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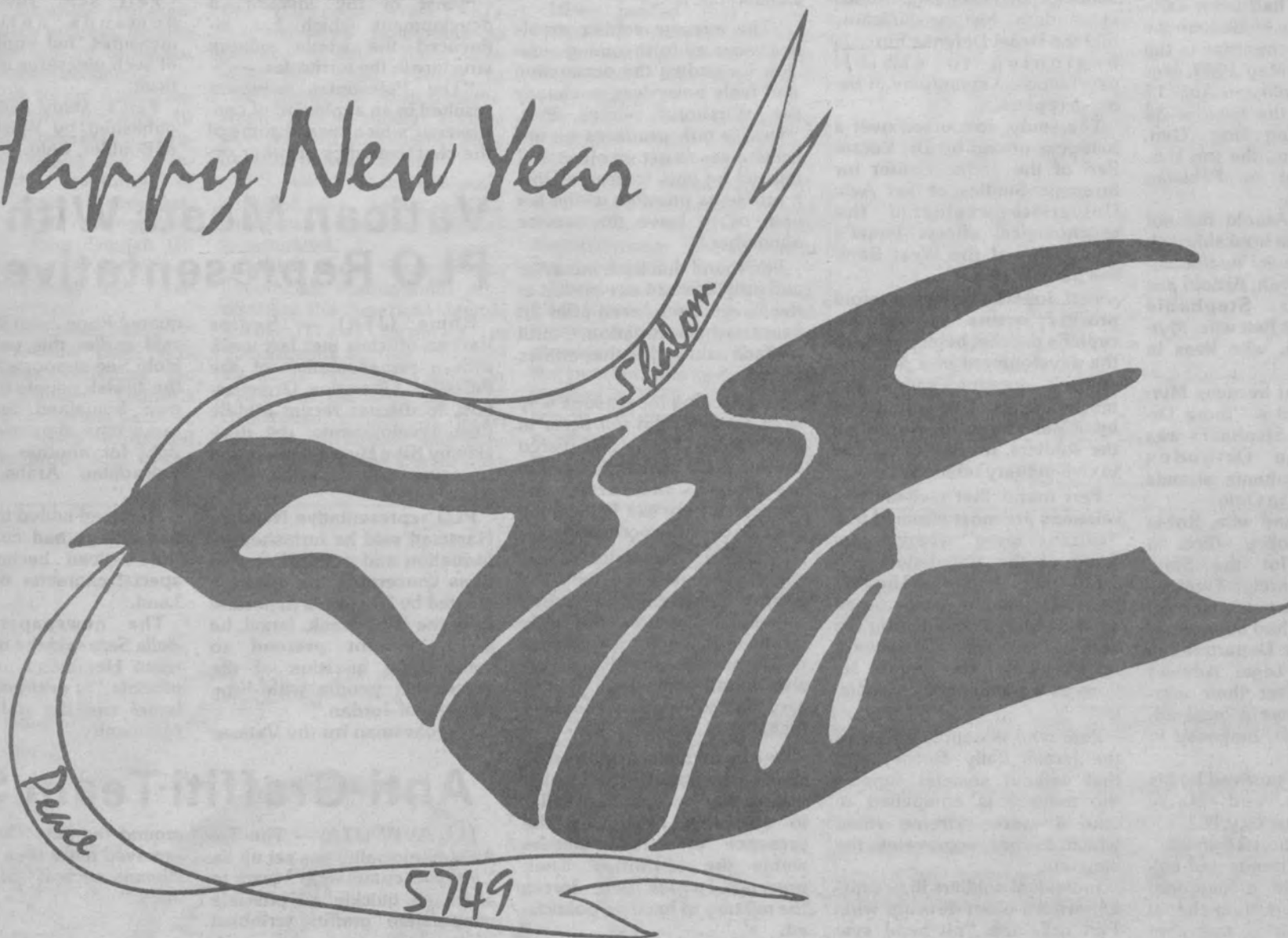
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Diplomat Killed In Air Crash Is Mourned As Friend Of Israel

By HOWARD ROSENBERG
WASHINGTON (JTA) — The late U.S. Ambassador to Pakistan Arnold Raphel, who died last month in the airborne plane explosion that also killed Pakistan's President Mohammad Zia ul-Haq, was not hindered by his Jewishness and was "trusted" by his hosts in Pakistan, Raphel's brother, Murray, recalled last week.

Raphel, 45, "was not a deeply religious person except in the greater sense of the word," Murray said. He said his brother "respected all religions" and was full of "wit and humor, and intelligence, and ability."

Arnold, who had been serving in Pakistan — one of the largest Muslim countries in the world — since May 1987, was killed in the explosion Aug. 17 that also took the lives of 34 others, including Brig. Gen. Herbert Wassom, the top U.S. military official in Pakistan since July 1987.

Murray said Arnold did not attend Hebrew school although he received special instruction for his Bar Mitzvah. Arnold has one daughter, Stephanie Raphel, from his first wife, Myrna Feigenbaum, who lives in Orlando, Fla.

He added that because Myrna later married a "more Orthodox man," Stephanie was raised in an Orthodox household. Stephanie attends Oberlin College in Ohio.

Arnold's second wife, Robin Raphel, is a policy officer in South Africa for the State Department's Foreign Service.

Last year, Arnold married Nancy Ely, who had been working for the State Department's Office of the Legal Adviser since 1975. After their marriage, she became a legal adviser to the U.S. Embassy in Pakistan.

Arnold is also survived by his parents, Sara and Harry Raphel of Atlantic City, N.J.

Arlington Memorial Service
Hundreds of friends and colleagues attended a memorial service at the Fort Myer chapel in Arlington, which was con-

ducted by Rabbi A. Nathan Abramowitz of Tifereth Israel Congregation in Washington. Raphel did not belong to any synagogue in Washington during his periodic stays here going back to 1972, friends recalled.

Dignitaries in attendance at the service included former Secretaries of State Edmund Muskie and Alexander Haig. Raphel was buried at Arlington National Cemetery. One of the

four eulogies was given by Leon Wieseltier, literary editor of The New Republic, who said that when he visited Pakistan earlier this year, Raphel mused that they were possibly the only two Jews in Pakistan at the time.

Murray said that his brother's interest in the Near East did not stem from his Jewish roots, but that Arnold visited Israel and was a "staunch supporter" of

the Jewish state. He added that Arnold helped negotiate the Camp David Accords between Israel and Egypt in 1978-79.

Before his service in Pakistan, Arnold was Principal Deputy Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs of the State Department.

Born in Troy, N.Y., Raphel joined the Foreign Service in 1966, after receiving his

master's degree in political science from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University and two years after graduating from Hamilton College.

Murray said Arnold wanted to be a diplomat ever since he was 12, when he wrote then-Secretary of State John Foster Dulles about his interest in diplomacy. Murray said Dulles told his brother to "study hard, work hard and we'll see you in ten years."

Report Claims Soldiers Acting Like Occupiers

New York (JTA) — A study completed in Israel on the behavior of occupying armies in modern history indicates that the Israel Defense Force is beginning to exhibit psychological symptoms of being occupiers.

The study, conducted over a four-year period by Dr. Yoram Peri of the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University evaluated the psychological effects Israel's occupation of the West Bank has had on the IDF.

Peri found that a threefold process occurs in the occupier's psyche, beginning with the development of a political-military doctrine within the military ranks. This is followed by a self-image crisis among the soldiers, leading to a crisis in civil-military relations.

Peri found that civil-military relations are most strained in a "citizens' army" where a majority of the population performs military service. The problem, he said is exacerbated when opinion is divided on the occupation, and subsequent resentment of the army's actions by a segment of the society.

Peri, who is deputy editor of the Israeli daily *Davar*, said that without societal support the military is compelled to take a more extreme stand which further aggravates the situation.

Individual soldiers in occupying armies often develop what Peri calls the "pin-head syn-

drome" — a tendency to keep a low profile and avoid responsibility.

"The average soldier or officer sees no forthcoming solution for ending the occupation and feels powerless to change the situation," writes Peri. "This in turn produces an unwillingness to get involved and instead he opts to keep as low a profile as possible within his unit, or to leave the service altogether."

Peri found that such behavior and attitudes had not existed in the Israeli army, even after 20 years of occupation, until *intifada*, unlike in other armies studies.

In searching for reasons why such behavior did not occur in IDF soldiers, Peri discovered that until the uprising began in December, the army encountered very little Palestinian resistance to the occupation.

In effect, the Palestinians' compliance made the IDF's job easier, ensuring a more "natural" situation, not only for the army but for the government and Israeli civilians. Peri also found that there was a very high consensus of support for its army.

One factor which was present prior to the uprising, and which makes this occupation similar to others in history, is the presence of Israeli settlers within the territories. Their presence, writes Peri, forces the military to become politicized.

"Twenty years of relative calm came to an end with the outburst of the *intifada*, a development which has influenced the whole military structure in the territories.

"The Palestinian rebellion resulted in an explosion of controversy, which caused some of the characteristics of other oc-

cupying armies to surface in the IDF."

Peri said the situation demands anti-warfare measures, but implementation of such measures is usually difficult.

Peri's study will soon be published by Westview Press of Boulder, Colo.

Vatican Meets With PLO Representatives

Rome (JTA) — Senior Vatican officials met last week with a representative of the Palestine Liberation Organization, to discuss recent Middle East developments, the decision by King Hussein of Jordan to sever ties with the West Bank.

PLO representative Nemmer Hammad said he furnished information and political evaluations concerning the situation created by Hussein's departure from the West Bank. Israel, he said, "cannot pretend to resolve the question of the Palestinian people with King Hussein of Jordan."

A spokesman for the Vatican

quoted Pope John Paul II, who said earlier this year that the Holy See supports the right of the Jewish people to have their own homeland but "at the same time supports the same right for another people, the Palestinian Arabs, to have theirs."

Hammad added that the PLO has always had contacts with the Vatican because of the special character of the Holy Land.

The newspaper *Corriere della Sera* said the meeting between Hammad and Vatican officials "is destined to irritate Israel and the Italian Jewish community."

Anti-Graffiti Team Set

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Tel Aviv municipality has set up an "intifada commando" team to erase as quickly as possible vituperative graffiti scribbled

around the city. The team has removed more than 60 abusive slogans, such as "Slaughter the Jews."

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Sen. Roth: Justice Department Must Close PLO Office

WILMINGTON — Saying that the U.S. must defend its right to bar terrorists from this country, Senator William V. Roth, Jr., R-Del., has urged Attorney General Richard Thornburgh to appeal a court decision preventing the closing of a Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO) office in New York. Roth said the Justice Department must take action to avoid setting a dangerous precedent making it harder for the U.S. to expel terrorists and spies.

Congress mandated the closing of the New York office of the PLO as part of the Anti-terrorism Act of 1987. That mandate was overturned, however, by a U.S. District Court decision based, in part, on the fact that the PLO office is attached to the PLO Mission to the United Nations. Without action, the U.S. Department of Justice will lose its right to appeal the court's decision on Monday, August 29.

"I am convinced that (the court's) reasoning is erroneous," Roth told Thornburgh in a letter. "The decision appears to rest on an inexplicably broad interpretation of Section 13 of the United Nations Headquarters Agreement. The court's interpretation of that clause would essentially, allow foreign nationals unhindered access to the U.S. on the basis of their affiliation to the U.N."

"Such a broad interpretation...contradicts traditional U.S. practice. As the FBI and the State Department's Office of Foreign Missions will, I am sure, con-

firm, foreign nationals affiliated to the U.N. have, on several occasions been refused entry into this country or expelled from this country.

"In addition, the court all but ignored Section 6 of the Headquarters Agreement," the letter said. "That section would appear to contradict the opinion of the court, since it specifically states that, 'nothing in the Agreement shall be construed as in any way diminishing, abridging or weakening the right of the U.S. to safeguard its own security.'"

Roth dismissed the court's assertion that there was no evidence before the court that the PLO had engaged in terrorist activities. Calling the evidence "clear and irrefutable," Roth reminded the Attorney General: "The PLO publicly claimed responsibility for an attempt to assassinate Secretary of State Shultz in Jerusalem. Does (this) not constitute an assault on U.S. security?"

Pointing out that at least 25% of all Soviet U.N. employees are KGB agents, Roth warned that failing to overturn the decision of the court would set a dangerous precedent:

"If the court's decision is allowed to stand, a whole series of options will be denied to our counter-espionage agencies. The FBI would be gravely hampered and its ability to combat espionage in the U.N. would be offered as an easy point of entry into the U.S. for foreign intelligence agencies."



Sen. Bill Roth

Soviets Release Holocaust Files In Agreement With U.S. Council

By HOWARD ROSENBERG

WASHINGTON (JTA) — As part of a July 29 agreement with the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council, the Soviet Union is allowing Westerners for the first time to duplicate its Holocaust archives.

The council estimates that the Soviet archives could contain more than a third of all existing Holocaust-related materials, including documents on Nazi actions taken against the 2.5 million Jews in what are now the Soviet republics of Ukraine, Moldavia, Byelorussia, Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, as well as the rest of the Soviet Union.

Neal Sher, who heads the Justice Department's Office of Special Investigations, which tracks down Nazi war criminals, called the accord a "very good development" because of the Soviet "voluminous and extremely insightful documentary evidence" on war crimes.

"There's no way of knowing" whether the material will lead to additional prosecutions, Sher said, "but I think it will be very useful to our office."

The reciprocal agreement was signed in Moscow by Miles Lerman, chairman of the Holocaust council's international relations committee, and Evgeny Kozhevnikov, first deputy director of the Soviet Central Archive Administration of the USSR Council of Ministers.

Lerman said the council had been seeking the agreement for years but that it took just two days to negotiate it once his six-member delegation arrived.

He said that many of the documents are deteriorating, and are being photocopied on microfilm and microfiche to extend their shelf-life to more than 300 years.

Two Weeks in Archives

After the agreement was signed, "we immediately got to work," Lerman said. The delegation spent two



In Moscow, Miles Lerman, left, chairman of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council's International Relations Committee and Evgeny M. Kozhevnikov, first deputy director of the Central Archive Administration of the USSR Council of Ministers, sign the cooperation agreement that will open immense Soviet holdings of Nazi documents of Western scholars and researchers.

weeks visiting archives in Moscow as well as in some of the western republics.

"We saw glimpses of information on everything, about Latvian attitudes toward Jews, about Lithuanian

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U.S. To Investigate Palestinians' Treatment

By HOWARD ROSENBERG

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Israeli government and pro-Israel groups have expressed dismay at U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter's decision last week to accept an American-Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee petition urging him to investigate Israel's treatment of Palestinian laborers.

If Israel is found to have violated recognized standards for workers by mistreating Palestinians, it could lose its ability to export products duty-free to the United States under the 12-year-old Generalized System of Preferences program.

Five other countries are also being investigated following other petitions filed with the trade office. They are Syria, Haiti, Burma, Malaysia and Liberia. The Central African Republic will again be investigated this year, as in 1987.

"This is the first step in determining whether these countries should be denied special access to the U.S. market on the basis of their labor practices," Yeutter said in making the announcement.

Hearings are set for Oct. 3 to 5, with a final decision to be announced April 1.

Israeli Embassy spokesman Yosef Gal said Israel "regrets" the U.S. decision and that the two principal charges against Israel were not summarily dismissed. He termed the accusations "baseless." But he said he does not "see this as a major issue" that could damage American ties with Israel. "U.S.-Israeli relations are too strong and too deep for this attempt by the ADC to disrupt us," Gal said.

A trade representative source said that Israeli exports to the United States in 1987 totaled \$486 million.

In the past, the only countries whose U.S. duty-free status has been rescinded are Nicaragua and Romania, while the trade statuses of Paraguay and Chile are under suspension. This year, Yeutter rejected petitions to investigate El Salvador, Guatemala, Indonesia, the Philippines, Thailand and Turkey.

The trade representative source said the 1974 Trade Act, as amended, sets a "low threshold for accepting petitions for review" and allows the public to request an inquiry.

The American-Arab committee petition was accepted, the source said, because the trade representative "could not refute the charges as either irrelevant or factually wrong." The source said that for a formal review to be granted, "charges have to be relevant to the criteria we look at."

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U.S. Jews Displeased By Jackson-Arad Meeting

New York (JTA) — Seymour Reich, international president of B'nai B'rith, said the Rev. Jesse Jackson should be meeting with American Jewish leaders to resolve differences between blacks and Jews and not the Israeli ambassador. Jackson met last month with Israeli Ambassador Moshe Arad.

Jackson said the session was planned to establish a conduit for communications for blacks and Jews and commitment for ongoing dialogue as well as discuss the Middle East.

Reich called on Jackson to "refrain from dodging the real issues and meet the American Jewish leaders in a sincere effort to resolve the serious problems bet-

ween blacks and Jews that remain outstanding."

However, Morris Abram, chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, called the meeting appropriate but said the conversation is not a substitute for a meeting of Rev. Jackson with representatives of the American Jewish community. "The U.S. Jewish community is represented by the national Jewish religious and secular groups that constitute the conference," Abram said.

He added that an invitation to meet with the umbrella group that Jackson turned down in April remains open.

OPINION

Editorial:

Schwer Zu Seyn A Yid

Recent events bring to mind the words of Tevye from "Fiddler on the Roof," when, after he has undergone all he feels he can handle, he looks toward the heavens and asks, "God, I know we're the 'chosen people' — but, once in a while, couldn't you choose someone else?" Who ever said it was going to be easy?

Clearly, being a Jew is not easy. That is, if you are a Jew by conviction and action and not just by birth. Statistics reveal that the attrition rate for Jews by birth, due either to failure to practice, conversion, assimilation, etc., is approaching 50 percent.

For those who are committed, many events occurring in the world today are seen as very threatening: Jewish volunteerism is on the decline; Black-Jewish relations are at an all-time low; reports from Israel seem to get progressively worse; and world opinion, in terms of both international and church relations have become more polarized.

The national political scene portends darker days to come in our own country. What quality of choice exists for Jews between a Democratic Party that embraces Jesse Jackson and a Republican Party that sets a place at its presidential table for the evangelical right?

The Moral Majority's Jerry Falwell supports the existence of the State of Israel out of one side of his mouth while planting the seeds of anti-Semitism out of the other.

If ever in our history, Jews needed to reach inside to revive that unique spirit, that uncommon survival instinct, that traditional fabric of togetherness, it is now, during these High Holy Days! If we wish to survive as a People, then the time has come to stand up and be counted. We must purge ourselves of our destructive indifference and recommit ourselves to survival. This year, 5749, the shofar must summon us together with renewed zeal.

We do this by making a personal commitment to take action. This does not mean by simply shaking our heads in affirmation or by writing out a check. These are not enough...for this is the stuff of complacency. Effective action means calling the Jewish Federation, or another Jewish agency, and volunteering our time and effort to participate now. Action requires becoming and remaining aware of

events which impact on us as Jews. It requires doing those things that experience has taught us inculcate in our children a sense of pride in being Jews, one which they will actually carry with them throughout their lives.

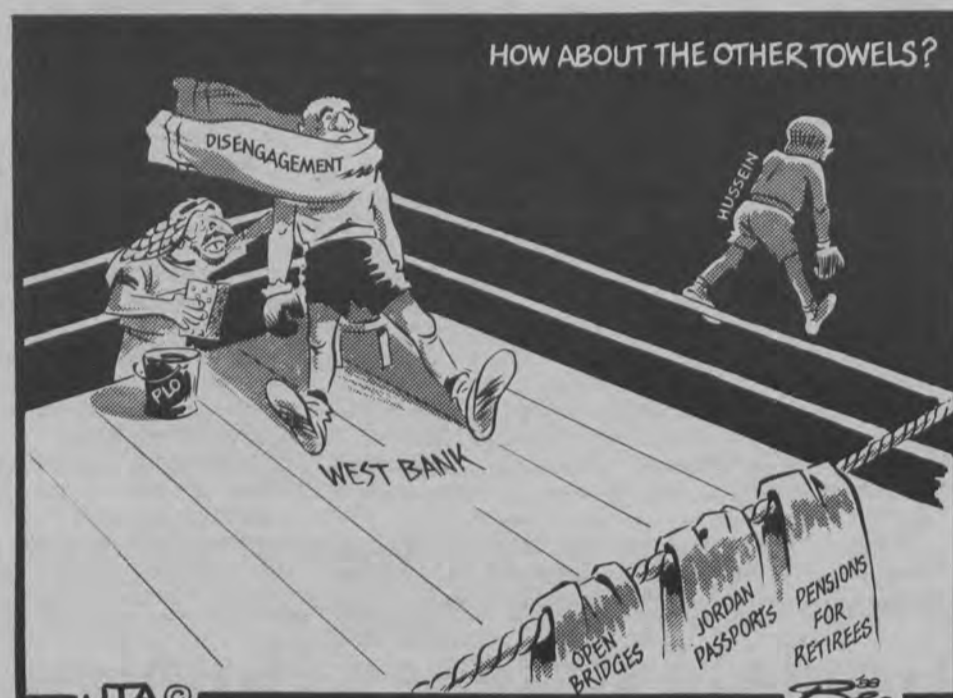
Surely a Jewish community which enjoys so much in its personal lifestyles, which creates for its own pleasure a magnificent Family Campus, has the motivation, energy and resources to envision its needs beyond economic security and lifestyle that go right to the heart of our very existence as a people.

Where is our youth? Why is that that when we go to Sabbath services and Jewish community organizational events, we see the same faces, mostly older, over and over again? Why is it a major Jewish community event has trouble drawing one hundred people from a population of 3,000 families? Why is that so few Jews run for public office or are not more active in the political process?

The common belief that anti-Semitism will never rise to threatening levels in the United States is the misguided belief of a complacent, naive people who are ignorant of Jewish history. A primary reason for our heretofore comfort level in this country has been our willingness and success at participating at the very center of American political life. Presidential and Congressional support for Israel and the issues important to American Jews is not born of moral righteousness. Rather, it is the direct product of our consistently high level of voter participation, hands-on activity in the political process, financial support and vocalization of our needs. Our security in this country is directly related to the strength of our connection to the political power base. Do not think for a minute that it is anything else!

And now for the good news: Our indomitable spirit, our high standards, our great resourcefulness, our zeal for life, our economic success, and our caring for one another and for human beings of good will, give us a strength far beyond our numbers, creating a common unbreakable bond. Those of us who remain are a committed, effective force for good. The future is whatever we decide to make it. Join the Jewish community in this new year for greater involvement, greater commitment and strength.

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Letters To The Editor On Page 6

New Year Greetings

On Rosh Hashanah, the sounds of the shofar will usher in the new year 5749. For Jews throughout the world, it will be a time to reflect on the events of the past year, to renew our commitments and to pray for a good year to come.

We can be proud of our recent accomplishments: the opening of the Jewish Family Campus and its use by nearly 600 campers and 1000 families; the successful Soviet Jewry mobilization in Washington; the first Ann B. and H. Albert Young Memorial Lecture by Elie Wiesel; the dedication of our Holocaust Library; the celebration of Israel's 40th anniversary at the Jewish Community Center and with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra; and a successful year for our Young Jewish Singles Program.

Though we are proud, we are also concerned about resolving the problems facing us today and in the near future: the severe financial problems of the Kutz Home; the increasing percentage of our aging population; the rapid rise of intermarriage and the assimilation of young adults; and the anguish facing Israel regarding the West Bank.

We must also have on our agenda concerns about our community and nation: homelessness; poverty; individual liberties; separation of church and state; and long-term health care for our senior citizens, to mention a few. We as a people in a free open democracy have exercised our privilege and right to vote — We must continue to do so.

We strongly urge your personal participation in the various facets of our Jewish community life, whether it be in synagogues, Jewish organizations, our social agencies, or the Federation, so that we can help achieve our common goals and perpetuate our tradition as a caring community.

On behalf of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, we extend to the community very best wishes for the new year. May it be a year of good health, peace, freedom and fulfillment for you, your family and for all people.

L'Shanah Tovah Tikatevu!

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To Repair Our World

It is taught: The date of Rosh Hashanah, the Day of Judgment, is set not by God, not by the heavenly court, but by the earthly court of man. Why? Because *Yom Din* is not a burden imposed from above, but an opportunity, an opportunity for cleansing, for self renewal.

And it is taught: The Torah specifies 40 strokes (lashes) for certain transgressions; but our sages said only 39 shall be given. Why? Some say lest we err in our count and exceed the 40 and thereby shame our fellow human being. Others say it is so that the one who has erred shall not feel completely quit of his obligation.

And it is taught: Why must we have *Yom Kippur* every year? It is so that the accumulation of our unredressed and unexpiated transgressions shall not be so great as to destroy the world.

And so, each year at this time, during the month of Elul, we make restitution to those we have wronged, and we seek their forgiveness, and we recount our transgressions before God, and we seek His forgiveness.

It is a time of *Heshbon Ha-Nefesh*, of accounting of the soul, an evaluation of our whole being, but it is more. The central theme of Rosh Hashanah and *Yom Kippur* is that God forgives, that He reaches out in love and mercy and understanding toward us, His erring

people, if only we will reach out toward Him.

If God, in His perfection, can reach out in love and forgive us in our imperfection, how much more so must we reach out to each other. It is easy to love the world, to love the stranger. It is, in a perverse way, so much harder to love those who are close, those who know how to hurt us because they are close, those who in their closeness sometimes do hurt us. And it is so much harder to forgive the intimate than the remote. And yet, in our partnership with God in *Tikkun Olam*, the repair of the world, we must begin, each of us, with our own little world.

We dare not institutionalize our repentance, our seeking to merit forgiveness. We dare not make it so general as to be impersonal. Yes, the list of *Al Het* prayers are said with "we" — for the transgressions which "we" have committed — but we dare not drown the "I" in the "we." The "I" of each of us has transgressed against those closest to us. It is here that we must begin our *Heshbon Ha-Nefesh*. It is here that we must begin the repair of the shattered society in which we live. And, as we reach out to those who are close to us, to traverse the sometimes immense distance of closeness, we must open our arms and our hearts to receive them as they reach out to us. For how else can

we conquer the loneliness of proximity?

The sages of our tradition have always been sensitive to the fragility of human relations, to the ease with which a thoughtless word can rend the fabric of our lives. That is why there is much praise for Aaron, the brother of Moses, because the Midrash taught that he labored to make peace between man and man, between husband and wife. That is why, they said, we learn in Torah how the people wept and mourned for Aaron when he died, mourned for 30 days. And the sages, we know, continually warned against the *lashon rah*, the evil word, the hurtful remark. There is "over-reaching," going too far, in language, they taught, just as there is "over-reaching," overcharging, in commercial transactions. And one of the greatest sins of all, they taught, is to shame someone in public.

And so, let the days of the month of Elul, the days before Rosh Hashanah, be days in which we begin our preparation by drawing near to those who are, who should be, closest. Knowing that we have committed errors, knowing that we will continue to commit errors next year and the year after. Knowing too that it is here that we must begin the task, with God's help, of *Tikkun Olam*, the repair of the world. Lest all the errors of our daily lives pile up and destroy our little world and, indeed, the greater world beyond.

The Sabbath between Rosh Hashanah and *Yom Kippur* is known in our tradition as *Shabbat Shuvah*, the Sabbath of Repentance, or literally the Sabbath of Return. The Haftarah chanted that day begins with a passage from the prophet Hosea: "Return, O Israel, unto the Lord thy God, for you have stumbled in your iniquity. Take with you words, and return unto the Lord." How apt are these verses, as well, for our relations with family and friends. Who among us has not, in the past year, "stumbled" somewhere in these relations, if not in iniquity then in innocence, but stumbled nonetheless? Is not this time of *Tshuvah*, Repentance, Return to God, one in which to begin by returning to those closest to us "Take with you words," the prophet implored, "and return to the Lord." May we not begin by taking with us "words" and returning to each other? Words of love, words of remorse, words of compassion, words of understanding, words of comfort?

Words! Words have split the earth with chasms and piled up impassable walls. But words, other words, can fill in the chasms and breach the walls and begin our partnership with the Holy One, Blessed Be He, in *Tikkun Olam*, repair of the world! Thus may it be for each of us in a New Year that will be good and sweet!

We Must Not Lose Our Perspective

By DANIEL J. ELAZAR

Those who follow Israeli affairs from afar via the media must have expected that celebrations of the 40th anniversary of Israel's statehood after five months of violence in Judea, Samaria and Gaza, would have been much dampened if not thoroughly gloomy. When I was in the United States just before and just after Israel Independence Day, many people commiserated with me on how depressing it must be to celebrate that big event at this time. Most were surprised when I explained that in fact the celebration had been as joyous and festive as expected, this despite cancellations by prominent performance groups scheduled, the polarization in the national unity government, and the regular breast-beating characteristic of Jews confronted with what appears to be a moral dilemma.

This is not to say that these disturbances have had no effect on Israeli society. They have succeeded in further polarizing the national unity government and certain segments of the Israeli population, but in terms of day-to-day life the average Israeli is going about his business as usual: the disturbances are leaving their mark on the Palestinian Arabs, not the Jews. It is the Arabs who are striking and who are suffering the casualties and the consequences of having their lives disrupted. For all but a few Jews in the territories, life goes on normally.

I would hazard a guess that unhappy

as the "intifada" (the Arab's term for their uprising) is, its basic character as an assault on the very existence of Israel and not simply a struggle for an Arab state in the territories alongside Israel (as it has been presented in the media) is in a strange way reassuring to Israelis. At the beginning of the troubles, it was widely believed that the Palestinian Arabs' sense of being oppressed by an occupation that, no matter how benevolent still is an occupation, led them to demand a Palestinian state alongside of Israel. After a month or so it became apparent that the Arab spokesmen were still not willing to recognize Israel's existence and were demanding a Palestinian state in Tel Aviv and Haifa no less than in Gaza and Hebron. A separate Palestinian state along side Israel has both supporters and opponents among Israelis; calls for the destruction of Israel let us all know just where we stand.

In the end, Israel's 40th Independence Day served to unite Israelis from every political party and walk of life as well as providing temporary relief from the country's current political strife. Moreover, it offered Israelis an opportunity to reflect on the state's history, thus putting the current disturbances in perspective. For example, as we witnessed the stoning of Jewish vehicles in the territories, we were reminded of the situation in 1948 when Arab villages strung along the Tel Aviv-Jerusalem Road put Jerusalem under siege until we could fight our way

through in a series of bloody seesaw battles. Haifa was cut off from the rest of the country for a time and Nahariya nearly declared itself an independent Jewish state in the Western Galilee because it was an oasis in an Arab sea. Then, we were literally fighting for our survival.

When one listens to the reports of the foreign media, I at least have come to the conclusion that it is necessary to re-

mind ourselves and the world of certain fundamental Zionist truths. Israel is depicted as the monster that stole a beautiful land from the Arabs. The whole story of the successful Zionist effort to drain, irrigate and cultivate swamps and deserts has simply been forgotten. When the amnesia wears off, it will be remembered that it was the Jewish settlers who created the lush

Teaching About Religion In The Public Schools

By ROBERT E. SEGAL

Is it possible to teach about religion objectively in America's public schools? The Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development apparently believe it is.

With 80,000 members on its rolls, the association is a non-partisan, professional organization of school principals, teachers, office personnel, and college professors involved in deciding what is taught in our public schools. Let's end the curriculum silence on religion, the body urges. After all, people seeking religious freedom fueled the establishment of our nation.

The association's proposition was publicized a year ago, and now an impressive array of religious and educational bodies have endorsed the proposal. A brochure to help initiate it, hav-

ing gone through 20 drafts, is available to those interested.

Thousands who have urged reinstatement of prayers in the public schools, after years of Supreme Court rulings against that practice, will welcome this new proposal. These folks and others may well point out that Leo Pfeffer, a highly-respected scholar of church-and-state issues, has written that the constitution bars indoctrination in the schools but does not require ignorance.

The new effort may achieve its goal. Learning horizons may expand. Yet it seems reasonable to raise questions such as these:

- Are elementary and secondary public school children mature enough to distinguish between purely informational teaching and that which seeks to

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Letters to the Editor

Why So Few Observant Jews In Our Community?

Why is it that there are so few observant Jews in our community and in America in general? Why is it we desecrate the Sabbath and ignore the laws of kashrut?

These laws do not apply today. We do not understand them. It is too much effort. Keeping a kosher kitchen is expensive and requires a lot of work. We are happy living our lives as we are.

Are any of the above reasons your excuse? I could apply a few of them to myself.

The real reason is a lack of understanding, and we cannot do something until

we understand the reasons for doing it. That is a fallacy. Doing *leads* to understanding. 'Try it you'll like it' may or may not apply; but 'try it you'll understand it better' certainly does.

How does this work? Actions can create an atmosphere, as in the case of **Shabbat** when we light the candles to usher in the Sabbath. An action or ritual can add to our Jewish identity as does *Kashrut* for me. How's that? Eating is something we do several times a day, every day of the year (except on the Fast of Esther, *Tisha B'Av*, and *Yom Kippur*. If we follow the standard set

down for us in the *Tanach* we must *think* about every morsel that enters our mouths, every food we buy must have a *hechsher* (kosher certification). Our awareness and Jewish consciousness is heightened with every *effort*. Yes it is an effort, but it is worth the benefits.

Many of us are afraid of being too different from the rest of society. We, the Jews, were given a code *expressly* for us, to distinguish us from our non-Jewish neighbors. Feeling different is not the reason to avoid practicing Jewish law, but is a reason to follow *Halacha* (Jewish Law).

We are all on different levels of observance and we should all be striving to learn more and more, then to practice more. In this season of *Rosh Hashanah* let's resolve to strive for higher Jewish understanding within ourselves, our families, and our communities. Let's learn more about ourselves as Jews so we can make informed choices within *Halacha* about the way we live our daily lives. We can add so much meaning to our lives through Jewish living, yet we haven't touched the tip of this iceberg. Judaism has something for us in every aspect of our lives: business, married life, agriculture, medical ethics. Being Jewish is not bagels and lox on Sunday, going to synagogue twice a year, or donating to a Jewish cause. It is none of these things and all of these things. Eating a bagel does not a Jew make, nor does synagogue attendance. We should not look at being Jewish as marked by a few obligatory token actions that, once accomplished, we have fulfilled our

Jewish quota for the year. We need to challenge ourselves to learn more, to do more, in order to understand more and become better Jews. Jewish survival depends on us, not on a core of *Hadisim* that will always be around, but on us and on our children.

Parents need to set a better Jewish example for their children. Why bother to send them to Hebrew school, become *Bar Mitzvah* when their acquired knowledge is learned strictly as theory, and not as a way of life? Why send your child to AEA to learn to be Jewish only for that child to return home to a non-kosher home. It's confusing. Parents are sending mixed messages: *learn Kashrut*, but don't do it; learn, learn, learn, but it is not necessary to do these things. And by the way you cannot date or marry a non-Jew. Be committed to Judaism, pass that on to your children, as it is written in the *Shema*: "And you shall teach them to your children." We are commanded to teach them just as we are commanded to "love thy Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your might." Think about the meaning of these words. Why are our heart, soul, and might mentioned, and not just one of them? (Any of my former students can answer this question). Our whole being must be devoted to God "when we lie down, when we rise up, and when we walk by the way;" in other words, all of the time. To remind yourself of these words kiss your *Mezuzah* each time you pass it. Look at it; think about the words inside and what it means to be a Jew.

Esti Turnauer

AEA Science Students Care About Future

We, the science students of Albert Einstein Academy, are concerned about the future of our world. This year we have studied how man is influencing his environment. The Canadian lobstermen have been catching hundreds of lobsters from the same areas for many decades. They now blame the seals because the lobster population is decreasing. We have learned that the Canadian government is paying a bounty for each seal head the lobstermen bring in.

We were saddened to learn that water pollution has made the beautiful, white Boluga whale sterile. When this generation dies the species will be extinct.

The humped back whale is imperiled because small mesh nets used in their traditional deep ocean feeding grounds

have eliminated their food supplies. This has forced them inshore where they get trapped in nets and then shot.

Another shocking fact we learned was that commercial fishing fleets have to throw 50% of the fish they catch back into the ocean. 50 of the catch is fish people do not eat but they are dead anyway. This happens every three hours day in and day out. Also, the dragging nets can damage the ocean floor.

We think that international laws should be made to protect the environment for all life. If a law is broken, the offenders should not be allowed to fish in international waters, and should have their boats confiscated.

AEA Science Students

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Israeli Basketball Team To Play 76ers

By PAULA BERENGUT
 The Philadelphia 76ers will play Maccabi Tel Aviv, Israel's championship basketball team, in a scrimmage game on Sunday, October 9 at 1 p.m. at the Spectrum in Philadelphia. The announcement was made by 76ers owner Harold Katz in a news conference held in Philadelphia on August 24.

The contest was initiated by Israel Peleg, Ph.D., Consul General of Israel, and is a joint project involving the Office of the Consulate General of Israel and the United States Commit-

tee for Sports for Israel, which is based in Philadelphia. Katz agreed to arrange for the 76ers participation.

"The game will contribute to the friendship that exists between the United States and Israel," Peleg said. "The involvement will also nurture the sister city relationship that Philadelphia and Tel Aviv have established."

The Tel Aviv team has been champion of the 13-team Israeli basketball league for 19 consecutive years and has twice captured the European



Israel Peleg

Federation of Delaware has been given tickets for distribution. Below is an order form for tickets. An order form must be accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed envelope and there is a limit of four (4) tickets

per family. Additional order forms are available at the Jewish Community Center and the Jewish Federation of Delaware. All tickets must be ordered by Friday, September 16.

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basketball championship.

The Philadelphia Committee of the Tel Aviv Foundation is helping to raise funds to bring the Israeli team here. Tel Aviv is one of six Philadelphia "sister cities." The Tel Aviv-Philadelphia relationship was established by Mayor James Tate in October 1966. Currently, Philadelphia and Tel Aviv cooperate in educational, financial and industrial exchanges. This is believed to be one of the first exchanges of sport of this scope involving the cities.

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Two Mideast Experts Agree: War With Syria Is Probable

By HUGH ORGEL

TEL AVIV (JTA) — Two Israeli experts on the Middle East, speaking at a public meeting here, have come to the conclusion that Syria is preparing for an eventual confrontation with Israel.

Brig. Gen. (Res.) Aharon Levan, editor of "Middle East Military Balance," a publication of the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies at Tel Aviv University, and Dr. Yossi Olmert, head of the Syrian and Lebanese desk at the university's Dayan Center for Middle East and African Studies, both estimated that although the chance of a Syrian-initiated war

with Israel in the near future is slight, Syria is nonetheless bent on some stage of war with the Jewish state in the future.

Levan, a former deputy commander at the National Defense College, said that the Syrians "are doing everything to prepare themselves for war, but I would risk saying that I doubt they will initiate a war with Israel so long as they are alone and without an Arab coalition partner, particularly Iraq and Jordan."

He said that "while Syria is not planning to embark on a premeditated war with Israel in the short term, this does not mean that a circumstantial war

cannot occur between Israel and Syria."

Levan pointed out several "friction points" — in Lebanon, in regard to Syria's support for terrorism, and in the Golan Heights.

In fact, while leaders of the mainstream Palestine Liberation Organization were meeting at their headquarters in Tunis to consider plans to establish a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza, the Syrian press was dismissing such an attempt as "a big conspiracy against the Palestinian cause" because such a move would lead to a recognition of Israel. Syria and its Palestinian allies

have systematically thrown adherents of PLO leader Yasir Arafat out of their Lebanese enclaves. The guerrilla alliance opposed to Arafat is based in Damascus.

Olmert told questioners during the question-and-answer session that "Syria would prefer quiet in the area until the upcoming Lebanese elections, so as not to give Israel an excuse to intervene in them." But Lebanon's Parliament was unable to muster a quorum to choose a successor to President Amin Gemayel at last week's session. Great care had reportedly been taken to ensure a calm election process, through an intensive effort by Syria and the United States to find some candidate acceptable to all sides in Lebanon.

Ahmed Jabril, leader of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command, vowed more guerrilla operations last week. Levan voiced concern over Syria's possible deployment for a future war, because Syria has made numerous improvements in the sphere of conventional warfare, he said, particularly in enhancing its ground-to-air forces.

Levan added, however, that Damascus has yet to draw even with Israel's military strength. He noted that Syria's decision to equip its Scud surface-to-surface missiles with chemical

warheads was prompted by the Syrian air force's inability to contend with the Israeli air force.

Levan said the Syrians have emphasized unconventional means of warfare because "they know that Israel is much more advanced in nuclear potential."

Levan compared Syria's use of chemical warfare to Israel's nuclear potential. Although chemical means "are not an equal answer" to Israeli nuclear possibilities, he said, "at least it's something. It's unconventional, and it's a mass weapons system which can cause a lot of casualties. They know that Israel is very sensitive to casualties."

Olmert, brother of Likud Knesset Member Ehud Olmert, said that the Syrian regime's basic technology, which views the Israel-Arab conflict as "a clash between two civilizations," precludes reaching a comprehensive settlement between the two sides, or a separate peace between one Arab country and Israel, and necessitates the attainment of Arab "strategic parity."

"Strategic parity is, first of all, what the Syrians regard as the best way to deal with Israel," said Olmert. He added that the Syrians view the results of the Yom Kippur War of 1973 as proof of their con-

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Israel Bans Popular Committees

(JTA) — Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, initiating a preemptive approach against the Palestinian uprising, last week outlawed the popular committees functioning in the Israeli-administered territories.

Members of these groups may now be arrested without proof of participation in hostile acts.

Authorities also announced the intention not to open schools in the territories on Sept. 1, as scheduled. Universities there will remain shut until further notice.

The committees, which

became the backbone of the Palestinians soon after the uprising began, have operated as grass-roots, quasi-governmental authorities to allow Palestinians to function independently from any outside body.

Rabin's move came a day after authorities deported four Palestinians to Lebanon and issued another 25 deportation orders. This is the largest group to be ordered deported from Israel. All of the 25 who were ordered deported are associated with the popular committees.

Also declared illegal were the

"shock groups," which allegedly have exerted pressure on the local population to carry out the committees' instruction.

Rabin told reporters that the repressive measures were due to the actions of the local committees, which he said were functioning to maintain the level of the uprising and to institutionalize it.

According to Rabin, there are between 200-300 active committee members already in administrative detention, and he estimated that several hundred more activists still operate.

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Now try this: Choose two of 15 outstanding Israeli scholars with whom to study for a morning. Poet Yehuda Amichai, educator Rabbi Shlomo Riskin, Bible teacher Nechama Leibowitz and political scientist Schlomo Avineri are four of them.

And when you've done that, chose which of literally hundreds of learning sessions led by world-renowned Jewish scholars you will attend in a two-day period.

These were some of the choices facing nine Hebrew school teachers from Wilmington who, together with some 2,000 other North American, European and Israeli Jewish educators, met in Jerusalem from July 31 to August 5 at the Thirteenth Annual CAJE Conference. Local Hebrew school teachers attending the conference were Faith and Lou Brown, Arlene and Bob Davis, Rivka and Avi Ini, Eta Knepler, Jane Hormadaly and Colette Ben-David.

The 4,000-member network was created to bring together all those involved in Jewish



In Israel for the CAJE Conference were Faith Brown, Rivka and Avi Ini and Lou Brown.

education in a "celebration of Jewish learning," according to the chairman of the conference, Seymour Rossel. He called the conference "a unique opportunity to forge links in a chain of understanding between Jewish educators in North America and Europe and their counterparts in Israel."

For Faith Brown, it was "an interjection of enthusiasm, a sharing of ideas and an intense emotional experience as well. The educator needs to recharge, both professionally and personally, at regular intervals. The Conference program, the experience of Israel and the interrelation between educators from different places and different fields gave me more than I hoped for...or ever dreamed."

The Conference program, developed by a committee of Americans and Israelis, was two and a half years in planning. It was designed so that educators could share ideas, methodologies and materials, as well as expose themselves to the historic, political and societal factors that have shaped Israel as a nation and as the Jewish homeland.

Declared an official event of Israel's 40th anniversary celebrations, the Conference was endorsed by Israel's Education Ministry, Teachers' Union and the Kibbutz Movement. It received grants from the Joint Program for Jewish Education, the CRB Foundation and North American Jewish federations.

The success of the Conference and CAJE's growing understanding of the needs of Jewish education underlie a shift in CAJE's priorities, according to its Executive Director, Dr. Eliot Spack.

"During the past 13 years, we've come together in conferences, established networks, supported local educational events, produced important educational resources and funded special projects and inquiries," he says. "We've become a voice for the needs of Jewish teaching and learning. We've come to believe that we must now do more than gather and share existing alternatives. CAJE must serve as an active catalyst for their creation, and our Bar Mitzvah Conference in Israel constitutes an important take-off point."

Federations' Assembly To Meet In New Orleans

The 1988 Council of Jewish Federations General Assembly will take place in New Orleans from November 16 to 20. There will be pre-assembly sessions on leadership development and women's divisions on Tuesday, Nov. 15.

Representatives from Wilmington who are planning to attend the Assembly include: Martin G. and Shelly Mand, Joan Wachstein, William and Judy Topkis, Stephen E. Herrmann, President of the Jewish Federation of Delaware, and Robert N. Kerbel, Executive Director of the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

The Assembly theme is "Areyvim Zeh Bazeh: Responsibility and Service. Federation's Role in Creating a Caring Community." The sessions will look to the future as they

answer the question: In the face of rapidly changing conditions, needs and concerns, how can Federations and their agencies develop more creative and effective services that reflect the Jewish tradition of caring, responsibility and continuity? There will be both formal sessions and informal seminars and workshops offered.

Some of the issues addressed will be: servicing the next generation, including children, teenagers, collegiates and young adults; financial-resource development, including maximizing campaign and endowment; strengthening advocacy for Soviet Jewry; understanding the changing Arab world; and the learning leader, showing responsibility and service in the Jewish tradition.

Significant Birthday Present

What do you give the man who has everything? Paul Fine's family and friends found themselves asking this question recently on the occasion of his 50th birthday. And the answer turned out to be both an appropriate tribute and a mitzvah.

Fine's birthday was recognized by their contributions in his honor to the recently established Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Resource Center at the Jewish Community Center.

"Their generous contributions will help defray the cost of video taping Holocaust survivors, their children and camp liberators in Delaware," according to Harriet K. Wolfson, Director of the Jewish Federation's Jewish Community Relations Committee. This project is being pursued in conjunction with Yale University which maintains a Holocaust archive. The project will produce an historic record and provide material for research and

educational purposes within the community.

"The fledgling Resource Center may also be able to add to its now modest but important holdings through this considerate gift," Wolfson added.

The Halina Wind Preston Holocaust Education Committee, as the administrator of the Resource Center, has expressed its gratitude to all of Fine's family members and friends for their generosity.

Nuclear Site OK'd

TEL AVIV (JTA) — A 10-year, \$10 million study conducted by the Israel Electric Company has determined that Shiva, located in the northern Negev, is suitable for the establishment of Israel's first nuclear-power station. The report said that the area is ready once the decision is made for such a project.

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A Love Affair With Israel

By PRISCILLA SIEGEL
Staff Writer

Sarita Gross has a love affair that goes back to her teenage years. At the traditional age of awakening, Sarita awakened to the call of Israel and the Jewish ancestral yearning for the homeland. "For 2000 years," says Sarita, "my ancestors down to my parents always dreamed about Jerusalem. My father and grandfather wanted to go and could not. I am the first generation who could realize the dream."

Born and raised in Buenos Aires, Sarita Gross as a teenager became an ardent Zionist. In 1960 she moved to Philadelphia and in 1967, made her home in Wilmington. Her first trip to Israel was in 1967 with a UJA mission, and from then on Sarita has spent increasing time in the country about which she is so passionate. Establishing a home in

Jerusalem, only minutes from the West Bank, she now holds dual citizenship in the United States and Israel.

Israel is the one country where she feels a Jew can make a real impact, and making an impact is important to Sarita. "I was interested in the political situation in Argentina — I had a vote and voice, but I did not have the possibility of making a serious impact, and as a Jew, I have no impact in America. There is only one place where I could have an impact and only one place where we can decide our destiny: Only in Israel can we concretize this need."

Speaking animatedly, Sarita Gross presents her case persuasively. Comparing diaspora Jews with those in Israel, she believes that the best chance of preserving Judaism is within Israel. Israel, for her, represents a profound



Sarita Gross

amalgam of history, tradition, religion, values, and modernity. Fiercely proud of her Jewish heritage, Sarita declares "I feel extremely privileged to have been born a Jew and to live in Israel and contribute to the realization of its ideals. I feel so happy when I go to Israel to be surrounded by Jews and Israelis."

Straddling two worlds as she does, Sarita Gross is in a good position to evaluate Israel as it compares to the United States. Living standards she claims are comparable to those in the United States, and people with money have access to the highest quality materials goods available on the world market. Responding to the criticism that Israelis have lost some of their idealism and are increasingly materialistic, Sarita claims that the responsibility for this development is a result of the government's efforts to downplay religion in Israeli society. "I don't believe," she says, "that we can approach Israel like all other countries. Religion is an aspect of Judaism."

She also does not believe that Israeli emigration is a serious problem. Living within such a restricted geographic area, it is natural that Israelis would want to study or live abroad for a period of time, but they come back, she says, and they have fresh ideas which enrich Israeli culture.

When asked about her opinion as to whether Israel should coerce immigration of Russian Jews to Israel, Sarita was again emphatic. "I am in favor of helping Soviet Jews reach freedom, and I am 100 percent for a clear understanding that those Soviet Jews who are ready to go to Israel should be helped with all means at our disposal. But Israel has no responsibility to help those Jews who want to go somewhere else." Immigration to Israel is of utmost importance, cautions Sarita, as the country must always remain strong enough to resist attack.

What attitudes has she encountered in the U.S. since the Palestinian uprisings? Sarita

expressed shock at the lack of expressed interest in events in Israel by her American Jewish friends, as contrasted with the numerous questions asked by her non-Jewish friends.

In further discussing the uprisings, Sarita asserts that actions by the Israeli government are always undertaken with consideration of the impact on Jewish world reaction, as maintaining the support of Jews around the world is of utmost importance to Israel. In her view, the Palestinian uprisings confirm that the Arab world still does not accept Israel's right to exist. Thus, Sarita supports the position that Israel must keep as much territory as possible, and not give up its occupation of the West Bank.

"When the Palestinians talk about their own state, they are talking about all of Israel, including Haifa and Tel Aviv." According to Sarita, the uprisings have created a much harder line electorate in Israel, an electorate that is inclined more toward the Kahane point of view. "We are not ready to commit suicide in Israel."

"How come," she asks angrily, "Ararfat's word has more credibility than ours? I am very saddened by the lack of spine of Jews who are ready and willing to give up everything so that they will not be disturbed. We have built a country that should be the joy and pride of every Jew. Diaspora Jews seem to have gotten an instant political science Ph.D. — everyone is ready to tell us what to do in the political field, while the real responsibility lies in helping those of us who are risking our blood and bones. Negative destructive criticism is only helpful to the enemy. We do want the opinion of every Jew, but through the proper channels of communication."

Hussein's latest political move to disentangle Jordan from the West Bank Palestinians is, in Sarita's eyes, a positive step. This, she says, will make the PLO and Palestinian Arabs "face the music" since the PLO doesn't have the infrastructure to run the country.

Despite the current troublesome political situation, Sarita looks forward to her return to Israel in September with great joy. "I have more fun in one week in Israel, that I think most people have in a year anywhere else. Personally, I enjoy every minute of every day, even with the problems."

The 40th anniversary being celebrated in Israel is marked by festivals all over the country with film and dance festivals being performed by national and international groups.

"And," declares Sarita, "we walk on the streets without fear — I continue going to the Old City whenever I feel like it. I continue going to our concerts, lectures, theatres and restaurants. I continue going to Tel Aviv, or Eilat — Tel Aviv has just opened a beautiful new gallery, and luxurious apartments in Tel Aviv are sold out. We are exposed to the best in music, culture, and food." (Food, according to Sarita, is superb in Israel and gets better and better.)

Economically, Sarita describes an optimistic outlook for Israel. Building starts have increased. The GNP grew 7.5 percent and exports have grown 23 percent this year.

It looks like Sarita Gross' love affair with Israel will be long-lived, and her upbeat approach to the country is compelling. So, if you're nervous about travelling to Israel these days, Sarita would be sure to say, come on in, the water is fine!



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Weapons Examined



Rioting Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza are now using lethal weapons like the spiked club held by a senior Israeli Defense Force officer (right). At left is Malcom Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. The weapons on the table — bayonets, swords, a hand grenade — were among those taken from Palestinian rioters in the territories.

Hadassah Convention: 'Keep The Dream'

By CEIL EHRICH

The 74th National Convention of Hadassah was held in Chicago from July 31 through Aug. 3, with 1,299 delegates representing 332 chapters and 35 regions throughout the United States. Sandy Turnauer and Cecil Ehrich represented Delaware, and Turnauer's husband, Jerry, who is a Hadassah

Associate member, attended as well.

Three former U.S. Ambassadors to Israel and Israeli Ambassador Moshe Arad officially opened the sessions. They saluted the 40th anniversary of Israel, and spoke of the problems facing Israel today. The days were filled with a multitude of meetings, ex-

changes of ideas and planning for the future with special events in young leadership training, career women's workshops, sessions "for men only," youth activities, fund raising, and membership workshops.

Zionist and American Affairs Plenary sessions featured speakers such as Dr. Nimrod Novick, policy advisor to the foreign minister of Israel and Ehud Omert, member of the Knesset. The American Affairs speaker was Mark Talisman, director of the Washington Action Office of the Council of Jewish Federations.

Representing the Hadassah Medical Organization, Professor Samuel Penchas, M.D., Director General of H.M.O., spoke of medical advances which have given humanity "mastery of our illnesses." New technology such as magnetic imaging and position

emission tomography allow physicians "to see what's happening within the patients' body while the process is actually taking place." He spoke about laser research which is made possible by Hadassah's support. There were also lectures by nurses of H.M.O. with whom the convention attendees had a chance to meet after the sessions were over.

Contemporary issues of American Jewish society were discussed in education sessions. Youth Aliyah, HIES, and Jewish National Fund Plenaries were also held. The recent arson attacks are depleting the forests of Israel and there was an urgent plea to all to rebuild and revitalize these scorched lands.

The closing banquet featured the presentation of the Henrietta Szold Award to Claude Lanzmann for his documentary film,

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Jewish Community Relations Committee

The Election Process

"The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil, is for good men to do nothing." (Edmund Burke) Our present and our future depend on our taking an active role in what goes on around us. As the political season enters its final stages, the Jewish Community Relations Committee urges the community to take an interest in it and to take advantage of the following events in order to make informed judgements on election day.

On Monday, September 19, at 7:30 p.m., a political forum featuring statewide candidates and candidates for County Executive will be held at the Jewish Community Center auditorium, 101 Garden of Eden Road in Wilmington.

Senator Roth will share the platform with the winner of the September 10 Democratic Party primary, either Sam Beard or S.B. Woo. Other pairs will include: Congressman Thomas R. Carper and James P. Krapf; Governor Castle and Jacob Kreshtool; County Executive Rita Justice and Dennis E. Greenhouse; Dale Wolf and Gary Hindes for the Lieutenant Governorship; and Insurance Commissioner David N. Levinson and Ruth Matruder.

This forum is sponsored by Hadassah and the Jewish Community Relations Committee. It is traditionally one of the first candidate nights in our state and presents citizens an opportunity to listen to major candidates and participate in a question and answer period.

There is no admission fee and the community is invited to meet the candidates over refreshments following the forum.

Another opportunity to "meet the candidates" is being offered by WHY TV12 News, which is airing a series of eight live debates during the election season featuring candidates vying for political office in Delaware. The debates will be broadcast at 7:30 p.m. from WHY's Wilmington studio at Fifth and Scott Streets.

The candidates, a panel of local media professionals, and a studio audience will participate in each debate. The debates will be broadcast

statewide on TV12 and on TV64/Cable 12. TV 12 News Director Nancy Karibjanian served as moderator for the first three debates.

Lieutenant Governor S.B. Woo and Sam Beard squared off in the U.S. Senate Democratic Primary debate on Thursday, August 25 and on Wednesday, August 31, Donald R. Smythe and Dian King Wohlken, Republican candidates for Mayor of Wilmington met.

Two of the Democratic candidates for Mayor of Wilmington debated on Thursday, September 1. Incumbent Democratic Mayor Daniel S. Frawley met challenger Beatrice Patton Carroll. A third Democratic challenger, Frank D. Vari, declined TV12's invitation.

TV12 will resume the debate schedule following the September 10, Primary Election with five remaining debates, to be moderated by WHY President, Frederick Breitenfeld, Jr.

Fresh from the primary, Wilmington's mayoral hopefuls square off on Thursday, October 13. Incumbent Republican New Castle County Executive Rita Justice meets the Democratic challenger, State Auditor Dennis E. Greenhouse on Wednesday, October 19

The following night, Thursday, October 20, features the U.S. Congressional debate between Democratic incumbent Thomas R. Carper and Republican challenger James P. Krapf.

TV12 hosts the Delaware Gubernatorial debate on Thursday, October 27, when incumbent, Republican Governor Michael N. Castle meets Democratic hopeful Jacob Kreshtool.

The TV12 debate series ends on Thursday, November 3, with the debate for U.S. Senate between incumbent Republican Senator William V. Roth and the winner of the Woo, Beard primary.

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Former Refusenik Lev Shapiro: Israel Must Be Refuseniks' Goal

NEW YORK (JTA) — Former refusenik Lev Shapiro, who now lives in Tel Aviv, has come to the United States to thank those who helped make his story a priority case.

He is also here to warn against those helping Soviet

Jews emigrate to America, help he perceives as dangerous because it takes Jews away from Israel.

Shapiro, who arrived in Israel in March after a particularly harrowing 18-year waiting period in the Soviet Union,

contended that "the fact that they can come here to the United States increases assimilation in the Soviet Union.

"Look, the fact that Soviet Jewry is assimilated is not their

fault," he said. "But the fact that American Jews help them to assimilate is a shame. It is a very high price to pay."

Currently, as many as 90 percent of the Soviet Jewish emigres who arrive in the Vienna transfer point "drop out," or opt to travel to the United States rather than Israel.

Shapiro is on a tour of the United States, sponsored by the national Conference on Soviet Jewry.

Aliyah was something even his parents dreamed about. Shapiro, who described his family as "always very religious," remembered preparing for his Bar Mitzvah during the period of Stalin. "My mother stood in the corridor to make sure no one heard the Hebrew."

Shapiro remembers the anti-semitic era of the infamous Doctors' Plot in the early 1950s, when Stalin went on a rampage and ordered the executions of Jewish doctors he imagined were plotting to kill him.

For his children, things were only marginally better, Shapiro recalled reading in Izvestia in 1976 that all national minorities have the right to teach their own language and culture.

Testing this, he wrote a letter to the Department of Education of the Jewish Autonomous Region in Birobidjan, asking

for material to teach yiddish to his children.

Shapiro pulled from his briefcase the reply he received and saved, translating it word by word. It said there was no Yiddish school in Birobidjan; the Jewish language was not taught; and "therefore we cannot send you books."

When his daughter Naomi was rejected by the special school her brother, Israel, already attended, Shapiro brought a civil action in court.

He was told that she could not have been rejected because of anti-Semitism because "anti-Semitism is outlawed in the Soviet Union."

Shapiro was an unindicted witness in the 1970 Leningrad trials of a group that had tried to steal a plane to fly their way to freedom via Sweden. Never charged, Shapiro ironically became the one left behind, the last Leningrad witness to leave the Soviet Union.

In 1982, Shapiro was interviewed by French television. Two years later, the KGB produced a film called "Hirelings and Accomplices," which cast Shapiro as a "Zionist agent in the Western conspiracy against the Soviet state."

Shapiro believes it was support from Western activists for Soviet Jewry that finally won his family their freedom to leave the Soviet Union in March.

Peres Says River Would Be Border

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Foreign Minister Shimon Peres said that if he were to lead the next government, he would support making the Jordan River Israel's security border.

Talking to a group of visiting American journalists last week,

Peres said that any evacuated territory would be demilitarized and that the security border would include early warning stations along the river to prevent a surprise attack against Israel.

Peres did not describe a political border nor plans for evacuating portions of the administered territories. Labor Party politicians have traditionally distinguished between security and political borders.

At Last, A State For Jerusalem

NEW YORK — U.S. Sen. Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., announced that for the first time, the State Department telephone directory will list the U.S. consulate general in Jerusalem as a diplomatic post located in Israel.

"The practice of listing Jerusalem as a post without a

country had been going on for years," Moynihan said.

For years, the State Department telephone directory has listed the U.S. Embassy in Tel Aviv and the Jerusalem post separately, with the Tel Aviv post listed under Israel and Jerusalem listed with no country at all.

On Feb. 23, 1984, at a hearing of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations, Sen. Moynihan asked then-Undersecretary of State Lawrence Eagleburger why Jerusalem was treated differently from every other diplomatic post abroad. Eagleburger said the listing would be changed.

After more than four years, several editions of the telephone directory and 13 editions of Key Officers of Foreign Services Posts have listed Jerusalem without connection to Israel. With the publication and delivery of the latest edition of the directory, the promised change has been made.

Seoul-Ful Yom Kippur

NEW YORK (JTA) — Army Chaplain (Major) Kenneth Zisook of Chicago will conduct Yom Kippur services for all Jewish military and civilian personnel involved with the summer Olympic Games, opening Sept. 12 in Seoul, South Korea.

According to the JWB Jewish Chaplains Council, Zisook is currently assigned to a two-year tour of duty in Korea, and will conduct services at U.S. Forces headquarters.

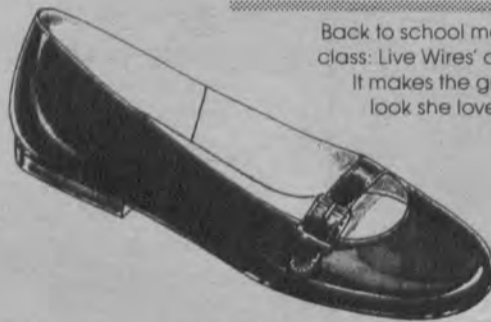
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Robertson Won't Condemn Anti-Semitism Until Jewish Leaders Condemn Film

By ANDREW SILOW CARROLL

NEW YORK (JTA)—Ducking a Jewish leader's request to condemn anti-Semitism in the form of protests of "The Last Temptation of Christ," television evangelist Pat Robertson has in turn asked the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith to condemn MCA, the corporation that released the film, because the chairman is Jewish.

ADL director Abraham Foxman, who initiated the correspondence, said Wednesday that he was "astonished" at Robertson's response, and that a request to repudiate anti-Semitism did not demand a "quid pro quo." Last month, Foxman wrote Robertson asking that the former Republican presidential candidate "condemn and counsel" those Protestant leaders, including Jerry Falwell, who were injecting anti-Semitism into their protests over the film's controversial portrayal of Christ.

The protests targeted Lew Wasserman, chairman of the MCA conglomerate, who Universal Pictures subsidiary was releasing "Temptation." Although the film's director, Martin Scorsese, and other principals in the project are not Jewish, the protesters warned of an anti-Semitic backlash

because Wasserman is a Jew. "The irony is that 2,000 years ago, the Romans crucified Christ and the Jews got blamed. Now another Roman (Scorsese) crucifies Christ again, on film, and again the Jews get blamed," Foxman said.

Some Christian groups, including the National Conference of Catholic Bishops and the National Association of Evangelicals, were quick to repudiate the anti-Semitic nature of the protests. Falwell backed off on his statement before the film was released and denounced the film's critics.

Foxman said he turned to Robertson for a statement because, after Falwell, Robertson is "the other great leader of the fundamentalist, evangelical Christian movement." He and Robertson have consulted frequently in the past, said Foxman, and refer to each other in the letters as "Abe" and Pat." Calls to the offices of the Christian Broadcasting Network, of which Robertson is chairman of the board, were not returned.

In his response to Foxman's first letter, Robertson suggests that he will "raise my voice" against anti-Semitism only

after Foxman uses his "influence with Lew Wasserman and others at MCA to eliminate this affront to Christianity."

After Foxman wrote back saying he was seriously disappointed with Robertson's reply, Robertson made his request more explicit. If the ADL "comes out against this blasphemous movie and in the process condemns MCA," wrote Robertson, "you will have said to all Americans that you are not a part of this movie and that it does not have the endorsement of the Jewish leadership in America. I will then be delighted to feature your statement on my television network and to give it as much press as I possibly can in the media. Then instead of you coming off shrilly blaming the Christians for a problem caused by MCA, you will be coming off as you are — a champion of all people against all forms of bigotry and intolerance."

In a third letter to which he has yet to receive a reply, Foxman wrote that he was "Flabbergasted" at Robertson's accusations that ADL was "blasting Christians." "The Jewish leadership' is not the film industry — why should anyone believe otherwise?" asked Foxman.

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director, assistant to the director, make-up artists, pit band musicians, running crew, sound crew, lighting crew, props master, ushers, construction crew and hair designers.

Some positions are volunteer; others will be paid. If

you are curious and/or interested, call Fred Munzert or Moizez Paz at the JCC, 478-5660. The show would run in late December. Audition notices will be published in upcoming issues of the *Jewish Voice*.

Mens' Basketball League Forming Now For Fall

The five-on-five, full court and the 35-and-older, half court Men's Basketball teams will be forming leagues this fall. There will be an information meeting on September 19 at 7 p.m. The Health and Fitness staff will be hosting this open meeting for anyone interested in helping to form, administrate and commission Men's Basketball

leagues.

Men's full court basketball will be played on Mondays and Thursdays evenings and the 35-and-older league will play on Wednesdays and Saturdays. For more information contact Eileen Wallach, Assistant Health and Fitness Director at 478-5660.

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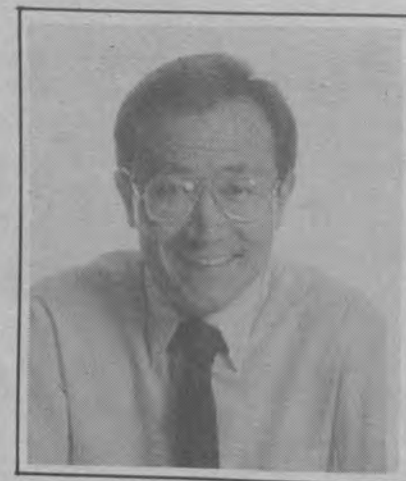
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Peace Process To Dominate Israeli Elections According To Pollsters

By HUGH ORGEL

The Israeli national elections scheduled for November will most likely focus on the peace process and related issues, rather than the economic situation, according to two Israeli public opinion pollsters.

Dr. Nina Zemach, research director of the Dahaf Research Institute, and Moshe Theumim, pollster for the Labor Party and director general of Gitam Image Promotion Systems, has said that the campaigns of the two major parties would be distinguished by difference in their approach to the peace issue. However, neither would or could predict the decisive winner in the coming elections.

Zemach, who was the only researcher to accurately forecast the results of the 1984 elections, said that while results for this year's elections remain uncertain, another national unity government is not inconceivable. According to Theumim, "No one will form a coalition with the Arab camp, but it may serve as a bloc to prevent the Likud from forming a coalition."

The Likud bloc will be larger than Labor's, but not large enough to form a coalition, he said.

Zemach said that a change in voter attitudes is not necessarily accompanied by a change in voter habits, because of a tendency toward traditional emotional voting. To support her contention, she said that even though recent polls on attitudes toward the West Bank indicate large fluctuations regarding territorial compromise and annexation, there was no corresponding shift in voter preferences.

"The intifada did not change the balance between the camps," Zemach said, referring to the Arab uprising. "But

the balance within the camps. According to Theumim, "the intifada has had a larger influence within the right camp than within the left camp."

Zemach said that despite the consistency that typifies voting patterns in Israel, even very minor mobility can lead to significant political changes; "A shift of only two percent can become six mandates in the Knesset." She said that demographic trends in Israel as they affect the political map are

balanced between Jews and Arabs because the two groups with the highest growth rate, ultra-Orthodox Jews and Arabs, lean to the right and left, respectively.

Theumim said that he considers the ultra-Orthodox and Arabs two potentially influential blocs in the coming elections, although their effect is difficult to measure. Noting the similarities between the two — a high birth rate and a low voter turnout — he said the ultra-

Orthodox camp is particularly difficult to gauge because of its refusal to participate in polls and its plethora of internal factions.

Zemach gave a different perspective to surveys. "Polls

are only correct for the day that the data was collected," she said, adding that polls tend to focus on statistical rather than political significance.

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The concentrations were found during a survey and geochemical mapping of Israel, conducted with the support of the ministry's Earth Sciences Research Administration.

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The Year Of The Intifada

By SIMON GRIVER
(WZPS) Modern Hebrew has always been quick to absorb "popular" Arabic words. In the past year the term *intifada* has entered the vocabulary of almost every Israeli, and its meaning has a much deeper significance than its reference to the recent Arab "uprising."

Explanations for the unexpected eruption of the *intifada* have been diverse. It was suggested that a road accident in which an army vehicle in Gaza inadvertently killed several Arabs inflamed local hostility; others say that a hang glider attack some weeks earlier by a terrorist crossing the Lebanese border into Israel, which resulted in the deaths of six IDF soldiers, encouraged rebellion.

However, as the *intifada* spread throughout the administered territories, and as the initial spontaneity of the rioting was replaced by protests clearly organized by the PLO, cries for better explanations were heard throughout Israel.

Many pointed out that, for the first time ever, the Arab summit in Amman in late 1987 did not even discuss the Palestinian problem, thus forcing the residents of the administered territories to seek their own solutions. Others felt that the Palestinian leadership in the West Bank and Gaza is younger and more militant than its predecessors, whose political awareness has been shaped since Israeli rule in the territories began in 1967.

Morris Draper, who recently completed his tour of duty as UN consul in Jerusalem, considered the "status quo" to be dangerous. "Israel has to find some way to let the Palestinian people breathe a little," he said. "The Palestinians, for their part, must be more pragmatic... If the Israelis offer some form of autonomy, the Palestinians should seize it, whatever its implications. All too often in the past, the Palestinians have rejected opportunities."

If the Palestinians' tactics have captured the world's sympathy, they have also bitterly divided Israeli opinion. To be sure, the Labor-Likud national unity government was built on an agreement to postpone any decision about the future of the territories. If 1988 were not an election year the government would probably have collapsed, according to experts.

However, the *intifada* has sharpened the election debate. Labor supporters espouse territorial compromise as necessary for keeping Israel both Jewish and democratic. Likud ideologists insist that the return of territories would endanger Israel's security.

Labor leader and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres called for an international conference on the Middle East, while Likud

leader and Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir has demanded direct negotiations with Jordan without preconditions. Several shuttles by U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz were unable to persuade either the Jordanians to talk to Israel or Shamir to commit himself to territorial compromise.

Meanwhile, the *intifada* continues. If the intensity of the rebellion in its first two months has weakened, the pattern of violence has become better organized: sporadic attacks with rocks and petrol bombs on soldiers and civilian vehicles; commercial strikes prevent workers from going to their jobs in Israel; compelling policemen and other Arab employees of the Israeli administration to resign; and burning JNF forests. These tactics, however, have not had the desired effect on the Israeli population, although many civilians and soldiers have been injured, and some killed, by rock and petrol bomb attacks.

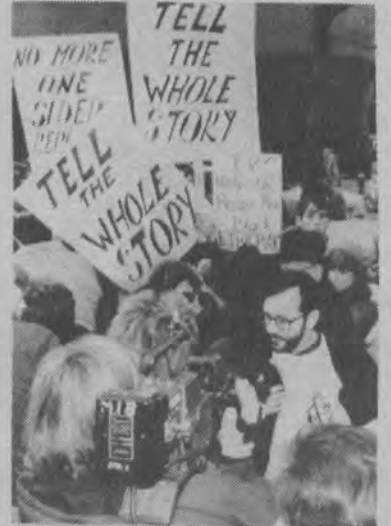
But because of the *intifada*, army reserve duty has been increased to 60 days this year and an additional \$500 million has been spent in the territories. Tourism has dropped by 8%, and there is a lack of labor in some sectors, especially the construction industry.

Most disturbing of all, however, has been the damage done to Israel's international image. Israel's liberal attitude to the foreign press has encouraged an orgy of coverage which has blown the *intifada* out of all proportion and has distorted individual incidents in

order to accentuate sensationalism.

Even in supposedly objective news coverage of street riots, Israelis are seen as the brutish Goliath and the Palestinians as the heroic David, stones in hand. The overall context of the Middle East situation is rarely featured by the media to provide balance, according to many.

It is difficult to assess the



Demonstrators outside the ABC building in New York protest what they call one-sided press coverage of the recent disturbances in Israel and the occupied territories. The Jewish Political Caucus said that the media, particularly television news, is biased against Israel.



A Palestinian youth, holding the outlawed Palestinian flag, prepares to throw a rock at unseen Israeli soldiers during rioting in Ramallah in March. (Photo credit: RNS)

overall damage that the *intifada* has done to Israel. Prime Minister Shamir, in a recent interview with the Jerusalem Post, asserted that "it has not triggered any deterioration in international relations." Shamir's Labor opponents, however, feel his outlook reflects wishful thinking. Nevertheless, there is a national consensus that the uprising cannot be tolerated. Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin of the Labor party, insists that eventual peace will be achieved through political negotiation and not through street violence.

The *intifada* has indeed changed perceptions on both left and right. Few now believe that Jews and Arabs can carry on living together within the "status quo" framework that existed from 1967 to 1987. Most believe that fresh solutions must be sought and the elections in November may decide whether those solutions have a more dovish or hawkish hue.



State Dept. Issues Terrorism Report

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Pro-Palestinian terrorists killed 295 people and wounded 770 in 1987, down from 450 deaths and 1,125 injuries in 1986, the State Department revealed in its annual report, "Patterns of Global Terrorism."

The 70-page report said that Israel, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip continued to be the primary target areas of Palestinian terrorists, with the number of incidents there representing 25 percent both of the 1986 worldwide total of 774 incidents and of the 1987 total of 832 attacks.

Since 1985, the total number of incidents throughout the Middle East has remained "fairly constant" each year, the report says, noting that in 1987, 45 percent of worldwide terrorist attacks occurred in the Middle East, down 1 percent from 1986.

The report warned, however, that "the potential for terrorist activity remains high," citing recent political developments such as the Palestinian uprising and what it called "the groundswell of Islamic fundamen-

talism throughout the Middle East."

On Terrorist acts committed by Jews, the report noted that the life sentences of three Jewish settlers convicted of murdering West Bank Arabs were reduced in March 1987.

According to the report, there was a decline in 1987 in Mideast-related terrorism in Western Europe — from 74 incidents in 1985 to 43 incidents in 1987.

The report for the first time profiled terrorist groups, in-

cluding their sources of funding. It said that under the November 1978 Arab League summit agreement, the Palestine Liberation Organization was to receive \$300 million annually between 1978 and 1988 from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Iraq, Libya and Algeria.

The report also contains a

chart noting which countries officially recognize the PLO. They include China, Afghanistan, Egypt, Kuwait, Austria, East Germany, Greece, Romania and the Soviet Union.

Quasi-official recognition of the PLO is granted by Japan, Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Italy and the Netherlands, according to the report.

Boycott Settled

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Chicago-based Sara Lee corporation has agreed to pay a \$725,000 penalty in order to settle charges that it violated U.S. anti-boycott laws.

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Calendars
By MARGA HIRSCH

At this season on the spiritual level we pray that we'll somehow become better people in the new year: less fallible, but no less human. In the liturgy of the Machzor and in our individual meditations, we pray for health and prosperity, wisdom, and peace. May all of our prayers be answered favorably! On the practical side, regardless of what the new year holds in store for us, we need new calendars to keep track of it.

For those who prefer a wall calendar, there are several with spaces large enough to note a busy schedule. All of these calendars include 16 months, from September, 1988, to the end of 1989. They indicate the Hebrew date for each day and the weekly Torah portion. They show national as well as Jewish holidays and provide a chart of Shabbat and holiday candle-lighting times. Some calendars also list the dates of the Jewish holidays for the next five years.

The Jewish Calendar 1989 (distributed by MacMillan, \$9.95) features photographs of Jewish ceremonial objects from the Skirball Museum of Hebrew Union College.

Folk Art from the Jewish Museum (distributed by St. Martin's Press, \$9.95) needs no description beyond its title.

Traditions 1989 (Silver Visions Publishing Co., Inc., P.O. Box 49, Newton Highlands, MA 02161, \$10.95) features photos by Robert Kaufman of ceremonial art and celebrations.

My Very Own Jewish Calendar (Kar-Ben Copies, Inc., 6800 Tildenwood Lane, Rockville, MD 20952. Tel. 1-800-4-KAR BEN, \$5.95) is prepared for children, but usable by the whole family. This calendar features facts, photos, recipes, projects, and trivia for each month. It is also available without illustrations in a 13-month jumbo desk pad version (7.95) and in a 12-month checkbook-size version (\$1.95).

For people who want a decorative wall calendar and who don't require write-in space, the Israeli publisher Palphot, Ltd. provides two choices: **The Ethiopian Bible Drawings Calendar** and **The Jewish Manuscripts Calendar**. Each of these calendars costs \$15.00. Another decorative calendar is **The Synagogue Calendar** (Oscar Israelowitz, P.O. Box 228, Brooklyn, NY 11229, \$10.95) which features photographs of synagogues around the world.

A calendar with an unusual theme is **The Jewish Vegetarian Year** (Micah Publications, 255 Humphrey St., Marblehead, MA 01945, \$7.95). This calendar reproduces its date pages from a standard-issue synagogue/kosher butcher-type calendar. The facing pages have vegetarian recipes and relevant quotations from traditional sources.

Finally, for people who prefer a week-by-week engagement calendar, there is **The Jewish Calendar 5749** (distributed by St. Martin's Press, \$8.95) prepared by Michael Strassfeld and Vicki Brower. There is an illustration or reading facing each week's calendar spaces. This year's theme is Jewish folk art.

A selection of the calendars listed here is available at the South Bay Bookstore, 814 Market Street Mall, in downtown Wilmington (tel. 652-1747). Your synagogue may distribute a calendar, and several local organizations have prepared calendars, including Hadassah and Chabad-Lubavitch of Delaware. If you cannot find the calendar you want in Wilmington, you can order one from the publishers listed above, or you can write or call either J. Levine Co., 5 West 30th St., N.Y.C. 10001 (212-695-6888) or the Israel Bookstore, 410 Harvard St., Brookline, MA 02146 (617-566-7113).

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NEW YORK (JTA) — The Jewish population in the United States grew slightly last year, though world Jewry showed "zero population growth," according to figures published in the 1988 American Jewish Yearbook.

The yearbook, published by the American Jewish Committee, estimates there were 5.94 million Jews in the United States in 1987, representing 2.5 percent of the overall U.S. population.

The most significant trend confirmed by the updated figures is the continuing growth of the Jewish populations in the Sun Belt and West Coast regions of the country. Conversely, 15 states cited a drop in Jewish population since 1986, with New York alone reporting a loss of nearly 20,000 Jews.

Still, New York remained the state with the highest Jewish concentration, with 1,891,400 Jews, comprising 10.6 percent of its total population. New Jersey followed with 427,000 Jews, or 5.7 percent of the state's total population.

The top 10 states in terms of absolute number of Jews were New York, California, Florida, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Illinois, Maryland, Ohio and Connecticut.

The yearbook also estimated the world's Jewish population to be slightly below 13 million as of 1986. About half of the world's Jews live in the Americas, with 46 percent in North America. Twenty-one percent live in Europe, including the Asian territories of the Soviet Union and Turkey.

Twenty-eight percent live in

Asia, nearly all of them in Israel. The book puts the number of Jews in Israel at 3,562,500 at the end of 1986, an increase of 1.3 percent annually over 1984.



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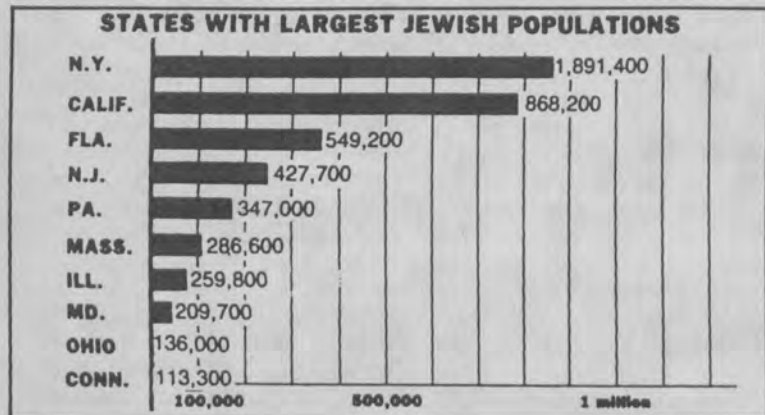
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Jewish Singles: Growth And Changes

By CAROL S. RUDNICK

The Jewish Singles 21-21 program has had a year of tremendous growth and change. Carol Rudnick became staff coordinator in August 1987 and Robin Kauffman served as chairperson until the spring of 1988, when Michael Cook assumed that position. Socially, the Singles group fills certain needs. Linda Schwab, an active participant, says that the Singles group is "a way to meet men and women who enjoy doing the same things I do; sharing laughter, good food, and interesting conversation." She expressed the importance of the "feeling of belonging among your Jewish peers."

This past October the Singles Chavurah program began as a support and leadership development group, but average attendance at monthly meetings in participants' homes has jumped from 12 to 20. Topics have included: assimilation, interfaith dating, recent events in Israel, parental expectations, what pleases and bothers singles about Judaism, Jewish sex-role stereotypes, Jewish sexual ethics, and matchmaking.

The second major development for Singles was the Super Sunday Singles Division Telethon held at the Federation office. This was the first time in Federation's history that singles held their own

telethon. Pledges from singles for that evening came in at a 517 percent increase for the same contributors from last year. Follow-up calls were also made, and the total raised was \$16,573, an overall increase of 38 percent.

Recently, the Shabbat Subcommittee was formed to help singles feel more comfortable when attending services. Representatives from each of the synagogues are available to attend services with newcomers, introduce them to the congregants, answer ques-

tions, and "schmooz" during the Oneg. The first Singles Shabbat was held at Congregation Beth Shalom in June with over 25 in attendance and with Sub-committee members participating in the service.

Singles are now serving on Federation committees and boards of Jewish agencies and their committees. Agencies in which there is now Singles participation include Jewish Family Service, Hillel, JCC Teen Committee, Holocaust Education Committee, and the Soviet Jewry Task Force. In ad-

dition, 5 singles became youth group advisors, one edited and narrated the 1988 Campaign film, one serves as kashrut consultant for Singles events, 2 attended the '88 UJA Young Leadership conference, 2 assisted the Teens of Delaware with "Anything Goes", and 4 participated in the '88 UJA Winter Singles Mission to Israel this past February.

The Singles' Mission gave each participant the opportunity to meet other Jewish singles from all over the U.S., who share common Jewish concerns and a commitment to Judaism. "The trip gave me a true appreciation of what it means to have a Jewish homeland," commented Howard Belfer who participated in this year's Singles Mission. He noted the "importance of Israel to the Jewish people around the world."

Although the group was in Israel during the early stages of the uprising, the trip was little affected. One side trip was cancelled, and the entire group of 46 participants witnessed a lifting of curfew with subsequent tire burning in Jericho. They remarked that walking through the Arab market enroute to the Wall was rather eerie, as the market was completely shut down with soldiers on patrol.

"As we got closer to the Wall, we were joined by Josef Begun



Michael Cook

and his party. He was also on his way to the Wall for the first time. When I wished him 'Shalom!', I considered the sense of great expectation he must have felt; he exuded such a sense of fulfillment and joy," reflected Carol Rudnick.

In summing up the goals of the Jewish singles project, Cook called it a "vehicle for building Jewish community, leadership involvement and agency support in a way that satisfies the needs of the individual and collective Jewish singles, so that the chain of Jewish religion, heritage, and family continues to survive, strengthen, and grow."



Howard Belfer, of the Wilmington Singles Mission, meets with a Russian immigrant in Jerusalem. (Photo credit: UJA Press Service)

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Stone Documents Reveal Family History

By MIRIAM WEINER

For centuries, Jews have made the traditional pilgrimage to cemeteries to honor and remember their loved ones during Elul, the month preceding Rosh HaShanah. When you find the gravestones of your ancestors, paper and microfilmed records about the individuals become more meaningful. You even may discover previously unknown relatives buried nearby.

The stone markers, *matsevoth*, frequently carry precise dates and information on relatives that are not preserved by any other means. Because these stones are vulnerable to time, vandals and, in some cases, the land developer, it is essential that the data be compiled and carefully preserved for future generations.

A few years ago, while looking for a grave in an Albany cemetery for a member of the Rabkin family (my maternal grandfather), I made a discovery that enabled me to identify my great-grandmother, whose name was previously unknown to me. Ultimately, I was able to learn the names of her parents, as well. As I

wandered a few feet from the grave I came to visit, I was astounded to see an old stone, hardly legible, inscribed "*Hilda Odnopoz died March 26, 1912.*" The Hebrew inscription read:

"For those we cry, on the demise of our mother, the elderly and pious Mrs. Hode Odnopoz, daughter of Reb Dovid Moshe, interred the 5th of the month Nissan, the year 5672. May her soul be bound up with those of Everlasting Life."

I photographed the tombstone and immediately obtained a copy of the death certificate from the local vital records office which contained the names of Hode's parents, Dovid Moshe Retshinsky and Sarah Zolotinsky.

Thereafter, I was able to determine that Hode lived one short block from her daughter, Miriam Odnopozov Rabkin, my grandmother. I was even able to photograph the exact house, which was still standing after all these years.

Long ago, I asked my mother, Helen, for whom she was named. She did not know. My grandmother died when my mother was still a child and

there were many unanswered questions. When I discovered the tombstone and saw that her grandmother was named Hode and had died one year prior to my mother's birth, that question finally was answered.

Tombstones make biographical and historical statements as they reflect family life. Our Jewish heritage is reflected in gravestones all over the world dating from the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries.

In the 17th, 18th and 19th centuries, the tombstone was very symbolic and included more information than the name and date of death. Often a description of a man's life, his occupation, his town and other interesting items would be included. A woman's tombstone would include such information as name, date, mother/wife, name of father, a woman of valor and a symbol.

In earlier times, symbols played an important role as tombstone markers. The earliest markers are in the Roman-Jewish catacombs, a rock vault burial chamber with a painted ceiling, pagan symbols and a menorah. The inscriptions are in Greek and Roman.

Up until the 20th century, tombstones were written mainly in Hebrew and sometimes in Yiddish. The trend in 20th-century America is to have bilingual or all English inscriptions giving an impersonal characterization to the stone. One might see only the words *mother* or *father* with no names, or very simplified versions of what used to be documentation. There may be a headstone with only a family name and an abbreviated version on a footstone with very little information.

Various symbols have been used over the years. Among them are a pitcher or jug (Levite), blessing hands (Kohen), books or an open book (a learned man or author), an ark with Torah (a rabbinic authority), menorah (female), and a Star of David (male). In some cemeteries, children are buried in a separate section and the symbolism used there might be a lamb, a broken tree trunk, or a bed.

Animals usually stand for a name: dove (Jonah), bear (Dov), lion (Aryeh, Judah, Leo); fish (Fischel), eagle (Adler), rooster (Hahn). Other symbols include birds (soul), broken

lilies (young child), broken candle (early death).

The epitaph could be a sentence, a poem or a brief biography. Some expressions denote the nature or position of the deceased within the community.

Cemetery records are among the most important genealogical sources. In addition to the valuable data found on tombstone inscriptions, mortuary records, obituaries and governmental archives for military burials should not be overlooked.

Some sources for mortuary names are death certificates, synagogue or burial society records, family interviews, cemetery records, newspaper clippings and a listing of mortuaries near "the old neighborhood" in the local telephone directory. Mortician's records are indexed in several ways: some by last name, others by date of death and still others by burial plot.

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Next House Likely To Be Strong On Israel

By HOWARD ROSENBERG (JTA) — The November elections are not likely to produce a major shift in voting patterns on Israel in the U.S. House of Representatives, analysts say, if incumbents are re-elected with the same 98 percent success rate that they achieved in the 1986 races.

Analysts point out, however, that the PACs awarded \$280,288 in the first three months of this year, following disbursements totaling \$1,159,781 in 1987.

The presidential race is not the focus of the pro-Israel PACs. Richard Altman, executive director of National PAC, which led the 17 PACs with \$377,500 in campaign contributions through March 31, said congressional elections "count the most" in influencing U.S. policy toward Israel, since a \$5,000 contribution to a presidential campaign

is just a drop in the bucket.

National PAC did award Vice President George Bush \$5,000 for good measure. Massachusetts Gov. Michael Dukakis, the likely Democratic nominee, does not accept PAC money.

Donations to 130 Members

In the 435-seat House of Representatives, the pro-Israel PACs so far have awarded money to more than 130 members and two dozen challengers. They generally contribute to lawmakers on the committees affecting Israel, which are Appropriations, Armed Services, Budget and Foreign Affairs.

Other key members in leadership positions also traditionally receive contributions. Through March 31, House Speaker Jim Wright (D-Tex.) received \$8,000, and Minority Leader Robert Michel (R-Ill.) received \$6,000 from the 17 PACs.

Also, members who routinely approve foreign aid packages and oppose weapons sales often receive pro-Israel PAC contributions. On the most recent vote affecting Israel, the PACs gave funds to just three of the 90 who voted against the 1989 foreign aid bill.

They were Reps. Byron Dorgan (D-N.D.) and Richard Stallings (D-Idaho), who were awarded a total of \$2,500, and Patrick Swindall (R-Ga.), who received \$1,500.

The \$14.3 billion bill, which was approved 328-90 on May 25, included \$3 billion in economic and military assistance to Israel.

In the November elections, House incumbents sympathetic to Israel who are considered vulnerable include Reps. Jack Davis (R-Ill.), a first-term member of the Armed Services Committee; Vin Weber (R-Minn.), a member of

the Appropriations Committee; Jack Buechner (R-Mo.), a member of the Budget Committee, who was the only new Republican elected to the House in 1986; and James McClure Clarke (D-N.C.), a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, who won by a narrow 2,435 votes in 1986.

Rep. Wayne Owens (D-Utah) is considered the only member of the Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Middle East in trouble this year. Owens' Republican challenger, Richard Snelgrove, is well known in the Beehive State because of his gourmet ice cream stores there.

Non-Vulnerable Incumbents

Additional incumbents not yet vulnerable but who are receiving PAC support are Reps. Peter Kostmayer (R-Pa.), a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, who won by 15,596 votes in 1986; first-term

member George Hochbrueckner (D-N.Y.); Joseph DiGuardi (R-N.Y.), who will face one of three Democrats, including Hamilton Fish III; and Mike Espy (D-Miss.), a member of the Budget Committee, who won by 4,691 votes. Espy, who is black, received \$12,000 from the PACs, one of the highest totals awarded in House races.

Other significant sums awarded to House members by the 17 PACs include \$11,000 to Rep. John Miller (R-Wash.), a Jew who won on absentee ballots in 1986. Miller, a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, will once again face Reese Lindquist, whom he defeated by 3,124 votes two years ago.

Another Jew, Rep. Sam Gejdenson (D-Conn.), who was born in a displaced persons camp in Germany after the Holocaust, received \$9,500 from the PACs. Morris Amitay, treasurer of the Washington PAC, said he would be "shocked" if Gejdenson, also a member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, lost, although he said the lawmaker has been "a little casual in terms of fund raising."

In a race for an open seat in Nebraska, both Jews lost in the primaries. Alice Milder, a Republican, received \$8,000 from the PACs, while the wife of former Sen. Edward Zorinsky (D-Neb.), Cece Zorinsky, lost in the Democratic primary. She received \$2,500 from the PAC's.

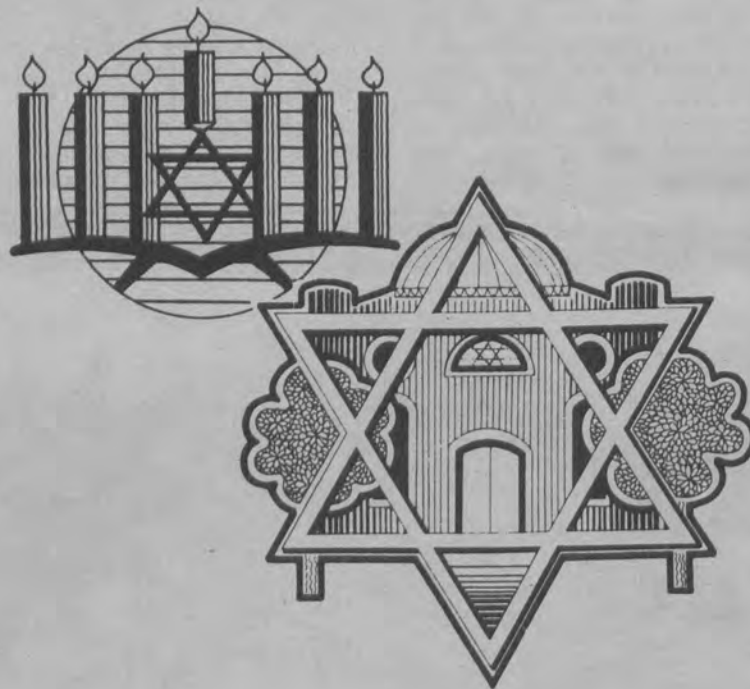
Unsympathetic Incumbents

Despite the 98-percent reelection success rate of incumbents, the pro-Israel PACs are hoping to knock off a few unsympathetic members of the House, including Rep. Ron Marlenee (R-Mont.), whom Amitay termed "totally negative" on Israel. His Democratic challenger, rancher Buck O'Brien, received \$1,500 from the PACs. O'Brien attended the American Israel Public Affairs Committee's 29th annual policy conference last month.

Rep. James Hensen (R-Utah) is "bad" on Israel, one analyst said, hoping that Democratic challenger Gunn McKay, a representative from 1978 to 1980, wins that race. McKay, who lost to Hensen by 5,037 votes in 1984, received \$500 from Washington PAC.

The PACs awarded money to nine of the 23 black members of the House. Besides Espy (whose \$12,000 was the largest amount received among this group), other black members to receive funding were Reps. Mickey Leland (D-Texas), \$6,500; William Gray III (D-Pa.), \$6,000; Julian Dixon (D-Calif.), \$5,000; Major Owens (D-N.Y.), \$5,000; Cardiss Collins (D-Ill.), \$3,000; John Lewis (D-Ga.), \$1,800; Louis Stokes

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Voting On Jewish Issues: Bentsen Vs Quayle

WASHINGTON (JTA) — While both vice presidential candidates are considered strong on Israel, neither of them was at the forefront in fighting for pro-Israel measures on and off the floor of the Senate, an analysis of their voting records shows.

Pro-Israel activists credit Sen. Dan Quayle (R-Ind.) with playing a key role on the Senate Armed Services Committee in helping gain funding for joint U.S.-Israeli research on strategic defense, common-

measure would tie conferral of most-favored-nation status on the Soviet Union to overall Kremlin compliance with the 1975 Helsinki Accords, and not just to the treaty's emigration standards.

On arms sales to Arab countries, they were not as consistently opposed to them as colleagues like Packwood and Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii). But Bentsen has opposed most of the key arms sales to Arab countries, while Quayle has not.

sale that prodded Reagan to remove the Mavericks from the arms package.

On foreign aid, both have less than perfect records, although Bentsen has been more likely to vote for a foreign aid package. But pro-Israel activists said Quayle, who opposes allocations to multilateral organizations and to some countries in the bills, has told them he would vote for foreign aid to Israel if it were to receive its money on a separate vote.

On July 7, Quayle opposed the most recent foreign aid appropriations bill, along with about 14 colleagues. An analyst added that Quayle opposed two of the six most important foreign aid bills since he was elected to the Senate in 1980, and that he "almost always" opposed foreign aid bills while in the House.

Bentsen, by comparison, supported 20 of the 32 major foreign aid votes while in the Senate. He voted against six of them and did not vote on six others.

On the potpourri of related Jewish issues:

the most basic issues — resistance to Communism, support for human rights, willingness to take risks for genuine peace, close cooperation on the most sensitive security matters — Israel and the United States have worked side by side," Bentsen said.

Quayle's most recent Senate action relating to Israel came July 27, when he released a

study compiled by his staff on the dangers of nuclear proliferation, based on recent news reports.

He spoke along with Sen. Robert Dole (R-Kan.) before passage — by a 97-0 vote — of a resolution calling on the People's Republic of China to halt the sale of ballistic missiles and other offensive weapons to the Middle East and Persian Gulf.



The Republicans: Dan Quayle and George Bush.

ly known as "Star Wars."

They said Quayle helped set the cost-sharing formula for research on the Arrow anti-tactical ballistic missile, whereby the United States pays 80 percent and Israel 20 percent of the cost.

Sen. Lloyd Bentsen (D-Texas) gets the credit, the Israeli activists said, for his role in implementing the 1985 U.S.-Israel Free Trade Area agreement.

Also, as Senate Finance Committee Chairman, Bentsen co-sponsored an amendment to the Trade Bill this year with Sen. Robert Packwood (R-Ore.) that protects the agreement against protectionist measures in the Trade Bill itself.

On domestic issues, Bentsen gets more favorable marks from the largely Democratic Jewish activists, who held their monthly meeting here on August 17, while the Republican National Convention was taking place in New Orleans. The consensus from the group was that both Vice President George Bush and Gov. Michael Dukakis picked two of the more conservative members of their respective parties.

On the issue of abortion, Bentsen defends women's rights, unlike Quayle, who opposes it and even voted Sept. 30, 1987 to oppose the use of federal funds for abortions in cases of rape and incest.

Both have supported a constitutional amendment favoring prayer in public schools.

On Soviet Jewry, Bentsen opposes, while Quayle supports, the amendment by conservative colleague Sen. James McClure (R-Idaho) that some Jewish activists feel might gut the 1974 Jackson-Vanik Amendment. McClure's



The Democrats: Lloyd Bentsen and Michael Dukakis.

*In 1981, Quayle helped President Reagan gain approval for the sale of AWACS surveillance planes to Saudi Arabia, while Bentsen opposed it.

*In 1985, both sponsored a "sense of the Senate" resolution opposing a sale of advanced weapons to Jordan until it began peace negotiations with Israel. Bentsen, and not Quayle, later joined 74 colleagues in formally opposing it.

*In 1986, Quayle backed an arms sale to Saudi Arabia before and after Reagan vetoed a congressional effort to block it. Bentsen originally opposed it and was the first Democrat on the override vote to switch to the President's side. Pro-Israel analysts said they did not consider the vote on the override a "key vote," since the most objectionable component of the sale, Stinger missiles, had been removed.

*Neither signed a joint resolution in June 1987 opposing the sale of 1,600 Maverick "D" missiles to Saudi Arabia, and in September, neither was among the 68 senators who signed a letter opposing the

*Both co-sponsored New York Sen. Daniel Moynihan's 1987 Senate bill to move the U.S. Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

*In 1985, Bentsen and Quayle both urged Reagan not to visit the military cemetery in Bitburg, West Germany, where members of the Waffen SS are buried.

*Bentsen supported a 1987 bill to allow Jews in the military to wear yarmulkes; Quayle opposed it.

*Both co-sponsored the 1987 bill to close the Palestine Liberation Organization's U.S. offices.

*Neither were among the 30 senators signing the March letter to Secretary of State George Shultz supporting his then-promising peace initiative that in part criticized Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir as an obstacle to peace.

In April, to celebrate Israel's 40th anniversary, Bentsen gave his final speech on Israel before his selection for the Democratic ticket.

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Poll Finds Jewish Israelis Favor Transfer Of Arabs

By CATHRINE GERSON
JERUSALEM (JTA) — Jewish Israelis appear to have broken through a long-held taboo by indicating that they believe in the transfer of Arabs from the Israeli-administered territories.

According to the results of a poll published in The

Jerusalem Post Friday, 49 percent of Jewish Israeli adults believe that transfer of the Arab population of the Israeli-administered territories would allow the democratic and Jewish nature of Israel to be maintained. Of that 49 percent, nearly two out of three said they intended to vote for the

Likud party over Labor.

This most recent poll was conducted in late June as part of a continuing survey by the Israeli Institute of Applied Social Research and Communication Institute of the Hebrew University. The results indicate that the subject of transferring Arabs from the administered territories is no longer taboo. According to a front-page article in Friday's Jerusalem Post, the word "transfer" was virtually unmentionable until a few months ago.

The timing of the change in the willingness of Israelis to even consider the subject of transfer seems to run parallel with the Palestinian uprising.

The respondents were not asked directly if they favor transfer, but "if the territories remain under Israeli rule, what should be done to preserve the democratic character of the state?" Of those asked, 21 percent were in favor of "giving

rights to Arabs," 40 percent favored causing "Arabs to leave (transfer)," 28 percent favored the alternative to "relinquish territories," and 3 percent did not think that democratic character was important.

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Depression



By **ARNOLD LIEBERMAN**
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The National Institute of Mental Health recently launched a public education campaign on depressive illnesses. The campaign, whose slogan is "Depression - Define It, Defeat It," is part of the Institute's Depression/Awareness, Recognition, and Treatment (D/ART) ongoing program.

Depressive illnesses affect about ten million people annually, and it is essential that people be made aware of the symptoms and the treatment. Clinical depression, when recognized, can usually be treated effectively with drug or psychosocial therapies, or a

combination of both. Although more than 80 percent of persons suffering from depression could be successfully treated, only about 30 percent receives any form of treatment.

Among the many misconceptions about depression is the idea that it is just a case of the blues, and that it will go away eventually. Another is that the disorder is due to personal weakness that a person can overcome by "snapping out of it."

The symptoms of depression are many and varied, but generally are marked by a loss of interest or pleasure in all, or almost all, usual activities or pastimes. Some other common symptoms include: insomnia, chronic tiredness, decreased attention span, irritability, less active or talkative than usual, feeling sorry for self, tearfulness, and recurrent thoughts of death or suicide.

It is important that the diagnosis be made by a qualified professional. The term "depressed" has gained common usage in our society. Everyone is depressed at times, and often appropriately so, but they may not be "clinically depressed," and it makes a difference.

We at Jewish Family Service can answer questions, help with a diagnosis, make refer-

als, and offer treatment when appropriate. It is certainly better to seek help than to suffer,

but it doesn't always turn out that way, as noted earlier in this article. Call us at 478-9411.

Dear Rachel,

I am embarrassed to write you about my problem, but it is something I can't talk to anyone about. My mother expects me to drive my grandmother to the cemetery for services. My grandmother is a regular old lady the rest of the time, but in the cemetery she really freaks me out. She throws herself on my grandfather's grave. She has hysterics. She talks to him for almost an hour like he is really there. Pop Pop died 14 years ago. Is this weird or is this weird?! I wish I could be a million miles away when she gets like that. Afterwards she gets up, dries her eyes, and expects to be driven home like nothing happened. Actually, she seems almost happy. I have considered refusing to go or offering to drive her at a time other than the community services, but I don't think either my mother or my grandmother could understand. So what do I do?

Rest in Peace?

Dear R.I.P.,

Those of us who have absorbed the American value of "keeping a stiff upper lip" forget that older generations of Jews were less inhibited about

expressing their feelings. During the High Holidays, it was not uncommon for people to wail and cry and even faint as they contemplated with awe the past and the future. Your grandmother's behavior would probably have made perfect sense to your grandfather.

Don't forget that your grandfather was a large part of your grandmother's life. Even after 14 years, she undoubtedly wishes she could share the milestones, the *naches* and the *tsuris* with him. Raw emotions can be embarrassing to bystanders, but it is very healthy for your grandmother to stay connected with the whole of her life. Since she seems to be a "regular old lady" the rest of the time, let her do her thing. Share your concern with your mother. Perhaps the two of you can work something out that will leave both you and your grandmother feeling good.

Rachel
Send letters to "Rachel, c/o Jewish Family Service, 101 Garden of Eden Rd., Wilmington, DE 19803." Names and details will be altered in published letters to protect your privacy.

Survivor Witnesses Sought

The U.S. Justice Department Office of Special Investigations (OSI) has contacted the Jewish Federation JCRC through the anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith requesting assistance in locating survivor witnesses in connection with a pending deportation action.

The OSI would like to interview persons who were imprisoned at the Nazi-concentration camps of Kattowitz (also

known as Eintrachthutte) or Gleiwitz I between November 1943 and January 1945. These camps were subcamps within the Auschwitz system.

Replies to this request should be addressed to Michael S. Bernstein, Assistant Deputy Director, Office of Special Investigations, Criminal Division Bond Building, 1400 New York Avenue, Washington, D.C. 20530, (202) 786-5005.

Desecrated Torah Books Buried

Jerusalem (JTA) — In accordance with Jewish custom, Torah books that were damaged and desecrated by the Nazis in Hungary during World War II were brought to Jerusalem for burial. The remains were carried in pottery jars by members of the *chevra kadisha*, the burial society, to the place of interment on the Mount of Olives last month.

The books were shipped to Israel by the Menora organization and the Religious Affairs Ministry. Zvi Fixler, president of the Orthodox Jewish community in Budapest, apologized for the condition of the books, which were all that could be saved.

Moshe Moskovits, chairman of Menora, said negotiations were going on with other East European countries to bring Torah books to Israel.

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Mideast Primer

PLO: No Surprises

By IRV BRESLAUER

The recent proposal by Bassam Abu Sharif, an aide to Yasir Arafat, calling for direct negotiations with Israel, as well as a referendum among the Arabs in the occupied territories, met with total rejection by the leaders of the various PLO factions involved in the current uprisings. That should come as no surprise to anyone who knows the history of those factions.



The Palestine Liberation Organization was founded in 1964 when Egypt controlled Gaza and Jordan controlled the West Bank, including Jerusalem. It was established under the chairmanship of an Egyptian lackey, Ahmed Shukairy, supported by Egypt and manned by Gaza residents. Its avowed purpose, described in its covenant, was to rid Palestine of the Zionist entity, Israel.

Not to be outdone, additional units with similar names were established by Palestinians in Syria, Jordan, Iraq and Lebanon; the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, Al Fatah Uprising, The Popular Struggle Front, Partisans of the Islamic Revolution in Palestine, The Arab Liberation Army and The Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.

In addition numerous other smaller, terrorist groups of rigid ideologues sprang up after the defeat of Syria and Egypt in 1967. Their history has been spiked with terrorist acts: arson, hijacking, assassination, murder of women and children and bombings, in Israel and elsewhere.

Although bitter squabbles among those terrorist groups resulted from personal rivalries among their leaders and conflict with the host countries, as well as genuine ideological differences among them, a singular goal kept them united. Destruction of the State of

Israel permitted their attendance at a National Palestine Council meeting in Cairo in 1968.

It was at that meeting that Yasir Arafat took control of the organization and a revised Palestine National Covenant was approved. That covenant, which, in various sections, calls for the elimination of the State of Israel has never been retracted or criticized by any Palestinian spokesperson. Even Bassam Abu Sharif, whose boldly stated proposal resulted in his denunciation by several PLO factions and the call by them for his trial as a traitor, even he did not refute the covenant.

What his proposal did was point up the fact that moderation, stabilization, negotiation or conciliation would not be tolerated by the collective PLO leadership. His brave assertion that Palestinians want lasting peace for themselves and the Israelis, "because no one can build his own future on the ruins of another's" was described as deviationism by hard-line Arab leaders and rejected out of hand.

Editor's Note: Irv Breslauer, a retired U.S. Air Force officer, lived for a year in Israel, and coordinated the local observance of Israel's 40th anniversary for the Jewish Community Relations Council of St. Louis. The 'Mideast Primer' is feature which seeks to clarify the complex issues of the Mideast conflict.

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Carl Alpert

Israel's 12 Major Problems

By CARL ALPERT

Haifa — This is the time of year when we engage in retrospective moral stock-taking and make our plans for a better year. On the national level, too, the Israeli contemplates the year ahead, and the problems which will face the country. In our annual Yom Kippur review of such problems this year we find that some previously listed have disappeared, and new ones have taken their place.

The following are the major issues which Israel must face in the year ahead, given in the order of their significance, as we see them:

1. **The Intifida**, the Arab street revolts in Judea, Samaria and Gaza. Begun almost spontaneously, they have become a way of life to harass the Israeli authorities. Exaggerated media reports have transformed them into a public relations weapon with which to beat Israel, thereby serving to encourage their continuation.

2. **National elections**, to be held on November 1, will determine who will control the government, Labor or Likud, and determine its policies on many of the vital issues listed

here. Or perhaps there will again be a near deadlock, preventing effective action one way or another.

3. **The search for peace**. Israel's deep desire for peace runs strong in all its political parties. The problems are created by Arab extremism which seeks to destroy Israel, differences of opinion at home between the so-called doves and hawks as to how to achieve that peace, the new situation in the Persian gulf, and pressures for international intervention.

4. **The Israel health system**. A malfunctioning of the country's health system, controlled by the government and the Histadrut, resulted in a prolonged series of disgraceful and immoral strikes by physicians, nurses, hospital administrative staff and pharmacists. The helpless ill and aged were the principal victims. Only a thorough and basic reorganization of the system can lead to a solution.

5. **Highway accidents**. The deadly toll on the roads continues to mount from month to month. Occasional spasms of indignation and activity are followed by public apathy. Perhaps what is required is a

single determined and charismatic crusader who will mobilize public opinion and needle the authorities into all the many steps which must be taken.

6. **Economic situation**. Some inefficient industries have been closed and others are being pressed into administrative reorganization. On the whole, the line is still being held against runaway inflation, despite pressures by vested interests of both capital and labor. The diagnosis is qualifiedly encouraging.

7. **Internal religious conflicts**. Dominance of Orthodoxy in public life is being challenged not only by secular interests, but also by the Reform and the Conservative. At times the conflict appears to be only simmering on a low flame, but all the elements are present for a conflagration and blowup.

8. **Immigration**. The trickle of new immigrants is still a cause for deep concern. Jews who want to come to Israel are not permitted to do so, and those who are free to come, don't want to. One suggestion that has been offered: Make aliyah a major world campaign. Another: Make Israel more at-

tractive for newcomers.

9. **Tourism**. One of the country's major industries has been sharply affected by what is called "the situation." Europeans, and especially Germans and Christians, are still drawn to the Holy Land, but American Jews have fallen victim to exaggerated fears, oblivious of the fact that there is more violence and more danger in their own cities than are to be found in Israel.

10. **Relations with the U.S.** Bush or Dukakis, Republicans or Democrats, which will be better for Israel? It will only be long after the November 9th elections in the U.S. that Israel will be able to determine, on the basis of actions from Washington, what change if any will take place in the relations between the two coun-

tries.

11. **Water**. This is a perennial on our list. In the short term, the crisis seems to have passed, but in the long run, Israel is still dangerously close to annual consumption of all its water resources. Any increase in use, or any decrease in resources, like a prolonged drought, could be catastrophic.

12. **Yerida**. The brain-drain out of Israel, offset to an extent by an increase in the number of returnees, continues to be harmful to the national economy, as well as embarrassing and morally eroding. Yet freedom of movement is a hallmark of democracy.

A dozen thought-provoking problems. Will any of them be closer to solution when we review and revise this list next year?

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**Employee Sues Auto
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Of Anti-Semitism**

By ANDREW
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NEW YORK (JTA) — The eastern regional manager of Korean-based Hyundai Motor America has been accused of a "willful and malicious" practice of discriminatory behavior directed against Jews, women and blacks, according to related cases filed in state and federal courts. Allegations in a New Jersey state Superior Court suit by Susan Tetley, an employee at the car company's Cranbury, N.J., regional office, form the basis of a second federal suit in New York.

In both suits, Tetley attributes to regional manager Ed Gormley references to a personal "rating system" of employees and car dealers. According to the system, whites are accorded "ones," "niggers" "twos" and Jews "threes." Tetley joined the company in 1985 as a senior secretary. Although now a facilities supervisor, she claims in her suit that Hyundai failed in its promises to promote her to administrative manager "on the basis that she is Jewish and female."

According to Tetley's court papers and statements she made to the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, Gormley refused to hire blacks and deliberately decreased the number of Jews receiving auto dealerships. Furthermore, Tetley quoted Gormley as saying that there are "too many Jews" among Hyundai dealers and that he attempted to "reduce the percentage." Gormley did not return repeated phone calls to his office in New Jersey.

Tetley's allegations are included in a separate court deposition in connection with a case by Tom Nemet, a Queens,

N.Y., auto dealer who charges that the company denied him a dealership because he is Jewish.

Nemet's breach-of-contract suit, originally filed in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of New York in May 1987, alleged that Hyundai had denied Nemet an automobile franchise despite his apparent qualifications. The suit asks that Hyundai give him the dealership and pay damages amounting to the profits he would have earned had he not been denied the dealership two years ago. The suit was amended under New York's anti-discrimination laws in June, after Tetley's allegations came to light.

According to her deposition, Tetley heard Gormley refer to Mr. Nemet as "that — Jewish bastard" and quoted him as saying that Nemet "is never going to be a dealer as long as I'm regional manager." According to Tetley, Gormley, in a reference to Jews, said, "I understand why they exterminate all of them." Hyundai is treating the cases separately in its response to the allegations.

According to Ted Kade, public relations manager at the company's U.S. headquarters in Garden Grove, Calif., Gormley was issued a reprimand for alleged statements in September 1987. However, said Kade, "any bias attributed to Mr. Gormley has not played any role in his action towards employees, dealers or prospective dealers." Kade said Hyundai neither condoned nor practiced "any type of discrimination," and will be vindicated.

The regional manager "is no longer with the company," according to a spokesman for the Korean-based auto maker, who declined further comment because of pending litigation.

Senate To Allow Missions

WASHINGTON (JTA) — The Senate voted last month to allow the State Department to build the new diplomatic facilities it wants in Tel Aviv, as long as it constructs comparable compounds in Jerusalem. The measure, sponsored by Sen. Jesse Helms (R-N.C.) and adopted by voice vote as an amendment to the State Department's 1989 appropriations bill, is intended to force a future U.S. president to decide whether to recognize Tel Aviv or Jerusalem as Israel's capital.

Israel had declared Jerusalem its capital. But the vast majority of nations with

whom it has diplomatic relations, including the United States, maintain their embassies in Tel Aviv.

Under the Senate bill, the U.S. structures would have to be designed in a way that "equally preserves the ability of the United States to locate its ambassador or its consul general at either site, consistent with U.S. policy."

The amendment also requires both structures to open at the same time and prevents the State Department from announcing which site will serve as the embassy until construction on at least one of the facilities is close to completion.

Happy New Year

'Drummer Boys' Meet In Moscow

By JOSEPH SMUKLER

One of the earliest recollections is a toy drum. It was my first possession. Tucked in my mind is the perception that it was somehow very important. For nearly 60 years, that image has flickered in my conscious. Two months ago in Moscow, it became my central focus. I was sitting in the dining room of the National Hotel, looking out on the Kremlin. Across the table from me were two engaging young people, Alexander Shmukler and Alla, his wife.

My wife, Connie, and I have been activists in the Soviet Jewry advocacy movement for close to 20 years. Both of us have been to the Soviet Union on a number of occasions on behalf of that movement. About a year ago, we came across the names of Alexander and Alla Shmukler on a list of Soviet refuseniks. The name is not that uncommon. There have, in the past, been other refuseniks bearing that surname.

A while later, I was in the Soviet Union for an International Bar Association seminar on human rights. Connie had been refused a visa, so I went alone.

Mutual friends had given us glowing reports about the Shmuklers and the leadership role they were taking in the

refusenik movement. Alex, along with two other prominent Moscow refuseniks, had recently founded the Association of Friendship Between the USSR and Israel. I asked to meet with them, and arrangements were made.

We were to meet in front of the Intourist Hotel on Gorky Street, and though the sidewalk was crowded, I knew them immediately. They were handsome, vibrant, smiling and warm. Alex immediately said that it seemed to him that we had met somewhere before. He is 28 and earns his living teaching chess. Alla is 27, a pianist who conducts a children's orchestra. They live in Moscow.

They applied for exit visas on 1985 and were refused in 1986. Alex lost his professional work as a welding engineer. They have one son, Geisha, age 7. We sat and spoke of the similarities of our names and joked of the coincidence of a "Shmukler" refusenik and a "Smukler" Soviet Jewry activist. Alex commented that his grandfather had seen my name in *Izvestia* in April 1977, in relation to the accusations against Anatoly Sharansky, and he had wondered if we might be from the same family.

My father had come to the

United States in 1923 at age 24, after having been wounded and gassed while serving in the Russian army on the Galician front during World War I. He had been born in Zaslavl, a town in eastern Volhynia, the Ukraine. My mother had come from Novazipkov in Byelorussia. They met while learning English at night school in Philadelphia and married in 1927. I was born in 1928.

My father had six brothers, all of whom immigrated to America. I remember my grandfather, who had brought over the seven brothers. He had a fish store in

pogrom, during which she was raped in the presence of several of her children, among whom was my father. That event forever tormented him and his youngest brother, who thereafter never wore a white shirt because of the recollection of the white sheets that covered his mother after the attack.

No one in the American part of the family had ever had communication with whatever part of the family might have remained in Russia. The cord had been severed when the last brother arrived in America in 1923.

for an instant. I was lifting a glass of wine to my lips as Alex's voice droned on, reading unfamiliar names of long lost ancestors from his family, when they had left their hometown of Zaslavl. Everything stopped with that word.

I recall the glass trembling in my hand. He looked at me and stopped reading. I asked him to repeat the name of the town, and he clearly said Zaslavl. There could be no mistake. Our families were from the same town. We put our hands out to one another across the table in sudden recognition that we must be indeed related.

After that moment of silence, he asked slowly, "Were you given a toy drum when you were born? I was given one, and my son, Geisha, was given one when he was born. Were you given one?" I remember my heart racing. Stories told to me more than a half-century ago by my grandfather in Philadelphia rushed breathlessly from my mouth. They were the same stories that Alex had been told by his grandfather in Moscow.

We were both descended from the drummer boy. In the middle of the 19th century, a Jewish boy from Zaslavl was taken into the czar's army. He

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In the middle of the 19th century, a young Jewish boy from Zaslavl was taken into the czar's army. He became a drummer boy. He had performed some act of incredible bravery . . . From then on, every son, at birth, was given a toy drum.

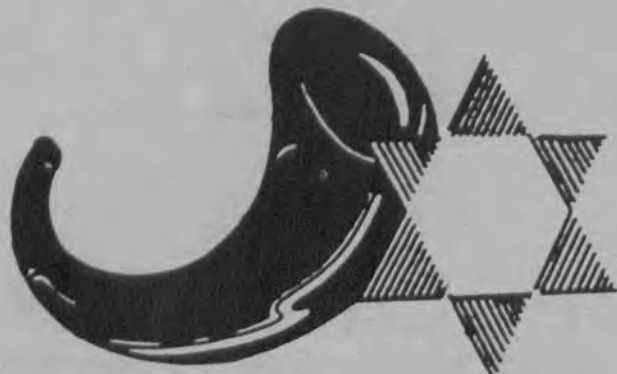
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Philadelphia's Strawberry Mansion neighborhood, where I grew up. He always told me we came from a family that had been fishermen and fish sellers.

I never knew my father's mother. She died following a

I had told Alex the family story, and he pulled out a notebook with family information, given him by his grandfather, Joseph, age 85. I remember the moment precisely. Everything seemed to shift to slow motion and then stop

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Israel's Economic Year: Stability & Sustained Growth

(WZPS) The past year has been characterized by continued expansion in the private sector and an ongoing crisis in the public sector. In spite of the Arab uprising in the territories, there has not been a recession, an initially feared, though there has been an inevitable slowdown in growth. Economic stability has been maintained and exports have soared to record levels.

Perhaps the major achievement in the last year has been continued public expenditure restraint, despite the fact that this is an election year. But there has been enormous industrial strife as a result, with strikes and sanctions for higher pay and sit-ins to prevent factory closures.

The best known victim of public expenditure cuts was the Lavi fighter jet. After the withdrawal of American financial support for this prestigious project, development of the aircraft became an enormous burden with a further billion dollars needed. A close cabinet vote decided that the Lavi was a luxury Israel could not afford. "Continuation of the project," said Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin, "would have meant cutting smaller items that together are more vital for the country's security." All the labor ministers were against continuing the project, while the Likud ministers wanted to push ahead, with the decisive exception of Finance Minister Moshe Nissim.

The country's hospitals have also suffered from Nissim's determination to balance his books. Doctors, nurses and administrative workers have all held strikes in order to further their wage claims, and Israelis have been haunted by TV news pictures of unattended, chronically ill patients, and more recently members of the Nurses' Union on hunger strike outside the Prime Minister's office. While many have decried the lack of responsibility of hospital professionals in striking, others argue that if doctors' wages are not raised above their current average of \$600 per month, and those of nurses and administrative workers above \$500 per month, then there will soon be a lack of good staff in the health system. "We cannot spend money that we have not got," asserts Finance Minister Moshe Nissim. "If we grant a salary increase to one sector, all the other sectors will expect the same."

Israel's schools and universities are also facing similar problems with lack of budget. The trend in schools is for the wealthier parents to supplement their child's education with private afternoon classes, thus accentuating the plight of the disadvantaged. The position of the poor has been fur-

ther aggravated by cuts in government subsidies which have doubled the price of basic food products and public transport.

At the same time no money has been made available for bankrupt companies, like Alliance tyres, and privatization of government enterprises has further boosted the Treasury's coffers. The Paz Oil Company was sold to Australian businessman Jack Liberman for \$95 million, and there are plans to sell off shares in Israel Chemicals and Bezeq communications.

This rigorous restraint has been felt necessary by the Finance Ministry in order to maintain stability. Inflation, which raged at a runaway 445 percent in 1984, now runs at an annual rate of 15 percent. And Israelis are not resting on their laurels, for there is a general air of disappointment that inflation in 1988 will be a few points above the target figure of 12 percent.

The fact that inflation has not been brought down at the expense of rising unemployment is a major achievement - unemployment too has fallen from 7.9 percent in 1986 to 5.9 percent today. Indeed, a recent report on Israel by the International Monetary Fund, described Israel's economic recovery as "one of the most successful in contemporary economic history."

The major reason for the decrease in unemployment has been the country's export boom, with exports climbing from \$6.9 billion in 1986, to \$8.2 billion last year and \$4.8 billion in the first half of 1988. Israel exports 45 percent of its production compared to 30 percent in Britain, 16 percent in Japan and 8 percent in the United States. Exports include

more than \$12 billion per year in polished diamonds, over \$2.2 billion a year in electronics and machinery, and more than a \$1 billion of petrochemicals and minerals.

Further good news has been the fact that exports have been rising faster than imports, with the trade gap narrowing by 8 percent to \$3 billion per year. Foreign currency reserves, helped by the increase in exports and the stability of the shekel, have now risen above \$5 billion. But the national debt, at more than \$30 billion, remains high, and a staggering 48 percent of public expenditure must be utilized for repayments.

The narrowing of the balance of payments was also helped by an increase in philanthropic donations by World Jewry which reached \$850 million in 1987. However, an 8 percent drop in tourism, due mainly to misconceived fears about the intifada, from last year's record of 1.5 million tourists, will cause a decrease of \$120 million from the \$1.5 billion that last year's tourists spent in Israel.

Aside from the negative effects to tourism, the Arab uprising has done little damage to the Israeli economy. A scarcity of labor in the construction industry has pushed up prices, and sales of Israeli goods within the territories have fallen, but otherwise the main damage of the intifada has been to the economies of Judea, Samaria and Gaza.

Governor of the Bank of Israel, Professor Michal Bruno, contradicts predictions of a recession: "We estimate that economic growth will be 1 to 2 percent in 1988," he says. This compares disappointingly to the 4 percent growth last year and 3 percent growth in 1986 but

is an achievement, nevertheless, considering that the Arab uprising has increased the defense bill by \$500 million this year, has meant that reserve soldiers must perform 60 days duty per year, and has kept Arab workers away from their jobs in Israel.

The past year has seen the

continuing move towards a more capitalist oriented economy in Israel, with public expenditure, restraint, privatization and proposed tax reforms. These measures have undoubtedly made economic activity more dynamic, but many socialists fear that the

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Obituaries

Dr. Elton Resnick
BAL HARBOUR, Fla. — Dr. Elton Resnick, 76 of 10275 Collins Ave., formerly of Wilmington, died August 27 in Miami Heart Institute.

Dr. Resnick was a general practitioner in Wilmington for 33 years until he retired in 1972 and moved to Florida.

He was a member of Congregation Beth Emeth, Wilmington, and a 1937 graduate of the University of Maryland Medical School.

He served in the Army Medical Corps from 1942 to 1946, in both the European and Pacific theaters, and received a letter of commendation while serving in Italy with the 5th Army.

He served several terms in the 1950s as president of the

state chapter of the Academy of General Practice, Wilmington. He was a past president of the Academy of Family Practice, director of the department of family practice of the Wilmington Medical Center's General Hospital, an associate of the hospital's department of medicine, and a member of the board of the Visiting Nurse Association.

He is survived by his wife, Ruth Weisberg Resnick; two sons, Dr. Gerald Resnick of Wynnwood, Wilmington, and Jay Resnick of Falls Church, Va.; daughter, Lois Sachs of Potomac, Md.; and five grandchildren.

Albert J. Lehman

Albert J. Lehman, 81, of 1001 City Line Ave., Greenhill Apartments, Philadelphia died August 26 in Philadelphia Geriatric Center.

Mr. Lehman founded Town and Country Furniture in 1958 with his wife Rose. Under his leadership, Town and Country Furniture grew into the largest Ethan Allen Gallery in the Delaware Valley, with stores in Wilmington, Concordville, and Paoli. At the time of his death, he was chairman of the board of Town and Country Furniture. In 1924, he worked at Sears, Roebuck and Co., Philadelphia, as a furniture salesman.

He was active in business circles and was a member of the Philadelphia and Wilmington chambers of commerce. He was a 32nd degree Mason and past grandmaster of the Masonic Columbia Lodge, as well as an Odd Fellow. He was past president of South Philadelphia Lions Club.

He was an ardent supporter of Israel and received a special award from that country, presented by the Greenhill Lodge of B'nai B'rith; he held the Masada Award, presented by State of Israel Bonds.

He is survived by his wife, the former Rose Shapiro, four daughters, Ferne Glanzrock of New York City, Barbara Susson and Ellen Pludo, both of Philadelphia, and Lynne Aussprung of Wilmington; three sisters, Florence Barufkin of Florida, and Bebe Lit and Dorothy Dandy, both of Philadelphia; and seven grandchildren.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to the Philadelphia Geriatric Center, Philadelphia.

Sylvia Kelrick Fisher

Sylvia Kelrick Fisher, 71, of Deerfield Beach, Fla. died August 23 of complications from leukemia and kidney failure in North Broward Hospital, Pompano Beach.

Mrs. Fisher and her husband, Irvin, owned and operated Newark (Del.) Newsstand for 11 years before moving to Florida nine years ago.

She was a member of the Broward County and Newark chapters of Hadassah, the Kutz Home Auxiliary, the Sisterhoods of Temple Beth Emeth in Newark and Temple Beth Shalom of Wilmington.

Her first husband, Sigmund Lipstein, died in 1965.

In addition to her husband, Irvin, she is survived by a son, Simon Lipstein of Denver; a daughter, Ilene Lipstein of Plainview, Long Island, N.Y., a brother, Paul Kelrick of Hollywood, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

Instead of flowers, the family suggest contributions to the National Kidney Foundation.

Sidney Lincoln

Sidney Lincoln, 67, of 2505 Kingman Drive, Chalfonte, died August 21 in Wilmington Hospital after a heart attack at home.

Mr. Lincoln, a mushroom merchant for 23 years, retired in 1984.

He is survived by his wife, Marion L.; three sons, A. Jeffrey of Claymont, Bruce David of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Leonard T. of Altamonte Springs, Fla.; a daughter, Mari I. Lincoln of Palm Harbor, Fla.; a brother, Benjamin of Santa Barbara, Calif.; and a sister, Dorothy Mandel of North Miami Beach, Fla.

Instead of flowers, the family

suggests contributions to charity.

Melvin M. Levitt

Melvin M. Levitt, 77 of 1911 N. Franklin St. died August 18 of heart failure at Riverside Hospital.

Mr. Levitt was a graduate of Wilmington High School and earned a bachelor's degree in business in 1932 from the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School. He was co-owner of Levitt Jewelry Co., 802 Market St., for many years. He retired in 1982.

He was an accomplished violinist, and played in several orchestras and string quartets, including the Wilmington Orchestra. He once played for President Herbert Hoover. He was a former president of Congregation Beth Shalom, and was treasurer of the Wilmington Drama League for the past 25 years. He also did volunteer accounting for Riverside Hospital.

His wife, Sylvia, died in 1965. He is survived by a daughter, Lois Bush of Houston, Texas; a son, Ron of Somers, N.Y.; a brother, Harold of Wilmington; a sister, Doris Small of Boston; and three grandchildren.

Abraham G. Birkenruth

Abraham Gunter Birkenruth, 61, of 1006 Jeffrey Road, Darley Woods, died August 16 of heart failure in St. Francis Hospital.

Mr. Birkenruth was an environmental inspector with ICI Americas Inc. at its Atlas Point plant for 26 years, retiring in 1978. He was a member of Congregation Beth Shalom.

He is survived by his wife, Evelyn B.; a daughter, Judith Seeherman of New York; a sister, Edith Taylor of London, England; and a granddaughter.

Instead of flowers, the family suggests contributions to Hadassah, Wilmington.

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Israel's Year In Politics

By SIMON GRIVER
(WZPS) Though the Arab uprising in the territories has overshadowed political debate, sharpening traditional differences between Labor and Likud, activity has focused on competition within, rather than between parties in this election year.

Due to Israel's proportional representation system, candidates to Israel's Knesset are elected through national party lists rather than constituency selection. Thus politicians have been scrambling for the highest possible rung on their party's ladder. Somebody in 40th position on the Labor or Likud list has an excellent chance of entering the Knesset, while a candidate in 50th place will in all likelihood miss the boat in the November elections.

In compiling their lists, the major parties came up with many surprises. But Labor and Herut, the senior partner in the Likud coalition, have central committees (1,270 members in Labor and 2,100 members in Herut) who elect these lists. Labor reserved its first seven places for the party leadership, but there are many new faces lower down on the list. These include Avrum Burg, Peace Now activist and son of National Religious Party veteran Dr. Yosef Burg, Eli Dayan and Amir Peretz, both Moroccan-born and the mayors of Ashkelon and Shderot respectively, and Nella Karkabi, a Christian Arab woman from Shfaram near Haifa.

The biggest shock was the failure of the central committee to elect former Foreign Minister Abba Eban. But if the Labor list is more ethnically representative than ever before, it also has a distinctly dovish hue and this some experts consider to be an election liability in the wake of the continued unrest in the administered territories.

Neither the Herut nor Liberal lists (the two Likud coalition partners) can be considered dovish. In contrast to the leadership solidarity of Labor, the Likud is divided by internal factions. Indeed, it was a major achievement for the Likud to formulate its list without excessive internal strife.

Political scientist Alan E. Shapiro, writing in the Jerusalem Post, observed that "both parties have camps rather than factions based on personal loyalties without clear ideological or interest group foundations."

Herut, for example, is divided into three major camps headed by Moshe Arens (Yitzhak Shamir's preferred heir apparent), David Levy and Ariel Sharon. Though Shamir himself recommended that Levy be placed second, Arens third and Sharon fourth, the central committee elected Sharon third and Arens fourth.

New faces in the Herut line up include Binyamin Begin, son



Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir (right) and Vice-Premier Shimon Peres chat during roll call in the Knesset on June 14, when that body defeated two bills that would have given Orthodox Jewish authorities the exclusive power to decide who is Jewish under the Law of Return. (Photo credit: RNS)

of former prime minister Menachem Begin and Binyamin Netanyahu, Israel's former Ambassador to the United Nations. Overall, the Herut list is dominated by male Ashkenazim. This, too, may prove to be an election liability.

Not a single woman appears on the Herut list in a viable position, and the Liberal party likewise elected a male and Ashkenazi-dominated list. The final Likud list also includes places for Tami's Aharon Abuhatzera and Ometz's Yigael Hurwitz. Supporters of electoral reform like Minister of Communications and Economic Planning Gad Ya'acobi, described these party conventions as circuses. "A constituency system," he explains, "would allow the people rather than party central committees, to select Knesset members."

The smaller parties also had their problems. The National Religious Party moved further to the right, putting the hawkish Avner Sciaki at the head of its list instead of the more moderate Zevulun Hammer, who considered setting up his own party then decided against it. However, as a result of the NRP's rightward shift a new centrist religious party will contest the next election.

There will also be a new centrist liberal party in the election. Rafael Eitan, formerly of the right wing Tehiya will head his own Tzomet list, while the faces in Tehiya, and the left wing Shinui and Citizens Rights Movement will remain the same. Agudat Yisrael's list is selected by its rabbinical sages and as a result, leader Avraham Schapira has been asked to stand down. Former Labor Arab MK Abed el Wahab Daroushe will head his own independent Arab list, while left wing Mapam, headed by Yair Tzaban will not include

Mohammed Wattad who has joined the Hadash Communist party.

On most issues Labor and Likud in fact agree. On economics, both support capitalist reforms as opposed to the traditionally socialist framework. Even with respect to the intifada, both parties concur that violent disturbances must be put down, but on the "Who is a Jew?" question, the Likud tends to support the religious party's call for the recognition of only orthodox conversions.

The major election issue, however, is the future of the administered territories. Labor supports territorial compromise, negotiated with Jordan in the framework of an international conference.

"If Israel is to remain Jewish and democratic," says Foreign Minister and Labor leader Shimon Peres, "then demography dictates that territorial compromise is a necessity." The Likud espouses a Greater Israel policy, including Judea, Samaria and Gaza. They, however, also want direct talks with Jordan but have not indicated whether territorial concessions are possible. "An international conference will be a disaster for Israel," says Prime Minister and Likud leader Yitzhak Shamir. "It would result in the world's powers imposing a solution on us."

Many pundits see the upcoming election as a crossroads in Israel's existence, for, depending on who is elected we will see attempts to create either a smaller, but Jewish democratic society, or a larger, nationalist, religion-oriented society. Despite a more hawkish atmosphere in Israel at present in response to the Arab uprising, the opinion polls indicate that once more the elections will be inconclusive.

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The Year In Review

By PAULA BERENGUT

5748. A year of celebration and a year of unrest. A year of hope and a year of despair.

In Israel, there was a tremendous year-long celebration of the little country's 40th anniversary while, at the same time, the country was torn apart by the continued violence that began in December, 1987, in the Occupied Territories. Locally, the Delaware Jewish community found itself dealing with the same set of events and the emotional ramifications: We celebrated Israel's 40th anniversary with a day full of festivities at the JCC in February and with a variety of other celebrations throughout the state. During that same time we invited to our community three political experts who tried to help us understand the reasons behind the violence in Israel.

Our local community was addressed by Elie Wiesel in the Fall and by Irving Greenberg in the Spring. Wiesel, speaking at the Grand Opera House, warned us not to give in to indifference and despair while Rabbi Greenberg stood on the pool deck at the new Jewish Family Campus and dedicated the facility by speaking hopefully of transforming the world based on an understanding of "infinite value of every human being."

We've seen changes in our community. We wished a number of our

professionals well as they retired from their positions and welcomed a number of new, energetic and enthusiastic leaders who will follow in their footsteps. A dear friend and much-loved rabbi was taken from us and the community mourned its loss. We also saw another of our spiritual leaders retire after 41 years.

We watched the beginning of a process — locally, nationally and in Israel — that will decide who will lead us into our political future. And it has come to light that we Jews have not recently been as involved in the election process in this country as our reputation leads people to believe. Approximately 40 percent of eligible Jewish voters does not get out to vote and a campaign was begun to urge that 40 percent of us to take our responsibility to vote very seriously.

The pope angered Jews around the world by twice visiting Austrian President Kurt Waldheim, despite Waldheim's alleged Nazi past.

Pride, anger, celebration, unrest, frustration... a wide range of emotions and events. That was 5748 for the world's Jewish population. The following is a month-by-month look at that year, with the hope that in reviewing it, we will all have learned from its events and become better because of them. And may we all be inscribed for a good, healthy and peaceful year.

September 1987

...Nobel Peace Prize Laureate, Elie Wiesel addressed the Delaware Jewish community at the Grand Opera House on September 20. This was the first Ann B. and H. Albert Young Memorial Lecture, a series established by the Young family in memory of their parents. Despair and indifference were the themes of the address by the Holocaust survivor who said, "despair can be the beginning. From despair great works of art have originated. Despair can provoke action. It is not the end. The end is indifference, because after indifference there is nothing. Indifference is the opposite of love, hate, joy and anger. The opposite of life isn't death, according to the Jewish tradition introduced into the whole world's religions. The opposite of life is indifference."

... "Happy Harry" Levin died. Levin created the largest chain of drug stores in the state of Delaware, beginning from a drug store on Marsh Road 25 years earlier.

... A monument in memory of the victims of the Holocaust was dedicated at the annual Beth Emeth community memorial service at the Beth Emeth Memorial Park in Wilmington. It is believed that this is the only private Holocaust memorial in the U.S. The



Nobel laureate Elie Wiesel addressed the Jewish community of Delaware at the Grand Opera House.

black granite stone is inscribed "We remember the martyrs of the Holocaust 1933-1945" followed by the word "Yizkor" in Hebrew.

October

...The Reagan administration and Congressional opponents of a proposed \$1.4 billion arms sale package to Saudi Arabia reached a compromise. Nearly two-thirds of the Senate and more than one-half of the House signed letters to the President expressing their opposition to the planned sale and urged the Administration to reconsider its proposal.

...Israel won its annual battle to retain its seat in the United Nations after the Group of Arab States attempted to expel it. The motion to eject Israel was defeated by the largest margin since it was first introduced in 1982.

...U.S. Secretary of State George Schultz visited the leaders of Israel, Egypt and Jordan before a trip to Moscow. Schultz said "the U.S. would not let up on its efforts to find a way to move the peace process forward."

...Congressman Tom Carper (D-DE), at the invitation of the JCRC, addressed the Jewish community at the JCC and told the audience that basic philosophical differences between the Reagan administration and congress have left the U.S. in a state of "Economic Gridlock." The congressman discussed his views of the current tax laws and added that he

would propose a budget process for the U.S. similar to the one used by Delaware: the total budget figure would be decided, then congress and the administration would work backwards to fit in the departmental budgets.

... Ida Nudel, longtime refusenik, arrived in Israel and Vladimir and Maria Slepak, refuseniks for 17 years, were notified that they had received permission to leave.

...The State Department ordered the PLO's office in Washington, D.C. closed by October 15. The move came in an administration effort to head off legislation proposed in Congress to close both the Washington and New York PLO offices and investigate PLO financial dealing in the U.S. The measure had more than 50 sponsors in the U.S. Senate.



Congressman Tom Carper discussed his economic views with the Jewish community.

November

... "New Castle County and Jerusalem are about the same size, have approximately the same population and face many of the same problems," according to County Administrator Rita Justice who returned this month from a meeting of mayors, county administrators and other local government leaders in Israel. Justice's trip was sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Delaware.

...Israeli President Chaim Herzog visited Washington to highlight the 40th anniversary of Israel and the ties which characterize U.S.-Israel relations. This was the first visit by an Israeli head of state to the United States. In an address to a joint meeting of Congress, Herzog said that he stood before them as the representative of a "grateful nation and a staunch ally." Herzog added, "Thanks to your aid, my small country is capable of defending all that you stand for in terms of human freedom and dignity in an area buffeted by the winds of extremism and fanaticism."



Rita Justice



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