a member of Temple Beth Am-Beth David.

Besides his wife he leaves a daughter, Nancy DeCosta of Warwick; two sisters, Mildred Pivnick of Warwick and Bertha Mezoff of Providence; a brother, Henry Factoroff of Bristol, and three grandchildren.

A funeral service was held at 11 a.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass.

LOUIS DELUTY

PROVIDENCE — Louis Deluty, 94, of the Jewish Home For the Aged, 99 Hillside Ave., died August 7 at the home. He was the husband of the late Sadie (Garlick) Deluty.

Mr. Deluty was owner and operator of Louis' Men Shop, East Providence, for more than 20 years until retiring in 1964.

He was a member of Temple Sinai; Temple Torat Yisrael; the Touro Fraternal Association; the Providence Hebrew Free Loan Association; the Moes Chitim Society, and was a resident member of the Jewish Home For the Aged.

He was born in Poland, a son of the late Zalman and Rachel Deluty. He was a resident of Providence for more than 50 years, previously living in Cranston and Warwick.

He leaves a son, Jerome Deluty of Cranston; three daughters, Mrs. Lenore Edenbaum of Cranston, Mrs. Gertrude Stein of Woonsocket, and Mrs. Helene Klein of Cranston; nine grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

CORRECTION

After speaking with Mrs. Jack Grabowski, I find I was misinformed about any previous marriage or children of her husband's. This was the first marriage and family of both Mr. and Mrs. Grabowski. I apologize to his family for any misunderstanding that may have resulted from my article.

Michael Fink

Hadassah Raises \$3 Million For Aliyah

Hadassah, the single largest contributor to Israel's pioneer child rescue movement — Youth Aliyah — raised \$3,172,000 this year toward the support of its 315 residential and all-day facilities which care for 18,000 youth annually.

This was reported by Sylvia Doppelt, national Youth Aliyah chairman to the 2,500 delegates and guests attending the Hadassah national convention at the San Francisco Hilton Hotel August 26-29. Hadassah, with 370,000 members in 1700 chapters and groups in every state and Puerto Rico, was founded by Henrietta Szold, who, at the age of 75, became the first director of Youth Aliyah in 1934.

Also participating in the Youth Aliyah session were Uri Gordon, World Head of Youth Aliyah and Yaakov Daite, 16, an Ethiopian student from the Youth Aliyah village of Yemin Orde, and Marilyn Cantor Baker, the writer-actress daughter of the late Eddie Cantor who raised millions of dollars for Youth Aliyah.

As a special gift to Youth Aliyah — at the conclusion of its 50th Anniversary Year — the National Board voted an additional \$250,000 for a new Arts Center.

Mrs. Doppelt explained: "There are many children in Israel who are economically, culturally, and socially deprived and whose ears and eyes have never been opened to the beauties of the arts. There are children who don't know the name of fruits, or of animals, or of colors.

"Most of them come from immigrant families from countries with alien cultures. To remedy these gaps in the upbringing of its wards, Youth Aliyah established its Art Education Section 20 years ago."

Mrs. Doppelt continued: "We use the arts as educational tools and as a means of providing new dimensions of esthetic, spiritual and emotional experiences for the children. We believe that man is a complete creature — not something with just a mind, but with a heart as well. He wants to express himself, as well as to learn how to think."

While education in Youth Aliyah was, from its inception, advanced in integrating education, work and social values into its program, it concentrated on the cognitive and intellectual faculties, not the affective and emotional ones. The children of the deprived areas were losing out on human experience: There was a cultural gap between them and other children. The Art and Education Section has utilized the arts and music appreciation to affect the general ability of the child to learn.

Later, it was found Youth Aliyah also had to work with children from middle-class backgrounds as well, because passive forms of entertainment, such as watching television and listening to records and tapes were dominating their leisure. It was essential to encourage more creative, self-expressive activities.

By 1983, a fully developed program which was greatly helped when Hadassah donated two "art mobiles," was in force

throughout Youth Aliyah facilities. There are two forms of activity:

• **An Art Enrichment Program** through a monthly Arts Day, when a special Unit arrives in the Artmobile van: The children see a play performed by the members of the Unit and then interpret what they have seen through painting, music and dance. They use closed-circuit video for emphasis, analysis and criticism. The day comes to a crescendo when they do their own re-interpretation of the play.

• The other type of program involves weekly instructional visits in drawing, painting, music and theater. They are, also, frequently taken to concerts and theater.

Mrs. Doppelt said, "After going to a classical concert for the first time, one child said that he expected it to be like a punishment but that he had never enjoyed himself so much!"

The Arts Section works from six rooms in the Youth Aliyah offices in Tel Aviv. Mr. Gordon said that the gift would make possible the redesign of the present quarters to accommodate the new needs, equipment and extra manpower. There will be studios and laboratories for preparing audio-visual material such as video tapes and slideshows, and they will enlarge the number of record-players, stereos, records, cassettes, musical instruments and equipment for teaching painting.

"This new Arts Center will enable us to serve the residential villages as well as the day centers and schools, and will have a reserve of materials for festivals and special occasions. We plan to promote the establishment of choirs and orchestras; and sponsor competitions, exhibitions and 'happenings.' It will organize visits to museums, theaters and concerts. It can foster cinema clubs by setting up a central film exchange. Nothing human will be alien to it. We are most grateful to Hadassah for this creative and thoughtful gift," Mr. Gordon concluded.

Soviet Jewry Update

Soviet Jewish refusenik Aleksandr Kholmiensky expected to go to trial on August 23, according to information received today by the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry. Kholmiensky, a 34-year-old Hebrew teacher who was arrested on July 25, faced up to one year in prison if convicted on the charge of hooliganism.

In Odessa, refusenik Yakov Levin was arrested on August 12, just five days before his scheduled marriage to Yehudit Nepomniashchy, a prominent Odessa refusenik. According to the CNYCSJ, information about the cause or circumstances of his arrest is not yet available.

In March of this year, Levin's apartment was searched by the KGB as part of a raid which was directed at several homes in Odessa.

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September Events

Sept. 8 Annual Chepachet Grange Country Fair and Auction. Judged shows: flowers, fruits and vegetables. Arts and crafts. Baby Beauty Contest. Doll Carriage Parade. Bicycle Parade. Games. Home baked beans, homemade potato salad and pies. Pie eating contest. Information 568-4412. 9 a.m.-9 p.m., Victory Highway (Rte. 102, 1/10 mi. south of US 44) Chepachet.

Sept. 8 9th Annual Block Island Buster Road Race. Information, 466-2436. Block Island.

Sept. 8-9 10th Anniversary Florentine Faire. Jugglers, jesters, dancers and strolling musicians. The Society for Creative Anachronism members engage in combat as knights in armor. Renaissance setting. Games. ARTSREACH, a Very Special Arts Festival, noon-4 p.m., offers performances and exhibits by disabled artists. Traditional and ethnic foods. "Kid City", a wonderland of clowns, storytellers and puppets, offers music, theatre, games, collage and face painting for children. Festival times: noon-8 p.m. Free parking at nearby Meehan Auditorium, Hope St. Brown University's Pembroke Field, Hope and Cushing Sts. Providence.

Sept. 8-9 The Tropical Fish Society of Rhode Island Show. "Preservation of the Aquatic Environment". Tropical Fish Auction. Information, 421-0394; 739-1875. Lincoln Mall, Washington Highway (Rte. 116), Lincoln.

Sept. 8-9 Rhode Island Dahlia Society 20th Annual Show. Sat., 2-8 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Cold Spring Community Center, Beach St., Wickford.

Sept. 9 18th Annual Health Haven Outdoors Arts & Crafts Show. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 100 Wampanoag Trail, East Providence.

Sept. 9 Warwick Historical Society 11th Annual Colonial Affair. Crafts, music, costumed guides. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., John Waterman Arnold House. 11 Roger Williams Circle, Warwick.

Sept. 15 Fall Fair and Supper (5:15 and 6:30 p.m.). Quiddnesset Grange #44, Post Rd., North Kingstown.

Sept. 15-16 Coventry Arts and Crafts Festival, Antique Show and Farmers Market, 10 a.m.-dusk, Recreation Center, Paine Field, Flat River Rd. (Rte. 117). Coventry.

Sept. 15-16 11th Annual Harvest Fair. Crafts, spinning, blacksmithing, hay rides, haystack sliding, pony rides, Rhode Island Johnnycakes. Information, 253-9062, noon-5 p.m. Coggeshall Farm, Colt State Park, Bristol.

Sept. 16 Heritage Festival, arts, crafts, music, dances, ethnic food. 11 a.m.-dusk, State House lawn, Providence.

Sept. 22 Cranston Historical Society Craft Show, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Governor Sprague Mansion lawn, 1353 Cranston St., Cranston. RAIN DATE: Sept. 23.

Sept. 23 International Institute of R. I. and Project Persona Merger Celebration. Dr. Orlando Armada, Citizen of the Year. Information: 461-5940. Marriott Hotel, Charles & Orms St., Prov.

Sept. 28-30 Block Island Birding Weekend. Located along the major east coast migratory flyway, the island offers nearly every species found in eastern North America. Fri. evening, "orientation sessions. Sat. & Sun. field trips, 7 a.m. Sat. afternoon, jaunts feature salt marsh birds, wildflower identification, bird banding demonstrations and birding by bicycle. Sat. evening, entertainment at the Block Island Theatre and compilation of the day's checklist. Fri., 6:30 p.m., ferry from State Pier, Galilee. Return on 5 p.m. ferry from Block Island, Information/reservations, Audubon Society of R. I., 40 Bowen St., Prov., R.I. 02903. 521-1679.

Sept. 29 Second Century Ball of the Women and Infants Hospital of R.I. Ralph Stuart's Orchestra. Res.: Women and Infants Hospital of R. I., 50 Maude St., Prov., RI 02903. 274-1100. 8 p.m. Rosecliff, Bellevue Ave., Newport.

Sept. 29 Providence Pasta Challenge. Competition by over 20 local restaurants. Crafts. Sponsored by Keep Providence Beautiful, The Arcade, Providence, RI 02903. 331-6440. 11 a.m.-7 p.m., State House lawn, Providence.

Sept. 29-30 Harvest Festival and Crafts along historic South Main St. International House of Rhode Island Beer Garden. Rhode Island Bavarians German Band, world yo-yo champion Larry Sayco, Pen Dragon Irish Band, Katzberg & Snyder. "General Clowning Around" (portrayed by Jack Golden). Mexican, German & other ethnic food. Information, 272-3421. Variety of shops. Sponsored by the South Main St. Merchants Assn., Providence.

Sept. 30 Great Swamp Indian Memorial

Pilgrimage commemorating the massacre of Dec. 15, 1675. 2 p.m., Monument on South County Trail (Rte. 2), West Kingston.

Sept. 30 Old Stone Rhode Race, 11 a.m., South Main & College Sts., Providence.

YACHTING

Sept. 6-9 14th Newport International Sailboat Show. Denmark, Finland, France, Holland, Italy, Sweden and the United States represented. Northeast's largest in the water show. Information, 846-1600. Times & tickets: Thurs., Super Consumer Day, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. \$12. (advance), \$15. at gate. Fri.-Sat., 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m.-5 p.m. \$6. (advance), \$7. at gate. Children, \$3. (advance), \$4. at gate. Newport Yachting Center, America's Cup Ave. Newport.

Sept. 8-9 Newport Mayor's Mini-Cup Races. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Fort Adams State Park, Newport.

Sept. 29-30 15th Annual Frederick B. Thurber Race, Watch Hill Yacht Club, Watch Hill.

FISHING

Sept. 28 Annual Rhode Island Tuna Tournament Rodeo, Galilee.

Sept. 1-3 27th Annual Rhode Island Tuna Tournament. Information, P.O. Box 9476, Conimicut Station, Warwick 02889. Galilee.

Sept. 1-3 Point Judith Masters, Galilee.

Sept. 30 Rhode Island "Pro Bass" (fresh water) Tournament, Information, 66 Theresa St., Woonsocket, R.I. 02895. 766-5957, 6-11 a.m. Echo lake, Burrillville.

PROVIDENCE CIVIC CENTER, One LaSalle Square, Providence.

Sept. 7-8 Truck & Tractor Pull, time - TBA.

Sept. 14 Professional Wrestling, 8 p.m.

Sept. 15 Rod Stewart, 8 p.m.

Sept. 16 Billy Squier, 7:30 p.m.

PROVIDENCE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER, 220 Weybosset St., Providence.

Sept. 2 Club Pastiche Cabaret. Revue II. Medley from "Cabaret" and songs by Stephen Sondheim and Marvin Hamlisch, songs from the '50's & "Grease", "Jesus Christ, Superstar" and "Godspell". 8:15 p.m. Information, 421-ARTS. Tickets must be reserved in advance, \$9.50 (free, secure parking included).

Sept. 5-9 Sesame Street Live. Wed.-Fri., 7:30 p.m. Sat., 10 a.m., 2 & 5:30 p.m., Sun., 1:30 & 5:30 p.m.

Sept. 15 Barbershop Quartets, 8 p.m.

Sept. 22 Judy Collins, folk songs, 8 p.m.

Sept. 28-29 "Gigi" with Louis Jordan, Celeste Holme and Betsy Palmer. Broadway Series, 8 p.m. and Sat., 3 p.m. matinee.

HERITAGE PLAYHOUSE, Route 3, Hopkinton

Aug. 29-Sept. 9 Charley's Aunt, Wed-Sun., 8:30 p.m. Information, 377-2413.

THE RHODE ISLAND SHAKESPEARE THEATRE, Swanhurst Theatre, Webster St. off Bellevue Ave., Newport.

Sept. 2 "Medea" by Franz Grillparzer. Performances: Thurs.-Sun., 8 p.m.

THE ASTORS' BEECHWOOD, 580 Bellevue Ave., Newport.

Sept. 4-6 "The Last Great Party", a musical revue. 8 p.m. Information/Res., 846-3772. & 11-13.

NEWPORT PLAYHOUSE, 104 Connell Highway, Newport.

Through Sept. 16 "Babes in Arms". Fri.-Sun., 9 p.m.

Sept. 28-Oct. 21 "Don't Drink The Water". Fri.-Sat., 8:30 p.m.; Sun., 2 p.m.

BLITHEWOLD GARDENS AND ARBORETUM, Ferry Road, Bristol.

Sept. 9 Cabot Street Playhouse, in mansion, 7 p.m. Information, 253-8714.

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SPICY TURKEY PATTY SANDWICHES

- 1 pound ground turkey meat
- 1 egg
- 3/4 teaspoon ground sage
- 1/2 teaspoon rosemary leaves, crushed
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon marjoram
- 1/4 teaspoon leaf thyme, crushed

Combine all ingredients and mix thoroughly. Shape into four patties. Chill one hour. Bake or fry. Serve on toasted rolls with lettuce and tomato slices.

TURKEY CHILI

- 1/2 pound ground turkey meat
- 2 peeled, chopped onions
- 1 seeded, chopped green bell pepper
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 16 oz. can tomatoes
- 3 cups canned, drained kidney beans
- 2 teaspoons chili powder (or more to taste)
- 1 teaspoon cumin seeds (optional)
- salt to taste

Brown ground turkey in a nonstick skillet with no fat added. Stir in all remaining ingredients. Cover and simmer 25 minutes. Uncover and continue cooking until thickened.

TURKEY AND PILAF

- 5 to 6 pounds turkey thighs, thawed
- 1/4 cup margarine
- 1 medium-sized onion, chopped
- 1/2 pound mushrooms, sliced
- 2 cups long grain rice, uncooked
- 1 can condensed chicken broth, undiluted
- 1 1/2 teaspoon thyme
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 1/2 cup kosher dry white wine

Preheat oven to 350°. Saute mushrooms



and onion in margarine in skillet until onions is transparent. Add rice and cook, stirring, until rice is lightly browned. Stir in chicken broth, thyme, salt, pepper, wine and 3/4 cup water. Place turkey thighs in deep 4-quart casserole. Pour rice mixture around turkey thighs. Cover tightly and bake two hours or until internal temperature reaches 180°. Let stand 15 minutes before serving.

GLAZED TURKEY THIGHS

- turkey thighs (5-6 pounds)
- apricot jam
- 1 cup dried apricots
- 1 cup water
- 1 tablespoon brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1/2 cup margarine
- 1 package (8 oz.) seasoned bread cubes
- 1/2 cup slivered almonds
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

Roast turkey thigh at 350°. For glaze, brush top of the turkey thighs with apricot jam and baste frequently during the last 30 minutes. Meanwhile, place the apricots, water, brown sugar and lemon juice in a small saucepan and simmer for five minutes. Drain, reserving the liquid. Add water to liquid to make one cup. Place in a large saucepan with margarine and heat until margarine is melted. Stir in bread cubes, almonds and salt. Cut apricots in strips and add to mixture. Place in a 1-quart baking dish and bake alongside turkey thigh for the last 25 minutes. To serve, make a bed of dressing on a hot platter and place turkey thighs on top.

Ribalow Fiction Award Given To Francine Prose

Francine Prose has been awarded the 1984 Herald U. Ribalow Award for *Hungry Hearts* (Pantheon, N.Y., 1983). The Ribalow Prize, which honors the best work of fiction on a Jewish theme in a given year, is a \$500 award, administered by *Hadassah Magazine*. It was established in memory of Harold U. Ribalow, the writer, anthologist and literary critic.

The announcement was made by Rose Goldman, chairman of the *Hadassah Magazine* editorial board, at the closing luncheon of the Hadassah national convention before 3,000 delegates and guests at the San Francisco, California Hilton Hotel.

The nominating committee, composed of members of the Ribalow family and Hadassah staff, selected four books for the judges, *Hungry Hearts*, *Midnight Suppers* by Susan Monsky; *The Mind-Body Problem*, by Rebecca Goldstein; and *A Place of Light*, by Ronda Shapiro-Reiser.

The judges who made the final choice were Susan Fromberg Schaeffer, Sylvia Rothchild and Robert Alter. They followed the charter of the Ribalow Prize which calls for an award that will go to a writer "deserving of recognition."

In making the announcement, Mrs. Goldman said:

"There has been an unbroken line of storytellers within the Jewish tradition in which the mysterious and miraculous occurs in the course of normal daily events.

"These stories are frequently told with humor and romance. The style of writing is so simple and direct that one almost mistakes them for fairy tales. The word 'almost' is the operative modifier in *Hungry Hearts*."

"This delightful work of fiction about an American Jewish theater troupe,

appears to be a witty breezy 'good summer read.' But it is much more. Its character — so well drawn that any aficionado of the Yiddish theater would feel they can identify their real-life counterparts — are not only particular, but also carry with them the essence of the eternal Jew from medieval Poland to New York and Buenos Aires in the 1920's.

"It has another characteristic of Jewish writing: It is, in truth, a morality story. Francine Prose's 'hungry hearts' are really souls in turmoil."

Alan Tigay, editor of *Hadassah Magazine*, concluded, "A novel can be judged a success if it is brightly written, if it illuminates a bygone era in a way not seen before, if it captures a part of the world that other writers ignore, if it says something fresh about the relationship between life and art. *Hungry Hearts* was selected the winner of the 1984 Harold U. Ribalow Prize because it did all of these things."

Francine Prose was born in Brooklyn, NY, in 1947. She attended Radcliffe College and taught creative writing at Harvard. Her five previous novels, *Animal Magnetism*, *Marie Laveau*, *The Glorious Ones*, *Judah the Pious* (winner of the Jewish Book Council Award and *Household Saints*, have attracted widespread acclaim. She has also published fiction and article in *Mademoiselle*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, and *The Village Voice*.

The award will be given by a member of the Ribalow family at Hadassah House in New York in October.

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