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## News Briefs

### United Nations Votes To Condemn Terrorism

In a historic vote the United Nations unanimously adopted a resolution condemning terrorism "wherever and by whomever" it is committed. Binyamin Netanyahu, Israel's permanent representative to the U.N. welcomed the resolution's call on states to prosecute or extradite terrorists, saying that terrorism "brings us back to a savage era when the impulses of the jungle prevailed, when anything and everyone could be a target, when no rules applied." Noting that "some of the states that voted for the resolution — are the worst offenders," Netanyahu said that this was, nonetheless, an important step in the right direction.

### Neo-Nazis Found Guilty In Seattle Trial

Ten members of The Order, a neo-Nazi anti-Semitic and white supremacist group, were found guilty of racketeering this month in a Seattle trial which the prosecutor thinks may have broken the organization. Included in the list of 67 crimes with which the defendants were charged, were two murders, three armored car robberies and counterfeiting, all part of a plot to overthrow the government, kill Jews and deport non-whites. Each of the group of nine men and one woman faces a maximum 40 year prison term and a \$50,000 fine. Sentencing is scheduled for Feb. 6 and 7.

### Awards For Arab And Jewish Educators

An annual award of two grants for Jewish and Arab educators has been established by the Jewish-Arab Council for Peace Education. The organization, comprised of 1,500 Jewish and Arab educators, trains teachers and youth movement leaders. The award was announced last month at the annual meeting of trustees of the International Center for Peace in the Middle East. Chairman of the Board of Trustees is the former Justice Minister Haim Zadok.

### Roth Opposes Military Exports To Yugoslavia And Iraq

Senator William V. Roth, Jr., of Delaware joined Senator William Proxmire of Wisconsin and Senator Dan Quayle of Indiana in introducing an amendment to the Export Administration Act to halt the export of military goods and technology to Iraq and Yugoslavia. According to Roth, "This bill is a retaliatory measure for the role these countries played in aiding the escape of Mohammed Abbas, who organized the hijacking of the ship Achille Lauro and the murder of Leon Klinghoffer." The legislation would halt future sales of military helicopters to Iraq and prevent Yugoslavia from gaining access to U.S. technology needed to build supersonic engines.

## Thank You, Delaware! Super Sunday Is A Huge Success \$117,694 Raised In A Single Day

Through the "Super" efforts of over 100 volunteers in Wilmington and Lower Delaware, \$117,694 — a 26% increase over the same cards last year, was raised. Over 1400 individuals made pledges.

Spurred on by the appearances of Governor Michael Castle, County Executive Rita Justice, Wilmington's Mayor Daniel Frawley and Congressman Tom Carper, the day raised more money than ever before.

The enthusiasm of the chairpersons, Betty Dizonoff, Miriam Edell, Jo Anne Rosenfeld, Kevin Gross, and Richard Stat, along with General Campaign Chairperson Stephen Herrmann and President

Martin G. Mand, was transmitted to the volunteers. An atmosphere of concern, caring and commitment was shown by all in attendance.

All of the local television and radio stations provided excellent public service announcements. Patterson-Schwartz Realtors in Wilmington and B. Gary Scott Realtor in Dover donated the use of their telephone facilities for the day. Take-a-Break Coffee, Bagels & Donuts, and Annie Golden's donated all the refreshments.

A special thank you (see page 5), goes to the men, women and youth who made Super Sunday a true community event.



HOLOCAUST SCULPTURE AT JEWISH MUSEUM

NEW YORK CITY — George Segal's plaster sculpture, "The Holocaust," was permanently installed at the Jewish Museum Jan. 3. The work, one of the most important Holocaust memorial sculptures in the world, consists of 11 life-sized figures. Ten of the figures appear to be lifeless bodies lying on the ground, while the eleventh gazes through a barbed wire fence. RELIGIOUS NEWS SERVICE PHOTO/Courtesy Jewish Museum.

### Important Future Events

•1986 Campaign Premiere, February 2, Stuart E. Eizenstat, featured speaker. \$1,000 minimum.

•Meet the Press. The public meets the Editorial committee of *Jewish Voice*. February 10, 7:30 p.m.

Call Federation Office for details.

### Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Jewish-Black Ties Stressed

By DAVID FRIEDMAN

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The close ties between Jews and the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. were stressed before a packed standing-room audience as the Israel Embassy marked the 57th birthday of the slain civil rights leader last week.

"From the moment of his appearance on the public scene, Jews felt — and we continue to feel — a unique affinity, a special identification, and a

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## ON THE OTHER HAND N. Even-Or



### What Do You Call The Place You Pray?

With all due respect to Shakespeare, Juliet and roses notwithstanding, there is a goodly amount of meaning in a name. An excellent case in point is the name by which we call the place we pray.

The function of a synagogue, it is oft said, is tri-partite: it is a *bet-tefilah*, a house of prayer; a *bet-midrash*, a house of study; and a *bet-kneset*, a house of assembly. The English word itself, however, is more narrow in derived meaning. Synagogue comes from a Greek root, *synagogue*, meaning a bringing together, an assembly. The Hebrew expression for synagogue is similarly narrowed to *bet-kneset*, literally a house of assembly.

The name Temple, used extensively by Reform congregations and some Conservatives, has its origin in the Latin *templum*, meaning a space

marked out for special use. The word "template," incidentally, comes from this same root, *templum*. Strictly speaking, then, a Temple was originally a special place, not necessarily one with religious or study connotations.

The Temple of Solomon, on the other hand, is referred to in the Book of Kings as "The House of the Lord," "The House of the Name of the Lord," and simply "The House." It is never called by the term temple, although a word (*hekhal*) which could be translated as temple is sometimes used to designate the Holy of Holies area within the *Bayit* (House).

The earliest structure for worship described in the Bible is the *mishkan*, translated into the English word, Tabernacle. This is the portable structure built after the giving of the

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## ISRAEL ISSUES Ze'ev Golin



### Welcome To Israel, B'nai B'rith

RISHON LE ZION — Kahanaism is bringing B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League to Israel. They will put together a media campaign telling us not to be racists. *Azoy tuhen nist di yidden* (Jews aren't like that).

I hope the ADL media people don't hole themselves up in five-star hotels and air-conditioned office buildings. They should certainly not consult only with the so-called "beautiful Israelis": *kibbutznikim*, intellectuals, leaders of business and industry, and of course the local public

relations and media establishment.

For if the ADL visitors discuss Kahanaism only in congenial surroundings, their campaign will be a failure. They'll waste hundreds of thousands of dollars to deliver a condescending message on brotherhood. The media people will be laughed out of Israel, and the cancer of racism will continue to spread.

How can the ADL prevent this from happening? By doing a bit of field work, for starters.

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## Editorial

# Obvious Solutions

Reprinted from the Near East Report

The television coverage of the terrorist horrors at the Rome and Vienna airports demonstrated, once again, the power of that medium. Those who viewed international terrorism in the abstract had to be shaken at the sight of casually dressed tourists lying dead — murdered — at the airline terminals. Terrorism is no abstract. It is as real as a college boy killed as he headed home for New Year's or an 11-year old girl dying in her father's arms.

The pictures told most of the story. But, nevertheless, the networks provided their own commentaries and those of various "experts" who provided the usual litany of solutions to the frightening problem. They all sounded hollow — predictable prescriptions from people who really have little idea about what might succeed in eliminating terrorism.

It is the absence of any sure means of dealing with terrorism that produces what I call the political response to it — one that was offered repeatedly as 1985 ended. Garrick Utley, substitute anchor on the Dec. 27 NBC Evening News, put it like this: "As long as the basic conflict in the Middle East continues unresolved — and there is no sign that is about to change — it is unlikely that there will be an end to this terrorist war in which no one wears a uniform and everyone is a victim."

In short, the NBC correspondent believes that if the "basic" Arab-Israeli conflict is resolved, the terrorists will cease their murderous attacks. This common assumption is worth examining.

Just suppose that Israel, Jordan, and Yasir Arafat's PLO all agreed on the establishment of a West Bank Palestinian state including east Jerusalem as its capital. That would be a settlement that would meet most of the Arabs' fundamental demands. But would it end terrorism? Not likely. Arafat's opponents, the Abu Nidal gang, the Libyans, the Syrians — and probably many of Arafat's own "moderate" followers — would still call for the capture of the rest of "Palestine." The radicals and rejectionists would still seek to destroy the Arab moderates and to eliminate the American presence in the Middle East. They would use the new Palestinian state as a base for attacks on what was left of Israel and on civilians worldwide. But, otherwise, the existence of a West Bank Palestinian state wouldn't change a thing. The PLO is the first to admit that its goal is not a West Bank mini-state but the occupation of Israel itself.

And even that wouldn't appease them. Imagine the nightmarish scenario of an Israel totally eliminated, destroyed by the Arabs in a surprise attack. Would even the elimination of the Jewish state appease the fanatics? Again, it isn't likely. As in Lebanon, the various sects and splinter groups would fight for control of "Palestine." The various PLO wings would seek to destroy each other as they tried to grab their piece of the booty. Each of the Arab states would stake out its claim for territory, with Syria first in line to achieve its dream of "Greater Syria." It would be like 1948 when Egypt, Syria, Jordan and Iraq each attacked in hope of destroying the Jewish state and getting a piece of Palestine for itself. In the end, Israel survived. But the West Bank and Gaza — allotted to the Palestinians by the United Nations — were snatched up by, respectively, Jordan and Egypt. It would be no different today, except in one respect. In 1948, the various Arab factions did not take the battle to international airports. Today, Palestinian and other terrorists prefer killing innocent civilians.

In short, there is no political solution to the terrorist problem. Even the achievement of the PLO's genocidal goal would not calm a Middle East that is ripped apart by a hundred sectarian conflicts. Look at Lebanon; Iran and Iraq; Libya and Egypt, and the Shi'ites and Sunnis. These bloody and ancient feuds will not be ended by an Arab-Israeli peace treaty or by surrendering to the terrorists' stated goals. Abu Nidal and others of his ilk do not kill so that they might ultimately sit under a fig tree in Nablus or Jerusalem. They kill because they want to establish a Middle East arrangement where they can control it all: "Palestine," the oil fields, and all the wealth that has been created in the Middle East over the last 50 years. That is the goal they kill each other for. And that is the goal that leads them to attack innocent air travelers. It is a goal that cannot be realized. That is why 1985 is not likely to be the last "year of the terrorist."

### DEADLINE

The next issue of The Jewish Voice will be published FRIDAY, FEB. 7. The deadline for stories and photos is noon, MONDAY, JAN. 27. Material should be sent or brought to the Jewish Voice office at the Jewish Federation of Delaware, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, 19803. (302) 478-6200. All articles must be typed, double spaced.

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# Meet The Press: Jewish Voice Committee To Hold 'Listening Board'

The Jewish Voice Editorial Committee will hold a "listening board" Monday evening, Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m. to answer questions, provide information and gauge community response

to the newspaper. This is your opportunity to air grievances, lavish praise and offer comments and suggestions. Come out and meet the people who shape Jewish Voice policy.

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## M.L. King —

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powerful affection for him," Israeli Ambassador Meir Rosenne said.

Rosenne noted that King's "identification with Moses, the liberator of the Jewish people, was bred in him, and he reached out to the Jews in kingship — and Jews understood that and responded to it."

This was the second consecutive year that the Israel Embassy has marked King's birthday in association with the Jewish National Fund which has a 10,000-tree forest in Israel



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Israeli teacher's manual.

in memory of King. Asher Naim, the Embassy's Minister of Information, said that in addition, a cherry blossom tree had been planted at the Embassy last week in King's memory.

Monday, Jan. 20 was the first time that there was an official national commemoration of King's birthday and the day was also observed in Israel with special programs. District of Columbia Mayor Marion Barry expressed his thanks for this and for the naming of a major street in Jerusalem after King.

Other sponsors of the Embassy event were the America-Israel Friendship League, the International Association of Official Human Rights Agencies, and the Martin Luther King, Jr. Federal Holiday Commission.

### Basis of Jewish Affinity For King

The theme of Jewish ties to King was stressed by the speakers last week and by an exhibit, "Hand in Hand for Justice: Jewish Americans and Martin-Luther King, Jr.," created by the America-Israel Committee to Commemorate Dr. King of the National Committee for Labor Israel.

Rosenne said Jews were drawn to King partly out of "the age-old Jewish passion for justice and freedom." But he noted that in addition, Jews sensed that King "instinctively understood all that had to be known about the Jewish people — our history our faith and our hope."

Rosenne stressed that King was "repelled by any form of anti-Semitism," and articulated emphatically and unambiguously Israel's rights as a Jewish State."

King was also one of the first to speak out for Soviet Jewry, Rosenne said.

# Stuart Eizenstat To Address Campaign Premiere, Feb. 2

The 1986 Campaign Premiere has been set for Sunday, Feb. 2, 1986 at the new Delaware Theatre Company with cocktails and reception.

This new \$1,000 minimum gift event is being chaired by Michael and Faith Goldman.

The guest speaker for the evening is Stuart E. Eizenstat. A partner in a Washington law firm, Eizenstat was the assistant to the president for domestic affairs and policy, and executive director, domestic policy staff during President Jimmy Carter's term.

He is a member of the board of directors of Hercules, Inc., as well as the Woodrow Wilson Center for International Studies; a guest scholar of the Brookings Institution; chairman of the Advisory Committee Institute on United States Jewish - Israeli Relations; board member of the United Synagogue of America, and the Jewish Publication Society; vice president of the Greater Washington Jewish Community Center; and a member of American Associates of Ben Gurion University; as well as the B'nai B'rith Youth Commission.

Eizenstat is a graduate of the University of North Carolina and of the Harvard Law School.

He has written extensively on law and civil rights. His articles have been published in *Newsday*, the *Washington Post*, the *New York*



Stuart Eizenstat

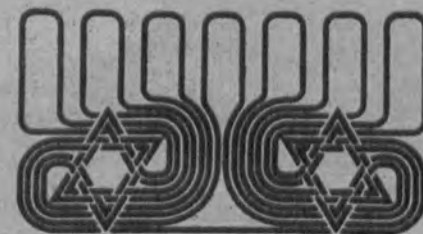
*Times* and the *Atlanta Constitution*. Eizenstat, a dynamic individual, is committed to the building of a strong Jewish future.

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### CHRISTIANS FIGHT CHRISTIANS

BEIRUT, LEBANON — A tank of the Lebanese Forces, a Christian militia unit that supports a Syrian-sponsored peace pact for Lebanon, fire against rival Christian militia loyal to President Amin Gemayel Jan. 15. President Gemayel opposes the pact. The Christian rebels, led by Elie Hobeika, were defeated. The defeat is viewed as a blow to the peace accord, which is based on power-sharing between Lebanese Christians and Moslems. The Lebanese civil war is now in its 11th year. RELIGIOUS NEWS SERVICE PHOTO.



One People, One Destiny

# United Nations In Israel - Keeping A Low Profile

By SIMON GRIVER

(WZPS) - Officially, the United Nations condemns Zionism as racism and constantly hounds Israel with resolution after resolution charging heinous crimes against humanity. But in practice, United Nations personnel stationed in Israel appear to toe an impartial line, favoring neither Israel nor the Arabs.

Lisa Buttenheim is the Political Affairs Officer and Spokesperson for the Jerusalem-based United Nations Truce Supervision Organization (UNTSO). She differentiates between the motions voted on by the General Assembly in New York and the work conducted around the world by the Secretariat. "The General Assembly represents the views of the majority of the nations of the world," explains Buttenheim. "The resolutions passed in the General Assembly are not binding on us. Thus, the Secretariat maintains its credibility because it is divorced from the General Assembly. I, myself, do not agree with the General Assembly's resolution on Zionism."

## Alphabet Soup

To understand the UN presence in Israel, various acronyms must be unraveled: In addition to 300 UNTSO observers, there are 1,800 observers of the United Nations Disengagement Observers Force (UNDOF) 5,800 soldiers of the United Nations Interim Force Inside Lebanon (UNIFIL) and the staff of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA).



A UN soldier on duty at Government House (Armon Hanatziv). The building was built in 1932 and is now the Headquarters of the UN in Jerusalem. It was formerly the residence of the British Governor during the Mandate. WZPS photo by Shuki Kook.

UNRWA, which was set up to supervise the Palestinian refugee problem, is often blamed by Israelis and Palestinians alike for perpetuating the problem by impeding improvements in

the refugee campus. Buttenheim distances herself from the agency, claiming that "we have nothing to do with them." The spokesperson lauds the work of UNIFIL in the tense, war-torn situa-

tion in Southern Lebanon. She also points out that all UNDOF personnel who are concerned with peacekeeping in the Golan Heights, as well as UNTSO concerned primarily with the Sinai, do not carry guns.

UNTSO was established in 1949 to supervise Israel's armistice agreements with her neighbors. Today, UNTSO observes peaceful borders with Egypt and Jordan, maintains contact with UNDOF on the Golan Heights where there has barely been an incident since the Yom Kippur in 1973 and deals with UNIFIL on Lebanese matters.

## Quiet Success

Despite the United Nations' bad public relations image in Israel, due to the anti-Zionist stance of the General Assembly, Buttenheim insists that relationships between UN staff and Israelis are healthy. She regrets that the UN role in nurturing the delicate balance of trust and suspicion between Israel and her Arab neighbors is rarely appreciated by the Israeli public. The spokesperson blames the Israeli media, which, like the media throughout the western world, is interested only in sensation and scandal but not in the quiet success of a peacekeeping operation like UNTSO. Buttenheim praises the cooperative nature of the IDF and Israel's Foreign Ministry. She says that she enjoys "a healthy discussion and exchange of views," which is her answer to whether Israelis are hostile when they discover that she represents the UN.

The 300 UNTSO observers are led by General Emmanuel Erskine from Ghana and each observer has at

least the rank of major in his army of origin. The largest group of UNTSO observers come from the American and Swedish armies with 36 each. France supplies 26 officers, Finland 22 and there are major contingents from Chile, Argentina and Ireland. Israel has requested that no Soviet personnel be stationed within its borders.

## Soldiers and Families

The soldiers are loaned to the United Nations from their country's armies for periods of one to four years. Depending on their length of stay and the conventions in their country of origin, the soldiers decide whether or not to bring their families to Israel. Buttenheim estimates that about half the UN soldiers in Israel bring their families.

Due to the open lifestyle in Israel the UN leaves its personnel to find their own living accommodation and pursue their own social life. Children of UN families are usually sent to American and British-run high schools, though some prefer regular Israeli schools. "In Damascus where there is a less open society," says Buttenheim, "we do much more for our staff, providing clubs and social facilities."

In some towns, like Nahariya and Tiberias in the north, the United Nations personnel are very popular because they bring so much business to the region. "Israelis are usually interested in the UN soldiers," adds Buttenheim, "not so much because they are UN soldiers but because they come from other parts of the world. They are interested in different nationalities and how those nations might view Israel."

## Israel Issues —

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As soon as they unpack their bags at the Hilton, the ADL media people ought to make a beeline to the strongholds of Kahanism: Israel's development towns and urban working class districts. There, they'll see how Israelis living in areas not favored by United Tours are faring. In these tough neighborhoods, residents are fighting a desperate battle to make ends meet. They are worried about unemployment, declining salaries, cuts in educational, health, and social services, and cheap Arab labor undercutting their own. Crime, alcoholism and drug addiction are on the rise among young adults.

They've begun to take out their anger on the "beautiful Israelis." The writer Amos Oz found this out when he wandered from his kibbutz into the development town of Beit Shemesh. He got an earful from the town's

residents about Arabs, anti-Sephardi discrimination, and the leftist slant of the news media. The bitter outpourings profoundly moved Oz, who wrote about it in his bestseller "In The Land of Israel." His postscript was: "There isn't much time."

Many of Israel's elite, however, have not gotten the message. Young *kibbutznikim* spent days campaigning for the Labor Alignment in Kiryat Shmona. They could not understand the less than warm reception they received, and wrote off that development town's residents as un-cultured, authoritarian, racist, and ignorant of their own good.

For their part, the residents of Kiryat Shmona were seething over the gap between the *kibbutzniks'* comfortable and secure lifestyle and their own difficult, often marginal existence. They knew that the young labor campaigners were automatical-

ly considered college and management material, while their own children were expected to fill less prestigious positions.

In 1981 and 1984, despite Labor's intensive efforts, Kiryat Shmona and other development towns opted for Begin and Shamir over Shimon Peres. This has not, however, relieved their residents' poverty and frustration. As the gap between rich and poor widens, as unemployment mounts and Arab terrorism rises, they are looking for ways to strike back. Thus, a growing number are turning to Meir Kahane.

The ADL will find Kahane hard to handle. He knows how to play on the fears and suspicions of his audiences. He offers simple solutions to crime, intermarriage and assimilation, and Arab terrorism.

When a Sephardic Jewish resident of Kiryat Shmona votes for Kahane, he is striking out at numerous hurts,

past and present: discrimination in jobs and education, the downgrading of his cultural worth and the devastating impact of Israel's fast paced, western-oriented lifestyle on his values and traditions. This discontent carried Menachem Begin to the Prime Minister's office; Kahane is exploiting it to far more sinister ends.

The ADL media campaign must tell it "as it is," even at the risk of a libel suit. Distasteful as it may seem, it should remind the audiences of Kahane's non-Jewish mistress; his ties to the underworld and the pocketing of funds collected for Zionist organizations. The ADL must also emphasize the futility of supporting Kahane. Anti-Arab racism will not feed and clothe a family, or guarantee safe borders. It is more likely to lead to economic slavery, the curtailment of personal rights, and the complete and final isolation of Israel.

# Super Sunday — Super Success



Richard Stat conducts a training session.



Super Sunday workers



Martin G. Mand talks with County Executive Rita Justice.



Cas Anolick



Martin Zukoff



Lelaine Nemser



Super Sunday workers, foreground to background: Larry Isakoff, Joan Wachstein, Faith Goldman.

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We apologize for any inadvertent omissions.



Joan Lubitz, foreground; Stu Nemser, background.



Gov. Mike Castle shakes hands with Super Sunday worker, Eileen Conner.



Bob Kerbel, left, chats with Mayor Dan Frawley.



**SUPER SUNDAY LEADERSHIP WITH CONGRESSMAN CARPER**  
L-R: Kevin Gross, Martin G. Mand, Stephen Herrmann, Congressman Tom Carper, Miriam Edell, Leslie Goldenberg, Betty Diznoff, Jane Goldberg, Richard Stat.



Super Sunday workers, foreground to background: Arlene Davis, Bob Davis, Steve Jonas, Leslie Goldenberg.

# Military Censorship In Israel: Security Safeguard Or Threat To Democracy?

By SIMON GRIVER

(WZPS) — Press censorship in a democracy must tread a delicate path, protecting the nation's security while not stifling the freedom of the news media. Israel, which is on a constant war footing, is in a more difficult and vulnerable situation than perhaps any other democracy.

Yet, the country's press remains seemingly vibrant with an investigative cutting edge that has uncovered information injuring the careers of numerous politicians and military men. Nevertheless, it is difficult to know just how much the censors are suppressing.

### Repressive or Moderate?

Palestinians and their supporters claim that Israeli censorship is repressive. On the other hand, a British government commission of enquiry offered the IDF as a commendable example of moderate censorship during the war in Lebanon while it castigated the British army for its overzealous censorship during the Falklands War in 1982.

Major-General Yitzhak Shani, the Chief Censor of the



Israel's press censorship - protecting the nation's security. WZPS photo by Shuki Kook.

IDF does not like using political labels to describe his task. "I don't agree with the label of more liberal, or less liberal," he says. "It doesn't seem to me that it suits the issues at hand. We are striving to make censorship logical."

### Taboo Topics

"Logical" by Shani's definition is that nothing liable to harm Israel's security can be published. There is currently a list of 69 subjects that cannot be discussed in the press. There include the obvious, like the number of

troops in a particular region, as well as matters that do not deal directly with the military but could harm Israel if explicit information reached the wrong hands, like details of the nation's energy reserves.

Included in the category of information that can be sup-

pressed are details of Jewish emigration from countries of distress (Ethiopia, for example), discussions about security matters at Cabinet meetings, the amount of Israel's foreign currency reserves, censorship itself and even the full list of 69 subjects liable to censorship, which would itself identify potential weaknesses to Israel's enemies.

As the country has grown stronger, the number of subjects on the censor's list has been whittled down from more than 200 items to the present 69. Major-General Shani feels that if the list got any shorter there would be virtually no censorship left.

### Voluntary Cooperation

Surprisingly to many outsiders, the Hebrew press in Israel cooperates with the censor under a voluntary agreement signed in 1949. That agreement has no legal status, though security regulations from the time of the British Mandate do enable the government to punish those who ignore censorship requirements.

Moshe Zak, a member of the editorial board of

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# Was Halley's Comet The 'Star Of Jacob?'

## Comet's Appearance Coincided With Major Jewish Events

By ZECHARIA SITCHIN

Halley's comet is here, creating understandable excitement. For most of us it is once in a lifetime event. It is accompanied by an avalanche of books and articles dealing with all its aspects, including an enumeration of its past visitations, when its appearances were deemed to be celestial omens foretelling major turns in the course of human events.

Most celebrated of the previous appearances is that of 1066, during the Battle of Hastings as a result of which England fell to Norman conquerors — an appearance depicted on the remarkable Bayeux tapestry (see illustration). Another ominous appearance was in 1456, during the siege of Belgrade by the Turks.

Nowhere has it been mentioned thus far that Halley's comet was associated with major events in Jewish history.

### New Babylonian Discoveries

The principal reason for the omission must be the fact that until very recently, the only sources for recording the periodic appearances of comets, some of which must have been reappearances of Halley's Comet, were European and Chinese.

Edmond Halley, Britain's



second astronomer royal, first observed the comet that would come to bear his name in 1682. He concluded that it was the same comet that had been seen in Europe (by Kepler) in 1607 and (by Apian) in 1531, and predicted that it would reappear at the end of 1758. When this did come to pass, the periodicity of the comet (between 75 to 80 years) was recognized, and earlier records of such appearances were studied with that discovery in mind.

Until recently, the earliest record of this comet was in Chinese astronomical observations. These included the appearance of a bright comet in 467 B.C.E. (also possibly recorded in Greece), and

again in 240 B.C.E. There were Chinese and Roman observations in the year 12 B.C.E.

Until earlier this year, the return of Halley's comet in 164 B.C.E. was assumed on the basis of very vague Chinese records. But it was in April of 1985 that three scholars re-examining Babylonian astronomical tablets that had been lying in the basement of the British Museum since their discovery in Mesopotamia more than a century ago, discovered that the tablets referred several times to the appearances of extraordinary celestial bodies, apparently comets, in the years 164 B.C.E. and 87 B.C.E. — a

periodicity of 77 years!

The three (F. R. Stephenson, K.K.C. Yau and H. Hunger) reported their discovery in the prestigious scientific magazine *Nature*. Other scholars who have since examined the clay tablets from over 2,000 years ago tend to agree that the recording of the sightings describe a slow moving celestial body — too slow to be a meteor and thus probably a comet.

### Hanukkah — in 164 B.C.E.!

The year 164 B.C.E., as none of the scholars and newsmen preoccupied with Halley's comet have realized, is of great significance in Jewish history. Indeed, we

just celebrated at this very time of the year what had happened then.

It was in that year that the Maccabees, under the leadership of Judah, recaptured Jerusalem and purified the defiled Temple. The rededication ceremony — commemorated in the Festival of Hanukkah — had thus taken place just when "Halley's Comet" was reaching the peak of its brightness, for all, Jew and Gentile, to see.

### The Revolt Against Rome

The year 66 C.E. is considered by astronomers to have been another one in which Halley's comet had made an appearance: this is based on at least two Chinese observations. But 66 C.E. was the year when the Jews of Judea launched the Great Revolt against Rome!

Indeed, Josephus (*Wars of the Jews*, Book VI) blamed the fall of Jerusalem and the destruction of the Temple on the misinterpretation by the Jews of the heavenly signs that preceded the revolt: "a star resembling a sword, which stood over the city and a comet that continued a whole year."

### Halley's Comet— Jacob's Star?

The ancient Greeks readily

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## Halley's Comet —

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admitted that the source of their knowledge of astronomy was Babylon; and the Babylonians drew their knowledge from the earlier civilization of Sumer, which blossomed some 6,000 years ago.

Abraham, I have shown in my most recent book *The Wars of Gods and Men*, called himself *Ibri* ("Hebrew") because he had come from the Sumerian scientific-religious center later known as Nippur. It was there that the calendar we still use was first introduced, where knowledge of astronomy was repositied. The tales of the Hebrew Patriarchs indeed are replete with indications of familiarity with the heavens.

The Hebrew name for

"comet" is *Kokhav shavit*, "Sceptre Star." This has a direct bearing on the biblical tale of the seer Bilam. When the Israelites ended their wanderings of the Exodus and began the conquest of Canaan, the Moabite king summoned Bilam to accurse the Israelites. But Bilam, realizing that the Israelite advance was divinely ordained, blessed them instead. He did so, he explained, because he was shown a divine vision —

I see it though not now,  
I behold it though it is not near:

A star of Jacob shall course,

A sceptre of Israel shall rise.

(Numbers, 24:17)

Did our forefathers deem "Halley's Comet" their "Sceptre Star?" Bil'am, for sure, recognized it as the Star of Jacob and of the Children of Israel.

*Zecharia Sitchin, a linguist and biblical scholar, is author of The Twelfth Planet, The Stairway To Heaven, and most recently The Wars of Gods and Men.*

# Cultures And Conflict: An Excellent Film Series

By CECEIL EHRICH

Throughout the film series, "Cultures and Conflict" Dr. Norbert Samuelson, the eminently qualified discussion leader, held his capacity audiences spellbound with his insight and discussion of the major conflicts within contemporary Jewish life. Using a variety of films from several countries, he delved into the religious, moral, philosophical, and cultural values of Jews in a changing world. This film series was sponsored by the Jewish Community Center and partially funded by the Delaware Humanities Forum.

The six films included in the series were "Yiddle With His Fiddle" from Poland (1937), "Sallah" an Israeli film (1965), "The Pawnbroker" an American film (1965) "The Wooden Gun" (Israel, 1979), "Daniel" (USA - 1980), and "A Secret Space" (USA - 1977). In essence, these films explore the conflicts and the ensuing tensions created by the difficulty of transcending the old in order to become part of the modern world without losing one's identity as a Jew. Dr. Samuelson feels this is possi-



Dr. Norbert Samuelson

ble to do, but it is certain to produce inner tensions. Dr. Samuelson stated "Film in America has become first rate Jewish literature. Sydney Lumet, the director, is one of the great artists whose work is distinctly Jewish, provoking thought and dealing with issues. We are in a golden age of Jewish art and film is the jewel in the crown."

Dr. Norbert Samuelson is an associate professor of Religion as well as coordinator of the Jewish Studies program at Temple University in Philadelphia. Dr. Samuelson coordinated and offered one of the first courses on "The Jew in the Motion Picture" at Temple University. He is a knowledgeable expert on the Jews and on films pertaining to them.

Dr. Samuelson established rapport with his audience through his warmth and

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At 3 p.m., Stephen Gunzenhauser will conduct the Delaware Symphony Orchestra in Concert Hall, in the Washington premiere of Chinese composer Du Ming-Xin's Violin Concerto, performed by Takako Nishizaki, noted Japanese violinist; the Saint-Saens Symphony No. 3 "Organ Symphony", and an American work to be selected.

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# Cooking In Delaware

By SYLVIA F. PANITZ

Between Hanukkah, which comes in December, and Purim, which is usually celebrated in March, there is a lull in Jewish holidays. However, in recent years people have become more aware of the minor holiday TuB'shevat. TuB'shevat is the new year of the trees. It is Arbor Day in Israel. The holiday falls on the 15th of Shevat which this year corresponds

to Jan. 25. In Israel it denotes the official end of the winter season and the on set of Spring, when the sap in the trees become active, stirring arbor to new life.

There are two ways to celebrate TuB'shevat. In Israel it is customary to partake the fruits that grow there such as olives, dates, grapes, raisins, figs, citrus, apples, bananas, nuts and pears. Therefore, here in America,

we make sure to use some of these fruits in the menu of the day. Children in Hebrew Schools are usually given treats of raisins, oranges, nuts.

Another observance of TuB'shevat is the planting of trees. In Israel, the school children plant thousands of saplings on the Jewish Arbor Day. There was once a custom to celebrate the birth of a child by planting a cedar sapling for a boy and a cypress sapling for a girl. The wood of these trees years later would be used as the poles of the wedding canopy for the marriages of these children.

While very few of us can arrange to be in Israel on TuB'shevat we can all provide for the planting of trees by making out a check to the Jewish National Fund. For a small contribution JNF will make out certificates that

commemorate special occasions.

Below are several recipes that you might enjoy making in honor of TuB'shevat. The American Dairy Association has provided us with a Date Nut Fruitcake.

## Date Nut Fruitcake

¾ cup butter (1 ½ sticks)  
¾ cup sugar  
4 eggs  
1 1/3 cups all purpose flour  
2 cups coarsely chopped pecans  
1 cup (8 oz. jar) candied fruit mix  
1 cup chopped pitted dates

Preheat oven to 275°. Butter 9x5 loaf pan and line with waxed paper. Cream butter in large mixing bowl. Gradually add sugar and beat until light and fluffy. Beat in eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Blend in 1 cup flour. Mix remaining 1/3 cup flour with pecans, fruit mix and dates. Fold into batter. Pour into pan. Have a pan of hot water on bottom shelf of oven. Cake will have greater volume and a moister texture. Bake 2 to 2½ hours or until done. Remove to cooling rack; when completely cool, remove cake from pan. Yield: 1 loaf cake

## Stuffed Dates

10 ounce container pitted dates  
walnut quarters  
4Tbbs. honey  
1 cup coconut, shredded or flaked

Stuff each date with a quarter of walnut. Put the honey in a dish. Dip each date in the honey and then roll in the coconut. Put on a foil-lined dish, cover with plastic wrap, and refrigerate until served.

## Date Bars

1 cup flour  
1 cup sugar  
1 tsp. baking powder  
pinch of salt  
3 eggs  
1 cup (8 oz. pkg.) dates, cut up  
1 cup nuts, coarsely chopped  
Confectioners sugar

Sift together flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Stir in eggs. Fold in dates and nuts. Bake at 350° in greased 9x13 pan until brown, about 20 to 25 minutes. Cool. Cut into bars or squares. Roll in confectioners sugar.

## Miniature Date And Nut Cupcakes

1 cup chopped walnuts  
1 cup chopped dates  
1 cup coconut (4 oz. can)  
½ cup sugar  
3 eggs, beaten

Combine all ingredients and turn into greased miniature cupcake pans. Bake in a 350° oven for 25 to 30 minutes. Makes 24.

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# Albert Einstein Academy Answers Questions

This is our last installment dealing with questions concerning the Hebrew Day School Movement. Albert Einstein Academy hopes that you have found the information helpful. Anyone interested in the school, whether you have children eligible for enrollment or not, is encouraged to call the school and visit.

**Question:** Does the Jewish day school segregate or ghettoize the Jewish child?

**Answer:** A good day school does not narrow a child's horizon but on the contrary, attempts to broaden it within a Jewish context by emphasizing the best in Western culture. In addition, the hours of the day school are such that the child is free to associate with his non-Jewish friends after school, on the weekends and on holidays.

Many parents who make this charge against the day school often forget that they may live in a suburb which is frequently a voluntary ghetto and that their child may even attend a public school overwhelmingly Jewish.

**Question:** Do secular studies in a day school suffer from the fact that they must be fitted into the normal school day together with the Hebrew curriculum?

**Answer:** The general studies department of every day school must meet the educational standards set by the state. In many day

schools where there is a desire to provide a general education equal to that of the best private schools, the standards of the general studies program go far beyond the standards set by the state. Furthermore, day school classes are much smaller than their counterparts in the public schools and day school children receive a great deal of individual attention.

**Question:** Does the day school tend to supplant the afternoon religious school?

**Answer:** No. Many Jewish parents will not be inclined to send their children to a day school. For such children the afternoon religious school must remain the source of the child's Jewish education. In addition, there are children whose I.Q. or emotional

stability is such as to preclude the academic program of a day school.

**Question:** Has the effect of Hebrew day school training been evaluated?

**Answer:** In a doctoral dissertation written for Western Reserve University in Cleveland, Rabbi George Pollak, education director of the religious school of Temple Beth El, Fall River, Mass., made a study of day school graduates. His findings indicated that though the religious observance of these graduates were not always up to the standards of religious observances taught by the schools in which they studied, they were deeply committed to Jewish life and Jewish culture.

The day school can be a

pace-setter for the Jewish community. Its graduates who enter Hebrew high schools, teachers colleges, and rabbinical seminaries will set higher standards for Hebrew studies. The lay leaders who come from its ranks will set new standards of vision and understanding in planning for the Jewish community of tomorrow. Its talented alumni who will become the creative scholars, artists and writers will give new depth and meaning to the Jewish heritage.

In an age when the perimeters of Jewish life outside Israel are shrinking, the

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Festive dramatic and musical presentations are scheduled for Tu B'Shvat assemblies on Jan. 27 and 28. on Tu B'Shvat which falls on Shabbat Shirah, Jan. 25, there will be a celebration at Jr. Congregation. Children will enjoy some of the traditional fruit of Israel at both festivities.

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### GIMEL CLASS SHABBAT

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### BET CLASS SHABBAT

Friday evening, Feb. 7, is Bet Class Shabbat at Beth Shalom. The students in Phyllis Warshafsky's class will conduct the Kabbalat Shabbat Service in the main sanctuary beginning at 7:30 p.m., and will share with the congregation the spirit of Shabbat.



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Students entering the first year (eighth grade level) are usually graduates of supplementary Jewish schools, Hebrew day schools or their equivalent. Older students who have participated in Jewish study programs on a secondary level, including confirmation classes will receive advanced placement at Gratz. Students may re-

quest to be assigned to intensive classes especially programmed toward the development of the Hebrew language skills.

The program of study consists of courses in such areas as Hebrew language and literature, Bible, rabbinic literature, current events, contemporary Jewish issues, Israel, Jewish history and education. Students are also given the opportunity to enroll in elective courses.

The high school student activities are so varied that

every student finds something of interest and pleasure in the program. This program includes assemblies, conferences, weekend retreats, various trips, student forums and newspapers, community involvement, social gatherings and dances.

The Delaware Gratz experience provides its students with the background for leadership roles in the Jewish community. Call Elaine Friedberg at 478-5026 for further information.

### Child Care Connection

Working parents seeking child care in New Castle County can now call 573-2717 to reach the Child Care Connection. "This new, direct service of United Way of Delaware supports both working parents and child care providers as they strive to make quality child care arrangements," according to United Way's executive vice president Muriel E. Gilman, under whose office the new program will function.

"Our goals are to empower parents to make informed personal decisions about selecting child care and monitoring the quality of the care," said Paula M. Breen, Director of the Child Care Connection. "We will also provide support to an association of child care providers in New Castle County."

Working parents looking for child care in New Castle County can call the Child Care Connection at 573-2717 any weekday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. except Wednesday when the hours are 4 to 7 p.m. An informative brochure "How To Make Child Care a Positive Connection" can also be obtained by calling 573-2717.



#### BONNER ENTERS HOSPITAL

BOSTON — Yelena Bonner, left, wife of Soviet dissident Andrei Sakharov, arrives at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston Jan. 12 with her son, Alexei Semyonov, right. Mrs. Bonner was expected to undergo heart bypass surgery Jan. 13 for severe angina, or heart pain. RELIGIOUS NEWS SERVICE PHOTO.



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### Divorce Counseling

By Arnold Lieberman,  
Executive Director



A recent column in the *Jewish Exponent* was titled "Jungle of Jewish Divorce" and contained some interesting information as well as some disturbing revelations.

The fact that the Jewish divorce rate has risen from one in five marriages in the 1950s to one in three marriages today, generally comes as no surprise to most people.

Most of us realize that through assimilation, the Jewish divorce rate now matches that of the general population, and the reasons that Jews divorce are about the same as the reasons people in the general population divorce. In the past, wives initiated about 80% of all divorces. Today in both the Jewish and general populations, 50% of divorces are initiated by husbands.

What may surprise many people is a quote by a very prominent divorce attorney that the big issue that distinguishes Jewish divorce from all others is religion, "as a concern, as a means of venting bitterness, and as a bargaining chip."

He goes on to cite several examples of spouses attacking each other by using a child's bar mitzvah, religious education, or synagogue membership as the weapon. He adds that these issues should all be handled in the settlement since judges will not deal with religious issues. Courts almost always allow the parent with custody to determine the upbringing of the child.

As I read the attorney's article, I focused on what was implicit although not actually stated — the devastating effect of these actions on the lives of the children as well as

all family members. The attorney writing the article suggests that these issues be handled during settlement. I feel that by that time, two angry people are attempting to hurt each other and are not likely to be considering anyone's best interest.

This represents one more example of why we suggest that people having marital difficulties should become involved in counseling. We certainly realize that not all marriages will continue. Even with a marriage that is over, during counseling a relationship often develops between the couple that can help them work out an ending in a manner that will cause the least amount of damage.

Counseling may also serve the purpose of satisfying the need to feel that you have tried everything to save your marriage. This often allows people to negotiate the ending with less need to hurt each other. Since life most certainly continues after divorce, the circumstances can make a big difference.

JFS can help and we're available by calling 478-9411.

Dear Rachel,

My husband is the last person you would ever think of as a male chauvinist. From the beginning of our relationship, he has understood that I intended to have a career, and that was fine with him. He always encouraged me to do whatever I wanted, whatever would make me happy. My youngest child started school in September, and I bought into a business. My husband helped me go over the books, and negotiate a good deal.

My problem: A retail business means long hours and big efforts — which we both knew ahead of time. I don't mind. Every time I make a sale, I know I've done something right. But my husband has been making all kinds of crazy complaints and demands. He accuses me of being a bad mother when the kids forget to bring their homework to school. He sulks because dinner is not a three-course affair (it never was before). He bitches at driving the kids to the dentist. He feels like a martyr when he has to pick up his own stuff at the cleaners. The same man who used to be so supportive now says, when something goes badly with the business, things like "So what" or "Big (\*\*\*) deal." I'm getting angry enough to tell him to shove it. If he keeps it up, one of us is going to be taking a walk. I'm open to suggestions, because this used to be a marriage worth saving.

Had It Up To Here

### Dear Rachel

Dear Had It,

The Talmud says, "When love is strong, a man and a woman can make their bed on a sword's blade. When love grows weak, a bed of sixty cubits is not large enough." The feeling we call love is not a single one, fixed "at first sight" or under the chupah. The relationship between two people who love each other grows and changes through life, as they do.

A relationship is strengthened when two people demonstrate ongoing concern for each other's feelings, needs and interests. In practice, the amount of energy each person invests in the relationship varies over time. Right now, your new venture is absorbing your interest, and is meeting your need to grow. Your husband is upset because the concern and caring he is used to doesn't seem to be there. He feels neglected and unloved.

Before either of you gets to the stage where a bed of sixty

cubits is too small for you, set aside some undisturbed time to talk about your feelings toward each other. This is NOT the time to discuss who cooks what for dinner. It is the time to talk about your emotional needs and wants, as well as what you like about each other. Set up a regular time to do this, as well as time to have some fun together. As each of you feels your needs are being met through the caring and concern of the other, both of you will feel loved. You will find your relationship growing large enough to encompass each one's needs for individual growth, as well as growth as a couple.

JFS is here if you need a helping hand.

Rachel

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## Obituaries

### Estelle Berg

Estelle Berg, 79, of Electra Arms Apartments, 1800 N. Broom St., died Jan. 4 at the Tilton Nursing Home.

Mrs. Berg was a member of Temple Beth Shalom. For 40 years she was a realtor for A. Berman and Co. During World War II she was an ambulance driver. She has served as president of the Delaware Cancer League of the American Medical Center.

Her husband, Edward Berg, died in 1958. She is survived by a son, Marvin D. Forman of Chalfonte, a sister, Sylvia Ableman of

Englewood, Florida and two grandchildren.

Services were at the Chandler Funeral Home.

Interment was at Beth Emeth Memorial Park.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to your favorite charity.

### Edythe Solomon

Edythe Solomon, of Lynnfield, died of heart failure Sunday, Jan. 5 in Riverside Hospital.

Mrs. Solomon was co-founder and co-owner of Shoe Box Inc., formerly at 1801 Marsh Road. She retired in 1971.

Her husband, William, died in 1979. She is survived by a son, Seymour C. of Oak Lane Manor; a brother, Max Feldman of Hallandale, Fla.; two sisters, Sylvia Greenstine

of Sunrise, Fla., and Millie Rosenbaum of Marion, Pa.; and three grandchildren.

Services were held in Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

Interment was in the Montefiore section of the Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to Riverside Hospital, Lea Boulevard and Franklin Place, Wilmington 19802.

### Celia Greenberg

Celia Greenberg, 89, of Park Drive Manor Apts., Philadelphia, Pa. died Jan. 6 in the Hopkins House, Cheltenham, Pa.

Mrs. Greenberg was a life member of Hadassah and served two terms as president of the Coatesville Chapter of Hadassah. She was also president of the Beth Israel Sisterhood in Coatesville, Pa. During the early 1980s she was secretary for the Germantown Senior Alliance.

Mrs. Greenberg is survived by her husband of 66 years Morris; a son Allen of Wilmington; a daughter Bertie Hopen of Jenkintown, Pa.; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

### Gertrude Polsky

Gertrude Polsky, 82, of 944 Collins Ave., Miami Beach, Fla., died Thursday, Jan. 9 in Cedars of Lebanon Hospital, Miami.

Mrs. Polsky, formerly of Wilmington, moved to Florida in 1969. She was a homemaker.

Her husband, Louis, died in 1961. She is survived by a son, Harold of Baltimore; a daughter, Sandra Sharp of Farmington, Mich.; a sister, Rachel Klein of Miami, and four grandchildren.

Services were held in Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

Interment was in Workmen's Circle Section of the Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

In memoriam family suggests contributions to charity.

### Bernard M. Cohen

Bernard M. Cohen, 70, of 8229 Society Drive, Claymont,

died Monday, Jan. 20 in Wilmington Hospital.

Mr. Cohen, who was retired, was a salesman for Standard Linene Co. for 11 years. He previously had owned a cleaning and dyeing establishment in Philadelphia.

He was a member of Harry Fineman Post of the Jewish War Veterans, B'nai B'rith Lodge 470 and the Seniors of the Jewish Community Center.

He is survived by his wife, Mae A.; two daughters, Joanne Cherrin of Tarleton

and Helene J. Kline of Hazleton, Pa.; a sister, Irma Gluck of Long Island, N.Y.; and four grandchildren.

Services were held in Schoenberg Memorial Chapel, 519 Philadelphia Pike.

Interment was in the Montefiore section of Jewish Community Cemetery, Foulk Road.

In memoriam the family suggests contributions to Deborah, care of Edith Steinberg, 614 W. 28th St., Wilmington 19802.

## Other Hand —

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Law at Mount Sinai to house the tablets of the Law and the other accoutrements of worship, designed to be carried around with the Israelites during their 40 years of wandering in the wilderness of the Sinai peninsula. On the basis of its linguistic origin, tabernacle doesn't appear to be a proper choice of translation for *mishkan*. Tabernacle comes from the Latin *taberna* and its diminutive, *tabernaculum*. And yes, you guessed correctly, this *taberna* is the origin of your friendly neighborhood tavern.

There really ought to be a better English word for *mishkan*. The Hebrew root is in the word for "dwelling," and it is the structure built to meet God's requirement for a place "that I may dwell among you." The Hebrew word, *Shekhina*, the term used for the in-dwelling presence of God, comes from this same root. The word *mikdash*, meaning a holy place, usually translated properly as "sanctuary," is also used to describe the *mishkan*.

My favorite word, I must admit, for the place we pray is the Yiddish *schul*. It is from the root that gives us the English word "school," a place in which we study and learn. I was interested, in this regard, to note that the synagogues of the Venice Ghetto are referred to in Italian as *scole*, schools.

To make this discussion as universal as possible, we should point out that the word "church" comes from the Greek *kyriakon*, meaning

the Lord's house; and "mosque" derives from an Arabic word, *masjid* (pronounced *masjid*), derived from *sajada*, meaning to bow down or adore.

That's about all I can tell you about names for the place you "pray" (derived from the Latin *precare*, meaning to entreat, implore or make supplication to) or "daven" (of uncertain origin, maybe from the French *divin*, meaning divine).

## Censorship —

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'Ma'ariv', explains why the Israeli press is so acquiescent towards the censor's demands. "We are not talking about a distant war," he says. "Here we are in our homes, defending our existence and surrounded by enemies. For this reason we appreciate and we obey the censorship rules. Enemy flying time to our population centers is a few minutes. So we still have to take precautions. We started with the danger and with the need for censorship in the cradle and even before our birth."

The foreign press voluntarily agrees to censorship control because it realizes that should it raise the anger of the IDF, it will be barred access to potential stories. In the midst of the Lebanese War in 1982, ABC transmitted an interview with PLO chairman Yassir Arafat from Tel Aviv because satellite links were not available from Beirut. The transmission was made even though the censor had forbidden it, on the grounds that Israel did not have to help its enemy to prime TV time. As a result, ABC had its satellite links suspended for several weeks.

The Arab press operating from East Jerusalem is obviously less cooperative than the Hebrew press.

Despite the tensions in the region Israel's press remains relatively free. Perhaps the ultimate guarantee of Israel's freedom of the press is not so much the legal conventions but the fact that Israelis are not a discreet breed. They enjoy talking even when it is advisable to stay silent. This may be a virtue or a vice, but it makes for a lively press.

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# Organizations in the News

## Jewish War Veterans

There will be a regular meeting of the Jewish War Veterans at the Presidential Apartments Social Hall, 2000 Society Drive, Claymont, on Monday evening - Jan. 27 at 8:30 p.m.

This is the first meeting of the new year, and there are many important issues to be resolved. Everyone is urged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

## Folk Dance - Western Supper At AKSE

AKSE Sisterhood will sponsor an Old Fashioned Saturday night Folk and Square Dance with western style supper beginning at 8 p.m. on March 29 in the social hall.

Bates MacClean, the noted local Caller, will be the leader for the evening's varied program. He will instruct beginners before each new dance.

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sodas) along with the usual trimmings will be served throughout the evening.

Tickets are \$18.00 per couple. Reservations are requested. Call Marilyn Harwick at 762-2473.

Western dress is optional.

## Yossi Katz To Speak At Beth Emeth

Yossi Katz will address the Mens' Club of Congregation Beth Emeth, 300 W. Lea Blvd. on Sunday, Feb. 9. Minyan (9:15 a.m.) and breakfast (9:30 a.m.) will precede the talk. The contribution for breakfast is \$2.50. The entire community is invited to attend.

Yossi Katz is an emissary of the State of Israel and the World Zionist Organization to United Synagogue Youth and is completing his three year mission in the U.S. with this final year in the Delaware Valley. He was educated at Temple University in Philadelphia and at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and holds a degree in Jewish and Arab history. Katz served in the Israel Defense Forces as assistant commander of the Jerusalem Information Unit and has lectured on Jewish and Arab history, Arab-Israeli relations, Zionism and Jerusalem.

## The Value Of Volunteerism

The Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Emeth will celebrate its annual Sisterhood Shabbat on Friday evening Feb. 14.

The theme of this year's Shabbat service will be volunteerism. The value of volunteerism to our synagogue congregations, Jewish and secular communi-

ty organizations is so essential that a large proportion of these groups would be unable to function without it. Members of the Sisterhood will contribute readings and comments on various aspects of volunteerism. A special Oneg Shabbat will be prepared by the Sisterhood.

## Newark Hadassah Beer And Pizza Party

A beer and pizza party will be held on Feb. 15, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mike and Rochelle Katz, 1015 Summit View Drive, Newark. The cost is \$10 per person and \$18 per couple for all the great food you can eat, prizes and a special Trivial Pursuit event. The party is sponsored by the Newark Chapter of Hadassah. For more information and reservations please contact Diana (302) 998-7179, or Linda (302) 737-3112.

## Beth El To Host Regional Youth Kallah

Temple Beth El in Newark is hosting the first regional youth Kallah of the Reconstructionist Movement Jan. 24-26. The theme of the weekend, deriving from Tu Bishvat, is "Jewish Perspectives on Living in our Environment."

Youth from Philadelphia, Media and Mechanicsburg Reconstructionist congregations will join Newark youth for a Seder shel Shabbat, Shabbat services, a Tu Bishvat seder on Saturday and a Havdallah service and program in improvisational acting lead by Deborah Baer Quinn. Sunday will conclude the event with a brunch and speaker involved in environmental affairs.

The public is invited to join the Shabbat services Friday, 8 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m.

## Chai-Shalom Hadassah

The Chai/Shalom Hadassah Group proudly presents one of its life members, Yetta Chaiken, on Monday evening of Feb. 10th at 7:30 p.m. at the home of

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