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President Reagan and Prime Minister Shamir at the White House

Shamir Interview: No 'Dangerous' Withdrawal

Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of Israel visited New York recently and was interviewed by a group of Wall Street Journal editors, including Editor Robert L. Barley, Managing Editor Norman Pearlstine and Associate Publisher Peter R. Kann. Excerpts from the interview:

Q: You have been talking to President Reagan this week. Can you tell us what has happened with U.S.-Israeli relations?

Mr. Shamir: I think that what happened was expressed very clearly in the statement of President Reagan after our talks. These conversations were very friendly, very good and good-spirited, and full of mutual understanding. The main achievement was a conclusion of both governments to have close cooperation and co-ordination of our political activities in the Middle East. It seems we have common objectives. And the common goals are known - very well known: more peace and more stability in our area. (In) the past, whenever there was a close cooperation between Israel and the U.S. in the area, the results were excellent. The peaks of this cooperation were the Camp David agreement and the accord between Lebanon and Israel. And there are reasons to believe that with further coopera-

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New Film On Pope Will Help Catholic-Jewish Relations

By MARC TANENBAUM

NEW YORK, (JTA) - A just-completed film on the life and career of Pope John Paul II is, in my judgment, good for the Jews. The two-and-a-half hour film was previewed recently before a predominantly Catholic audience in New York's Lincoln Center and received sustained applause.

Titled simply, "John Paul II," the film dramatization was shown in Vatican City on Nov. 12, and will aired over CBS-Television network during February 1984 (exact date not set yet). According to Allen Morris of Taft Enterprises Company, coproducers with Alvin Cooperman - DePaul Productions, the film will in time be shown throughout Europe, Africa, Asia, and Latin America in diverse languages and therefore its potential impact is global in scope.

Acted brilliantly by British actor Albert Finney, this Papal life-story contains a number of dramatic scenes of special interest to Jews. The script deals forthrightly with the pervasiveness of anti-Semitism in pre-World War II Poland, the horrors of the Nazi Holocaust, and the response of Pope John Paul II both as youth, prelate, and later as Archbishop of Cracow.

An Encounter With Crude Anti-Semitism

The first encounter with crude anti-Semitism takes place in a cafe in Wadowice, the Pope's birthplace. A drunken Polish policeman named Moljek rants about the oncoming Nazis: "We beat the Germans in 1918. We beat the Russians in 1920. We did the work of 10, each of us did. We ate starving dogs - more value to us than the Jews, I can tell you."

Karol Wojtyla, then a teen-ager, identifies strongly with his close Jewish friend and classmate, Theodor Krawich. In a subsequent poignant scene, Karol and Theodor are picnicing in a meadow, and Theodor talks with pain about being taunted as "Jew Boy!" to another Polish youth who tore his coat. Karol, in a burst of anger, responds:

"It's ignorance! The exact opposite of what Christ taught. Feel sorry for him. He's ignorant." Then Theodor says: "I can't wait to leave this place... You've been like a brother to me, Lolek. I mean it."

Better Understanding Of Nazi Barbarism

Catholics, and other Christians, will be better able to understand the bestiality of the Nazis as Jews understand it - perhaps even be helped to identify with and join in solidarity with Jews - as a result of such brutal encounters with the Nazi Governor General of Poland, Hans Frank, who arrogantly proclaims to Archbishop Sapieha his plans for the fate of Poles and Jews:

"Poles, like Jews, are *Untermenschen*, subhumans. They have no right to life. But we intend to use some of them ... the Slavs, not the Jews ... as a work force of the German Reich ... Every

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Super Sunday Is Coming!

Leo ZefTel, President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware is pleased to announce the appointments of Steven Herrmann and Paula Lehrer as the 1984 Super Sunday co-chairmen.

Super Sunday, a national telethon program will be held this year on Jan. 15. Thousands of volunteers in Jewish Federations across the United States will be participating in Super Sunday on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal and Jewish agencies in our own local communities. Nationwide the goal for Super Sunday is to reach more people and raise more money in a single day than ever before.

In Delaware, our Jewish Federation hopes to reach more than 2,000 individuals from our Super Sunday headquarters. Monies raised will help support our beneficiary agencies such as: the Jewish Community Center, Jewish Family Service, Albert Einstein Academy, Gratz Hebrew High School, the Milton and Hattie Kutz Home, B'nai B'rith Hillel Counselorship. In addition, funds raised on Super Sunday through the Jewish Federation of Delaware campaign go to support social services in Israel and throughout the world.

"Only through community support and involvement can we make Super Sunday a super success,"

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Stephen Herrmann



Paula Lehrer

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National Consultant To Discuss Needs Of Our Jewish Elderly



Joan Fuld

Joan Fuld, consultant on aging, of the Council of Jewish Federations will be visiting in Delaware on Monday, Dec. 19, at 8 p.m. at the Jewish Community

Center. Fuld will meet with members of the Jewish Federation of Delaware's Task Force on Aging and board members of the Jewish Community Center, Jewish Family Service, Milton and Hattie Kutz Home, Jewish Federation and B'nai B'rith.

"Ms. Fuld's discussion will highlight the experiences, programs and services for the Jewish aged in communities throughout North America which are comparable in Jewish population to Delaware's," stated Gloria Fine, chairman.

The Dec. 19 program is being sponsored by the Task Force on Aging as part of its process of educating its members and the Jewish community of the problems and concerns facing the Jewish elderly and to aid in planning programs necessary to fill their needs.

Fuld has been consultant with the Community Planning Department of the Council of Jewish Federations with responsibility for services and programs for the elderly for the last two years. (CJF is the coordinating body of all North American Federations.) Prior to this position, she was associate director of the Soviet Jewry Resettlement Program. She has previously been employed in the Community Service Department of HIAS and has worked as a school social worker.

Fuld received a BA from Brandeis University and an MSW from Boston University School of Social Work.

CJF Endorses Resolutions On Wide-Ranging Subjects

By MURRAY ZUCKOFF

(JTA) — The recent terrorist bomb attack on the United States and French forces in Beirut, in which over 200 servicemen were killed, "emphasizes the role and importance of U.S. and Israel being in accord on goals and strategies for peace in the Middle East," it was affirmed in a resolution on the Middle East adopted here at the 52nd General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations.

The resolution urged "a strong continuation of the U.S. mediating role in the Middle East, working in close harmony with the Israeli Government." To accomplish this, there will be "continued need for U.S. economic and military aid to Israel, to assure the strength and stability of the only country which is committed to the peace policy in the Middle East," the resolution states.

Sole Ally

The situation in Lebanon, the resolution continues, has "demonstrated anew that Israel is America's sole stable and dependable ally in the region and hence, the necessity for strengthening United States-Israeli cooperation.

The resolution commended "steps already taken in that direction" and called upon the U.S. Government "to move forward with other measures strengthening strategic cooperation, particularly those agreements which will grant Israel the technical and

financial means to independently build the Lavie fighter aircraft."

The resolution also denounced Syria's intransigence in rejecting the May 17 Israel-Lebanon agreement and instead encouraging continuing civil war in Lebanon and undermining the Government of President Amin Gemayel. "Behind Syria stands the Soviet Union which has resupplied Syrian forces and continues to encourage Syrian intransigence."

The resolution stated that Egypt should be brought back into the peace process "it has all but abandoned." U.S. efforts should be directed at implementing the Camp David accords, the resolution urged, adding: "All parties need to be flexible and open in terms of the negotiated process and not preclude any options that lead to peace."

Reference to Settlements

This was an apparent reference to Israel's settlement policy on the East Bank and was added to the resolution as a result of lobbying by the New Jewish Agenda, a progressive Jewish organization that urged the G.A. to take a stand on the settlements issues.

The CJF tabled a stronger resolution, proposed by Louis Smerling, a delegate to the G.A. from Minneapolis, opposing Jewish settlements in the West Bank. His proposed resolution stated: "Israel could build on the gains it made at Camp

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Chairwoman
Women's Division

ON THE OTHER HAND

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Jewish Perspectives On Energy

Having the firm belief that our Jewish tradition, in its multitudinous textual resources, is the best basis for dealing with the problems we face in the world today, I was delighted to read a recent article sponsored by the Zionist Organization of America.

ZOA has launched a monthly series titled "Energy Currents." After an initial piece stressing that "the energy problem is still a major threat to the security and economies of industrialized nations," they have released an article on "Energy, Jewish Law and Ethics," by Rabbi J. David Bleich. Rabbi Bleich, who writes in the field of bioethics, is associate professor of law at the Benjamin Cardozo School of Law and Professor of Talmud at Yeshiva University.

Rabbi Bleich begins by stating his view of the problem of energy policy and nuclear power: "Considerations of national security and economic development must be balanced against environmental concerns and health risks. The result is a moral dilemma requiring the weighing and balancing of conflicting values."

To attempt a resolution of this dilemma from within Jewish tradition, the starting point, of course, is the emphasis in our Torah on preservation of life. From this flows the whole stream of *halachic* values. In Leviticus we are taught, "You shall keep My laws and My rules, by the pursuit of which man shall live. And, again, in Deuteronomy, "I have placed before you this day *life* and death. Choose *life!*"

The focus in the Jewish value system is always on the preservation of life, *pikuach nefesh*, taking precedence over all other commandments with the exception of those relating to murder, adultery or idolatry. As Rabbi Bleich points out, "A person is obliged to preserve both his own life and the lives of others. In a manner entirely consistent with these principles, Judaism teaches that it is forbidden for man to place himself in danger. *A fortiori*, a person has a right to embark upon a course of action which may endanger the lives of others."

As Bleich points out, however, there is little in life which we can do without undergoing some risk. Even crossing the street would be ruled out by an extreme interpretation of the ban against any life-threatening activity. Clearly, he says, "not all risks are alike. Some risks are morally acceptable; others are not. The crucial question is the definition of an 'acceptable risk.'"

Jewish law also makes a distinction between an immediate danger and a future or potential danger. "A person may not station himself," Bleich says, "under a wall which is structurally defective, because the danger is an immediate one. A person may not place himself in such a position because, in doing so, he is tempting fate. Nevertheless, Jewish law per-

mits individuals to embark upon sea voyages and caravan trips."

It is not that the voyage and the caravan are without danger. That danger exists is recognized by the obligation to "*bensch gome!*", say a prayer of thanksgiving to God, upon one's safe return from such a trip. But, since in the vast majority of cases people do return safely, and since there is no danger present at the time of departure, the action is permitted.

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FRANKLY SPEAKING

Zev Amity



Oberly Returns From Israel

(The following are excerpts from an account by Delaware's attorney general, Charles M. Oberly III who recently returned from his first visit to the State of Israel with a group of nine other American attorneys general, late in October and early in November, 1983. The account is made available by Zev Amity, Jewish Voice columnist, who interviewed Oberly upon his return to Delaware.

(At the same time, Oberly says he brings personal greetings from Rabbi David Geffen and family in

Jerusalem to all friends back here in Delaware. Oberly also states he is available as a speaker to any and all groups who might want to hear of his trip.)

It was approaching darkness when we arrived in Jerusalem Oct. 29. The city was noticeably different than any place I had ever been before. We checked into the hotel. Shortly thereafter, two other attorney generals and I went for a jog. We were all joggers and proceeded to run every day during the course of our stay in Israel.

I wasn't running for more than several minutes before a very strange paradox struck me. It was dark and many of the streets were not well lit. However, we saw numerous small children waiting, I assumed, for buses. Most of the bus stops were very dark.

While I was running down the streets of Jerusalem, it struck me as strange indeed that I was in a country that for every day of its existence since 1948 had faced enemies bent upon its total destruction.

Nevertheless, the children residing in the country appeared to live in an environment that is safer so far as street crime is concerned than are American cities. I cannot think of any city in the United States where I have seen numerous small children out alone in deserted areas after nightfall. That paradox was something that was to remain with me throughout the entire trip.

Later we attended a plenary session of the Knesset. We had special seating and watched the debate on the question involving Lebanon. I was immediately struck by the nature of the democracy that exists in Israel.

While I believe I am fairly well read and up on current events, I was totally unprepared for the diversity of opinion that I found to exist. Although I don't believe I have ever formed any particular opinion, I subconsciously must have thought that everyone in Israel must think the same about the country. This belief was quickly shattered by attending the Knesset.

Israel is a coalition form of government. The two major parties have no hesitation in attacking one another openly on the floor.

Just about every segment of society in Israel is represented before the Knesset. There were very orthodox Jews, very liberal individuals, and very conservative individuals. They all had a particular opinion to espouse. The debate was extremely interesting and made our own Delaware legislature appear somewhat timid.

On Tuesday, Nov. 2, we met with the Prime Minister, Yitzhak Shamir. I was informed that we were the first

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Kayla Gavish



The Prime Minister Reports

Even though the national media carried extensive coverage of the meetings between President Reagan and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir I was anxious to hear for myself what Mrs. Shamir had to report. So I accepted the invitation to attend a meeting of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations held last week in New York City. The prime minister was reporting to the American Jewish community prior to his return to Israel.

As is the custom when the prime minister of Israel speaks to the Conference there were strict security, an overflowing attendance and television cameras everywhere. Ambassadors Yehuda Blum and Meir Rosenne were with the prime minister on the dais but they did not speak.

In contrast to Menachem Begin whose reports were often lengthy and emotional Mr. Shamir made a very short report on several key issues. His meeting with President Reagan was "friendly, open and business-like." He said they agreed to work in close cooperation for solutions of common problems...the major one at this time is the achievement of peace and stability in the Middle East especially in Lebanon. Mr. Shamir emphasized that stability and violence are permanent phenomena in the Middle East and have no connection with Israel.

Out of their discussions came an agreement to create a joint U.S.-Israel political-military group to further stability in the area. Joint exercises, positioning of equipment and technical cooperation will be under consideration.

Israel's economy is a priority on the prime minister's agenda. Trade deficits and inflation are serious problems compounded by the added

burden on Israel of huge defense expenses, the high cost of oil and the redeployment of the Sinai forces.

Mr. Shamir disclosed that the Administration will be considering the establishment of a free trade area with Israel similar to Israel's agreement with the European community. The Administration is also working out details to increase the percentage of the economic aid given as grants. Another help to Israel's economy will be the promise to increase U.S. purchases of military goods from Israel.

The leaders discussed the Peace Process at length. Mr. Shamir did say that while Israel is committed to the Camp David agreements, Egypt's continuing reluctance to adhere to the agreements may prejudice Israel against signing other peace agreements. The prime minister stated though their tactics may differ, the United States and Israel share not only the same values and traditions, but a policy to seek stability and peace. "Position differences were overshadowed by issues on which we agreed."

On Lebanon, Mr. Shamir said that Israel and the United States have identical goals... a strong stand in the face of Soviet-backed aggression. Both countries wish to see a strong Lebanese government which has control over its territories.

What did the U.S. ask from Israel? Mr. Shamir answered that question by saying that the U.S. wishes to free Lebanon of foreign forces and seeks to work together to achieve this goal. I am satisfied with this answer but critics of Israel appear not to be.

The Prime Minister's final comments were on quite a different subject...Aliyah. He said this is a priority issue. "Israel is home for the Jews and Jews must make their home there."

Transcript Of John Chancellor's Commentary On NBC Nightly News, Thursday, Dec. 1

"Prime Minister Shamir's visit to Washington will make the history books.

He won approval for strategic military cooperation, which Israel wanted badly; he is taking home a bundle of agreements to help his ailing economy, which Israel wanted desperately; and he is getting from the Congress and the White House the most generous package of military and economic assistance ever given to Israel.

In 1984, the United States is planning to send 2 billion, 600 million dollars to Israel; of that, one billion, 700 million will be in outright gifts requiring no payment.

A bonanza for Israel.

And the Israeli government hasn't given up a thing. It still opposes President Reagan's peace initiative of last year; it still rejects the American request for a freeze of new settlements in occupied territory.

This American turnabout comes after two and one-half years of trouble with Israel, caused by: the Israeli bombing of a civilian neighborhood in Beirut; annexation of the Golan Heights; the invasion of Lebanon; and the rejection of the Reagan peace plan. All of these things happened during the Reagan Administration.

Two reasons for the change: American policy in the Middle East has reached a dead-end; a closer alliance with Israel is at least a new policy. The old one hasn't worked.

And 1984 is an election year. It is a political fact that in election years, political contributions from the Jewish community play an important role — a decisive role for some Democrats in Congress.

No American politician gets tough with Israel during an election year.

American politicians know that. Israeli politicians know it, too, which perhaps accounts for the smile on Prime Minister Shamir's face while he was in Washington."

How To Respond

Phone calls, telegrams, and letters should emphasize:

a) Chancellor's simplistic, indeed outrageous assertion that greater U.S. aid for and cooperation with Israel is the function of election year politics and not a function of the overwhelming coincidence of interests of both countries, is to miss the whole point of the discussions, and to slander not only Israel and American Jews, but the Executive and Congressional leadership of our country.

b) The Shamir-Reagan talks were not a giveaway for Israel, which stands as the one outpost of Western democracy against a threat the Administration clearly identifies coming from Syrian and Soviet ambitions. So, foreign aid for Israel is in U.S. interests: Israel makes an extraordinary sacrifice in lives and money to protect interests we hold in common. If Chancellor applied similar standards to U.S. foreign policy in Europe or elsewhere his evaluation of American's approach to Israel and the Middle East would be revealed as a caricature.

c) In addition to your local affiliates, communications should go to: Paul Greenberg, executive producer, NBC Nightly News and Reuven Frank, president NBC News with copies to Grant Tinker, chief executive officer, NBC. All are located at 30 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10020.

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What Other Newspapers Have To Say

The Wall Street Journal, Dec. 6
Review & Outlook
"Dealing With Syria"

First of all, what we're dealing with in the Syrians is basically a bunch of thugs. This isn't the government of Lebanon or Jordan or Saudi Arabia. This is the crowd that most recently gave a group of Iranian Shiites the means to blow up American, French and Israeli military compounds. These are the Syrians whose entry into the Shouf mountains was followed by unprecedented acts of slaughter. And—an event that keeps trying to dive down the memory hole—this is the Syrian government that in 1982 sent troops into the city of Hama and annihilated some 25,000 Syrian citizens for opposing the policies of President Hafez Assad. The fact that Syria's foreign minister is now invoking the United Nations charter to say the U.S. is "undermining the sovereignty and independence of countries in the region" doesn't mean the rest of us have to pretend we're dealing with a civilized member of the community of nations.

The Washington Post
"People Not 'Just Like Us,' Liberal Americans Have A Lesson To Learn"
By George Will

A tape of a Syrian television broadcast, shows Syrian ceremonies last month commemorating the tenth anniversary of the Yom Kippur war. Assorted civilian and military officials attended. There is martial music on the tape, but no narration. None is needed.

Girls in uniform stand in a row holding live snakes. Suddenly the girls begin killing the snakes by biting through the snakes' heads. Snakes are sinewy and the biting is not easy and the girls, although eager, do not seem to enjoy this. The audience of older men does. Sigmund Freud, call Damascus.

Next, young soldiers tumble out of moving trucks, pounce upon puppies and stab them repeatedly. One soldier seems to drink a puppy's blood, perhaps symbolizing the drinking of an enemy's blood, as the PLO gunman did in Cairo in 1971 after shooting Jordan's prime minister.

Few Americans have seen any of the Syrian tape (a portion of which was shown at an early a.m. hour by NBC). But this glimpse of Syrian reality would be a useful antidote to a liberal society's sentimental belief in the efficacy of split-the-difference negotiations in places like the Middle East. It would drive another stake through the heart of the notion that the world is run by people "just like us" and that the path to peace is through "understanding" them. It would dash cold water on the recurrent nonsense about Israel being an impediment to peace because it is insufficiently forthcoming in dealing with neighbors like Syria.

Syrian President Assad today resembles Michael Corleone at the moment in "The Godfather" when Michael decides to hit all his rivals simultaneously. Assad is striking at the multinational force, Israel, the Lebanese government and the portion of the PLO that is not entirely subservient to Syria. The United States and Israel must make Assad an offer he can't refuse.

PRISONERS OF WAR HAVE ALWAYS HAD TO MAKE MAJOR READJUSTMENTS UPON RETURNING HOME - BUT CONSIDER THE PLIGHT OF THE 5,400 PALESTINIAN P.O.W.'S ...



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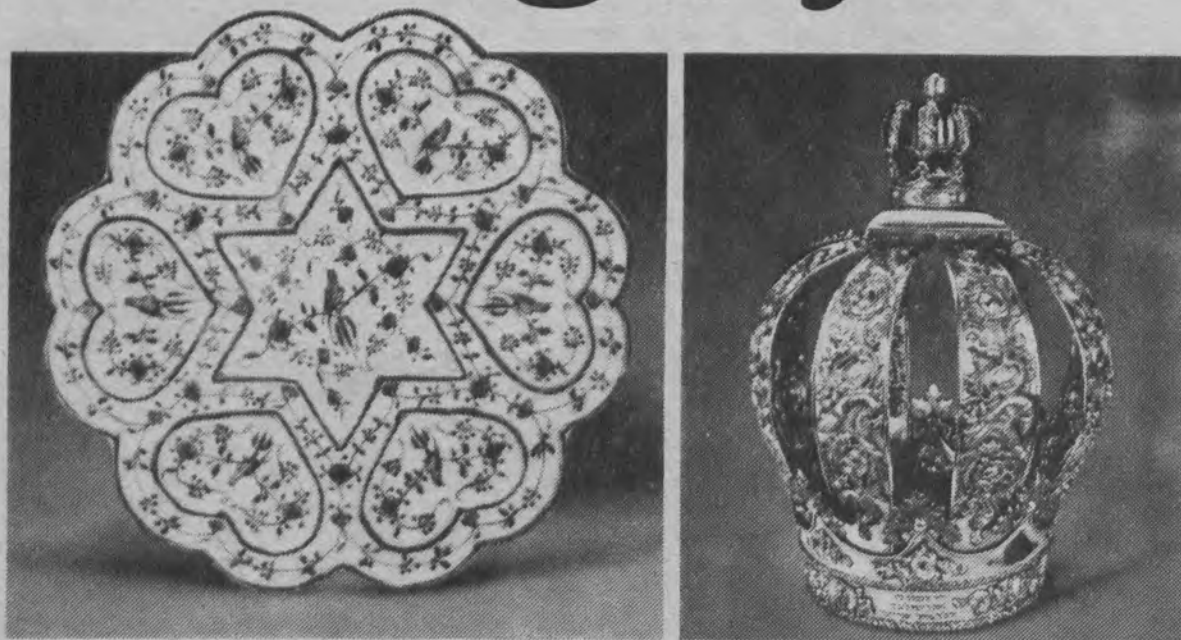
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Precious Legacy.



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Other Hand—

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Bleich also identifies another circumstance in which self-endangerment is acceptable, that of risk associated with earning one's living. The Talmud discusses the occupation of a man who must climb ladders and trees to perform his work. "The danger to which this workman exposed himself can be justified only by virtue of the fact that it is necessary for him to do so in order to earn a livelihood, itself an activity required for the preservation of life. Most forms of productive labor are fraught with danger of one type or another. — A risk which would not at all be warranted when undertaken for a frivolous reason may be entirely justified because of economic need."

What, then, does Rabbi Bleich conclude from the *halacha* as applied to energy policy? First, that we have an obligation to reduce risk to the lowest level possible in any application. Second, that after known risks have been eliminated, we may accept the danger associated with some future contingency if this future risk is prudent. "Moreover, society is entitled to accept certain risks for the purpose of promoting economic wellbeing, even though the self-same risks would not be warranted when assumed simply for pleasure or pastime." Third, that society cannot close its eyes to future and potential danger: "in developing energy sources, a moral society is obligated to devise and to utilize optimal safety measures in a concerted effort to avoid danger."

"There are risks," he concludes, "in the use of coal, oil, gas, wind, solar, nuclear and hydropower energy. Yet, electric power is essential in our age for the sustenance of life and the preservation of the very fabric of contemporary society. Accordingly, in the employment of any of these forms of energy, it is incumbent upon us to take all reasonable precautions to reduce risk."

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Local Family Receives Hanukkah Gift From Helen Goldberg

By KAREN MOSS

The Hanukkah lights burned a bit more brightly this year for at least one Jewish family in Delaware. Thanks to the sales prowess of Helen Goldberg, World Book senior area manager, a needy Jewish family recently received a new set of World Book Encyclopedias in time for Hanukkah. She doesn't know who the recipients are, which, according to Maimonides' seven levels of charity, is just as it should be.

This gift was made possible by a \$2½ million holiday promotion established by the World Book company several years ago. In order to qualify, a representative had to sell four sales units (essentially, four complete encyclopedia sets) between Oct. 26 and Nov. 29 of this year. World

Book also stipulated that the gifts be distributed through a recognized charitable organization. Irma Skversky of Woodbine, who also successfully met the sales goal, opted to have her set given to a family in Connecticut.

Helen Goldberg has been selling World Book Encyclopedias for 25 years. "I was bored after Steven's bar mitzvah," she recalls, "and in a sense I took over from Beebe Sklut who was leaving the business." Goldberg sells the well-known volumes through referrals, and by means of displays at such places as Chanukah Choopla and Kiddie World. "But I also do my share of knocking on doors," she adds with a chuckle.

Goldberg, a native Wilmingtonian, has long been ac-

tive in the Jewish community. She was president of the Kutz Home Auxiliary in the early 1970s, and has co-chaired their annual Hanukkah bazaar for the past five years. She is a member of Hadassah and a member of ORT. At one time she was very active in the Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Shalom. She also carefully researched the history of Beth Shalom for their 50th anniversary celebration 11 years ago. But she is perhaps best known for

her work with the Delaware Jewish Historical Society. During the spectacular 1976 exhibit of Delaware Jewish memorabilia at the Town Hall on Market Street, Goldberg served as a guide. She went on to serve as JHS president from 1981 to 1983, and remains very active in the society.

Her passion for preserving the history of the Jewish community of Delaware recently found a new outlet: microfilming The Jewish

Voice. After obtaining a Kutz Foundation grant, she singlehandedly collected and organized issues of the Jewish Voice dating back to 1944. She also conducted all the necessary microfilming arrangements with Elwyn Industries. As of Dec. 2, these films may be viewed at the Historical Society library on Market Street.

Helen and her husband, Albert live in Elsmere. They have two sons, Steven and Harry.

Frankly Speaking —

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American group that the Prime Minister had met with. I took notes during the course of the meeting with Mr. Shamir. My noted read as follows:

"The difficulty of a democracy to deal with totalitarian regimes. In our system you must mobilize all society for war, etc. In the other countries decisions often are made by one person. The value of human life is sacred in Israel.

"Life is not as important to Israel's surrounding countries. There is a very heavy emphasis on a different approach to human life. It seems like no one writes about this problem. They have learned from us to be optimistic. 'We are optimistic in spite of all difficulties, we believe peace is a must.'"

I got the distinct impression that I was meeting a man who was speaking to a group of Americans from his heart without trying to impress us in any way.

Meeting the prime minister was a moving experience. Having now spent nearly

three days in Israel, I was coming to a totally different awareness of the nature of the country. Its commitment to human life, and the incredible energy of the people who were there fighting for something they truly believe in.

On Friday, Nov. 4, we left for the Lebanon border where we saw the Good Fence. This is a place at the border between Lebanon and Israel where the government of Israel has erected a medical facility that treats free-of-charge citizens and people residing in Lebanon. They come through the Fence and come directly to the medical facility where they are cared for.

After leaving the Good Fence we visited the Golan Heights. Once again, seeing is believing. After seeing this area and walking over some of the hills over-looking Israel, I can quite understand why Israel balks at returning this area to Arab control.

There is no doubt that Golan Heights is a strategic military area that must be held by Israel to insure its

own safety. We walked through some of the underground fortresses built by the Syrians before the 1973 war.

All in all, my trip to Israel reaffirmed the old saying, "seeing is believing." Without ever having seen Israel, I do not believe I would ever have come to truly know the people or the problems that country has faced.

I left Israel with a profound respect for the people, the country, and the commitment to its own existence. If one of the purposes, as it surely was, was to develop closer ties or friendship with American officials, I must say that I feel a much closer kinship to the democracy in Israel after having been there.

It's hard to believe that that country can exist as it has for 34 years with enemies on every border. It would be as if we in Delaware were trying to exist with our neighbors in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Maryland planning to annihilate us at any chance. The spirit of the people in spite of all these problems remains high.

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CJF GA—

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David by refraining from actions such as the construction of settlements which lead toward the incorporation of the West Bank into Israel proper." Many delegates favored having a resolution calling for a settlement freeze.

The CJF resolution on the Middle East criticized Egypt for freezing the process of normalization with Israel, for not returning its ambassador to Israel, for placing obstacles in the way of normal tourism and trade and for permitting "a vicious anti-Israel press campaign, and has recently supported anti-Israel resolutions in various international bodies."

Outrage at Sentencing

A resolution on Soviet Jewry expressed outrage at the recent sentencing of Iosif Begun to 12 years of prison and internal exile for the "crime" of teaching Hebrew.

"The continued imprisonment of Anatoly Scharansky, the recent trials of five other Prisoners of Conscience and the continued incarceration of an additional 12 men who have violated no laws in seeking to emigrate from the Soviet Union or live as Jews while they remain in the USSR, requires attention and action," the resolution stated.

It also cited "a dangerous new anti-Semitic campaign" that was begun with the creation by the Soviet Union of an "Anti-Zionist Committee of

the Soviet Public" and by the use of Jews as spokesmen.

Condemned Soviets

"This campaign has also included the false allegation of Zionist and Jewish collaboration with the Nazis during World War II and is promoting and expanding anti-Semitism." The resolution condemned the Soviet Union for closing down emigration and for the harassment and imprisonment of aliyah activists.

The G.A. also adopted a resolution on the rescue of Ethiopian Jewry urging that Israel and world Jewry "continue to exert every effort to expand the programs of rescue relief and resettlement of this ancient community which is so seriously threatened."

Pope—

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educated person will be regarded as an enemy and marked down for destruction. Jews will be done away with ... We shall make the name of Poland a long forgotten name on the ancient maps."

The most explicit — and moving — involvement of Wojtyla in the fate of Jews takes place in two scenes. One is in a stone quarry where he comes to the defense of a Jewish laborer from Auschwitz and saves his life as a Nazi guard is about to beat him to death. The other portrays Wojtyla joining an underground Polish group that saves the lives of a Jewish family. There are

several long dramatic scenes showing the future Pope handing out forged passports and leading the Teitlebaum family through Nazi guards to safety.

Capping the emphasis on Wojtyla's life under the Nazis is a scene where his female friend complains that he does not have enough time for her. She says: "Everyone knows what you're doing ... taking Jewish families out of the ghettos, finding them place to hide. Is that what's keeping you away?"

That sensitivity to Jews, his opposition to anti-Semitism, continues into his later career.

It should be made clear that this film is devoted overwhelmingly to the life and career of Pope John Paul II, (Continued to Page 15)

Local Tribute To Mordecai Kaplan

By ZEV AMITI

Let it be recorded in the annals of Delaware Jewry that on the night of the eighth Hanukkah candle in the year, 5744, a couple of dozen men and women convened in the sanctuary of Beth Shalom, Eighteenth and Baynard Boulevard in the city of Wilmington on the Delaware and joined three rabbis in honoring the memory of one of the greatest Jewish leaders and teachers of the 20th century, Rabbi Mordecai Menachem Kaplan.

Rabbi Kaplan had died a month earlier in Riverdale, N.Y. at the venerable age of 102.

For me, it was one of the most inspiring and memorable hours I have ever spent. Unforgettable!

And as I sat there in the *schul*, I recalled that this was the same Rabbi Kaplan, now inscribed in the book of everlasting Jewish fame, who had actually been excommunicated by a group of ultra-religious Jews. The fault was not his but theirs, because they had failed to recognize his genius and appreciate his zeal and understanding that Judaism in the 20th century actually has continued not only as a

religion but, as he once put it, "as a dynamic religious civilization."

I had expected a lot more people that night for the memorial and dedication service. But no matter. We few who assembled there, can regard ourselves as having come under the leadership of Rabbi Kenneth Cohen and the three other rabbis, Ira Schiffer of Newark's Beth El, Jacob Rosner of Dover's Beth Shalom, and Peter Grumbacher of Wilmington's Beth Emeth, and that we should think of our small group as a special kind of unit who remembers Rabbi Kaplan and participated in the joint chanting of *kaddish* for him.

But I must admit that as I sat in the *schul* Wednesday night and watched the flickering of the nine Hanukkah candles and listened to the wonderful personal memories of Rabbi Kaplan as recalled by Rabbi Cohen, Rabbi Schiffer and also Mitchell Guttenplan, I shivered to think back to the not so distant year when those ultra-zealots who disagreed with Rabbi Kaplan actually threw copies of his *siddur* into the flames as part of their violent protest against him.

Also I came away indebted

to Rabbi Cohen for having distributed two printed documents, titled "The Principles of Reconstructionism" to which he and Rabbi Schiffer are attached; and "A Program for Jewish Life Today."

As I read the latter document carefully, I marked several significant paragraphs that really demand study and discussion:

* - "In conformity with the American tradition of separation of Church and State, organic Jewish communities should be based on the principle of voluntarism. Membership in them should be opened to all who desire to identify themselves with the Jewish people."

* - "The furtherance of communal progress and of personal self-fulfillment requires the right of their members to differ in their interpretation and practice of Judaism. Unity should be based on a common interest in maintaining continuity with the Jewish past, in fostering the creativity and dignity of Jewish life and in promoting collaboration for common purposes."

* - "To participate with non-Jews in civic movements for the common welfare."

Personally, I don't think Delaware Jewish groups engage in these sort of activities enough.

* - "In view of differences in personal temperament and individual experience, the quest for an adequate conception of God should not be expected to yield the same results for all Jews. Jews will conceive of God in different ways."

* - "Traditional forms of Jewish ritual observance should be retained even if their original meaning is no longer valid, provided they have acquired new and valid meanings for us through re-interpretation."

Also, one of the truths I learned during the Rabbi Kaplan service came from

Rabbi Cohen who told us that in many ways Rabbi Kaplan was considered too conservative by many Jews and at the same time, too liberal by many others.

So in between the two views, Rabbi Kaplan labored, meeting practically each problem in its own context. He was described as "the one man who taught at least three generations of Jews how to

think about Judaism in the modern world."

And I for one am so thankful to Rabbi Kaplan for having enunciated in his principles of Reconstructionism:

"By reason of the prevailing diversity in world outlook, there has to be room in the Jewish religion for different versions of it."

May Mordecai Kaplan rest in eternal peace. Amen.

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Kreshtool has urged the 100,000-member Reform Jewish women's organization to intensify its efforts to "help overcome the forces of assimilation and counteract the influences that threaten the stability of Jewish family life."

In an address to 750 delegates attending the organization's 34th biennial convention in Houston, Kreshtool declared: "As Jews proud of our spiritual heritage, we share a commitment to the synagogue as the instrument of Jewish survival."

"It is toward this goal," Kreshtool said, "that the power of women must be exercised in homes, congregations, communities, in study of Torah and observance of Sabbath and Jewish festivals, to safeguard for future generations our Jewish heritage."

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Preview Night At The Smithsonian - A Memorable Experience

By EVELYN LOWY

Editors Note: Evelyn and Leo Lowy, recent newcomers to our community, were extended a special invitation to the opening evening of the "Precious Legacy" in Washington, D.C. and Evelyn has graciously agreed to share with us her impressions and reactions to this unique event in Jewish life. Leo, who was born in Czechoslovakia and is thoroughly conversant in his native tongue, was most helpful as a translator at the opening of the Legacy exhibit.

The black-tie opening night of "The Precious Legacy" at the Smithsonian's Museum of Natural History was, for the few hundred people who attended, a memorable and historic event.

This exhibit is the culmination of 16 years of determined efforts by Mark Talisman, director of the Washington office of the Council of Jewish Federations, to bring to the U.S., Jewish artifacts representing 500 years in the life of the Jews of Czechoslovakia.

We arrived first at the B'nai B'rith museum to view the drawings of the children interned in the ghetto of Terezin. These drawings tore at the heart, for they reflected, not only the horror of their lives, but the pitiful and nostalgic longings for the familiar worlds they once knew. Their art was an expression of their dreams for freedom and happiness, shadowed by a hopeless future. The future of most was painfully evident as one reads on the bottom of most of the drawings the searing words, "Died in Auschwitz." Of the 15,000 children who were sent to Auschwitz from



IMAGE AND REALITY: JEWISH LIFE IN TEREZIN

B'nai B'rith Klutznick Museum, Washington, D.C. November 9, 1983 - April 1, 1984. The Jewish Museum, New York City April 15 - August 26, 1984.

View of Terezin. Pavel Sonnenschein. Born April 9, 1911. Deported to Terezin - April 8, 1942. Deported from Terezin - October 23, 1944. Photo credit: State Jewish Museum in Prague

Teresin, 150 returned, including my husband, Leo.

A short memorial service was held in a room too small to contain everyone who was there, but microphones enabled the overflow crowd, gathered in hushed silence, to hear the Rabbi say *Kaddish* and intone the prayer for the departed. And then it was time to board the chartered buses which took us to view the "Precious Legacy."

The collection is truly stunning. Magnificent torahs, the foundation of Jewish life, intricately embroidered torah mantles, gilded torah crowns,

utensils, instruments of circumcision, books, paintings, all this and so much more, confiscated from towns throughout Czechoslovakia by the Nazis in their zeal to destroy all that was Jewish.

But those Jews in Prague, who revered these symbols of the children of Israel, appealing to the base instincts of the Nazis, convinced them to house these things in a museum to show the world the remnants of a race that had ceased to exist. And now, indeed they can be seen, not as remnants of an extinct race, but as symbols of a people whose spirit tenaciously clings to life. Who could have dreamed at the time these artifacts were marked for destruction, that an occasion such as this would have come to pass?

Today the collection is part of the State Jewish Museum of Prague and is under the protection of the Czech government.

After viewing the exhibit, the elegantly-clad crowd,

men in tuxedos and women in gowns and cocktail dresses, were ushered upstairs to the reception awaiting us in an enormous hall. About 20 buffet tables were situated throughout the room and guests were plied with a variety of delectable dishes.

These included breaded baby lamb chops, steak tartare, tiny skewers of shish-kabob, and enormous platters piled high with nova scotia lox, roast beef and a myriad of other treats for the palate. If one was careful not to look up, it was possible to enjoy the

repast without viewing the derriere of the huge mastadon gracing the upper area of the hall.

When appetites had been sated, it was time for the speeches. Mr. Ripley, director of the Smithsonian, greeted dignitaries and guests and said a few appropriate words. George Weissman, chairman of the board of Philip Morris, said how happy and proud his company was to be funding this exhibit. Then the ambassador of Czechoslovakia spoke and enlightened a few of us as to why it took so long to arrange to bring this exhibit to the U.S.

All he said was that when the U.S. finally returned the gold to Czechoslovakia, it enabled discussions and negotiations to begin. The background to the story started when the Nazis invaded Czechoslovakia. The Czech government hurriedly sent all its gold to the United States before it could fall into German hands. Ever since the communist government came to power they had been trying to get the gold back and a few years ago the U.S. government did return it. The way was cleared to proceed with this cultural endeavor.

And so the evening ended. At 9 p.m., the buses arrived to take us back to our starting point. The memory of that occasion still lingers on.

It will be in Washington until Jan. 1, 1984 and will travel to a few cities in the USA. The very touching Terezin exhibit will remain until April 1, 1984. I urge all who haven't seen these exhibits to make every effort to do so. In two years it will be returned to Prague, its permanent home.

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Dear Rachel,
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Puzzled Parent

about young children is their ability to accept the limitations set by adults and the adult world. If you tell your daughter that yes, Christmas is beautiful and that Santa Claus is a fun tradition, but it is not for us, she will grumble but accept. The key to her acceptance of these limitations is your own attitude. If you feel at all ambivalent, you will send her mixed signals that will leave her feeling deprived and upset. If you consistently resist the pressures of Christmas while reinforcing her Jewish identity, you will help her grow into a healthy adult and a proud Jew. Keep up the good work.

Rachel

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The Jewish Myth

By Arnold Lieberman,
Executive Director



The myth that Jewish people and families do not exhibit certain "negative traits" must be laid to rest once and for all. While it may be true that Jews are less likely from a statistical perspective to demonstrate certain behaviors perhaps as a result of assimilation, one can now see the same range of problems in the Jewish family that exists in the general American family.

Jews have been convicted of every type of crime).

I am purposely spelling out some unpleasant aspects to underline the fact that we must stop thinking and saying, "but Jews don't do that." If one does not accept that something exists, then they will certainly not support efforts to deal with it.

We have heard such things as "there are no poor Jews," "Jewish men do not hit their

wives," and "there are no Jewish alcoholics." We rarely hear these particular myths anymore, but we may still hear denials of the existence of such people as isolated, needy, elderly Jews; gay Jews; and inter-married or unaffiliated Jews, who do wish to become part of the Jewish community.

These denials make it even more difficult for those of us who not only know and accept their existence, but are trying to help them to improve or adjust to their circumstances.

We have learned that it is a waste of time and effort to react with surprise and doubt to the existence of problems, when all of our strengths and resources are needed to help some of these people to merely cope. Our Jewish community should adopt a similar stance, if it is to give Jewish Family Service the support we need to do the job that we are committed to do.

In future issues, I will spell out how the Jewish community as a whole can support our efforts.

Not only is this true in the country as a whole, but it is also true in our own Delaware community. At JFS we have seen cases of Jewish people abusing alcohol, drugs, gambling, spouses, children, and elderly parents and relatives.

Regarding the marital state, we have seen Jewish people separate, divorce, remarry, conduct extramarital affairs, and engage in homosexual and incestuous relationships.

We have seen Jewish people convicted of a wide range of crimes short of armed and violent crimes. (However, in other parts of our country

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The Delaware Branch of Gratz College Hebrew High School recently held its annual Open House. The program began with a short orientation meeting. Elaine Friedberg, principal, spoke with the parents about school operations and then introduced Dr. Kenneth Markiewitz, president of the board, who greeted everyone and spoke about Gratz in general. Roslyn Nathanson, a graduate student and advisor of the Student Council, told about holiday celebrations and special extra-curricular activities planned for this year. She also announced the names of the officers and representatives of the 1983-84 Student Council. Marcia Tucker, the president of the Parents Association spoke next. She told the parents about the functions of this group and introduced the mothers who volunteered to serve as coordinators for each grade level.

Following the meeting, the group adjourned and proceeded to the school wing where the parents met with the teachers who explained their programs and answered questions directed to them.

This year's open house and orientation meeting at Delaware Gratz was a most informative and enjoyable experience for all those who attended.



Gratz parents and board members greet one another before the meeting.



Speakers at the Orientation meeting include l to r: Elaine Friedberg, Roslyn Nathanson, Kenneth Markiewitz and Marcia Tucker.

Obituaries

Anne Brofsky

Anne Brofsky, 73, of Hallandale, Fla., died Nov. 23 in Hollywood, Fla.

Mrs. Brofsky and her late husband, Foley, owned and managed Foley Brofsky Jewelry Store in Wilmington.

Mrs. Brofsky was a member of the Jewish Federation of Women and was a friend and patron of Brandeis University.

She is survived by two daughters, Ellen Simon of Jenkintown, Pa. and Rhoda Russell of Wilmington; one brother, Dr. Samuel Katz of Hallandale, Fla.; one sister, Beatrice Katz, also of Hallandale; and three grandchildren.

Funeral services were held

at the Chandler Funeral Home, 2506 Concord Pike.

Interment was in the Wilmington Jewish Community Cemetery.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to the American Cancer Society, 1708 Lovering Ave., Wilmington, Del. 19806.

William Cherrin

William Cherrin, 78, of 2611 Bittersweet Drive, The Timbers, died Dec. 6 of kidney disease at the Delaware Division.

Mr. Cherrin had worked for 40 years for the Yellow Cab Co. in Wilmington, retiring 13 years ago. He was a member of Machzikey Hadas Congregation in the B'nai B'rith House, 8000 Society Drive, Claymont. He was also a member of the Wilmington chapter of Deborah. His wife, Jeane, died in 1980.

He is survived by a son, Philip Cherrin of Crompond, N.Y.; a daughter Myra Teder of The Timbers; a brother, Samuel Cherrin of Claymont; and five grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Dec. 8 at the Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike, Wilmington, Del. with burial in the Machzikey Hadas Cemetery, Minquadale, Del.

Shiva was observed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joel Teder 2611 Bittersweet Drive, The Timbers.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to either Deborah, c/o Betty Abrahams, 2307 Society Drive, Claymont, Del. 19703 or the National Kidney Foundation, Delaware, Division 1-C Trolley Square, Wilmington, Del. 19806.

Albert Einstein Academy

By JUDY GOLDBAUM

What an exciting time we've had in the past month! Prior to our own Thanksgiving celebration, our students made turkey centerpieces of clay and paper that were given to the Kutz Home for their use at the Home's Thanksgiving dinner. Our own Thanksgiving luncheon was prepared by our kindergarten, first, second, and third grades. It was a

delicious repast of turkey, stuffing, cranberries, sweet potatoes, corn bread, and pumpkin pie. On Grandparents Day our lower grade students presented a skit with songs and a puppet play about the first Thanksgiving. The upper grade students read compositions on what grandparents mean to them.

Our Hanukkah program for this year had many original skits and songs. The parents also took an active part and showed off their many talents as readers, singers, and pianists. The fourth grade presented "The Magic Dreidel" written by the class; the fifth and sixth graders wrote, directed, and acted in "The Hanukkah Dream." The finale of our show was a new song, "Mikkah Is Here," written by our own music teacher, Linda Swears, and sung in parts by the second through sixth grades.

Super Sunday-

(Continued from Page 1) said Chairmen Steven Herrmann and Paula Lehrer. Volunteers are needed to make telephone solicitation calls on Super Sunday, Jan. 15 from the Bank of Delaware, 300 Delaware Ave. Four two-hour sessions will be held beginning at 10 a.m. Volunteers are asked to participate in a brief orientation session before going to their Super Sunday telephones.

Anyone interested in volunteering their time on Super Sunday should call the Super Sunday office at 478-6200 or stop by the Jewish Federation of Delaware office at 101 Garden of Eden Road, Wilmington.

We wish to thank everyone for their kindness, contributions, cards and expressions of sympathy during the recent bereavement of our mother, Yetta Rubin.

Jean Sachs
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And Families

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Beth Shalom School News

School closings because of inclement weather will be announced on WDEL and WAMS by 2 p.m. weekdays

and by 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings. The decision whether to hold classes will be based on

weather conditions just prior to the opening of Hebrew school. Although public schools close in the morning because of bad weather, we have found that often times as the day progresses, conditions improve. Of course, the reverse can also occur. At these times, our school will be closed even though weather conditions in the morning permitted the public schools to open.

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שלום, חנה. מה שלומך?

Thanks, I am O.K.

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And how are you, Mosheh?

ומה שלומך, משה?

Thanks, but it is very hot.

תודה, אבל חם מאד.

And I also am hungry.

וגם אני רעב.

Where is the restaurant?

איפה המסעדה?

Again a restaurant?

עוד הפעם המסעדה?

Yes, but now I want to eat lunch.

כן, אבל עכשו אני רוצה לאכול ארוחת הצהריים.

O.K., Mosheh. The restaurant

טוב, משה. המסעדה

is on Herzl Street.

ברחוב הרצל.

Please, waiter, give me the luncheon menu.

בבקשה, מלצר, תן לי תפריט הצהריים.

Here is it, the food

הנה התפריט, המאכלים

is very tasty.

טעימים מאד.

Organizations in the News

ORT 'Chocolate Thursday'

The Brandywine Chapter of Women's American ORT (Organization for Rehabilitation through Training) cordially invites you to our first tea of 1984. We will be featuring the film, "Nothing but the Best," an insight into ORT's Latin American network of schools which provide the best in academic, vocational and Jewish education.

For your added enjoyment we will be serving Latin America's most popular repast, chocolate desserts.

The tea will be held on Jan. 5, 1 p.m. at the home of Ilene Sivakoff. Babysitting will be provided. For more information and reservations please call, Alana Meiners, 652-3933 or Ilene Silvakoff 478-2098.

Beth Emeth Sisterhood

The Jan. 10, monthly meeting of Sisterhood Temple Beth Emeth, will be chaired by Annette Goldberg, assisted by Millie Lapidos, as moderator. The program will be based on a format developed by the Resolutions Committee of the National Federation of Temple

Sisterhoods and will consist of three skits presented as radio scripts, covering critical issues of the day. The presentation will start immediately after the petite luncheon, to be served at 11:30 a.m. Reservations may be made by calling Rae Goldenberg at 798-1929. Free baby-sitting is also available.

On Jan. 17, at 7:30 p.m., a Sisterhood group will present Yvette Rudnitsky, leading a book-review and discussion based on a book entitled "A Woman's Reality," authored by Anne Wilson Schaefer. All are welcome.

Pope—

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and that his attitude towards Jews and anti-Semitism is a secondary, even tertiary theme. But precisely because this is a film made primarily for Christian audiences, and such a well-made and impactful story of heroic proportions, its strong positive references to this pope's attitudes and behavior toward Jews can only be a derivative, but important benefit in affirming Catholic friendship for the Jewish people.

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Shamir—

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tion, and close cooperation, the results will be of the same kind.

Q: This extended cooperation seems to me at least to contrast a little bit with the kind of undercurrents of tension in the U.S.-Israeli relationship over the past few years. Do you agree that there's been a change, and, if so, what would you attribute it to?

Mr. Shamir: Well, I think that both parties are convinced that any tension between them is counterproductive, is doing harm to both of us.

Q: Can I focus in on one of our common goals, which is supporting the Gemayel government and getting the Syrians out of Lebanon? There are rumors in Washington that you agreed, or at least indicated a willingness, to have some further Israeli troop withdrawals from Southern Lebanon to relieve the political pressure on Gemayel. Are you thinking about further troop withdrawals?

Mr. Shamir: We are interested in the withdrawal of our troops from Lebanon. It's not a new policy. We would like to have in Lebanon such conditions which will enable us to leave — to pull out our troops — and we believe that this would be possible if the Lebanese government has sufficient control over the territory of Lebanon.

Q: But can we expect while Gemayel is in Washington that we're going to hear from either you or President Reagan that there is an agreement to have some more Israeli troop withdrawals so that Gemayel can say that he got something out of his trip to Washington?

Mr. Shamir: I am not sure that Gemayel will ask for it now. I'm not sure because the question always in Lebanon is if we go out, who will replace us? We have to create conditions for such a withdrawal. It is not so simple. The situation is not that we go out and the Lebanese army is coming after our withdrawal. There are many elements, important elements, in Lebanon and they could replace us. That would be very dangerous and not only for our security but for the existence of the Gemayel government.

Q: Over the long term, wouldn't it put you in a better position if you were to drive the Syrians out militarily from Northern Lebanon, rather than through a process of negotiations?

Mr. Shamir: Maybe, theoretically, you are right, but nobody's interested in waging wars and it is our policy, and I think the policy of the United States, to prevent war, to deter the Syrians.

Q: But what reason is there to believe you can get them out short of war? Why is just the Lebanese-Israeli-American cooperation going to scare the Syrians out of Lebanon?

Mr. Shamir: I think that when the Syrians see that they have no chances to advance in Lebanon and to take control of all of Lebanon, they will not find any interest in maintaining their present positions there, because they have some difficulties maintaining the positions in the existing situation. It costs money. It's not easy to have the army dispersed over such a large territory, and if there is not any objective to gain by this presence, they will go for some agreement with the Lebanese government which will not be in contradiction with our agreement with Lebanon, and we will get some stability.

Q: I am told that we should expect a change of the Syrian government in the real near future. Do we have any reason to believe that is true, and if it were, what difference would it make in Syria or in Lebanon?

Mr. Shamir: I don't have any medical report on the health of (Syrian President Hafiz) Assad, but if it is true that he's seriously ill and will be out of power, then it will change the situation. Nobody can guess what these changes will be but there will be changes because Assad is the dominant personality, and, for the moment, we cannot see anyone in Syria who is capable of replacing him.

Q: We have another apparent change going on in the status of Mr. Arafat. What effect do you think that will have on the outlook?

Mr. Shamir: I think the decline of Arafat or his organization will be very useful — very positive. It will have a positive impact on the situation because the PLO were a disturbing factor in the area. Their interest was always to prevent any success of peace efforts. We are ready to negotiate with any Arab countries, even the most extreme of them, but we will never negotiate with the PLO. And, therefore, the PLO position was always to prevent any Arab country from negotiating with us. They did it with Jordan and they will do it with other countries. Any disappearance of such a group from the scene in the Middle East will open the gates for peace efforts. And secondly, it demonstrates to the Palestinian Arabs that the way of Arafat is not leading anywhere — it's a lost struggle. This killing each other — of members belonging to the same organization, to the same people — it must change the minds of the Palestinian Arabs. I cannot say that we already see signs of such change but we hope it will come later.

Naches Nook

Birth

On Sunday, Dec. 4, Robert and Karin Weiner of Greenmeadow became parents to a second daughter, Rachel Kay Weiner.

Grandparents are Jack and Adele Weiner of Top of the Hill and Drs. Lewis and Rita Griffith of Mendenhall, Pa.



Wedding

Golder-Tocker

Iris Joy Golder and Allan Stephan Tocker were married Saturday, Nov. 12, at Adas Kodesch Shel Emeth Synagogue.

Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Robert Golder of Wilmington, and Edwin Tocker and the late Myra Tocker, also of Wilmington. Sharon Berger was matron-of-honor for her sister. Scott Sahl was best man for the groom.

The bride is a graduate of Brandywine High School and the University of Delaware and is employed by Cigna Corp. The groom is a graduate of Mount Pleasant High School, the University of Delaware and the Pennsylvania College of Optometry. The couple resides in Wilmington.



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