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Editorial



KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE

By Don McEvoy

AMERICA -- INCUBATOR OF THE WORLD

If we can't make pluralism work in America there is not much chance of its working anywhere.

This may strike the reader as a chauvinistic -- even jingoistic -- assertion, but I am becoming more convinced of it every day.

The dynamic American experiment in creating a nation which offers full and equal participation to persons of any and every racial, ethnic, cultural and religious background remains, after more than two centuries of trial and error, the most radical idea of civic life ever attempted.

It is so easy to grow discouraged over our failures to live up fully to our historic ideals and to become indignant over our blustering and blundering in the world arena that we often forget what America really represents on Planet Earth.

America, not China or any other, is the country of permanent revolution and the vanguard for the rest of the world. That may be the real lesson of Watergate, largely overlooked by most observers. Just consider the difference in the way we handled our "gang of four" compared to Mao. This was a revolution without revolutionaries, done with due process, with reporters instead of bomb-throwers. It is something so phenomenal, built into the American system, that we often fail to grasp its significance. We have a legal framework for permanent revolution.

This country is the incubator where the dreams of the world are hatched. I am not talking about blue jeans being sold on the black market in Moscow or the rock music that is popular in Prague or copies of Playboy that are smuggled into Saudi Arabia, or even the linguistic indigestion of Franglais that results in such abominations as the Parisian shop called Le Drugstore.

I'm talking about Brian Moore's observation that "the Catholic protests in Northern Ireland began in Selma, Alabama."

I'm referring to things like Andrew Young's appearance before 200 South African businessmen in Johannesburg where he said, "With all the obvious differences of time and place, I have myself lived through some experiences that could have some meaning for you." Like Selma businessmen, he told them, South Africans have no choice but "to work it out or fight it out, and I hope you work it out." That is an American message.

With all our faults, and they are multitudinous and grievous, there is still something essential at the core of this country that remains the hope of humanity.

That is why we've got to make it work here. If the experiment of diversity without dominance, of freedom without anarchy, of equality of opportunity without mediocrity of performance, doesn't work in America the whole world is the loser.

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"I GAVE MY HEART TO KNOW WISDOM . . ."

The Feast of Tabernacles—Sukkot
by Dvora Waysman

Perhaps you have sung along with Pete Seeger, "The Byrds" or other pop groups, lyrics that proclaimed:

"There is a time for every purpose under heaven . . .

A time to be born and a time to die;

A time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted . . .

A time to love and a time to hate;

A time of war and a time of peace . . .

A time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing . . ."

Many people who sing these words, or quote proverbs like: "There is nothing new under the sun," are unaware that they are taken from the Book of Ecclesiastes, which is called "Kohelet" in Hebrew. The name comes from the Greek word for "Convoker," which we translate as "the Preacher," and it is read in every synagogue during Sukkot, the Feast of Tabernacles, which Falls 15th-22nd Tishri.

During Sukkot, we are commanded to "dwell in booths seven days; all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths; that your generations may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the Land of Egypt" (Leviticus 23: 39-44).

There is a lot of symbolism connected with Sukkot. The temporary booths we build bring us face to face with the realization that human life is frail and transitory. We are even forbidden to make our Sukkah taller or lower than twenty cubits (thirty feet), similarly to convey the lesson that we should be neither too proud and overbearing, nor too humble and lowly.

Why do we read the words of the Preacher at this time? The author describes himself as: "The son of David, king in Jerusalem," so Kohelet is attributed to King Solomon, who was noted for his wisdom.

Wisdom is used in the Bible as one of the three departments of knowledge, the others being Torah and prophecy. The wise men (who gave

us Proverbs, Job and Ecclesiastes) sought by observation and reflection to know things as they stand related to God and man.

The practical aspect of wisdom is exemplified in the teachings of Ecclesiastes, where the ideal of life is a composite of patience, endurance, discretion, work, help to the distressed and consideration for one's fellow man.

Ecclesiastes contains 12 chapters of maxims and wise observations on the purpose of life. The Preacher advises accepting the above tenets and puts forward the theory that history and nature move in a circle, ever revolving and recurring.

The words are beautiful and poetic -amongst the most beautiful in the Bible, although some find a sense of futility and pessimism in part of them. Kohelet finds life unsatisfying—wealth and its pursuit does not bring happiness and it is often lost before it can be enjoyed.

"I, the Preacher, was king over Israel in Jerusalem. And I gave my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all things that are done under heaven: this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man to be exercised therewith. I have seen all the works that are done under the sun; and behold, all is vanity and vexation of spirit . . . I communed with my own heart saying: Lo, I am come to great estate, and I have gotten more wisdom than all that have been before me in Jerusalem . . . And I gave my heart to know wisdom . . . For in much wisdom is much grief, and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow . . ."

Many believe that the Bible holds nothing grander than Ecclesiastes because of its impassioned portrayal of human pain and pleasure, failure and success, and striving for spiritual illumination. The Preacher maintains that all human experiences are determined in advance by God, just as it is with natural phenomena; "To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven . . ." The Book of Ecclesiastes ends

with the advice: "Reverse God and keep His commandments, for this is the whole duty of man."

There is another important religious duty at Sukkot, and in fact, we are commanded concerning it three times:

"You shall rejoice before the Lord your God seven days . . ."

"You shall rejoice in your festival . . ."

"You shall have nothing to do with joy . . ."

Despite the pessimistic note introduced by reading Kohelet, the dominant element of Sukkot is rejoicing and its moral lesson is that man should remember his bad times in his days of prosperity, so that he will live modestly and honorably.

The festival ends with Simchat Torah, the Rejoicing of the Law when Jews are enjoined to "dance with joy over the Torah." Emphasizing the joyous nature of the festival which also celebrates the ingathering of the grain and fruit harvests, and has much imagery which link the People of Israel to the land of Israel . . . more relevant today than ever because Israel has returned to its agricultural roots.

How often, when smarting under some unforeseen misfortune or disappointment, does a person call to mind some proverb or common saying, familiar to him all his life, the meaning of which, if he had ever before felt it as he does now, would have saved him from the calamity... The fatal tendency of mankind to leave off thinking about a thing when it is no longer doubtful, is the cause of half their errors.

Kibbitzing-Community News

CHARLOTTE TO HOST POLITICAL EDUCATION WORKSHOP

On Sunday, November 6, 1983, Charlotte will host a statewide American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC) Workshop on Politics.

AIPAC is the only American Jewish organization registered to lobby Congress on legislation affecting Israel. Headquartered in Washington, AIPAC is the nationwide American organization which, for over 25 years, has worked to strengthen U.S.—Israel relations. It is the organization which has spearheaded the effort to defeat the sale of sophisticated American weaponry to hostile Arab regimes and which helps to protect and defend foreign aid requests to Israel of over \$2.5 billion annually.

The Workshop will bring North Carolina Jewish community members together in a non-partisan workshop to teach the nuts and bolts of political action on a local, state and national level.

American Jewish voters turn out on election day in higher percentages than any other group and have worked successfully to elect a pro-Israel Congress.

At the same time, however, Israel's detractors have become better organized and more politically sophisticated, and they are looking to the 1984 elections as a means to stem support for Israel in the Congress.

Now, more than ever before, the pro-Israel community must learn how to maximize their influence within the American political process on behalf of a strong and secure Israel. And, as concerned Jews, we must take an active role in the political process.

The AIPAC Workshop will be held at the Sheraton Center from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. The day-

long program, co-sponsored by North Carolina Jewish leaders from across the state, will include addresses by elected officials and Thomas A. Dine, Executive Director of AIPAC. North Carolina congressional representatives will also be present at the luncheon.

The program will also feature a series of workshops on the political process. Workshop I: Nuts and Bolts of Political Action, will focus on how to get involved in the political parties, campaigns and fundraising. Workshop II, Israel and American Jewry, will discuss the current issues in Washington which affect Israel and the U.S.—Israel relationship, and review the 1984 elections. Workshop III, Community Action will teach the community how to lobby effectively in support of Israel. This workshop will also discuss anti-Israel media and how to respond effectively. Speakers will include AIPAC professional staff and North Carolina political activists.

It is important the Jewish activists from all 11 North Carolina Congressional Districts be represented at the workshop as it will provide information and leadership training which participants can transfer to others in their community.

The fee for the workshop, including breakfast, lunch and all workshop materials is \$35 per person or \$60 per couple and \$15.00 for students. Registration is limited to 200 persons. Formal invitations will be mailed to the community in early October. Advanced registration may be sent to:

AIPAC Workshop
444 North Capitol Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20001

CORRECTION: The article on Page 10 of the August-September issue of the Times Outlook was

TENTATIVE AGENDA* NORTH CAROLINA WORKSHOP ON POLITICS**

Sunday, November 6, 1983

9:30 a.m. Registration.

10:00 a.m. Opening Session.
Keynote Speaker (to be decided).

10:45 a.m. WORKSHOPS.

I. Nuts and Bolts of Political Action.
Moderator: George Alper. The Political Process in North Carolina, David Price, Democratic State Chairman, David Flaherty, Republican State Chairman, Fundraising, Arthur Cassell, Greensboro.

II. Israel and American Jewry: Issues in Washington, Moderator: Steve Hockfield, Thomas A. Dine, Executive Director, AIPAC.

III. Community Action, Moderator: Dennis Winter, Lobbying: Communicating With Your Elected Officials, Ester Kurz, Legislative Liaison, AIPAC, Ted Kaplan, Former State Representative. Media: How to Respond to Anti-Israel Press, (Speaker to be determined).

12:00 noon Lunch.

Israel's Standing in Washington: The Importance of Political Action, Thomas A. Dine, Executive Director, AIPAC.

1:30 p.m. & 2:45 p.m. REPEAT OF WORKSHOPS

4:00 p.m. Wrap-up Plenary Session, Thomas A. Dine, Executive Director, AIPAC.

*Speakers invited but not confirmed.

**Moderators will rotate workshops.

written in Yiddish in the "Forward" by S. L. Schneiderman. It was translated by Leo Hoffman, and excerpts of the original appeared in our publication. Our apologies to Mr. Schneiderman, who was speaker at the Yiddish Institute at Wildacres in May.

GCAR INTERFAITH INSTITUTE—UNDER- STANDING THE SIMILARITIES & DIFFERENCES

Funded by North Carolina
Humanities Commitee & The
Blumenthal Foundation Held at
Wildacres Retreat,
Little Switzerland, NC.
August 8-11, 1983

This Interfaith Institute ranks high in the intentions of the founders of Wildacres, which was dedicated to the betterment of human relations.

Of 70 participants assembled, approximately 90% were clergy and their spouses, representing Christians both Roman Catholic and Protestant, and Jews. Others were people active in the field of education. The purpose of the Institute was dialogue for information and appreciation of shared beliefs and consideration of differences, with attention to history.

Two lecturers examined the history of the Christian and Jewish religions. Dr. Clark Williamson, theologian who teaches in a Christian seminary, and Dr. Ellis Rivkin, a historian who teaches in a Jewish theological college, both stressed the importance of history in the thinking of a theologian. Dr. Rivkin pointed out that a theologian who ignores history runs the risk of being proved wrong by the procession of events that will follow. His intense research and writings on the Pharisaic period lend understanding to the beginnings of Christianity. He spoke of Paul and the Epistles of Paul from an unusual point of view, reminding us of the kind of people to whom Paul addressed himself, and of the Jewish background of Paul.

Dr. Williamson stressed the Jewish roots of Christianity and the Jewishness of Jesus. His own ancestors in Britian, he said, "were painting their faces blue and baying at the moon" and were not

at the foot of the mountain when Moses descended with the Ten Commandments. When Christian missionaries finally visited them, the message was not to relieve them of the observance of the 613 Mitzvoahs, but to wean them from their pagan ways, and to persuade them to accept belief in the One God through Christianity. The different backgrounds of Jews and Christians created different problems with a tendency towards idolatry. While Gentiles were baying at the moon, Jews were making a golden calf.

In reference to the theory of supercession held by some Christians who claim Christianity supercedes Judaism, Dr. Williamson asserted that Christian Gospel represents that which God presented to Israel. He is aware that not everything can be harmonized in the New Testament and that work needs to be done in interpretation. A noteworthy statement he made is this: "For a Christian to know God is to do these deeds: feed the hungry, clothe the naked, visit the sick, welcome the stranger, and go to those in prison—the Jewish belief."

In Dr. Rivkin's presentation he separated Biblical history into three phases. The first stage was prophetic, in which prophets heard God's word and related it to the people. It was an open-ended situation during which dialogue occurred between God and man, and there was always the possibility of causing God to alter a judgment or award another chance.

The second stage passed from the hearing ear of the prophet to a reading eye, when The Book took over, mandating and describing an elaborate priesthood. Everything God had to reveal had been disclosed, and one had to read what was commanded; priesthood, cult, and sacrifices.

Stage three was the emergence of a class of scholars who proclaimed that God had given two

laws, oral and written. This new class exercised this law and taught new laws. Everyone who followed these laws might look forward to everlasting life and resurrection. Oral law allowed ongoing revelation, and there remained a two-fold law. There was then ongoing revelation, and there remained a two-fold law. The three stages represented structuring of the God of Israel.

In Dr. Williamson's response to the above explanation by Dr. Rivkin, he voiced no disagreement. From his viewpoint as a Christian theologian he feels a difference in the views of God, and feels Christians have not understood Jews see a decisive revelation of God in weakness, rather than in power. The idea of God as a mighty power he believes was the idea of the ancient world imported into Christianity. But omnipotence, that attribute of the God of both Jews and Christians, cannot be crucified, does not suffer, and is not weak. He thinks Christians have attributed to God those things which belong to Caesar. The Galilean vision that worked patiently and by love, which is the tenderest thing to be seen in the story of Jesus, "we drag out once or twice a year, and then we forge it. Love is not coercive. It does not rule. It is a little oblivious as to morals. In the kind of change Dr. Rivkin is talking about is the insight I think is important."

In discussing Christian responses to the State of Israel, Dr. Williamson listed three major attitudes, including continued bias and sympathy with the Arabs which he rejects because it is the "logic of murder, inappropriate for a Christian. Love for all includes Jews." The second attitude is that of fundamentalist thinking, which requires the security of Israel as necessary for the "Second Coming," conversion of Jews, the final war, etc. Dr. Williamson quoted Billy Graham's remarkable statement, "The gifts of God are irrevocable. We need an Evangel

ical community that recognizes its debt and takes a point of view that Israel is to be recognized." In the third philosophy, with reference to Niebuhr and Tillich, Dr. Williamson cited their assessment of the importance of power in relations between groups. "No group can expect justice from another group simply on the basis of the power of moral persuasion to do justice, even if the other group is composed largely of good people. A group always behaves according to standards lower than the individuals of the group would deem acceptable. No group or individual should be placed in the position of accepting justice simply on the basis of good will. To individuals the sequence is love, justice, power, but in groups it is the reverse. It is Christian romantic fallacy to say love is first." Christians should seek a just and sustainable peace in the Middle East.

Dr. Williamson said, "Speaking as a Christian to Christians, I want to suggest a radical notion: Our practice is laden with an anti-Jewish theory. We need to re-examine our policy and all forms of Christian witness in the light of love of justice and God."

Dr. Rivkin's use of the term "quantum leap" throughout his lectures became a keynote or byword during the seminar, used repeatedly by many participants. Each stage in history, each new phase was referred to as a quantum leap, whether toward good or evil.

In the Conclusion and Summary, a panel composed of Jerome Dollard (Roman Catholic), John Fogarty (Protestant), Judah Fish (Jewish), and Stephen Moch (Jewish), told what each had learned at Wildacres. Agreed by all of them, as well as by all spoke afterwards, was the feeling of awareness of how much they "did not know." Also voiced by all was the feeling of enrichment and enlightenment afforded by this opportunity to eat together, to sing together, to pray together, and to

talk.

Bishop Begley, who is Bishop of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, has worked for interfaith understanding for fifty years. Recently in Rome at the Vatican, he was asked by the Pope what role he has with the synagogues and other churches in his diocese. He mentioned this one at Wildacres. Our efforts are thus known abroad.

Suggestions were made of ideas which might be nourishing in next year's Interfaith Institute, an event which all desire and anticipate.

Estelle Hoffman

B'NAI ISRAEL CONGREGATION, WILMINGTON, NC

An Endowment Fund, the purpose of which is the perpetuation of B'nai Israel Congregation, has been established. The interest earned by the fund will be applied to the expense of maintaining the Synagogue. A donation of \$1,000 or more entitles the donor to buy a plaque for permanent recognition as a contributor to the Fund.

The Religious School will start classes on Sunday, September 11. Children may be registered at 9:30 A. M. on that day.

B'nai Israel invites its members to a Family Service in its Sukkah on Friday, September 23, at 6:45 PM.

Simchat Torah Services will be held at 6:30 PM on Thursday, September 29. There will be a party after the services.

ROCKY MOUNT, NORTH CAROLINA

Mr. & Mrs. Gordon S. Feitler of Phoenix, Arizona, announce the engagement of their daughter Claudia E. Feitler, to Alvin H. Shrago.

The Bride-Elect graduated from Claremont McKenna College in Claremont, California, and is employed as a paralegal. The Bridegroom-Elect is the son of Mr. & Mrs. William S. Shrago of Rocky Mount, N. C. He re-

ceived his Undergraduate and Law Degrees from Duke University, and is a partner in the Phoenix Law Firm of Evans, Kitchel, & Jenckes, P. C.

The wedding is planned for Saturday, November, 26th in Phoenix.

THE JEWISH MUSEUM, 1109 Fifth Ave., New York City 10028. On your next trip to New York, visit the Jewish Museum.

KINGS AND CITIZENS: The History of the Jews in Denmark 1622-1983. EXHIBITION ILLUSTRATING THREE CENTURIES OF JEWISH LIFE IN DENMARK, OPENS AT THE JEWISH MUSEUM OCTOBER 23, 1983.

KINGS AND CITIZENS: The History of the Jews in Denmark 1622-1983, a major exhibition illuminating three centuries of Jewish life in Denmark, will open to the public at the Jewish Museum on October 23, 1983. The exhibition, timed to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the Rescue of the Danish Jews, is being mounted at the invitation of the Danish Government Committee for Cultural Exchange, and is affiliated with "Scandinavia Today," an eighteen-month-long international arts festival. In honor of the opening of the exhibition and the heroic events it commemorates, the City of New York will proclaim the week of October 20-27 "Thanks to Denmark Week." The exhibition will remain on view through February 20, 1984, and is then expected to travel to museums in Chicago and Washington, D.C.

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**NEWS FROM THE
COMMITTEE**

An innovative but volatile Christian theologian who began by being far more sympathetic to the Jews than most of his compatriots later reversed himself and wrote one of the most anti-Semitic treatises of all time.

The writer was Martin Luther, the year was 1543, and the sentiments expressed in his treatise, "On the Jews and Their Lies," went on to become part of Lutheran tradition. Four centuries later, Hitler cited Luther's teachings to give religious justification to the Nazi campaign of destruction.

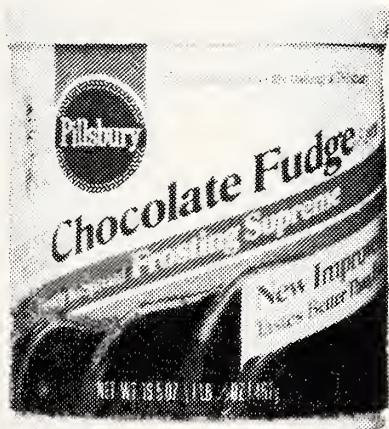
Today, as Lutherans throughout the world celebrate the 500th anniversary of their founder's birth, Lutheran scholars and churchmen are reexamining Luther's writings and calling on the religious leaders and followers to repudiate the anti-Semitic doctrines they contain.


As part of this effort, the Lutheran Council in the USA has just issued a booklet, "Luther and the Jews," containing excerpts from addresses made before the council by Dr. Eric W. Gritsch, professor of church history and director of the Institute for Lutheran Studies, Lutheran Theological Seminary at Gettysburg, Pa., and Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, the American Jewish Committee's national director of interreligious affairs.

The presentations trace the development of anti-Semitism in the Middle Ages, quote from Luther's earlier writings in which he showed more compassion for Jews than was common at the time, and relate Luther's anti-Jewish teachings to later events.

Single copies of the booklet can be obtained from the Interreligious Affairs Department, American Jewish Committee, 165 East 56th Street, New York, NY 10022; or the Lutheran Council in the US, 360 Park Avenue South, New York, New York 10010.

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STATUS OF THE MIXED MARRIAGE CHILD

Reform Judaism's recognition that the Jewishness of both the father and the mother can be accepted in the case of a mixed marriage has been challenged by the President of the Rabbinical Assembly, Rabbi Arnold M. Goodman of Atlanta, the international organization of Conservative rabbis.

"The Rabbinical Assembly does not agree that a child born of a Jewish father is presumed Jewish nor do we view this issue in terms of whether Jewish status is conferred matrilineally or patrilineally. The issue is to be seen in the context of Judaism's perception of the consequences of mixed marriage: a marriage between a Jew and a gentile where there is no conversion," Rabbi Goodman declared.

Rabbi Goodman, the spiritual leader of Congregation Ahavath Achim of Atlanta in commenting on the statement on patrilineal descent adopted by the Central Conference of American Rabbis at its annual convention in Los Angeles this year asserted "The survival of the Jewish people—and of the Jewish religion—is not to be achieved by extending Jewishness on a wholesale basis but in defining it in terms of its uniqueness as a 'holy nation and a kingdom of priests'."

Rabbi Goodman's analysis of the patrilineal declaration was outlined in an article in a recent issue of *The Jerusalem Post*. The RA President observed that while he was expressing his own views on the question, his conclusions are based upon a consensus of the majority of the RA's 1200 members.

Rabbi Goodman stated that the Reform rabbinate has every right to determine its own interpretation of Jewish law. The RA President indicated that Reform rabbis do not follow a strict adherence to traditional law in their conversion practices. Furthermore, Rabbi

Goodman noted, although the official CCAR position is against the practice of a rabbi officiating at a mixed marriage, they grant the right of the individual Reform rabbi the freedom to do so. As a result, there are Reform rabbis who officiate at marriages where the non-Jewish partner has not been converted.

The Rabbinical Assembly does not permit its members to solemnize mixed marriages. Furthermore, the Conservative rabbis, as part of the conversion, in addition to a course of study, insist upon the prospective convert's participating in the ceremony of *Tevilla* (ritual immersion) and **brit mila** or **hatafat dam brit** (circumcision), as required.

Turning to the rights of Conservative and Reform Judaism to practice and achieve full status in the State of Israel, Rabbi Goodman said "We will continue to fight for our rightful place in the role of the religious life of Israel. We further believe that our Reform colleagues should be granted that same right and status.

We in the Conservative Movement are well aware, of course, that the Israeli rabbinate and the religious establishment in Israel will, at the present time, continue to reject the movement and its leadership. We know that both our halachic credentials and our halachic commitment are challenged.

Our movement, however, will continue to press in Israel for an acceptance of what it advocates in the United States: that religion be removed from the political arena, and that Jews be given the right to express their Jewishness by opting for whatever they regard as an appropriate Jewish life style."

TRADITION IN THE KITCHEN

From "Cooking With Joy" by Constance Brite & Arnold Krochmal

Rebecca's Honey Cake

1 pound honey
2 glasses sugar
6 eggs
1 glass cooked coffee
3 tablespoons oil
4 ½ cups flour
2 teaspoons baking powder
1 teaspoon baking soda
Pinch of salt
½ pound walnuts
Rind of 1 orange
1 lemon rind

Mix honey, coffee, oil and eggs together. Combine sugar, flour, baking powder, soda, salt and stir in the liquid. Add the rinds and walnuts last of all. Bake at 350°F. about 50 minutes until light brown.

Sponge Cake

½ cup sifted cracker meal
½ cup potato flour
6 egg yolks
1 cup sugar
1/3 cup honey
¼ cup orange juice
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon grated orange rind
1 teaspoon grated lemon rind
¼ teaspoon salt
6 egg whites

Mix and sift the cracker meal and potato flour. Set aside. Beat the egg yolks; gradually add the sugar beating until thick and lemon colored. Beat in the honey, the fruit juices and rind, and the sifted dry ingredients. Add the salt to the egg whites; beat them until stiff but not dry. Gently fold in the whites in the egg-yolk mixture. Pour the batter into an ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Bake at 350°F. for 50 to 60 minutes or until the cake springs back when touched lightly with the finger. Let the cake stand till cold. To remove from pan, loosen the sides with a spatula.

YAEZ—A NEW ISRAELI FARM ANIMAL

by James Cheslow

KIBBUTZ LAHAV — Israeli researchers have created a new barnyard animal that Old MacDonald never dreamed of having on his farm.

After eleven years of experimentation, scientists here have successfully developed the commercial crossbreeding of the wild ibex, *yael* in Hebrew, with the desert goat, *ez* in Hebrew, to produce the "yaez."

Most of the yaezim (plural of yaez) on Kibbutz Lahav look like goats, with long black or brown hair and curved, short horns. A few have the short, tan colored coat of the ibex, with the goat's floppy ears.

"We see it as a new meat source," says Dr. Dan Ratner, di-

rector of the Animal Research Institute here on Kibbutz Lahav in the Negev Desert. "The yaez tastes neither like the goat nor the ibex, both of which have strong, distinctive flavors. It is a neutral, low fat, delicate meat that is highly versatile. In some ways it might be compared with veal."

Until now, the herd has been too small to exploit commercially. When several yaez kids were given to the Tel Aviv Hilton Hotel for testing last year, the result was an offer of a contract for the supply of 250 kids annually—but no deal was made.

"We couldn't sign because we were incapable of supplying even 10% of the order last year," says Ratner. "But it gave us an indication that there would be a demand for the product."

The herd has since grown to 230 head, with about 200 kids on

the way. Eventually, Ratner expects to export yaez to Europe and the United States.

The Israeli project is not the first attempt to cross the ibex with the goat. There were experiments in Switzerland at the turn of the century, but those animals have since died out. Another experiment was conducted in the Soviet Union about 30 years ago. Its findings were never published.

Dr. Ratner received his first three yaezim from the experimental zoo in Tel Aviv. The zoo wanted to find out if there was a commercial future in breeding them as farm animals. Eleven years later, with the help of hundreds of thousands of dollars in international research grants, funds from the kibbutz itself and Israel Ministry of Agriculture loans, the yaez project is finally ready to go commercial.

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"I read with rapt interest, the autobiography of David S. Speizman . . ."

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Stunning find at Tel Acco by University of Haifa dates civilization back 1000 years

Archaeology is basically a science of discovery, but this year, during the 9th season of excavations at Tel Acco—sponsored by the University of Haifa and the University of Marburg, in Germany—the archaeologists and the volunteers found themselves surprised when, on the southern side of the tel, were found the remains of a settlement from the first Canaanite period of approximately 3100-2900 BCE.

This discovery—revealed by the unearthing of various clay vessels—indicates that the beginning of settlement on the tel predates earlier estimates by about 1000 years. During previous excavations, relics were discovered that took the record of civilization back to 2000 BCE.

According to Professor Moshe Dothan, head of the University of Haifa's Department of Archaeology and director of the excavations, "It must be emphasized that the results of these excavations show that this early settlement was not fortified and was probably agricultural in nature."

In excavating the tel, this year, major emphasis was given to a close examination of the construction of the defensive ramparts of later periods which were built on top of one another.

During excavation in one area on the tel, the skeleton of a horse was

found buried in a layer of rubble dating to the middle Canaanite period. This discovery was termed by Dothan to be "one of the most remarkable finds ever made in Israel."

Graves from the late Bronze Age that had been dug into the fortifications of the city were also uncovered. Several of these contained clay vessels including a few very rare pieces decorated in two tones. One jar, of a style known as "chocolate and white" is only the second piece of its kind to be found in Israel.

While excavating an area of the western slope of the tel, volunteers under the supervision of Dr. Michal Artzi, the University of Haifa's associate director of the Tel Acco dig, uncovered two unique types of stone graves—some convex and some rectangular. These, according to Artzi, date from the middle Canaanite period and the beginning of the late Canaanite period (2000-1600BCE).

The convex grave yielded to the diggers a very rich find of scarabs (jewelry), some of which were combined with gold rings. The rectangular graves yielded clay vessels similar to those of Syrian or Anatolian (Turkish) origin.

In other areas on the tel, relics were found dating back to the Iron Age and the late Canaanite period, including clay vessels decorated in monochromatic style believed by the archaeologists to be connected to the Shardan people—a group of seafaring mercenaries who, like the Phoenicians, settled the

coastal areas around 1200 BCE.

Aided by volunteers from the United States, England, West Germany, and the University of Copenhagen, in Denmark, the archaeologists, on site, found many other important pieces including an ivory cosmetic container formed in the shape of a duck, and a bronze image of the idol Baal. The archaeologists place the dates of these pieces close to the 13th century BCE.

During a press conference, held at the end of the excavation season, Professor Dothan stressed that "in view of the unique importance of the site, the National Parks Authority in Israel should take immediate steps to protect the excavations from vandals."

ADL

documentary film produced by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith -- "Zubin and the I.P.O." -- highlighted the first cultural event organized by the Israeli diplomatic mission in Beirut.

More than 100 Lebanese artists and intellectuals attended the presentation of the documentary on the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra that took place Aug. 2, in Baabda, a suburb of Beirut. The ADL pro-counsel, was recently awarded two Emmy's for "outstanding achievement in the performing arts" by the Academy of Arts and Sciences -- one for the film itself and one for the performance by Zubin Mehta, the orchestra's conductor.

The film showing was the springboard for a dialogue between the Israelis and Lebanese present on developing further cultural exchanges in order to strengthen peaceful coexistence and cooperation between the two peoples.



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Happy Birthday, JCS!

by Rabbi Samuel M. Silver

Anti-Jewish prejudice is not always due to irate hostility. Some of it is caused by lack of information. To offset the lack of information about the truth of Judaism, Rabbi Henry Berkowitz, of Philadelphia, created an organization designed to familiarize non-Jews with the role Judaism has played in the development of civilization, with special reference to Christianity.

In 1893, when this idea came to Dr. Berkowitz (a graduate of one of the earliest classes of the Hebrew Union College,) the best-known adult education forum was the famed Chautauqua group in a city of New York with that same name.

Dr. Berkowitz got permission from Chautauqua, which still flourishes today as a center of enlightenment and culture, for the use of the name: Jewish Chautauqua Society.

At first JCS sent rabbis to various resorts. Increasingly the JCS lecturers went to college campuses, especially those in remote areas; then to Christian summer camps; in recent years, JCS has produced tv films and documentaries vivifying the teachings and practices of Judaism.

JCS is an activity of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, an agency of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the national mother institution of Reform Judaism. The lecturers are not only Reform Rabbis; they are members of all rabbinic groups.

The accomplishments of JCS are phenomenal. It does not compete with the Hillel Foundations, which do splendid work on large campuses, for the JCS speakers go into the hinterlands where Jews are still not well known (and Judaism less well known). Classes in Bible and literature are addressed; as are assemblies. JCS has stocked oodles of college libraries with

illuminating books about Judaism. The lecturing rabbi will often spend a week or so at Christian camps, mingling with people who rarely rub shoulders with Jewish scholars. The JCS films have been seen 45,000 times and have constituted about \$30 million dollars of public service time.

Director of JCS is Av Bondarin. If you want more data about JCS, or suggestions where one of their lecturers can do some good, write him at 838 Fifth Ave., New York City 10021.

"SEMINARY EDUCATION & CHRISTIAN—JEWISH RELATIONS"

The National Catholic Education Association has published a pioneering handbook for Christian seminary faculty and students on the key issues of Christian-Jewish relations, the first of its kind in the history of interreligious relationships.

The publication, entitled "Seminary Education and Christian-Jewish Relations," was introduced at a dialogue meeting news conference of key Christian and Jewish religious leaders and educators by Msgr. William Baumgaertner of Washington, D.C., director of the NCEA's Seminary Education Department. Participating in the press conference with the Monsignor were Dr. Eugene Fisher, executive secretary of the Secretariat for Catholic-Jewish Relations and author of the handbook, and Rabbi Marc H. Tanenbaum, national interreligious affairs director of the American Jewish Committee, which cooperated in the preparation and publication of the study.

Msgr. Baumgaertner underscored the historic importance of the publication, saying, "This is the first time in the history of the Catholic Church that a major guidebook has been designed to make available to Christian semi-

naries the rich spiritual resources emerging from the contemporary dialogue between the Church and the Jewish people. It marks a milestone in our ancient relationship and an attempt, within the American context of pluralism, to fulfill the mandates of the Second Vatican Council concerning the renewal of Christian attitudes toward the Jewish People." In particular, he mentioned a text from the 1981 Program of Priestly Formation issued by the National Conference of Catholic Bishops: "In Catholic theological education, special attention should be given to the heritage Christians have received from the Jews, to contemporary theological understanding of the Jewish people, to the often tragic Jewish-Christian relations, and to the contribution of Jews to contemporary culture. It is important that the seminarian, in accordance with the emphasis of



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the Second Vatican Council, know how to instruct the Catholic people on the positive relationship to be fostered between Catholics and Jews."

Rabbi Tanenbaum said the event "lifts up the values of cooperation and mutual respect between Christians and Jews at a time when there is so much evidence of polarization and group tension."

REVIEW OF AIPAC STUDY ON ANTI-ISRAEL CAMPAIGN IN THE U.S.

THE CAMPAIGN TO DISCREDIT ISRAEL by Goot & Rosen, American Israel Public Affairs Committee, 444 N. Capitol Street, N.W., Washington 20001.

"The domestic constituency for anti-Israel work in the United States is noisy but diminutive," finds a report by the American Israel Public Affairs Committee

(AIPAC). "The effort to mobilize large numbers of Americans to the Arab cause has failed."

In a new 160-page study AIPAC outlines the strategy and tactics used by enemies of the Jewish State to undermine support for Israel in America. The AIPAC publication finds some major strengths and weaknesses in the effort. It reports that the campaign has found it particularly difficult to recruit Arab-Americans of Christian-Lebanese extraction — who comprise about 80% of Americans of Arab descent — largely because this population is not attracted to organizations sympathetic to the PLO and Syria. Indeed, those who have joined anti-Israel organizations may be as few as 2.5 percent of Arab-Americans. There is a disproportionate representation of more militant and extreme organizations and individuals in their ranks.

The study finds that the campaign has relied, to a considerable extent, on the services of foreign agents and former diplomats paid by various Arab governments and the Arab League to express the anti-Israel message in an American idiom. It has also been successful in getting corporations with extensive business interests in the Arab world to influence U.S. Middle East policy-making. This provides levels of access and financing that would otherwise be difficult. It has also resulted in an incongruous alliance between two inherently incompatible groups—the corporations and the radicals—which AIPAC sees as a basic weakness in the anti-Israel campaign. As a partial solution to this dilemma, the report discloses that some corporations have begun to provide extensive funding for a few less extreme anti-Israel groups who pursue a more sophisticated line. As a result, these groups have been able to achieve visibility and influence out of pro-

portion to the limited constituencies they represent.

This recent innovation has been accompanied by greater sophistication in anti-Israel ideology. The new approach is, according to AIPAC, "aimed quite precisely at the underlying reasons American support Israel and is designed to turn the public and elite image of Israel from positive to negative. It attempts to undermine the perception of Israel as an underdog and depict it as Goliath, rather than David, they redefine the conflict as one between Israel and the Palestinians rather than Israel and the Arab states.

Although anti-Israel activity in the United States "reached a new level of intensity" during the war in Lebanon, according to AIPAC, the campaign to discredit Israel in the United States "seems to have been a rather dismal failure." Citing favorable public opinion polls, Congressional elections, and increases in aid to Israel, AIPAC concludes that the campaign's greatest weakness "seems to be the lack of a large and mainstream American constituency committed to their cause," as well as "the strong and natural bond between the United States and Israel.

The Campaign to Discredit Israel contains both an analysis of recent anti-Israel political activity in the United States and an alphabetical *directory* of the actors. The directory provides background information on organizations and individuals active in the effort to weaken the bonds between the United States and Israel, who seek to enhance U.S. Arab relations at the expense of Israel, or who perform paid services to Arab governments pursuing these goals.

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Book Reviews

VIEWS AND REVIEWS

by Joseph Cohen

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN WALKER PERCY

In a widely publicized talk Walker Percy made in 1982, the renowned Pulitzer prize-winning novelist, a Southerner and a Catholic, noted a "common strain" between "the Southern novel of a generation ago" and "the so-called Jewish novel." Pondering that connection, Percy found it strange that "the Southern Jewish voice, with a few exceptions, is yet to be heard."

The absence of a strong Southern Jewish literary tradition is strange, given the close association in the past of literary-minded Jews with such well known Southern literary adventures as the Fugitive Movement in Nashville and the emergence of *The Double Dealer* in New Orleans. One recalls also the well known work of David Cohn in Mississippi and Harry Golden in North Carolina. Yet Southern Jewry has, in a sense, had its voice, an enormously articulate and eloquent one, emanating from imaginative, multilayered hemispheres of his brain, the landscapes of his poetic heart, and the religious tapestries of his soul, he has for a generation now recorded his affection for and his wonder over the special role in history Judaism has had. You don't have to be Levy to love Jewish wry bread.

Jewish "wry bread," to stretch the metaphor about as far as it will go, provides much food for thought in Percy's novels. If casual Jews appear to turn up accidentally, as do Sidney and Margot Gross in *The Moviegoer*, Perlmutter in *The Last Gentleman*, Ethel Ginsberg and Max Gottlieb in *Love in the Ruins*, Janos Jacoby (who "may be from the Bronx") in *Lancelot*, and Ethel Rosenbaum, Sarah Goodman and Sam Gold in

The Second Coming, then Judaism, itself, unlike these occasional characters, realistically turns up by design. In at least two of the novels, *The Moviegoer* and *The Second Coming*, Judaism directly influences the protagonists' world outlooks, and therefore their actions.

Percy moves back and forth between Jewish major and minor chords. Jewish characteristics and values are sometimes praised, sometimes criticized, in the latter instance, by the bigoted rednecks and roughnecks who people his pages; and Old Testament images and tenets are invoked by intense Southern Christian fundamentalists. Indeed, it is easy to think of Percy himself in an image he is fond of using for others, that of Jacob wrestling with the Angel of God, for Percy wants nothing less than an updated Covenant between God and His worshippers. A concern for Covenant is pervasive, and it is attended by the considerations of Chosenness, *Menschlichkeit*, dispersion and alienation, all employed by Percy to illuminate his constant search for the proofs of God's existence.

In *The Moviegoer*, Percy's protagonist, Binx Bolling, searching for meaning in his life, moves through what has been described as Kierkegaardian existential stages, from the aesthetic to the ethical

stage, which is to say that he comes to an awareness of a contractual moral obligation to be his brother's keeper, to be a *mensch*. An aunt gives him some advice on that subject. She says, "... one thing I believe and I believe it with every fibre of my being. A man must live by his lights and do what little he can and do it as best he can. In this world goodness is destined to be defeated. But a man must go down fighting. That is the victory. To do anything less is to be less than a man."

All this arises as much from a Jewish context as from a Kierkegaardian one. This is confirmed by Bolling's description of himself: "... it is true that I am Jewish by instinct. We share the same exile. The fact is, however, that I am more Jewish than the Jews I know. They are more at home than I am. I accept my exile." That Jews are the key to Bolling's successfully finding himself is made clear by his observation that "... when a man awakes to the possibility of a search and when such a man passes a Jew in the street for the first time, he is like Robinson Crusoe seeing the footprint on the beach."

Again, in *The Second Coming*, the protagonist's objective is to find the proof of God's Existence. His starting point and constant rallying cry is that Jews "are a sign of God's plan"

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for the universe and that their presence on earth confirms His existence. When the protagonist takes it into his head that the Jews are leaving North Carolina, he becomes convinced that God is abandoning both His plan and humankind entirely.

The pro-Semitic position Percy takes is predicated upon his belief that the election of the Jews, that is, their Chosenness is, indeed, part of God's master plan in providing for salvation and redemption achieved through Judeo-Christian history. The meaning of Judaism is locked into the meaning of Christianity, and vice versa. But religion is beset by mysteries, and given Percy's inquiring mind, it might have been expected that he would attempt at some point to deal with the complex mystery of sin. It is the subject of *Lancelot*. Percy's search for the proof of God's existence in our time continues but with a difference here.

Lancelot accepts as proof of God's existence His shadow, or sin. He sets out to commit the perfect sin, ironically, as an act of confirmation and faith. This approach is consistent with the strong tradition of gnosticism in Jewish mysticism. Because it is so esoteric, few people readily perceived Percy's intention.

Percy's most recent book, a work of non-fiction entitled *LOST IN THE COSMOS* (Farrar, Straus & Giroux, \$14.95), reiterates the pro-Semitic stance of the novels. Increasingly pessimistic over humankind's potential for nuclear destruction, Percy gives us in this *last* self-help book two choices for survival. One of these is an approach which seems to provide for more universally free options yet one strongly opposed elsewhere in Percy's work because it totally ignores human yearning and it fails to provide expression for spiritual longing.

The second choice is religious traditionalism in the same contexts found in the novels. Scientific rationalists may view both Judaism and Christianity as preposterous, but from Percy's point of view they are our civilization's only hope of achieving a messianic age. Southern Jewry, indeed, all Jewry, has been fortunate to have Percy's Southern Jewish voice. It's high time somebody said so.

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twining of the spirit of a people with the great tidal forces of empire and conquest that swept across the Mediterranean basin and brought civilization to the last stages of the Ancient Era.

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Serge Klarsfeld, who with his wife Beate helped bring Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie to justice, found these lists of deportees in a crate in a French Jewish archive. The book he compiled will serve not only as memorial to the French Jews, but as a reminder to the world of a period in history that must never be allowed to occur again.

For a copy of this book, send \$35 to the Klarsfeld Foundation, P.O. Box 137, South Deerfield, MA 01373. The Foundation is a non-profit organization.

A HISTORY OF RELIGIOUS IDEAS, by Mircea Eliade. Translated by Willard R. Trask. V 2 — From Gautama Buddha to the Triumph of Christianity. The University of Chicago Press, 564 pages, \$25.00.

Volume 1 of Mircea Eliade's HISTORY OF RELIGIOUS IDEAS met with resounding praise. Martin E. Marty of The New York Times Book Review said, "No one has done so much as Mr. Eliade to inform literate students in the West about 'primitive' and Oriental religions . . ." This will be fol-

lowed by a third volume eventually.

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QUEST FOR THE RED PRINCE by Michael Bar-Zohar and Eitan Haber. William Morrow & Co. 232 pp, \$15.95.

Ali Hassan Salameh was the foremost terrorist of our time. A trusted lieutenant and potential successor to Yasser Arafat as head of the PLO, Ali was the chief planner for the terrorist organization Black September. Now, a new book, **THE QUEST FOR THE RED PRINCE**, written by Israeli member of Parliament Michael Bar-Zohar and journalist Eitan Haber, and based to a large extent on previously unpublished material, tells the inside story of Israel's relentless manhunt for one of the world's deadliest and most wanted Arab terrorists.

The anger and humiliation suffered by the Palestinian extremists in this defeat in September in Jordan led directly to the formation of an elite terrorist group known as "Black September" in memory of Jordan's treachery. This group, led by Ali Hassan Salameh, code-name "The Red Prince," was responsible for countless assassinations, hijackings, and the infamous Munich Massacre, in which innocent Israeli athletes were held hostage and killed during the 1972 Olympics in Germany.

THE QUEST FOR THE RED PRINCE is the inside story of Ali Hassen Salameh, a man driven by his family's past to become the pre-eminent terrorist of the past two decades. Ali Hassan Salameh was an intelligent, articulate, and wealthy man. He was publicly adopted by Yasser Arafat, and was a personal friend of Bashir Gemayel. Mastermind of countless terrorist actions, he met his death through the unrelenting efforts of Mossad, and his own devotion to his wife, a former Miss Universe. He was accorded a hero's burial and a eulogy by Yasser Arafat. His three sons, one of

whom attended his funeral in full-dress guerrilla regalia, have sworn to avenge their father's death.

THE JEWISH SOUL ON FIRE by Esther Jungreis, William Morrow & Co., 242 pp, \$12.50.

Esther Jungreis is the world's most charismatic and celebrated Rebbetzin, the founder and head of the worldwide movement called "Hineni," which seeks to restore the values of faith, the Bible, and above all, the traditional view of family-centered life.

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The book has been described by Norman Vincent Peale as "extraordinary, a great human document. Its emphasis on human values should awaken a positive response in thoughtful readers." **THE JEWISH SOUL ON FIRE** consists of chapters on family, raising children, marriage, husband-wife and parent-child relationships, the role of women in our society, religious dilemmas, and the Holocaust, and demonstrates how faith can change your life.

The author is a descendant of a great rabbinic dynasty whose lineage dates back to the days of King David. She is a survivor of the Holocaust and wife of an American rabbi. Her international following includes people of all faiths and backgrounds. She has appeared on hundreds of radio, television, and lecture programs through the world. She appears on her own weekly show on National Jewish Cable TV. She was a speaker in Charlotte this season

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THE THRIVING KAFKA INDUSTRY

by Joseph Cohen

When Franz Kafka died of tuberculosis at the age of forty-one in June 1924, he was known only to a handful of literary friends in Prague and Berlin. His most famous works, including *The Trial* and *The Castle*, had not yet been published. If he had had his way they never would have been, for shortly before his death he urged his life-long friend, Max Brod, who would become his literary executor, to destroy his manuscript. Kafka had already seen to the burning of some of his papers. Another sizeable batch was seized in Berlin in 1933 by the Gestapo and has not survived. (The Nazis were also responsible, subsequently

for the deaths during the Holocaust of Kafka's sisters and their families, and two of the women he loved.) Fortunately, Brod resisted the temptation to comply with Kafka's wish, and he managed to bring out of Czechoslovakia a suitcase of manuscripts when he fled from Prague in 1939 as the Germans entered the city. There is a certain poetic justice in Kafka's writings being saved from the Nazis: it is his work which defined for us the nature and scope of interiorized terror, the anonymous cruelty, in which they would become the specialists.

Today, Kafka's name is synonymous with that overwhelming sense of nihilism that has pervaded our time: the rootlessness, displacement, helplessness and hopelessness of individuals whose destiny appears only to be the certainty of meaningless suffering and ignominious decline of the happy dream of the joy of life exploded into a nightmare of fear, with expectations crushed, insuring the total humiliation of the human spirit.

Because Kafka anticipated long before it became a reality the nightmare where paranoia would reign supreme, and because his novels and stories not only survived their intended destruction and were published, he is now recognized as a centrally important master of Western literature. The study of his life and works has all the markings of a major industry: scholars devote significant portions of their careers to investigation and exegesis of his writings, he is required reading in colleges and universities throughout the world, and, to date, more than ten thousand commentaries on various aspects of his life and work have been published. Hardly a day goes by without something new being added.

Of recent interest are the following: Ronald Hayman's *KAFKA: BIOGRAPHY* (Oxford University

Press, \$19.95, newly released in paperback, \$8.95); Elias Canetti's *KAFKA'S OTHER TRIAL: THE LETTERS TO FELICE* (Schocken Books, \$11.95), and Kafka's *LETTERS TO OTTLA AND THE FAMILY* (Schocken Books, \$15.95). In 1980, Beth Hatefutsoth, the Nahum Goldmann Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv, assembled a striking collection of Kafka materials with photographs by Jan Parik, a renowned European photographer, for the Kafka-Prague Exhibition in Israel. This exhibition subsequently came to the Jewish Museum in New York, and it is now on tour through 1984 to selected Jewish communities in the United States (The attractive exhibition catalogue, printed in Hebrew and English, with many of Parik's photographs and two superb overviews of Kafka's life and work by David Shahan and Elix Weltsch, is available from the Jewish Museum, \$7.50). In the late spring of 1983, an international Kafka Festival is scheduled to be held in Caracas, Venezuela, with Jewish literary luminaries and Kafka specialists from North America and Europe invited as participants.

Despite the millions of words already written about Kafka, the flood gates seem only now to be opening. The explanation for the ever-increasing interest in Kafka lies not only in his precisely anticipated explication of the twentieth century's thrust toward fragmentation and the diminution of human values but in the remarkably imaginative variety of meanings encompassed in his stories. Part of their universal appeal is in the multiple interpretations to which they legitimately lend themselves. However tragic, for example, the implications of *The Trial* are, that novel can be read not only as a classic study in powerlessness and despair but as a comic farce. Indeed, when Kafka read the opening chapters to a

few close literary friends, they all laughed so hard, Kafka included, that the reading was cheerfully suspended.

Closely connected to the variety of meanings in the stories are the intriguing questions about the principal events and relationships of Kafka's life, since it was his own largely immediate experiences which he directly and at times miraculously transformed into literature of surpassing worth. For all that we know about him, there is surprisingly little that does not invite the same multiple responses provoked by reading his works. The questions we need most to have answers for are those having to do with his relationship to his father and his mother, his attitudes toward their Jewishness and his own, his tormenting twin compulsions to succeed in the world as a *mensch* while escaping from *menschlichkeit* through reductionism, empathizing more with repugnant animals, birds—the Czech translation for Kafka is “jackdaw”—and insects than with human beings, the additional paradox of his desperate need for the company of women while systematically rejecting those who professed their love for him, and the dichotomy between his persistent death-wish and his attraction to sucking everything out of life he could. His is a case study of monumental proportions.

The more I read of and about Kafka, the more convinced I become that a true understanding of this writer and his work will require substantially greater insight into the relationship between his existential self and his ambivalent attitudes to his Jewishness, for it is increasingly apparent that a great deal of what he wrote sprang specifically out of his Jewish tensions. To that aspect of his life and work we will return.

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WHY WE NEED A NEW BUS . . .

Fact: The mental and emotional health of the residents of the Blumenthal Jewish Home is greatly enhanced by trips to activities outside the Home.

Fact: Two-thirds of the resident population use wheelchairs.

Fact: The present van holds only 3 wheelchairs.

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Your contribution to this special fund is appreciated because regular donations supplement residents who cannot afford to pay the full cost of care.

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MY JERUSALEM
by Diane Greenberg

On ancient maps Jerusalem is pictured at the center of the world. Although this is a geographic inaccuracy, for many people Jerusalem is indeed the center of their existence.

Living in Jerusalem is special and all absorbing. After eight years I still catch my breath in wonder when I am travelling on a bus into the city and look out and see Mount Zion and Jaffa Gate.

Jerusalem is layers of history and discovering them involves the delicate art of peeping into quiet corners and courtyards and striding out on hill tops.

My favorite hill is a few minutes from where I live in the Talpiot neighborhood. It is a watershed for the whole area, with magnificent contrasting views on either side. On one side the terrain has not changed since Biblical times and the yellow and brown Judean hills jut out, racing down to the Dead Sea and the distant mountains of Moab. On the other side there are olive groves and terracing, while the old town of Bethlehem nestles between gentle slopes.

It is not difficult to imagine Ruth and Naomi walking this way. To realize that they must have travelled these paths is one of the very many links with the past for Jerusalemites and visitors.

In Jerusalem especially the Hebrew calendar comes into its own and one is very conscious of the rhythm of the seasons and festivals. Just as in Biblical times, when pilgrims would come to the Temple in Jerusalem three times each year, so they come today. But by more modern means—by boat and by plane.

In early summer, a week after Jerusalem Day, the festival of Shavuot takes place. This celebrates the Giving of the Law or Torah. Also another name for the Festival, these words echo those of the prophet: "From Zion issues Revelation And the Word of the Law from Jerusalem".

It is the custom to study Jewish sources (Torah, Talmud, etc.) on the eve of this festival until first light and then to walk like pilgrims to the Western Wall. It is a silent walk through the darkness and as one approaches the old walled city of Jerusalem one can first hear the steps of others and then see groups of people, some dressed in white, all converging on the one remaining wall of the Temple.

The sky by now has lightened and the stars are fast fading. There is an amazing feeling of unity as hundreds and thousands of people gather together, their prayers and chants filling the enormous square in front of the Wall.

High above, the birds are circling. There is a momentary hush as the sun's first rays dart out across the roof tops and dance on the huge Herodian stones.

To experience this extraordinary involvement with one's surroundings is part of the power of Jerusalem and its timeless quality.

Everyone comes to Jerusalem, not just one's own friends but writers, poets, musicians, philosophers, historians and archeologists. Who does not come to Jerusalem? It is almost a magical attraction.

I recently attended a master class at the Jerusalem Music Center where a world famous pianist and teacher was listening to and instructing gifted students. The center is built just below the Windmill overlooking the Old City. It was an enchanting session for music lovers and Jerusalem lovers alike.

Jerusalem's first builder, David the psalmist and composer, would have appreciated it.

We Are Part Of The Jewish Future

CAROLINA AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION

From the time when the tribes were lost into history to the modern era, we have witnessed continuing losses of our people into surrounding cultures. This trend continues still, but with more disturbing factors. Inter-marriage has been rising at a shocking rate. Meaningful synagogue and temple affiliation becomes less and less the norm; non-affiliation or disaffiliation grows greater. We are no longer shielded by ghetto walls nor protected by self knowledge.

B'nai Mitzvot or, at the latest, confirmation, represent, not the beginning of Jewish maturity, but, too often, the end of Jewish growth. By the time our children become parents, what little remains of Jewish awareness is far too weak to provide their children with the cultural strength to slow or reverse this trend. As Jews we cannot stand by and do nothing.

Once again, the Blumenthal Foundation is furnishing the "seed money" for a search for some of the answers. The Carolina Agency for Jewish Education, sponsored by the North Carolina Association of Jewish Men, is at work accumulating the newest, most effective educational materials and methods in a resource center available to every Jewish community from the largest to the smallest—even one family, and across the whole spectrum of Jewish commitment.

We have just returned from a week at the National Convention of the Coalition for Alternatives in Jewish Education where we saw the means to make Jewish learning a pleasure and make all children partners in, not objects of, education.

We have consulted with leaders of the largest Jewish Educational Centers in the Eastern United States, and have been offered every possible assistance. While they and we realize the difference between their very large communities and our small ones, they have offered their assistance in our project. We have exciting new materials and methods for teaching Hebrew, History, the Holidays, even programs to teach Bar and Bat mitzvah, and we have the latest audio visual equipment and computers, all of which will be made available together with training in their use.

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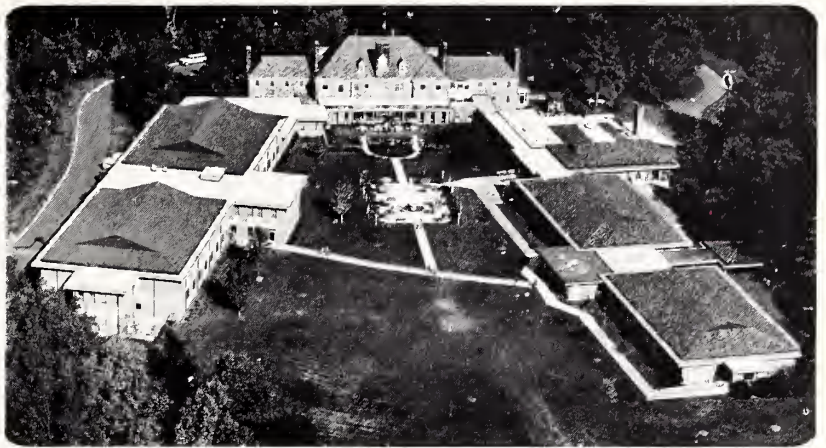
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RAUCH ACCEPTS INVITATION

Vice President Dan G. Horvitz, Chairman of the Board's Community Relations Committee, has announced that N.C. Senator Marshall A. Rauch of Gastonia, has accepted our invitation to give the keynote address at the Annual Meeting, November 13.

Senator Rauch, a supporter of the Home from its earliest days, will give his perspective of the political picture in the coming elections. Currently serving his ninth term in the N.C. Senate, Senator Rauch is Chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, Chairman of both the Senate and Legislative Ethics Committees, and Chairman of the Tax Study Commission.

In each of the last three Legislative Sessions, he was chosen by his

peers in the Senate as being one of the top five most effective Legislators in the State.

Married to Jeanne Girard Rauch, Senator Rauch is an officer and director of several business firms, and Chairman of the Board of Rauch



Marshall A. Rauch

Industries of Gastonia. The couple has five children.

Another highlight of the day will be the dedication of the A-Wing medical suite in memory of Dr. Leon H. Feldman. This unit was built recently to accommodate needed medical and nursing services. Mrs. Ruth Feldman from Asheville, has contributed generously for this memorial to her husband.

Mr. Hugo Rosenberger of Charlotte, and his committee will be conducting the Annual Cadillac Raffle at the Brunch, scheduled for Sunday morning.

Members of the Corporation, Grandbuilders and their friends are invited to attend the elegant presidential reception to be held in the Sosnik Lounge on Saturday evening, the 12th of October.

★ FOCUS ON THE BOARD ★



Carl Eisdorfer, M.D., Ph.D., will keynote the Symposium, Oct. 11.

Medical Advisory Committee members have key roles in the Alzheimer's Symposium slated for October 11, in Winston-Salem. Dr. Benjamin Vatz, Committee Chairman, will chair the morning session. Drs. David S. Citron and Lawrence C. McHenry, Jr. will give major professional presentations and then floor questions from the audience with Dr. Carl Eisdorfer to wrap up the morning plenary session.

Drs. Citron and McHenry have been instrumental in negotiating for the co-sponsorship of the Symposium with Bowman Gray School of Medicine's Division of Continuing Education and the Area Health Education Centers of Charlotte and

the Triad: Northwest AHEC and Greensboro AHEC. In addition, Dr. Citron has diligently sought support from pharmaceutical companies and the University of North Carolina — Chapel Hill Medical School.

Dr. McHenry will speak on the differential diagnosis and the clinical manifestations of the dementia illnesses, laboratory investigations and treatments for those forms of dementia that are treatable. Professor of Neurology at Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Dr. McHenry has extensive academic experience, and is internationally recognized for his research and publications on stroke activity and blood circulation in the brain.

Dr. Citron, Director of the Family Medical Practice Residency Program at Charlotte Memorial Hospital and Medical Center, will address the "Team Approach," discussing case management by primary care physicians, administrators, direct service personnel, and family members. As Clinical Professor of Medicine and Family Medicine at UNC-Charlotte, he brings a strong belief in and understanding of the importance of the team approach in treatment.

Alzheimer's Disease Symposium Set

In order to keep in pace with new research and practices in the treatment of Alzheimer's disease and related organic brain disorders of the aged, the Blumenthal Jewish Home and the Forsyth Mental Health Center will present a one-day symposium for physicians, long-term care professionals, and family members who are affected by the grave implications of these mental impairments.

Board, Staff and community professionals have teamed up to present what promises to be an outstanding educational event, set for October 11, at the Holiday Inn North in Winston-Salem.

Dr. Carl Eisdorfer, Ph.D., and M.D., internationally recognized author and speaker on the long-term medical, psychological and financial implications of dementia, headlines an impressive roster of Symposium speakers. Currently Dr. Eisdorfer is President of Montefiore Medical Center in New York. In addition, he is Professor in the departments of Psychiatry and Neuroscience at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He will kick-off the morning session with an overview, in which he will define the issues of these diseases. In the afternoon, he will speak to physicians about drug therapies and drug interactions in Alzheimer's victims.

Lorraine G. Hiatt, M.A., major speaker at our last symposium, returns to present "The State of the Art," concerning innovations, interventions and management techniques. Nationally known author, consultant, environmental psychologist and gerontologist, Ms. Hiatt is recognized for her research on adaptation of the physical environment to maximize independence in mentally impaired individuals. She is credited with having written the first definitive studies of wandering behavior in older adults.

Concurrent workshops will be conducted in the afternoon for caretakers, administrators, and physicians. Both Staff and community professionals will present, and are listed in the "Course Content." At the final afternoon session Dr. Eisdorfer will share his knowledge of the "Politics . . ." of the disease.



Lorraine Hiatt, M.A.

Alzheimer's Disease and Other Organic Brain Disorders of The Aged: Issues and Answers for Physicians, Long-Term Care Personnel and Families

Course Content

Morning Session — Benjamin Vatz, MD, Moses Cone Memorial Hospital, Chair

00	Welcome	George E. Hamilton, Jr., MD, FAPA, MBA Area Director, Forsyth/Stokes Mental Health Center
15	Defining the Issues: An Overview of Alzheimer's Disease and Other Organic Brain Disorders	Carl Eisdorfer, PhD, MD President, Montefiore Medical Center
30	Differential Diagnosis: Diagnostic techniques for clinicians and caregivers	Lawrence C. McHenry, Jr., MD Professor of Neurology, Bowman Gray School of Medicine
00	The Team Approach: Case management by primary physicians, administrators, direct service personnel and family members	David S. Citron, MD Charlotte Memorial Hospital and Medical Center
30	Discussion and Questions	Drs. Eisdorfer, McHenry and Citron
00	Buffet lunch	

Afternoon Session — Al. A. Mendlovitz, Executive Director, Blumenthal Jewish Home, Chair

00	The State of the Art: Innovations, Interventions and Management Techniques	Lorraine G. Hiatt, MA
30	Concurrent Workshops	
	A) Help for Caregivers: Techniques and hints for behavior management in long-term care	Edna Blevins, MSW, Director of Social Services, BJH, Chair Janet C. Sawyer, Director of Community Programming, BJH, Presenter Lorraine G. Hiatt, Responder
	B) Help for Staff: Dealing with families of Alzheimer's victims	Ilona Ortiz-Strull, ACSW, Forsyth/Stokes Mental Health Center, Chair Beverly Brooks, Field Coordinator, Duke Center for Aging, Presenter Louise Williamson, family member, Panel participant Kathy Siegel, RN, family member, Panel participant
	C) Help for Families: How to deal with the medical community (Questions to ask; avenues to investigate in proper diagnosis and treatment of the disease)	Marilyn Rowland, RN, Director of Nursing, BJH, Chair Maureen M. Aaron, MD, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, Presenter
	D) Help for Administrators: How to recruit, select and train personnel for work with Alzheimer's victims	Al. A. Mendlovitz, Executive Director, BJH, Chair Laurie McVey, RN, MSN, Clinical Nurse Specialist, Geriatrics, VA Hospital, Durham, NC, Presenter
	E) Help for Medical Professionals: Drug therapies and drug interactions in Alzheimer's victims	Dietrich W. Heyder, MD, FAPA, Forsyth/Stokes Mental Health Center, Chair Carl Eisdorfer, PhD, MD, Presenter
00	The Politics of Alzheimer's Disease: Funding, Research, Reimbursement and Future Development	Carl Eisdorfer, PhD, MD
45	Evaluation	
00	Adjourn	



Residents Abe Fine and Hannah Levy take their painting seriously in the craft shop which is full of creative pursuits on any given day.

BLUMENTHAL HOME RESIDENTS ENJOY THE CRAFT SHOP

by Ann Sheek

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The Craft Shop at the Blumenthal Jewish Home is a bustling beehive of activity five days each week. Residents go to the shop to paint, do needlework and create crafts under the enthusiastic tutelage of their instructor, Mrs. Catherine Smith.

One of the most popular activities appears to be canvas painting. For most of the residents, this is the first time they have attempted this art. Mrs. Smith teaches basic art techniques and her students eagerly create their masterpieces. Mrs. Smith said she uses a "coloring book technique" in that she pre-sketches a scene on canvas and her students follow this to paint.

Nearby halls outside the craft shop are serving as the art gallery for the Home. Many residents enter the senior citizens' art competition at the annual Dixie Classic Fair. Last year Mrs. Smith's students captured all the ribbons in this category.

On a recent morning visit to the shop, Fay Moss and Abe Fine were finishing their canvases. Mrs. Moss works in the shop each day and said she can hardly wait to begin

her next project. For Fine, painting is a very different past-time than his past careers as a merchant marine and also a rigger on ship-building.

Molly Feldman was making chain stitch designs on a pillow she was sewing. Alice Fruh, a native of Germany, and now a resident of the Home, uncovered her personal sewing machine to start sewing pillows together. Alice enjoys sewing, painting and also crocheting. She makes dozens of crocheted baby booties and tiny soft receiving blankets. Another eager crocheter was Ida Pollashuk, who is 94 years old. As she sat in her wheelchair, Mrs. Pollashuk's nimble fingers appeared to fly as the crochet hook turned out a pretty orange pillow.

Anna Gruber, long-time seamstress, occupied a corner of the room with her whirring sewing machine. Her specialties include gowns and pajamas for little girls, along with smocks and aprons. She fills orders for a friend from Charlotte who sells the lovely items that Mrs. Gruber sews. All the residents take orders for their creations.

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the month of August, 1983.

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Mr. and Mrs. Saul Ashkenazie
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Mr. Philip Datnoff



Fay Moss dabs the top of the mountain, as Catherine Smith suggests.

After observing the popular craft shop, it is obvious that Catherine Smith is a key ingredient to the success found there. She enjoys her students and admires their talent and eager participation.

"Years ago when I taught in public schools, my students were never enthusiastic as my present students," said Mrs. Smith. "Some residents come every day to work as long as the shop is open," she added.

The shop is filled with upholstery samples, cloth remnants, painting yarn, boxes of thread, frames (made by Herb Peck, an employee of the Home), and most importantly, the students themselves and their happy, creative teacher, Catherine Smith.

18th ANNUAL MEETING WEEKEND
AT
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GALA WEEKEND

SATURDAY NIGHT - NOVEMBER 12TH

Elegant Presidential Reception

Refreshments

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SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 13TH

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

Horseshoe Tournaments... A Ringer?

The Home offers a wide and diverse variety of Resident activities during any given year. These events may include performances by a fine arts quartet, the symphony, or bluegrass combo, yoga exercises, trips to local restaurants, craft classes in everything from pillow-making to oil painting, flower arranging and needlecraft. Discussion groups and creative writing stimulate the mind; preparing for the "CELEBRATE" spelling bee, math contest, and races, stimulated mind, body and spirit.

For the last year and a half, horseshoe pitching has gained popularity at the Home. A group of Residents with this interest have formed the B.J.H. Varsity Team, and have been engaged in a series of matches with the other long-term care facility in Clemmons, Meadowbrook Manor.

The BJH team currently is tied with Meadowbrook Manor's. In a series of five horseshoe tournaments, each home has won two, to date. The fifth tournament, scheduled for September 15th at Tanglewood Park, will decide the 1983 Horseshoe Championship.

A "perfect" team of seven players plugging for a BJH victory are: Sol Greenberg (Greensboro), Zeno Sink (Winston-Salem), Roy Ray (Winston-Salem), Abe Fine (Winston-Salem), Alice Fruh (Winston-Salem), Claire Bernstein (Greensboro), and Rose Lichtenfeld (Asheville).

As a team, the group practices two to three times per week. Individual enthusiasm is apparent, when on any given day, you may see one of these champs practicing on the lawn in front of A-Wing. Here's to Victory!



1983 Horseshoe Tournament Champion Team: Front-Rose Lichtenfeld, Roy Ray, and Alice Fruh. Back row-Zeno Sink and Sol Greenberg. Absent for the picture: Abe Fine and Claire Bernstein.



Team member Rose Lichtenfeld practices for a ringer as Coach Rick Rogers of the Recreation Staff gives encouragement. Sol Greenberg waits his turn. Practice paid off!

WELCOME

May you have a long, happy and healthy life:

Dora Wolf, Charlotte, North Carolina

Carl Harmon, Winston-Salem North Carolina

Virginia Harmon, Winston-Salem North Carolina

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Eva Weinberg, Pembroke Pine Florida



Ruth James

FOCUS ON A RESIDENT

RUTH JAMES

By Janet Case, R.T.

How fortunate was B-2 last January 4th! That day marked the arrival of Ruth Bletcher James at the Jewish Home.

Born in Cleveland, Ohio, Mrs. James grew up in her hometown. She is proud of each of her 82 years. Prior to her marriage, she was an accountant with American Multi-graph. Mrs. James has two children, a son who lives in Ohio, and a daughter, also named Ruth, who lives in Winston-Salem.

She has become known at the Home for her concern for the staff, her helpfulness in assisting other Residents at mealtime, her participation in Friendship Circle, and her dedication to her family. Perhaps that's why we find ourselves feeling a little happier, a little warmer, each time we step off the elevator, encounter Ruth, and exchange smiles and greetings. What a marvelous way to begin the day.

When asked what words of wisdom she would like to pass along, she replied: "Count your blessings one by one, and see what the Lord has done."

Staff Members Recognized for Perfect Attendance

Five staff members received recognition for Perfect Attendance at a meeting of the General Staff on August 31. Congratulations to:

Patsy Staley, RN, A Wing
Rosareah Karppinen, Dietary
Joe Smith, Housekeeping
Dorothy Bryant, RN, B-2
Maxine Newman, Dietary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May your name be inscribed in the Book of Life with Health and Happiness:

Mary Chizik
Edward Dwiell
Gertrude Eisenberg
Molly Feldman
Evelyn Handler
Stephanie Holum
Fannie Krusch
Ann Lentz
Rose Lichtenfels
Jennie Raben
Elsie Robertson
Rena Rosenfeld
Zeno Sink
Lillian Sutton
Nettie Task
James Womble

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER

OCTOBER 2

*W-S Symphony. Leave 2 p.m.

OCTOBER 4

*Sr. Citizens' Day at Dixie Classic Fair. Leave 10:30 a.m.

OCTOBER 7

Outreach Movie, 10:00 a.m.
Social Hour, 3:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 10

*Tanglewood Picnic
Leave 10:30 a.m.

OCTOBER 11

*Clemmons Sr. Citizens' Lunch. Leave 9:45 a.m.

OCTOBER 14

Cooking Club, 2:30 p.m.
Men's Outing, 2:00 p.m.

OCTOBER 25

*Out to Lunch. Leave 11:15 a.m.

OCTOBER 31

Annual Halloween Gong Show, 2:30 p.m.

*off campus activities

Families and friends are invited to join us for these special occasions during the month.

IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Sidney Wallace, Minnie Tureff, Edward Robbins and Agnes Cahill. May their cherished memories bring comfort to their loved ones.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

These employees celebrate the anniversary of their employment in October:

14 YEARS

Lorena Durham, LPN, A Wing

7 YEARS

Maxine Newman, Dietary Aide

5 YEARS

Margaret Reid, Nursing Asst., B-2
Trudy Speer, Nursing Asst., B-2

4 YEARS

Lorraine Hetrick, RN, B-2

2 YEARS

Brenda McClamrock, Laundry
Eva Strickland, Nursing Asst., B-1
Amy Minton, LPN, B-2
Karen Neeley, Housekeeping

1 YEAR

Cindy Culverhouse,
Nursing Asst., B-1
Sue Ellis, Housekeeping
Libby Carter, Unit Mgr., B-1
Lucy Cranfill, Laundry

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Editorial

In September issue of **Ecumenicom** a publication of the Ecumenical Institute, Jerome R. Dollard O.S.B., PH. D. of Belmont Abbey, who is Director of the Institute, wrote about the contemporary Ecumenical movement. The first half of the article appears below. Our readers will be interested in what Catholic leaders are trying to convey to Christians.

There is a story about four theological types who were sitting around asking the question, "Did Jesus ever laugh?" One of the reasons for the question is that nowhere in the four Gospels is it recorded that Jesus did laugh. It is recorded that he wept, that he became angry but not that he laughed. Three of the four were convinced that Jesus laughed. Aristotle, they said, maintained that laughter is one of the distinctive qualities of being human. No other animal is known to laugh. Jesus being fully human certainly laughed. The fourth theologian wasn't so sure. Not only was Jesus fully human but he was also fully divine. As such he knew what would happen in the future. As he looked down the centuries he saw how his followers would treat one another and particularly he saw how they would treat his own people the Jews—and this so saddened him that he never laughed.

The point of the story is, of course, the manner in which Christians have treated one another down through the centuries and how we have treated our Jewish brothers and sisters. Particularly in regard to the Jews we have had a theological bias that has justified the most blatant anti-Jewish attitudes and behaviors. We have tended to view the Hebrew

Scriptures as a long, sometimes tedious, almost unnecessary prologue to the New Testament. We have understood Jesus as setting aside the Old Covenant of the law and the prophets, despite his own words that he did not come to replace but to fulfill them. Perhaps the most cruel caricature is the simplistic depiction of the God of the New Testament as a God of Love. In this we do a disservice not only to the Jews, to God, but to ourselves as well. For we deprive ourselves of our roots. For Christians Jesus is the Way and he is the way into the Covenant God first made with Abraham.

The Ecumenical movement of our times is a quiet challenge to the individual Christian and to the Churches. It asks us simply and gently to explore our sometimes deep-set attitudes toward one another; it suggests that we look at the way we act toward one another. Is our way of thinking and acting one which focuses on protecting our own self-investments? In our relationships with others is our focus on the Christ or on ourselves and our institutions? Do we find ourselves responding to the challenge of the Gospel with a "Yeah but" attitude. "Yes, I know I should be more loving, more open, more forgiving, etc., and I want to be . . . but."

The Gospel calls us to let go of our old ideas. Changing attitudes is difficult and we usually do not jump at the chance. This is one reason Ecumenism is hardly in the top slot on the agenda of most people or parishes and congregations. That is understandable. There are many concerns that clamor for our attention on a day-to-day basis. But if we can begin to hear the voice of Ecumenism, we discover several surprising things.

First is that it is not a soft, easy or indulgent voice calling us to good ol' boys and gals in a kind of benign neglect towards each other. It is a call to conversion, a call to be willing to change our ways of thinking about God, others and ourselves. Ecumenism invites us to reorder our priorities and realize that we as individuals and as Churches are not the center of the universe.

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The children's poster from the JWB Jewish Book Council for JEWISH BOOK MONTH, was designed by Chaya M. Burstein, author of *The Jewish Kids Catalog* (Jewish Publication Society), pictures children flying kites.

ABOUT THE BACK COVER

The general interest poster, also from the JWB, was designed by Jay Greenspan, author of *Hebrew Calligraphy: A Step-by-Step Guide* (Schocken Books), is in the format of a page of the Talmud.

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Kibbitzing-Community News

TEMPLE ISRAEL, CHARLOTTE

The second annual Rosalie Citron Ashendorf Memorial Concert was held at Temple Israel on Sunday, October 16. The concert featured soprano Joan Fuerstman Regelin of New York City, formerly of Charlotte, and pianist John Pickett of Charlotte. A reception followed.

Temple Israel Couples Club enjoyed a Blue Jean Weekend at the Osceola Lake Inn at Hendersonville, N.C. Only members participated and they all had a good time.

Something new at Temple Israel is an Adult Trop Class conducted by Cantor Frank Birnbaum. The class will meet in homes of class members. Call the office of Temple Israel 376-2796 for information.

Sisterhood's 1984 Bondarama has begun. \$25 entitles the purchaser to be eligible for the monthly drawing and winners' names are returned to the bowl for future drawings, affording the possibility of winning more than one time. Bonds of large denominations are awarded at each monthly meeting of the Sisterhood. Send your check to Barbara Levin, 5019 Carmel Park Drive, Charlotte 28211.

Adult Jewish Education chairmen Shai Richardson and Sidney Goozner have announced this schedule:

October 23:

Marvin Bienstock "The Jewish Princess Myth vs Reality"

November 20:

Panel Discussion "Problems of Working Parents"

December 18: Movie (to be announced)

January 22:

Dr. Stephen Fishman "News from Utopia"

February 19:

Ms Mary Alice Dixon Hinson "Art and Tradition"

March 25:

An Evening of Yiddish with Abraham Luski

April 29:

Movie (to be announced)

May 20:

Dr. Harry Chernotsky "Middle East Problems"

June 24:

Movie (to be announced)

High Point Community News

by Estelle Levine

Mrs. Bernice Willen of Jamestown is happy to announce the marriage of her son, Dr. Steven Willen to Joanne Lesniak, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Edward Lesniak of Lombard, Ill. on June 26, 1983. The couple now resides in Asheville, N. C.

Mrs. Lottie Krauss Samet, 72, of 300 Edgedale Dr., died Thursday, Sept. 1, 1983, at Wesley Long Hospital, Greensboro. She had been in declining health since March. She was a native of Baltimore, Md. She married Jacke W. Samet in 1930, moved to High Point, and was a member of B'nai Israel Synagogue.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, are one daughter, Mrs. Mollie Lafferman of Greensboro; three sons, Harry, Norman and Leonard Samet, all of High Point; one sister, Mrs. Jean Tranis of Baltimore, Md.; one brother, Benjamin Krauss of High Point; and thirteen grandchildren.

Funeral was at noon Friday at Sechrest Chapel followed by burial in Hebrew Cemetery. Rabbi Robert Sandman officiated, Rabbi Arnold Task and Rabbi Edward Feldheim of Greensboro also participated.

Benjamin Chernoff, 71, of 607

Westwood Ave., died Sept. 17, 19 at High Point Memorial Hospital. He was a native of New York City, N.Y. and had been a resident of High Point since 1946, the year he married Sadye Gordon. He was co-owner of Roy Black Junk and Metal, Inc. and a member of B'nai Israel Synagogue. Surviving, in addition to his wife, are 2 sons, Norman Allen Chernoff of High Point, and Irving Henry Chernoff of Columbus, Ohio; two sisters, Mrs. Freda Granek of Queens, N. Y., and Mrs. Evelyn Granek of Long Island, N. Y.; one brother, Abraham Chernoff of New York, N. Y.; and five Grandsons. Funeral was held at noon Monday at Sechrest Chapel followed by burial in Hebrew Cemetery, Rabbi Robert Sandman, Officiated.

CHARLOTTE COMMUNITY NEWS

The Jewish Community Center of Charlotte presents its fall courses in The Joint Adult Institute of Jewish Studies from October for six Thursdays. Courses offered are:

ISRAEL TODAY, Instructor Ral Harold Krantzler

VOCABULARY OF JEWISH LIFE and II, Instructor Rabbi Joseph Groner

GEOGRAPHY OF THE SIDDUR, Instructor Arthur Tirsun

THE SONGS WE SING, Instructor Canton George Ackerman and Marvin Bienstock

ISRAELI DANCING, Instructor Geri Kravitz

CONVERSATIONAL HEBREW, instructor David Brook

This is the program of a three semester schedule.

CHARLOTTE B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN

by Estelle Goozner

Congratulations Charlotte Chapter BBW for having won the 1983 channel 9's "9 Who Care" award for being an outstanding volunteered group organization. We volunteered for the 911 Emergency number, sick loan chest, Arosa House, and Dolls for Democracy, etc., etc.

Bill Walker, WSOC-TV stations news anchorman, presented the awards, Ted Koppel ABC News Nightline was the keynote speaker bringing out a point, "People volunteer to do good work not because they *have to* but because they *want to*."

Councilman Berryhill on behalf of Mayor Eddie Knox awarded Ted Koppel the key to our fair city of Charlotte.

Although its been a long hot summer, BBW kept busy with a Pool Party on August 20th, at the home of Reggie and Myron Whittlin.

On August 31st we had a summer meeting. Our speaker was Al Pruitt, Public Relations Director at Charlotte Memorial Hospital. We learned what to expect in the next 20 years of improving the system, especially with a new Women's Hospital. There was a membership tea on August 12th at the home of Linda Binnick.

Janet Jaffa has distributed the Anti-Defamation League Memo books informing teachers of the Jewish holidays, including what and when they occur.

Our calendar is finished and will be ready to be distributed soon, thanks to Meryle Elko, Terri Cathcart, Vicki Hopkins, Linda Binnick, Iris Spil, Beth Linderman, Reggie Whittlin and Carol Waldman.

Charlotte Chapter has been named the top "Church/Religious Volunteer Group" in Mecklenburg County in the state-wide Volunteer Awards program. Governor Hunt will present the award to the Chapter at a special event held in

Asheville in October.

We have to date 208 paid-up members. Some of our new members are Roberta Molickson, Susan Coen, Elkie Tulman, Jane Diamond, Helene Nathanson, and Evelyn Krieger.

BBW want to wish everyone in the Jewish community a healthy and happy New Year and Fall season.

Charlotte Chapter B'nai B'rith Women held their Personal Giving Campaign luncheon on October 5th. 11:30 a.m. at Temple Israel. The theme this year was "For the Love of a Child."

Our keynote speaker was one of our own, Susan Bruck, past president of BBW, past chairperson of Avodah, and now the Mid-Atlantic Region Chairperson.

Personal Giving is an individual financial commitment that we as BBW make once a year to assure the continuation of our philanthropies.

"For the Love of a Child" is close to all our hearts. Whether that child be one at home, or grown, or a grandchild; that child is important to all of us. BBW's children are the boys and young men at our Children's Home in Israel. This year marks the 40th anniversary of the Children's Home, and it takes \$40 a day to support a child at the home.

Congratulations to Susan Coen, who is our new Financial Secretary.

BBW have been decorating "Pumpkins for Pediatrics" and stuffing candy bags for the Halloween Party for Arosa House on Oct. 18th, at the home of Susan Bruck.

On Oct. 6th through the 9th, BBW have been displaying projects they do for the city such as our Sick Loan Chest, Dolls for Democracy at the "Womens Show" in the Civic Center.

On Sunday October 30th we brought joy; a Halloween Party to Arosa House from 3-5 p.m. Members brought their own children and grandchildren and

shared this event with the boys and girls at Arosa House and their parents.

Welcome to our new members Roberta Malickson, Susan Coen, Elkie Tulman, Jane Diamond, Helene Nathanson and Evelyn Krieger.

Congratulations Halailah for having won the Sidney Cusworn Award.

THE JEWISH MUSEUM, 1109 Fifth Ave., New York 10018. **NEW EXHIBITION: KINGS AND CITIZENS: The History of the Jews in Denmark through February 1984.**

A major exhibition illuminating three centuries of Jewish life in Denmark, timed to commemorate the fortieth anniversary of the rescue of the Danish Jews, is mounted at the invitation of the

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Danish Government Committee for Cultural Exchange and is affiliated with "Scandinavia Today," an eighteen-month-long international arts festival. The City of New York proclaimed the week of October 20-27 "Thanks to Denmark Week." The exhibit will go later to museums in Chicago and Washington, D. C. It interweaves the 300-year history of the Jewish community in Denmark with the story of the development of the magnificent Hebraica Collection of the Royal Library in Copenhagen. The show commemorates the Rescue of October 1943. A German shipping expert stationed in Denmark informed a Danish politician of the impending Nazi roundup of the Danish Jews. The message was passed on covertly to the Jewish community. Jews immediately sought refuge in attics and basements of Danish Homes. On the night between October 1st and 2nd, during the observance of the Jewish New Year, the Nazis struck. Their victims had vanished. Over the next several weeks, in a clandestine rescue operation involving a makeshift fleet of fishing boats and rowboats, with the cooperation of the majority of the Danish population, over 7,000 Jews (practically the entire Jewish population of Denmark) were evacuated to safety in Sweden. This testimony of determination by the Danes, who actively refused implementation of Hitler's "final solution" and by the Swedes, who offered to accept Denmark's entire Jewish population, is illustrated in photographs, documents, audio-tapes by survivors, and one of the boats used in the Rescue. "The Danish Rescue represents one of the few positive stories to come out of the Holocaust," says Dr. Vivian Mann of the Jewish Museum. Films, lectures, and gallery talks will accompany the exhibition.

Also on exhibit at the Jewish Museum through March 1984 are two special exhibits: DRAWINGS BY ANNA TICHO and HANUKKAH EXHIBITION. One permanent

exhibit is ISRAEL IN ANTIQUITY: From David to Herod (Biblical Archaeology).

LESSONS OF THE MARCH

by Albert Vorspan
Vice President, Union of American Hebrew Congregations

American Jews were among the most avid readers of newspaper accounts of the March on Washington, a massive, peaceful, orderly and historic event. What happened—and didn't happen—vindicated the faith and justified the risks that were taken by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, American Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith in publicly supporting the March.

What lessons may be drawn from this experience? Here are six:

1. The significance of Jewish participation lies in the maintenance of black-Jewish cooperation in coalitions for human rights and social justice and in the avoidance of what would have been a genuine tragedy: a total rupture between the Jewish community and American blacks.

2. As a result of this participation and the agreements patiently and carefully negotiated with the leadership of the March, great sensitivity was shown to Jewish concerns—especially on Israel. Most important, *the understandings achieved were fully respected*. None of the major speakers exploited the Middle East. Even Senator Abourezk did not attack Israel. Jesse Jackson did not refer to the Middle East at all.

3. There is no question that the leaders of the March were grateful for our participation, that Jews belonged in the coalition and that we succeeded in raising the consciousness of the leaders to the issues that we felt most important. It is also clear that if the entire Jewish community had boycotted this event, the March leadership would have been subject to powerful pressures from anti-

Israel forces.

4. Jewish visible participation was minimal, particularly because of the Sabbath, but Rabbi Alexander Schindler gave a benediction near the close of the March. It was a beautiful, poetic prayer. The night before the March, a special service was held in Washington's Temple Sinai which the NAACP's Ben Hooks and Mrs. Coretta Scott King spoke along with Rabbi Schindler as representatives of the American Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith. It was an evening of friendship, mutual respect, cooperation—a love.

5. Robert Lipshutz, a past president of the Hebrew Benevolent Congregation in Atlanta and former White House counsel in the Carter Administration, played a vital role in the negotiations that kept the alliance on track. The American Jewish community owes him a great debt of gratitude for his role in bringing the black and Jewish communities together. Rabbi David Saperstein, director of Reform Judaism's Religious Action Center in Washington, did a superb job of defending Jewish interests in this high-pressure situation.

6. It is clear from the personal statements made to Rabbi Schindler, to Rabbi Saperstein and to me by black, Hispanic, women and labor leaders that Jewish participation in the March, despite much controversy, created invaluable opportunities for renewing relationships and deepening cooperation on common causes. The alternative would have been worsened isolation, with harmful repercussions for community relations locally as well as nationally, and with great damage to the cause of Israel, of Soviet Jewry and of other deeply-felt Jewish concerns. We were glad that we were there and gratified that it went so well.

N.C. Association of Jewish Women

THE NORTH CAROLINA HUMAN SERVICES AWARD

The North Carolina Association of Jewish Women and the Governor's Office on Citizen's Affairs, in order to recognize and encourage community leadership by Jewish citizens in our State, have established the North Carolina Human Services Awards. The awards recognize the active involvement of individuals in volunteer services. Nominations should be based on specific recent achievements or continuing leadership in both the Jewish community and the larger community. Awards will be made at the Annual joint meeting of the North Carolina Associations of Jewish Women and Jewish Men on Sunday, May 6, 1983 at the Marriott Hotel Charlotte, N.C., and will be presented by a member of the Governor's staff.

Jewish organizations are urged to nominate outstanding members of their local Jewish community. Nominations should be submitted to the awards committee **not later than March 10, 1984**. Mail your nominations to:

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Each nomination should include a **short** statement as to the qualifications of the nominee as well as a **brief** biographical sketch. The name and address of the nominating organization should also be included, and the final election will be made by the awards committee. Award winners will be notified prior to the Annual meeting.

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The North Carolina Association of Jewish Women proudly announces the establishment of the Yetta Leder Achievement Award which will be presented to a North Carolina Association of Jewish Women member who has made an outstanding contribution in advancing the organization goals and needs during the current year.

The award will be presented by Mrs. Yetta Leder, Whiteville, N.C. who has contributed more than 50 years of service to the organization. Her unusual love and drive for the Association to stay alive, current and well has been instrumental in the many successes we have enjoyed in our Programs. As president, treasurer, membership chairperson, census taker, she continues to be a pillar of strength and a tireless worker. To emulate this woman is a challenge to us all.

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CONSERVATIVES IN ISRAEL NOTE PROGRESS

The Foundation For Conservative Judaism In Israel, called "Mesorati" announced, "Our 39 synagogues in Israel have grown in strength and in numbers. Our rabbinical school in Israel will open its doors next September and seven elementary public schools are now operating in each of which there is taught a Judaica curriculum in the spirit of Conservative Judaism. Graduates will enter a Mesorati high school in Jerusalem, the first of its kind in Israel . . ."

Mesorati's Executive Director, Dr. David Gordis, reported problems. He described attacks by the Orthodox in Israel, alleging that members of the Conservative movement (aided by the Reform Movement) have destroyed Judaism outside of Israel and now seek to do the same in Israel.

Dr. Gordis stated that Israel should be a free society affording to all the right to practice Judaism as they see fit. Meanwhile, the Orthodox seek to impose their views on everyone and to deny the freedom of conscience which "is one of the reasons why the State of Israel was established."

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1985 will mark the 40th anniversary for the liberation of Europe from the Nazi nightmare. To commemorate this occasion, Beth Hatefutsoth, the Nahal Goldmann Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv, is planning a comprehensive exhibition on the Holocaust survivors, recalling the story of the hundreds of thousands of Jewish refugees who survived the war—in camps, in resistance movements or in hiding.

In preparation for this exhibit, Beth Hatefutsoth has announced a world-wide campaign to collect photographs and films that have any bearing on the subject of Holocaust survivors.

Beth Hatefutsoth would like those—especially Holocaust survivors, their families and descendants—who have any films or photographs on this subject to send them to the Beth Hatefutsoth archives, thereby making them available to the general public. This material will be used for the historical research of the period, as well as for the preparation of an exhibition that will make known the history of that era—in particular to the younger generation.

Daily, we encounter the loss of priceless photographs kept in private houses, family albums, etc. that could have made a significant contribution to one of the most important and dramatic periods in Jewish history. Beth Hatefutsoth urgently requests survivors and their descendants to send any material in their possession to the Museum.

Photographs and films are being sought relating to the period from the liberation from the Nazi (1945) to the final rehabilitation of Holocaust survivors—whether in Israel, Europe, or elsewhere (1950).

To simplify the identification

Begin: The Man and His Legacy

the visual material, senders are requested to stick a label on the back of each photograph with the name of the sender, his exact address (including telephone number); year the photograph was taken (exact date, if possible); place where the photograph was taken; and description (20 words) of the subject matter.

All photographs will be kept in the Beth Hatefutsoth archives.

Address for submitting photographs:

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Tel Aviv 61392 Israel.

BEGIN: THE MAN AND HIS LEGACY

by Harry Wall

Director of the Israel office of the
Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith

Menachem Begin is a man of history. History has exercised a strong impact on his entire life and he, in turn, has been a major force in shaping the history of his people.

But as he leaves public office at the age of 70, Begin's legacy will be more controversial than that of his predecessors among the 20th century statesmen and therefore more difficult to evaluate. The man who signed a peace treaty with Egypt is the same person who left his nation bitterly divided and its army bogged down in Lebanon. While he has instilled a sense of pride and achievement in the eyes of his followers, he has also evoked distrust and condemnation by those who do not share his sense of mission or Jewish destiny.

Complex, misunderstood and frequently underestimated, Israel's Prime Minister has captured world attention. Begin stands out as an ideologue and romantic figure in an era when national leadership is

dominated by technocrats and political pragmatists. After 29 years in the political wilderness and eight consecutive election defeats—enough to drive a weaker man out of public life—he never faltered in his self-confidence nor doubted the mission he believed was thrust upon him by Jewish history.

Seen in the context of his times, his policies more intelligible. His spiritual and intellectual values were forged in the old world of Polish Jewry, his steely resolve in a Soviet prison camp, and his dark vision of the world in the Holocaust, which destroyed much of his family. For Begin the crimes of Germany and Russia against the Jews are not isolated phenomena but traumatic links in the chain of Jewish history that began with the destruction of the first temple and continue today in the form of Arab denial of the existence of the sovereign state of Israel. The strike against the Iraqi nuclear reactor and the war against the P.L.O. in Lebanon were Begin's way of saying "no more" to the historical tides of anti-Semitism.

The hard-liner who signed a peace treaty with Egypt, is a highly cultured European Jew who is viewed as a father figure by the Sephardic masses. Those who have had an opportunity to know Begin realize the wide gulf between his public image as combative and egotistical and the private person, gentle, exceptionally polite, and compassionate.

His detractors and admirers alike recognized his gift for oratory. During election campaigns he had no peer in evoking adulation from mass audiences. Few people place as much stock in words as does Begin and fewer are able to exploit the persuasiveness of

language as he did in his better years.

Begin's identification as a Jew first and foremost and his belief in Israel as the Jewish homeland expressed itself in his close ties to Diaspora Jewry. In Begin's mind there was hardly any doubt of the primacy of Israel, its security and well-being for any Jew, regardless of nationality.

Begin was neither the messianic figure his followers made him out to be ("King of Israel" they would chant at public rallies) nor the villain characterized by the world press. One wonders why it was Begin who was branded an "obstacle to peace" on the cover of Newsweek and not Yasir Arafat or Syria's Assad? Or why Begin, of all the pre-statehood revolutionaries in the world, is the only one still viewed as a terrorist.

Pained as he was by these attacks, Begin was undeterred in doing what he thought necessary to settle the land of Israel and to protect the Jewish state against its enemies. It was his long-time rival David Ben-Gurion, who said, "what matters is not what the *Goyim* say but what the Jews do." But it was Begin who practically made this into a doctrine.

On his departure from public life, Begin leaves a formidable imprint on Israel and its position in the Middle East. His settlement policy has virtually ensured that no Palestinian state will be established west of the Jordan River. Through word and deed, he has reinforced the centrality of Jerusalem to the Jewish world and as the capital of Israel, notwithstanding the attitude of foreign governments. He has served notice to the Arab world that Israel will move first and forcefully when it considers its

security threatened. The question his critics ask of the Begin legacy is, at what price?

It's difficult to imagine what Israel will be like after Begin. In Herut, the party he founded and headed since its inception, Begin was the undisputed leader whose will became its platform. The best that his followers can hope for is that his successor, Yitzhak Shamir, will serve as a conductor who will orchestrate the disparate views of the coalition.

Begin leaves the scene at a critical juncture. Hard decisions will have to be made by his successor who will need broad support. Begin's detractors abroad may need reminding that it was only the strong-willed Begin who could make the large sacrifice for peace, giving up the Sinai, that Israel could accept. Now that Begin is retiring, these same critics may in time appreciate the man they so long criticized.



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In Support of Father Role in Jewish Families

By Truda Weiss-Rosmarin

Editor's Note: One of the most distinguished Jewish scholars of our day is Dr. Truda Weiss-Rosmarin, editor of *The Jewish Spectator* and author of "Jewish Survival," "Judaism and Christianity: The Differences, and other works. In this article, reprinted from *The Jewish Week* of New York, Dr. Weiss-Rosmarin defends the recent decision of the Reform movement that accepts the legitimacy of patrilineal descent in determining the Jewish status of the children of interfaith marriages.

At the March convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the committee dealing with the status of children of mixed marriages reaffirmed a statement in the Reform Rabbi's Manual. This holds that Reform Judaism accepts a child as Jewish, without conversion, if the father is a Jew and if the parents (and the child at the proper time) agree that the child shall live as a Jew and be part of the Jewish community.

This means that Reform Judaism has "emancipated" the Jewish father by recognizing patrilineal descent on a par with matrilineal descent; it confers Jewish birthright on children of mixed marriages with a non-Jewish mother.

According to halacha, Jewish identity is inherited from the mother or acquired by conversion. However, because of the patriarchal nature of Judaism, the law that the religion and Jewish identity of the child depends on the mother is perplexing.

In defining Jewish identity the law is inconsistent, since the Jewish family is both patrilineal and matrilineal. The child takes the religion of the mother. He inherits, however, the status and the family identity of the father and is known by his name.

Thus, the son of a Kohen (member of a priestly family) inherits the priestly status even if his mother is not a Kohen; the father's status rules. In Israel this son is bound by the *halacha* of the

Kohen; he is prohibited to marry divorcee or a childless widow who has *halitzah*, and he is expected to observe the laws of "priest cleanliness," that is, avoid contact with the dead, even with such a sprawling building as the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem. Cemeteries are out of bounds for "priests." Only when in mourning for close relatives are these laws temporarily suspended until after the funeral.

It has been suggested that matrilineal Jewish identity, strange in the context of the legal unfreedom of Jewish women, due to the psychological acumen of the Talmud sages. They are said to have been keenly sensitive to the mother's greater influence upon her children because of her devotion to them. But this theory is refuted by the opinion that the father's love is greater than the mother's since he provides for his children, while a mother does not.

As biblical basis for this opinion the sages quoted the Psalmist's reference to the father's "compassion" (Psalms 103:13) and contrasted it with the cruelty of "compassionate women who boiled their own children for their food" during Nebuchadnezzar's siege of Jerusalem (Lamentations 4:10).

The sages held that only on the deathbed is a mother's stinginess toward her children mitigated. In this context, Jewish law exempts a mother from all parental obligations. In the case of orphan or the father's failure to provide for the children, the *beth din* (court) not the mother, takes on the parental role.

The sentimental view on the superiority of maternal love was not shared by the Talmudic sages. On the contrary, they held that "the son feels drawn to the father." Daughters, of course, were in a class by themselves, since they always stayed with the mother. The idea of women as persons in their own right was alien to the sages.

Some scholars, notably Viktor Aptowitzer, regard the matrilineal determination of Jewishness as a residue of the society's original matriarchy.

In fact, the matrilineal determination of religion in the patrilineal Jewish society is a relic of biblical polygamy. In post-biblical times, polygamy was rare, but it was never forbidden.

Rabbenu Gershom's prohibition of polygamy about 1,000 years ago was "conditioned by his time and place": Ashkenazi Jews living in a monogamous Christian society. This prohibition was never binding on Jews in Moslem and other non-Christian countries where polygamous societies. When the "wife who no longer pleases the husband" is sent back to her family, she is expected to take her minor children, and always the girls.

The talmudic sages reckoned with this sociological fact, and they based the law that "the child is identical with the mother" respecting Jewish status (Yevamot 22a and 23a).

The matrilineal determination of Jewish status is alien to the definition of who are relatives. The law is: "The family of the father is family, the family of the mother is not family" (Yevamot 54b and other places).

This principle is based on the census in the Sinai wilderness. It listed "the names of every male, head by head" according to "their father's clans" (Numbers 1 and 2).

Jewishness is rooted in the belief of the special relationship of this people to God—the Covenant sealed by the Torah. But acknowledging that Jewish

peoplehood and Jewish religion are inseparable does not mean that the Commandments are beyond interpretation.

Judaism is *not* literalistic. The derivation of the law that the child follows the religion of the mother proves that talmudic jurisprudence was not in bondage to the Bible. Instead, it interpreted biblical words freely.

In a polygamous society, it is in the best interests of all that the children follow the mother's religious identity because they do not live with the father under one roof. Moreover, in case of divorce they usually went with the mother, especially in biblical times.

Contemporary Jewry is monogamous, and the nuclear family is the norm. Nevertheless, the polygamy-rooted law that the child follows the religion of the mother is still in force. It is time to reinterpret *halacha* and give the father equal rights for transmitting Jewish identity to his children.

CRITICAL ROLE OF ISRAEL'S MERCHANT MARINE

Eli Steinbuch, president of Zim-American Israeli Shipping Company, Israel's merchant marine fleet, in his first American interview disclosed why Zim had to become one of the world's largest shipping companies.

In a radio interview with Ray Kestenbaum of **Jewish Spectrum**, Steinbuch compared Israel's need for a strong merchant marine with that of a strong Israeli army. Steinbuch stated: "necessity is the mother of invention," adding: "Zionism calls for the settling of the land, but this is not enough, we are a small country surrounded by enemies and the only outlet which we have is the sea to maintain a regular flow supplies."

Steinbuch further revealed that during the several wars in which Israel was engaged, foreign flag ships refused to go to Israel and

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that Israel was forced to rely upon its own ships.

Zim, which is the world's second largest steamship company, has suffered as a result of the global recession, says Steinbuch but he adds: "we definitely succeeded in keeping our heads above the water and will continue to expand our services."

According to Steinbuch, Zim is responsible for generating over 740 million dollars in revenue, of which 250 million dollars go directly into the Israeli treasury.

Zim, which has a fleet of over 100 ships and calls upon over 250 ports on six continents, is prevented from entering over 50 percent of the world's ports due to the Arab boycott, according to Steinbuch.

"The competition is tough, the business in the shipping industry is bad today" said Steinbuch, adding: "public relations is a very important factor in the United States. The State of Israel and Zim have been lacking in this area." Steinbuch concluded: "We (Zim) are big, we are good, and I realize more so every day that the American public, our customers, and potential customers do not know enough about Israel's merchant marine fleet. It is for this reason that we must be effective in reaching the American public regarding the importance of Zim."

Editors Note: The word Zim has its origins from the Book of Numbers: "and a fleet of ships shall come forth and protect the Israelites from the oppressive empires of the Mediterranean."

Darwin in Israel's Education

Controversy Over Evolution Erupts in Schools

by Yitzchak Dinur

(Yitzchak Dinur is an Australian born science writer working in the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.)

A controversy is brewing in Israel about the teaching of evolution in the schools. The issue may even be taken to the Supreme Court by religious parents who object to the non-religious school system teaching evolution. The objectors believe that the Darwinian theory of evolution is untrue and want creation to be given an equal place in the syllabus.

The non-religious schools constitute the largest of Israel's three school systems. They teach general subjects and Jewish subjects such as Bible, some Talmud, Jewish history, folklore, literature, etc., without stressing religious attitudes or demanding religious observance by the pupils. The other two systems—the state religious system and the more extreme 'independent' religious system—teach differing brands of orthodox Judaism.

Evolution is not mentioned in the religious schools except to be condemned. The Biblical creation account is taught there as literal truth, both as part of the religious studies and in the science

curriculum where such exists. Ultra-orthodox schools teach science at all.

Some protagonists for change have views remarkably different from those of the creation-science movement in the USA, which is an outgrowth of the fundamentalist Christian sects. In fact most of the Israelis' arguments seem to be taken from them verbatim.

Both groups believe that the creation account in Genesis is literally true and is also an alternative scientific explanation of the origin and differentiation of plant and animal species. Both want the Genesis account to be granted equal scientific standing with Darwin's theory of evolution which they claim is unprovable and not really scientific.

In recent years, the struggle between orthodox Judaism with the non-orthodox section of Israel's population has grown intense. One aspect is the contention that it is reasonable that the creation account be presented in secular schools by religious teachers, who are the only ones able to present properly and with conviction.

The social basis for the controversy is provided by the disparate sections of orthodox Judaism in Israel: One sect consists of young moderate orthodox people who, in recent years, have moved into skilled technical and scientific occupations via a number of excellent religious vocational and technical high schools. These people are prepared to accept the practical technical benefits of science and are wary of the scepticism associated with it.

This group cannot accommodate evolution to their beliefs. They all too often come in confrontation with evolution



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associated theories such as geology, which they feel contradict the first chapter of the Book of Genesis. They are most interested in having the creation account presented as science.

The other group, strongly anti-evolutionary, are newly religious persons who have come to orthodoxy from non-religious backgrounds. They now passionately reject evolution as strongly as they previously accepted it and yearn to battle against it.

These newly religious are heavily represented amongst the parents planning to go to the Supreme Court. They include the occasional person who has left a former wife or husband for religion and now has legal problems over the desire to remove the children from secular schools. The answer—change the secular schools' entire science teaching approach.

Parents who send their children to non-religious schools see this as an attempt to change them into religious schools. They strongly object to what they feel is creeping religious coercion. After all, had they wanted religious schools they would have sent their children there in the first place.

Many members of the scientific community (including some religious scientists who consider, with Darwin, that evolution does not detract from God's majesty but rather adds to it) object to creation science as an attempt to present religious faith as science, by people who do not understand the theory of evolution. Others add that if creation science is to be presented in non-religious schools, then evolution should be properly presented in all religious schools.

It is difficult to foretell how this will develop. If it gets to the court, the court might rule that both views be given equal presentation, equal time and equal credence in both types of schools.

At best this would be a Pyrrhic victory for the petitioners. But neither would it satisfy their opponents.

JC: "Shalom."

DS: "Shalom. Does that mean you are coming or going?"

JC: "I'll ask the questions. If I leave now you'll know."

DS: "I'm *arumgeflick* already! Plucked, fleeced."

JC: "No, you're not. We haven't even started yet. *Nu*, what do you have to say for yourself? A few months ago it was Arthur Naiman's *Every Goy's Guide to Common Jewish Expressions. Narrishkeit! Are you more narrishkeit?*

DS: "Am I more *narrishkeit*? Show a little *rachmones*, already. *Alevay*, my appearance is a *metsieh*."

JC: "What makes it such a welcome discovery? Even your name is a putdown. DICTIONARY-SHMICTIONARY! By your own admission, under the entry *Shm*, you recognize that *Schmictionary* is deprecating. Are you a *paskudnik*?"

DS: "Am I a *paskudnik*? No, I'm not disgusting! What's more, I'm not *ongeblozen* either. I wasn't intended as a formal lexicon though my sub-title is A YIDDISH AND YINGLISH DICTIONARY. But Daniel Webster I'm not. I don't have a *tzaddik* in my *kishkas*. If you are going to *hok* a *tchynik*, I'm leaving."

JC: "So, who's banging on a teakettle? I'm not nagging you. I don't expect you to be a Daniel Webster, but you are up to your *pupik* in words and pictures. Who were the *gaonim* who assembled them for you?"

DS: "Paul Hoffman did the compiling, and the illustrations are by Matt Freedman. If you read the

acknowledgments you'll see they had a lot of help from their *mishpocheh*. I'm Hoffman and Freedman's second book. They collaborated in 1980 on one called *How Many Zen Buddhists Does It Take to Screw in a Light Bulb?* I'm published by Quill and you can *schlep* me home for \$6.95. A real bargain!"

JC: "Well, yes and no."

DS: "*Forshtinkener* critics. You're all *farblondjhet*, wandering around, making *tsores* for people. All you know how to do is *kvetch*. I've yet to see a critic *k-vell*, unless it's over a book of his own."

JC: "Hold on! Not all critics are *geshvollen* or *farmisht*. On the contrary, I'm trying to help. What are you making such a *tsimmes* over? I haven't said anything bad about you."

DS: "*Kyan Aynhoreh!*"

JC: "I'm not, but you implied I'm nothing but *narrishkeit*. *Narrishkeit*, indeed! Now I'm *oysgamitch-ed!*"

JC: "Worn out already? I've hardly asked you anything yet. You think interviews don't sell books? Listen, even a mention is enough *mazel* to start the *mezuma* rolling. What's more, people are entitled to know these days whether they're getting *glitzy chazzerei* or real *tam*."

DS: "What *chutzpa!* *Feh!* You make me sound like a *gonif*, a *bonditt*. *Genug!* I may not be such a *feinschmecker* as you'd prefer, but then Yiddish is a plain, earthy language, and that's my *shtik*. Yinglish is earthy, too."

JC: "Yinglish.' That's a terrible word."

DS: "I didn't invent it. It stands for hybridism. It's a hybrid itself. It's

here to stay. Leo Rosten uses it all the time. He's the *maven*. Go read *Horray for Yiddish!*"

JC: "I have read it. Why should I tell people to read you too?"

DS: "Because we're very different. Rosten's book is more like a real lexicon. But he's too pious. He'll give you the Yiddish word for a bodily function but not its literal English equivalent. He'll give you a euphemism and warn you first that it's obscene. When I want to say..."

JC: "Hold your horses. This interview is going into a family newspaper."

DS: "Well, everybody knows those words anyway. Besides they're a lot funnier than the euphemisms. They come across graphically as well as audibly. That's another way I'm different from Rosten. They're no pictures in his book. I'm illustrated."

JC: "I'll say you are! Some of Freedman's cartoons are nice *schnecken*. Others are a little provovative. Funny, but provocative. Like those two full page cartoons of a nude male and female called 'Yiddish Anatomy Lesson' with all the vulgar terms for the body pointed out. It had me in stitches, but to some people it's likely to be a *shtikle shanda*. There, you are sort of a lexicon that has crossed the Rubicon. You lay it on pretty heavily with the sex and the bodily functions in general. I wouldn't be too surprised if a few people got annoyed."

DS: "I told you already. That's the way Yiddish is. *Gevalt!* You can't please everybody! *Loz im gayn!* I didn't set out to be a *kochleffel*. I'm not a busybody. I'm not trying to *schmor* laughs. But I won't be *lokshen* either! Nobody's going to make a *kugel* out of me. Yiddish is lusty and the brashest words are the ones that come to be the best known. The *goyim* have known and used these words now for a long time. You want *geshvollen*, go interview Rosten. He'll give you a *megillah* a mile long. I'm right to the point. That's

another way we're different!"

JC: "Any other ways?"

DS: "Yes. We both include a lot of jokes, but where he gives you commentary, I give you passages from books and magazines demonstrating the way a word is used. I have quotations from many authors and other well-known personalities, folks like Saul Bellow, Chaim Potok, William Styron and John Updike."

JC: "Is there anything else that makes you distinctive?"

DS: "Yes. I've got five pages of bibliography listing the books, short stories, magazines, newspapers and movies my definitions and verbal illustrations come from."

JC: "It sounds a *bissel ungepachkit*."

DS: "It is not cluttered up! Don't *utz* me, *neshomeleh*."

JC: "I'm not your sweetheart! But I do like you."

DS: "Well, it's about time you said something nice about me. Are you going to give me a good writeup, *faigeleh?*"

JC: "All I can say is that it won't be *geferlech*. But you'll just have to be on *shpilkes* until the interview is published to find out what it says."

DC: "Oy vai! *Svet gornisht helfen!*"

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BLACK AND JEW PUT ANTI-SEMITE BEHIND BARS IN ATLANTA

Sam Greenberg, National Editor of Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A. and Fred Lester, Atlanta Georgia public bus driver, united to put anti-Semite Henry Whatley behind bars. In their testimony before the Atlanta City Court, the following story emerged.

Mr. Greenberg and eight other members of the JWV were

passengers on Mr. Lester's bus August 19, during the annual JWV convention in Atlanta. Ethel Toobin, one of the ladies in the JWV party, was asking the bus driver questions about the schedule, when a large white male yelled, "You're a stupid lady. You must be Jewish. Hitler should have put all the Jews in the ovens."

Mr. Lester immediately informed Henry Whatley that he didn't want to hear that language on his bus. Whatley's response was a stream of anti-Semitic vulgarities. When Whatley referred to Lester as a "black Jew," the bus driver replied, "I'd rather be black than a white like you."

Lester told Whatley to leave the bus. Whatley refused and continued his anti-Semitic diatribe. Sam Greenberg, a World War II veteran, then lunged at Whatley. As JWV member Greenberg restrained Lester, Lester stopped the bus, locked the doors and assisted in keeping the two men apart. Lester advised Greenberg that the bigot should be smacked, but it wasn't worth it. Instead, bus driver Lester called the police, who surrounded the locked bus within minutes, and arrested Whatley.

Greenberg and Lester were the primary witnesses at the court hearing the following day at which Whatley pleaded guilty to disturbing the peace and delaying public transportation; he was sentenced to 60 days in jail. Magistrate Michle and other municipal officials offered apologies to Mr. Greenberg and members of JWV. Judge Michle advised Greenberg, "The citizens of the Atlanta community are not like this." Bus company Security Officer Evans told Greenberg that he, a Black American soldier in World War II, helped liberate Dachau and he knew what happened to the Jews.

JWV is dedicated to fighting anti-Semitism wherever it occurs, and is pleased to learn that other people support them.

FARMERS PROTECT CROPS WITHOUT HARMING WILDLIFE

by Bill Clark

JERUSALEM—Israeli farmers, like their counterparts all over the world, have their share of wildlife problems. The difference is that the Israeli Nature Reserves Authority doesn't allow farmers to shoot, trap or poison wild animals. Most conventional animal-control

devices, such as leghold traps, common throughout North America, are flatly prohibited.

To comply with the strict laws Israelis are fending off wildlife with such weapons as hard rock music, taped bird calls, and harmless, solar-powered shocks. To encourage farmers to handle wildlife nuisances without resorting to cruel devices, the Nature Reserves Authority is working with them to invent, experiment and expand

humane and biologically acceptable methods.

A blasting transistor radio, for example, tuned to a local station, connected to a loudspeaker and set in the middle of a field, is sometimes enough to dissuade the local wildlife from entering and feasting on ripening produce.

With this technique, the selection of the proper radio station can mean success or failure, says Avinoam Lurie, the

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Authority's animal damage control expert. "We find that the army radio station is best," he says, "because it has a mixed program of popular, classical and oriental music, talk shows and news. The programs keep changing and this tends to discourage wild animals from entering the field."

"Playing tape-recorded alarm calls of birds also works," Lurie says, explaining that the Authority has taped the alarm calls of several species of birds which damage crops. These are sounds a bird makes to warn the rest of the flock of danger.

Shepherds have long used reliable dogs to protect their sheep, but only recently, Israelis have learned that dogs can be very useful in protecting crops as well. Again, success depends on the technique. Simply letting Fido sleep out in the field doesn't help very much.

"Dominant" dogs, meaning those which are the most ferocious, have a tendency to sleep more soundly. So a more timid, "subdominant" dog is allowed to roam free and alert the leashed-up dominant dog at the first sign of an intruder.

An electrified fence has proved to be the best protection device. Most of the electrified fences come from the workshop of Reuven Yoffe, on Moshav Nahalal in Israel's north. Yoffe, is a cattle, cotton and pecan farmer by profession. The electrified fence is one of his pet projects.

He produces two types of units, each for a different application. Both are fully electronic, highly energy-efficient, and highly effective without harming animals. If a modest amount of sunshine is handy, a small solar charger can be attached to keep the battery charged and operating indefinitely.

Yoffe echoed the sentiments of many professionals involved in Israel's wildlife damage control. "Some time ago, farmers simply wanted to kill any animals that

came in and ate their crops or killed livestock," he said. "But in recent years, there has been a new understanding. Instead of fighting against the Nature Reserves Authority, farmers are now working with them. Farmers now understand that killing an offending animal doesn't solve the problem. It only opens the way for another animal to come in, and then another and another. It can become an endless cycle."



Tradition in the Kitchen

A SOUP FOR HARVEST SEASON

Gather together the bounty of early autumn into this hearty Sweet 'N Sour Cabbage Soup. Fresh tomatoes, cabbage and onion from the garden and apples from the orchard make this tangy soup a memorable one, indeed.

This special soup, featuring tender chunks of chuck roast and shreds of cabbage, has delicate maple-y sweetness. The mouth-watering flavor of Sweet 'N Sour Cabbage begins with maple-flavored table syrup, which complements so well the flavors of tomatoes, apple, onion and tart lemon juice. You can add the spiciness of nutmeg, too, if you desire!

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SWEET 'N SOUR CABBAGE SOUP

2 tablespoons vegetable oil
2-½ lb. beef chuck blade or arm
pot roast, cut into 2 or 3 pieces
2 qt. water
1 tablespoon salt
2 lb. fresh ripe tomatoes (6 to 8 medium tomatoes)
1 2-lb. head cabbage, coarsely shredded (8 to 10 cups)

2 cups peeled, shredded tart apple (2 to 3 medium apples)
1 12-oz. can tomato paste
1-½ cups maple flavored table syrup
1 cup chopped onion
¾ cup lemon juice
½ cup firmly packed brown sugar
¼ teaspoon pepper
⅛ teaspoon nutmeg (optional)

In 6-qt. Dutch oven, heat Brown meat; drain. Add 2 qt. water and salt. Bring to boil over high heat. Reduce heat; simmer uncovered 1 hour.

Meanwhile, in large saucepan bring water to a boil; immerse tomatoes for 30 to 60 seconds. Remove from boiling water; immerse in bowl of cold water. Slip off skins and discard. Chop peeled tomatoes; add to meat mixture with remaining ingredients, mixing well. Continue simmering uncovered about 1 hour or until meat is tender. Remove meat from soup; cool slightly. Cut or shred meat into bite-sized pieces; return to soup. Serve hot. *Makes about six 1-½ cup servings.*

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Returning

The Amazing Double Life Of Rabbi Shmuel Golding by Dvora Waysman

Now they call him Rabbi. Then he was called Pastor or Reverend—an ordained Baptist minister. Now he has a long red beard and 'tzitzit' (ritual fringes) hang outside his dark suit. Then he was clean-shaven, dressed like an English man of the cloth. Now he is fighting to regain lost Jewish souls. Then he was an evangelist missionary, sharing a platform with Oral Roberts, Billy Graham, bishops and archbishops, trying to win souls for Jesus.

This is the true but unbelievable story of Rabbi Shmuel Golding, now in Israel. Although few people know his story, his name is becoming well-known because of the posters plastered on notice boards throughout Israel, proclaiming:

Christian Missionaries Are Distributing And Teaching Their New Testament All Over The Holy Land. He should know. He was for many years a Christian missionary himself.

Shmuel Golding was born in the little town of Demidovo in the Ukraine in 1938, the second son of Jewish parents whose forebears included a line of esteemed rabbis dating back to one who was a friend of the Baal Shem Tov. At Babai Yar, outside Kiev, 4-year-old Shmuel and his brother saw their parents, relatives and most of the community, marched to the forest and shot. The children were miraculously saved by a Righteous Gentile before it was their turn to die, but Shmuel and his brother were separated, and to this day he does not know if his brother is still alive.

When he was 7, Shmuel was sent to a paternal uncle in Istanbul who, unlike his father, was not proud of his Judaism. He sent the child to England to be educated, in Church

schools and a military academy. He became a Christian by conviction and married the daughter of a clergyman high in Church circles. At 22 he himself was ordained as a Baptist minister. His first English church was in the Northern industrial city of Manchester, and he became a renowned preacher often speaking on radio and television. Later, he went to France to work among young people, and then to war-torn Vietnam, where he was commended by the Prime Minister of France for his pastoral work. A further church contract took him to India where his evangelical fervor won many converts to Christianity.

But in India, certain traumatic events took place. Shmuel Golding (his name was different then) was studying for a Doctorate in Divinity, and for the first time began studying the Hebrew Bible in its original form. He began to discover mis-translations and contradictions in the Church's teachings that brought about a crisis of faith. In further studies into Church history he believed he revealed the adoption of heathen feasts and customs; changing of dogma to whim or convenience; intolerance and perversion of truth.

Suddenly his love for the Torah of holiness and for the Jewish people from whom he had sprung, grew like a flame in his heart. In all conscience he knew he must leave the church, although the decision almost destroyed him. His wife, also a missionary, divorced him and took their little daughter. He lost all his material assets, but was left with a new yearning to discover his roots.

He returned to Istanbul, but was unhappy among his father's assimilated family, most of whom had intermarried with turks and Greeks. By chance, he met his father's oldest uncle, shunned by the rest of the family. This man was a Torah Jew, and Shmuel made his home a haven. The old man led him through the Tanach (Hebrew

Bible) with all its commentaries, and Shmuel's last doubts were cleared away. He was convinced Judaism was the true religion. Shmuel stayed 7 years with his great-uncle until his death.

Working in Paris, Shmuel began trying to reclaim Jewish souls from the Jews for Jesus movement. One girl, Dvora Ruth, who listened to his words, returned to Judaism and married him. Today they have four children Nachman (6), Nissim (4), Geula (3) And baby Shachrit (8 months). The daughter from the first marriage was also reunited with her father after many years in a Swiss Convent, and she has now converted to Judaism. Today, Efrat—now 23—lives with her father and his new family and acts as his secretary.

There is a dramatic chapter in Rabbi Golding's life in Turkey, before he came to Israel. He

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lectured in an Istanbul college and began compiling a history of Turkish Jewry, beginning with Abraham who lived in Haran, where a small Jewish community still exists. Unfortunately such religious activity was illegal in Turkey and he had to work underground, persuading Jews to make 'aliya' to Israel. He was finally arrested, but escaped with his wife and baby son. The authorities impounded all his assets and he arrived in Israel virtually penniless.

Today, Shmuel Golding is an orthodox Rabbi, dividing his time between his home in Beersheva and his office at 14 King George Street, Jerusalem. He spends four days a week at his office giving help and advice to Jews who have embraced missionary teachings; counselling those who are about to convert; and advising concerned parents who have lost their children to sects, cults and missionary teachings.

He fights fire with fire, quoting extensively from the New Testament to prove how missionary interpretations are false and misleading, with phrases taken out of context and words deliberately mis-translated (such as "alma"—Hebrew for a young woman being changed to "virgin"—for which the Hebrew word "betulla" is quite different). He has printed leaflets detailing more than 100 examples of contradictions and mis-translations in the New Testament. He respects Christians for their beliefs, but is heckled, abused and threatened regularly by missionaries and sometimes even by Jews who have embraced their teachings.

Rabbi Golding claims a 70% 'success rate' in winning Jews back from the missionaries. Because of his own incredible story, Rabbi Golding maintains that one must never despair of a Jewish soul, no matter how much a Jew has assimilated or denied his faith. He believes one of his own ancestors—perhaps the Rabbi of

Demidovo—laid a spiritual claim to the welfare of his soul and brought him back to Judaism, his country and his people.

Chaim Herzog— Israel's Sixth President

**A Unifying Personality Unlikely
to be a Figurehead**
by Simon Griver

In becoming Israel's sixth president Chaim Herzog has taken on his most challenging role. His proven versatility should stand him in good stead, having in the past been a successful soldier, diplomat, politician, lawyer, industrialist, journalist, writer and even something of a sportsman.

Perhaps a more important qualification for being president than his professional accomplishments, is the fact that he spans the four major chasms that divide the Jewish people; religious and secular, Ashkenazi and Oriental, Israel and the Diaspora, and the political left and right.

Herzog describes himself as a traditional Jew. He is looked upon as belonging to the non-orthodox establishment but his family background (he is the son of the late Ashkenazi Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Herzog) makes him sympathetic of and acceptable to the orthodox community. Herzog's wife Aura Ambache is half Sephardi, their oldest son Yoel has married the daughter of the Swiss Sephardi business magnate Nessim Gaon and Herzog claims that so many uncles, aunts, cousins, nephews and nieces have had 'mixed' marriages that he is not conscious of who is Ashkenazi and who is not.

At the same time, having been born and brought up in Ireland, educated in Britain and served in America as ambassador to the United Nations. Herzog points out

that he understands the hopes and fears of the English-speaking Diaspora and its relationship to Israel. Finally as somebody whose political home is towards the right and hawkish inclined circles in the Labor party, his centrist views are acceptable to most of the population, albeit that the presidency is a non-political role.

With the country's divisions of mind President Herzog's acceptance speech in May, as he replaced Yitzhak Navon, stressed that internal wrangling was becoming a greater threat to the country's security than the external enemy.

Herzog was at pains to stress that he was not born with a silver spoon in his mouth and has had to fight hard to get on in life. It is true that Herzog has been diligent and hard working but he was rather hampered by the advantageous circumstances of his birth. His story does not reflect that of Deputy Prime Minister David Levin, the Moroccan boy who grew up in Beit Shean transit camp and raised his children in the poverty of distressed development town. Born in Belfast, Northern Ireland in 1919 as Vivian Herzog, the new President's family soon moved to Dublin when his father became Chief Rabbi of Ireland. Aged 17 he joined his grandparents in Jerusalem to study at the Hebrew Yeshiva, a year before his father became Chief Rabbi of Palestine. Herzog soon returned to Britain receiving a Law degree

Cambridge University and graduating from the Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst. He served in British Intelligence during the Second World War, helped capture Heinrich Himmler and represented the British at the first conference on displaced persons at Belsen.

Herzog's heart was in Eretz Yisrael, to which he returned in 1947. He fought in the War of Independence and with the official formation of the Israeli army he headed its intelligence branch. In the 50's he served as military attache in Washington for four years. He was the first military commander of the West Bank in 1967, and UN Ambassador in New York from 1975 to 1978 when the infamous "Zionism equals racism" resolution was passed. In one of his great moments he strode to the UN rostrum and tore the resolution to shreds in the name of Israel, the Jewish people and the Zionist movement.

For many years as a lawyer he had close contacts with Sir Issac Wolfson's GUR-Rassco corporation. Herzog picked up board memberships all over the place with Israel Discount Bank, ORT and Keter Publishing being several of many such posts. He has published a number of books about Israel's wars and frequently contributes to Israeli newspapers, radio and television. As president he has had to give up all his business and journalistic interests, as well as his Knesset seat, which he took up in 1981.

However, despite his 'blue blooded' British education, the fact he is a Knight of the British Empire and could put Sir before his name, despite the eminent rabbinical family from whom he is descended and his marital connections (Abba Eban is his brother-in-law), Herzog is no aloof aristocrat but a staunch social democrat and man of the people.

He is popular with the Israeli man in the street and on the eve of his election as president, Israel television interviewed Israelis in

both Labor and Likud strongholds. All expressed satisfaction with him and many Likud supporters said they were happy he had defeated Elon, although having regrets that so many members had cheated on the prime minister.

Many Israelis admire the fighter in Herzog. Indeed he is a former boxing champion of Maccabi Ireland and today still takes a keen interest in sports, indulging in sailing and watching soccer. "Politics is a bit like boxing", he says. "You have to take the knocks, stay on your feet and persevere". Herzog feels, however, that he has been too naive and honest to get to the top on the greasy pole of party politics.

He is also a family man with four children: Yoel 33, Michael 30, Yitzhak 22 and Ronit 19. His wife Aura, he emphasizes, is no mere appendage but a woman who has achieved much in her own right, being the longtime head of the Council for a Beautiful Israel, the founder of the Education Ministry's Public Council for Arts and Culture and the creator of the country's annual Bible Quiz.

The Herzogs admire the open, deeply involved, much travelling and hosting style of the Navon's, which transferred the Presidency from a largely ceremonial post to a leadership position of status and influence. In perpetuating the presidential style of his predecessor, Chaim Herzog will no doubt also set his own novel tone. In theory the presidency is merely titular, a ceremonial role lacking authority or power. In practice, however, it is an influential and inspirational symbol for the country as a whole. It may transpire that Chaim Herzog is one of the few personalities capable of promoting and advancing the new style given to the Presidency by his predecessor—the transformation of the post into one which the people look for non partisan advice and moral guidance on the major issues of our times.

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well be the most rounded picture yet of one of the giants of modern American history."

Brandeis grew up in Louisville, Kentucky during the Civil War, graduated from Harvard Law School, and then established a law practice in Boston. He achieved fame at the turn of the century as a public reformer—a role that led to his popular designation as "the people's attorney." Although anti-Semitism and resistance from business groups prevented him from being appointed to President Woodrow Wilson's Cabinet in 1913, he continued to advise Wilson on national policy. Wilson appointed Brandeis to the Court in 1916 and, after a long and bitter confirmation fight in the Senate, he became the first person of Jewish origin to sit on the High Court. He authored 528 opinions and acquired a stature attained by few Justices before or since.

Aside from the Court, Zionism was Brandeis' principal concern in the last 30 years of his life. He took control of a small, unorganized and fledgling Zionist group in 1914 and transformed it into a strong organization that wielded considerable influence in national and world activities. Although he resigned from most public positions shortly after ascending to the Court, Brandeis always remained an important figure in Zionist activities.

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Federal Communications Commission. He is also the author of **John F. Kennedy: The Promise and the Performance**, and numerous articles in **The New York Times**, **The Washington Post**, **The American Scholar**, and other periodicals.

LAW AND RELIGION, The Jewish Experience by Ze'ev W. Falk

Mesharim Publishers Jerusalem. 238 pages, \$ paperback. This excellent book is a collection of lectures the author delivered as a course at New York University School of Law when he was a visiting professor (1981). The contents include chapters on Values, Democracy, Liberalism, Human Rights, Equality, Disobedience, Authority, Legalism, Language, Logic, Human Nature, Faith and Proof.

Written with apparent enlightenment in fields of religion, law, history, and philosophy, this book is extremely interesting and thought-inspiring. The Jewish experience is an important source for discussion of Law and Religion according to Ze'ev Falk. "Precisely because law, morals, and religion were never rigidly separated from each other, Jewish tradition provides a model of their interaction and mutual enrichment."

The only serious flaw in the book is the extravagant use of commas, contrary to American usage, causing one to wonder why they were not omitted by someone before the book went to press.

For reading that is substantial and replete with important observations and information, we suggest that you order this book from Mesharim Publishers, 10 Harav Berlin Street, Jerusalem 92503, Israel. The cost is \$10.

JEWISH BOOKS VIEWS AND REVIEWS

By Joseph Cohen

Are There Really Jews In The South? Real Jews?

Despite the incredible advances in the technology of communication and the mobility of the population, to say nothing of the special sophistication of nationwide Jewish networking, it is still commonplace for many Northern Jews to express surprise upon encountering Southern Jews. "Are there really Jews in the South"? they ask, adding a second layer of curiosity to their first one by following up with a skeptical "Real Jews"? I am usually tempted to reply "Sho' nuff, honeychile," and throw in a couple of "youalls" for good measure.

Traveling outside Dixie, I almost regularly encounter the question. This is astonishing, but it happens. Years ago, the question used to be a wide-eyed "Du bist a Yid?" Today, the query is less direct: "Are there really Jews in the South"? The phrasing of the question may be changed; the curiosity behind it is still the same. Under this sort of scrutiny, I begin to wonder if without knowing it my nose has suddenly become semi-detached.

Well, there are Jews in the South and they've been here for a long time. Some people from outside the South did know about them years ago. When I was a little kid in a country town in middle Tennessee, I used to be amazed at the number of bearded, frocked schnorrers from both real and imaginary yeshivas all over the world who, while passing through,

somehow knew to knock on our door.

Perhaps one of the reasons for the unintentional anonymity of Southern Jews is that until recently there has been little systematic investigation of Southern Jewish life and culture. The Southern Jewish Historical Society is still a few years away from its **bar mitzvah**. The preservation of Southern Jewish culture, which would increase the likelihood of published studies, is only now beginning in earnest partly because of an increased sense of historical urgency and partly because the rural and small town facets of that culture are rapidly disappearing. Apart from several citybased histories (and not counting South Florida, which is as everyone knows, a suburb of New York)—particularly those of Charlotte, North Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina and New Orleans—the important books about Southern Jewish life can be numbered on the fingers of one hand. These heard melodies are sweet enough, but the unheard ones tantalize in their prospects.

It is thus an occasion for rejoicing when amid the magnolia blossoms and the honeysuckle one of the unheard melodies, like the voice of the turtle, is heard throughout the land. And we should rejoice over the recent appearance of **JEWIS IN EARLY MISSISSIPPI** by Leo E. and Evelyn Turitz (University Press of Mississippi, \$20.00). Co-authored by the rabbi emeritus of Congregation Beth Israel in Meridian and his wife, this pictorial history, a quarto in soft-card covers, is handsome and appealing. Mah goodness! Who can resist lookin' at old-timey pictures in the family album! There are more than 400 photographs of immigrants, settlers, patriarchs, matriarchs, whole families, storefronts, family homes, businesses and synagogues. The cover is particularly intriguing. It is a plate of the now abandoned Port

Gibson Temple Gemiluth Chassed, complete with its moorish steeple. A steeple! and moorish? Land-sakes alive!

The portraits of the immigrants on their way to becoming solid citizens and benefactors of their communities, are equally fascinating. For the period of history covered, principally 1830 to the turn of the century, the faces are almost entirely those of German Jews and those from Alsace-Lorraine. They came to Mississippi not overland from New York but through the port of New Orleans, going on to Nitta Yuma, Pontotoc, Yazoo City, Vicksburg, Natchez, Meridian, Jackson and countless other villages and towns.

Accompanying the photographs is a text that belies the amount of sorting out that obviously went into getting all the family names straight and keeping up with the inter-marrying and linking of families across the state and into adjacent ones. What we are given is basically name, rank and serial number—indeed, too much is made of the patriotism of young Jewish men who "responded as gallantly as did their neighbors to the call for enlistment in 1861"—and we get far too little detail about the resourceful and imaginative Jews like Caroline Rosenbaum of Marion who, upon learning that Union soldiers were confiscating all food and valuables put "some of her children in one bed and lit the wood-burning fireplace to get the room and the children warm. She quickly shoved all food supplies and valuables under the bed. Shortly before the knock came at the door, she artfully put a few red blotches on the children's warm faces." When the soldiers arrived and were ushered "into the room, they took one horrified look at the flushed and spotted faces and left abruptly!"

The pictures, of course, make up for what the text lacks. I was myself pleasantly surprised to come across a photograph of Clarksdale's first rabbi, A. H. Freyman, in

whose boarding house my mother as a young woman was once a guest, having come from Tennessee for a dance. And it was this rabbi's granddaughter who subsequently became my wife.

JEWES IN EARLY MISSISSIPPI is a treasure-trove. It is easy to imagine the scenarios for the endless conversations it will generate, but it nonetheless points up the very real need for a professional, in depth, thoroughly researched, more universal history coming forward to the present, a history fleshed out to include the stories of the Jewish Snopeses as well as the Jewish Compsons and Sartoris. If I have any quibble with the good rabbi's book it is that there is neither a picture nor a reference to any of those Jews who were not paragons of virtue. That there were some of them around, we know well enough. As a child in the rural South, I was urged from time to time not to provoke the **goyim**. I sense something of that caution here where there seems to be a need by the rabbi to justify Jewish settlement in the Christian South. That's strange at a time when the Southern Christian fundamentalists are openly embracing Israel on every television screen in the country.

My quibble aside, I have a more serious quarrel, not with the rabbi but with his publisher. Printed on heavy, near-glossy paper, this book is delightful to touch as well as to look at, but the weight of the paper is not supported by the stitched binding which it needs. Instead, it is flimsily glued. Consequently, the book self-destructs in your hands. It's been hard enough for us Southern Jews to hold the past together, or even to convince Northern Jews that we have one. The University Press of Mississippi ought not to make it more difficult. Sho'nuff, you all.

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THE TERRITORIAL DIMENSION OF JUDAISM by W. D. Davies, University of California Press, 169 pages, \$14.95 (A Quantum Book).

The bond between the Jewish People and The Land has been insoluble for almost 2,000 years. Exiled from their homeland by the Romans, Jews were able to maintain their identity as a people in the faith that someday they would be reunited in Israel.

Although this relationship between The People and The Land persists and is the foundation of Hebrew Scripture, its meaning and implications are diverse. Is this doctrine of The Land an indispensable part of Judaism? In THE TERRITORIAL DIMENSION OF JUDAISM, published by the University of California Press, W.D. Davies discusses the changing attitudes and interpretations regarding The Land which occur throughout Jewish history.

Professor Davies' reputation as one of the foremost Christian scholars of Judaism and his original and careful research have prompted the magazine *Midstream: A Jewish Monthly* to print a symposium on his book in the March 1983 issue.

Professor Davies argues that, since most Jews have chosen to live in the Diaspora when having the opportunity to return to Israel, "Eretz Yisroel has not been the essence of Judaism to the extent that literary sources, the observances of Pious Jews, and the political activity of non-religious Jews would seem to suggest."

Professor Davies' biblical research takes into account the doctrine of The Land in the Tanak (or Old Testament), and its classic sources of commentary, the Talmud, Midrashim and Mishna. Through these sources he traces how the belief in The God, The People and The Land continues in Judaism to the present day. Davies also shows that in certain episodes of Jewish history the connection between The People and The Land

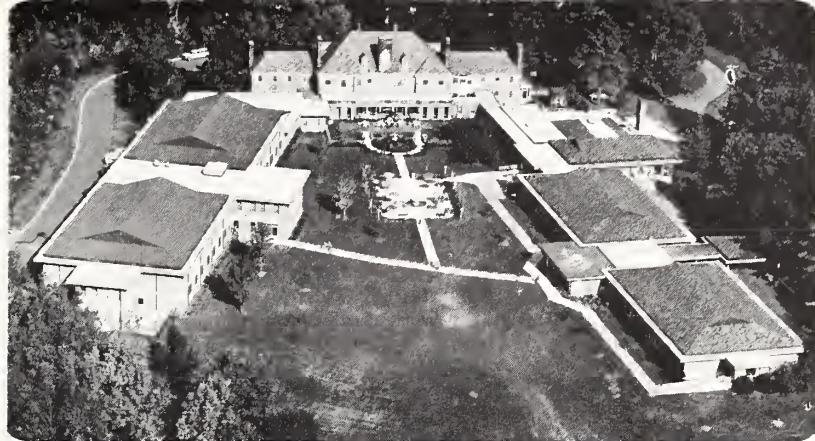
becomes skewed, revealing sharp variations in the importance attached to The Land.

Davies argues that the question of The Land has been a neglected subject "because of the dominance of Christianity. The discussion has been governed almost entirely by what concerns Christians has deemed important." Davies believes that because "the Jewish faith came to be understood largely in terms of Christian categories, seldom in terms native or peculiar to itself," the ideas and doctrines of Jewish thought were regarded as secondary in the annals of Western Philosophy.

Professor Davies assesses the doctrine of The Land in Judaism not only from a strictly religious standpoint but in terms of the contemporary human and political needs of Jew and non-Jew alike.

W.D. Davies is A.A. Bradford University Professor, Texas Christian University, and George Washington Ivey Professor Emeritus of Advanced Studies and Research in Christian Origins at Duke University. He was recently elected Fellow of the American Academy of Jewish Research; he is a Fellow of the British Academy and of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He is the author of several books including *THE GOSPEL AND THE LAND: Eastern Christianity and Jewish Territorial Doctrine* (University of California Press, 1974).

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NOVEMBER, 1983

Nathan Sutker To Be Honored at BJH Annual Meeting

The gala weekend commemorating the eighteenth anniversary of the founding of the Home is scheduled for November 12 and 13. During the festivities, Mr. Nathan Sutker will be honored for eighteen years of Board service. Having served continuously since 1965, Mr. Sutker is the last member of the original Board to retire.

Known affectionately by many on the Board as "Uncle Nate," he has been distinguished for his devoted attendance and his sound and sage comments on virtually every issue. Though he served primarily as the Home's insurance consultant, he was also on the Building Committee one time.

The Nathan Sutker family ranks high among those households which have offered their time and talents to make the Home what it is today. Minnie Sutker, Mrs. Nathan Sutker, has held leadership positions in the NC Association of Jewish Women for a number of years. She has served as the State Chairman for the Remembrance Fund, which through the years has been the chief charity arm of the



Nathan Sutker

Association. Their generosity in support of the Home is well known.

As another indication of the importance of the Home in their lives, their son, Mr. Stephen Sutker, has also served on the Board of Governors. At the Annual Meeting, Stephen will be honored for nine years of service on the Board.

Not having a member of the Sutker family on the Board will be a

loss to the Home, but we know that we can count on their continued interest and support for the Residents and the Home.

Others retiring from active service on the Board include: (with the first year on the Board indicated) Mr. Harris Clein (1968), Mrs. Judy Hyman (1980), Mr. Seymour Levin (1968), Mr. Alvin Levine (1980), Mr. Stephen Sutker (1974), and Mr. Alvin Witten (1974).

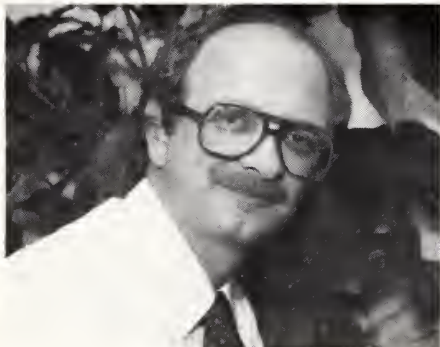
Other events of the weekend include the President's Reception on Saturday evening. The Triad Trio will provide background music, and present a classical music concert during the evening. This trio of Wake Forest faculty members are sure to be a highlight of the occasion.

NC Senator Marshall Rauch of Gastonia will present the keynote address at the Annual Meeting on Sunday. His topic is "North Carolina Politics and Judaism."

Dedications include the Medical Suite memorial honoring Dr. Leon H. Feldman of Asheville, presented by Mrs. Ruth J. Feldman, and the grandfathers clock donated by Mr. Herbert W. Peck of Clemmons.

Home Welcomes New Executive Staff Members

Mr. Al. Mendlovitz, Executive Director, is pleased to announce that Mr. Charles Dizard has joined the staff of the Blumenthal Jewish Home as Assistant Executive Director. Chuck comes to the Home with a diverse set of administrative, budgeting and organizational skills. He most recently worked as Administrator for the Department of Family and Community Medicine at the Bowman Gray School of Medicine in Winston-Salem. Prior to that he worked in the Budget Office and the Community Development Department for the city of Winston-Salem. He came to the area originally in 1972 as a staff member of the United Electrical Workers union.



Chuck Dizard

Mr. Dizard earned his bachelors degree from Antioch College in Yellow Springs, Ohio, and an M.B.A. from Wake Forest University. His wife, Deborah Friedman Dizard, is a graduate of Roosevelt University in Chicago and holds a degree from the Physician's Assistant program at Bowman Gray School of Medicine. She is currently the staff coordinator of the medical ethics program at Bowman Gray. Chuck and Debbie have two children, Jacob (5 years) and Max (nearly two).

Speaking of his new responsibilities, Chuck stated, "I welcome the opportunity to be associated with an institution of such high reputation as the Blumenthal Jewish Home. The Board of Governors has expressed a commitment to expand

the leadership role that the Home plays, not only among nursing facilities, but within the broader field of aging. I hope to make a contribution to this important goal."



Edna Blevins

Mr. Mendlovitz is also pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs. Edna Blevins as the new Director of the Social Services Department at the Home. Prior to coming here, Edna was in private practice, offering counseling and consulting services to adults, children and families. She has had experience in mental health settings, hospitals, and rehabilitation facilities. She has an undergraduate degree in Social Welfare from East Tennessee State University, Johnson City, Tennessee and a master's degree in Social Work from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She resides in Winston-Salem with her husband and two sons, ages 12 and 7. Although Winston-Salem has been her home for several years she has lived in the mountains of North Carolina, as well as in the coastal area.

Her personal feelings about working at the home are as follows: "I feel very privileged to be a part of the staff at the Home. I was drawn to the Home because of its excellent reputation in the community, and because of the increasing need of the geriatric population for services such as those offered by the Home. I feel very challenged by my work, and I am looking forward to being part of the administrative team."

NOVEMBER 1

Contemporary Judaism lecture by Rabbi Task, 10:00 am

*Reynolda House Art program, 1:15 pm

NOVEMBER 4

Outreach Movie, 10:00 am
Social Hour, 3:00 pm

NOVEMBER 7

*Reynolda House Art program, 1:15 pm

NOVEMBER 8

*Clemmons Senior Citizen Luncheon, 9:45 am

NOVEMBER 11

*Men's Outing, 2:00 pm

NOVEMBER 12

President's Reception, 8:00 pm

NOVEMBER 13

Annual Meeting

*Winston-Salem Symphony concert, 2:00 pm

NOVEMBER 14

*Reynolda House Art program, 1:15 pm

NOVEMBER 21

*Reynolda House Art program, 1:15 pm

NOVEMBER 22

Contemporary Judaism lecture by Rabbi Task, 10:00 am

*Out-to-lunch, 11:30 am

NOVEMBER 24

Interdenominational Thanksgiving Service, 10:00 am

NOVEMBER 29

Contemporary Judaism lecture by Rabbi Task, 10:00 am

NOVEMBER 30

Newcomers, 10:00 am
Birthday parties, 3:00 pm
First light of Chanukah, 5:30 pm

*Off campus

Families and friends are invited to join us for these special occasions during the month of November.

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AT
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SATURDAY NIGHT - NOVEMBER 12th

Elegant Presidential Reception Refreshments Music

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 13th

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Mr. Kenneth Greene	Dr. Eugene Sandler
Mrs. Mimi Levin	Mrs. Marian Wall

FOR ONE YEAR TERM:

Mrs. Doris Dworsky

WE LOOK FORWARD TO PRESENTING THESE CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AT
THE ANNUAL MEETING AT THE HOME ON NOVEMBER 13, 1983.

CYRIL JACOBS, CHAIRMAN
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

ALZHEIMER'S CONFERENCE AN OUTSTANDING SUCCESS

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More than 300 physicians, nurses, social workers, activity directors, nursing home administrators, mental health professionals and family members attended the day-long symposium, "Alzheimer's Disease and Other Organic Brain Disorders of the Aged: Issues and Answers for Physicians, Long-Term Care Personnel and Families" which was sponsored by BJH in conjunction with the Forsyth/Stokes Mental Health Center, Bowman Gray School of Medicine, and the Northwest, Charlotte and Greensboro Area Health Education Centers.



Faculty leaders Carl Eisdorfer, David Citron, Lorraine Hiatt, Al. Mendlovitz & Benjamin Vatz.

Staff from the Home was instrumental in planning and executing the program, which attracted internationally-known speakers Carl Eisdorfer and Lorraine Hiatt. Lawrence McHenry, Jr., MD, and David Citron, MD, (both of whom serve on the Home's Board of Directors), completed the list of faculty for the plenary sessions. Afternoon workshop sessions included presentations by Edna Blevins, MSW, Director of Social Services, Janet C. Sawyer, MA, Director of Community Programming, Marilyn Rowland, RN, Director of Nursing, and Al. Mendlovitz, Executive Director.

Demand for this program exceeded the seating capacity of the conference center, and a number



Marilyn Rowland, DON, chats with Alexa Gallahan, Pat Brennan (Beth Shalom Home, Va.) & Gracia McCabe (UNC-G School of Nursing) during a working session.

of would-be participants had to be turned away. Evaluations of the symposium reflected the consistently high quality of presentations, with overwhelming interest in a continuation of this format.

Staff members from The Evergreens (Greensboro, NC), Seven Acres Jewish Home (Houston, Texas), Beth Shalom Home (Virginia Beach, Va.), Dallas Home for Jewish Aged (Dallas, Texas), and the Jewish Home of Fairfield, Conn. met at the Home for a day-long workshop session following the symposium. Each of these facilities has begun special programs for victims of Alzheimer's disease and other dementing illnesses. As a result of this time, during which program ideas were shared, and many of the issues, problems and solutions in caring for this population were discussed, the concept of networking arose. A survey will be sent to other Homes to determine what they are doing to meet the special needs of mentally impaired residents. Results of the survey, as well as proceedings from the symposium and workshop sessions will be shared with other long-term care institutions. All those who were involved in the second day workshop expressed strong interest in continued meetings to further the work begun at this conference, and plans are already being made for development of this concept.

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the month of September.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May your name be inscribed in the Book of Life with Health and Happiness:

Claire Bernstein
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Delia Sonnenshein
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WELCOME

May you have a long, happy and healthy life:

Helen Epstein, Greensboro, North Carolina
Helen Holcomb, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Eva Weinberg, Greenville, South Carolina
Dora Wolf, Charlotte, North Carolina
Nathan Gottlieb, Greensboro, North Carolina
Badonna Gottlieb, Greensboro North Carolina

IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Mildre Yanko, Edward Robbins, an Sarah Atlas. May their cherished memories bring comfort to the loved ones.

RESIDENTS WIN AWARDS AT 1983 DIXIE CLASSIC FAIR

by Catherine Smith,
Craft Shop Instructor

Eight hard-working residents, regulars in the BJH Craft Shop, entered craft items in the Senior Citizens' Division of the Dixie Classic Fair, which was open Sept. 1-3 and Oct. 8 in Winston-Salem. Entries in needlework were submitted by Molly Feldman, Alice Fruh, and Anni Frankl. Mrs. Frankl's pocketed two-toned blue capulet with a third prize ribbon and a baby "apple" design afghan won an Honorable Mention ribbon.



Molly Feldman (New Jersey), Anni Frankl (Winston-Salem) & Alice Fruh (Greensboro)

Entries in oil painting were submitted by six residents. Alice Fruh entered "A Winter Cabin" and won a fourth prize ribbon. Rose Spire entered "Snowscene at Twilight" and won a third prize ribbon. Rose Block entered a still life, "Bright Harvest" and won a fifth prize ribbon. Faye Moss entered "A Winter Millpond" and received an Honorable Mention ribbon. Ruth LaPan entered an autumn landscape, "Reflections" and received Honorable Mention ribbon. Abe Fine entered a popular seascape, "Sea Cottage."

The competition was keen, and residents who visited the fair were gratified that their work received considerable recognition. The "regulars" are back at work already planning for the competition next year.



Painters Alice Fruh (Greensboro), Abe Fine (Charlotte) & Faye Moss (N. Miami Beach, Fla.)



Rose Block (Greensboro) & Rose Spire (Roanoke Rapids) display their award-winning printings.



Ruth LaPan (King) with her painting "Reflections," which received an Honorable Mention.

BJH HORSESHOE TEAM EARNS TROPHY — AGAIN!

by Sharon Roevers, RT

Another victory for Blumenthal Jewish Home! The BJH Horseshoe Team won the 1983 Horseshoe Championship. It was a close tournament, with Meadowbrook Manor winning the first game and BJH winning the second. The third and final game would decide this year's winner in the on-going competition.

Everyone was tense until the last victorious BJH horseshoe was thrown. The team was proud of its achievements, and the whole Home is proud of the team members and their triumph. The team consists of Zeno Sink (Winston-Salem), Roy Ray (Winston-Salem), Alice Fruh (Greensboro), Rose Lichtenfels (New York), Claire Bernstein (Greensboro), Sol Greenberg (Charlotte), and Abe Fine (Charlotte). Spurred by their success, team members are already gearing up for next year's tournament.

WANT ADS

We are re-decorating the Coffee Shop! In order to make it a comfortable lounge area for residents we need parlor furniture — chairs, couches, end tables and lamps . . .

Also needed . . .

A mannequin (to display hand-made shawls, etc.)

Baby dolls

Colorful posters

Costume jewelry

Make-up and perfume

Old hats

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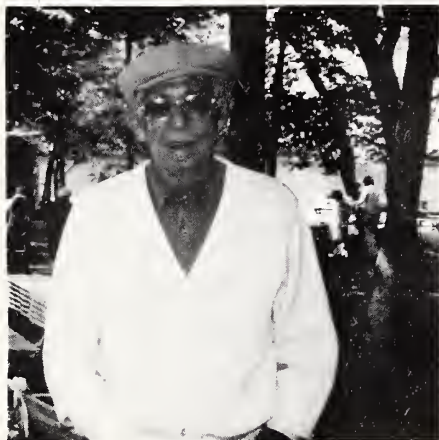
FOCUS ON A RESIDENT

ROY RAY

by Rick Rogers, RT

A stately Southern gentleman, distinguished by his towering height, silver hair and stylish clothes, Roy Ray exudes a blend of wit and wisdom that is possessed by few.

Born and reared in Burlington, NC, Roy went to work for the Burlington News at the age of 13 during the summer and after school. By the time he was 21 he had held 10 jobs, working as a printer from the East Coast to El Paso. He also worked as a boilermaker in ship and train yards.



Roy Ray

From 1916-1917 he served in the infantry on the Texas-Mexico border trying to chase Pancho Villa back into Mexico. In 1919 he went to work for the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel, eventually becoming production manager for this paper. Around the same time he met Violet, who became his wife 18 days later.

In 1948 he got into politics because no one was doing things the way he wanted them done. He ran for a seat on the 5-member school board and placed sixth. When one of the elected members quit a short time later he was appointed to serve. This led to a 16-year commitment during which he was Chairman much of the time. He also served as a Trustee of Salem College during this period.

Roy was the head of many organizations. He started the NC Mechanical Conference and was its first chairman. He is a founding father of New Philadelphia Moravian Church, where he still attends services every week. He has also served as Chairman of the Board for 25 years.

Roy first retired at the age of 70 (mandatory retirement for the newspaper.) He immediately accepted a job offer from Young-Phillips, a sales and service company for printers. He enjoyed his new career, calling on clients throughout North Carolina, most of whom were long-time friends.

Roy is now busy in retirement maintaining close ties with his son, grandson and niece who live in the area as well as with many of his friends. He is recognized almost everywhere he goes, and is well-known not only in the Winston-Salem area, but throughout the Southeast.

At BJH he is involved in many activities, attending community meetings, Friendship Circle, concerts, special programs, out-to-lunch trips and men's outings. He is a member of the BJH championship horseshoe pitching team. He also led BJH to victory in "Celebration," a county-wide Senior Olympics where he placed first in the Frisbee Toss.

A man of great stature, Roy Ray has enriched all who are privileged to know him.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

These employees celebrate their November employment anniversaries.

1 YEAR

Edna Lane, Dietary

2 YEARS

*Lonna Hendrix, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing*

*Bessie Teague, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing*

4 YEARS

*Helen Bumgardner, Director of
Dietetics*

5 YEARS

Margaret Cassel, RN, B-1

CONGRATULATIONS

The following employees earned special recognition for six months of perfect attendance:

*Robin Beard, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing*

*Judy Bowden, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing*

*Dorothy Bryant, RN, B-2
Dallas Hamilton, Orderly, B-2*

*Ruth Howell, Dietary
Rosarhea Karppinen, Dietary*

*Maxine Newman, Dietary
Joe Smith, Housekeeping
Patsy Staley, RN, A Wing*



Rabbi Arnold Task (Greensboro) has begun a series of lectures on Contemporary Judaism. The course is co-sponsored by Greensboro College and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

RESIDENT'S CORNER

My Brother Bernie

by Rose M. Spire

My late brother Bernie Miller played with a number of name bands from 1930 through 1940, including Carmen Cavalario, Russ Morgan, Vincent Lopez, and many more. Bernie's love for music came to him naturally. Our father enjoyed listening to good music on the Victrola; my sister sang along with many fine records that Dad had in his library. I played the piano, mainly classical music. Bernie, our baby, started making his own music by banging pots and pans in the kitchen. For some time he wished to play the drums. With this musical background, the dye was cast.

When Bernie was four, our mother passed away. At that time, my sister was twelve and I was sixteen. Four years later, when Bernie was eight years old, we lost our father. Suddenly I found myself responsible for the remaining family. Circumstances forced us to separate, therefore Bernie was placed in a Brew Orphanage. Here he was given the opportunity to play with the children's orchestra; the music

instructor taught him to play the tuba and string bass. During the following years in the orphanage, the music teacher was more and more impressed by Bernie's talent. When it was time to plan for the boy's further education, he was instrumental in securing a scholarship for him to the Juilliard School of Music. While studying there, Bernie played with the New York Symphony Orchestra.

At this time in his life, Bernie realized that his greatest desire was to play with dance bands. His first opportunity came when Carmen Cavalario was interested in hiring a string bass player. Bernie joined the band and played with them for a number of years. Later on he played with Russ Morgan, Vincent Lopez, and other famous bands. George Cates, who now leads Lawrence Welk's band, also played with Russ Morgan's band, and was a close friend of Bernie.

When World War II was declared, most bands were disbanded and the musicians enlisted in different services. In 1943, Bernie enlisted in the Navy, with his ambition to continue his first love, music. He was assigned to the Fleet School of

Music in San Diego, California, where he played with the Navy Band. Following his discharge, he met his wife, Lori, an accomplished pianist. She is also a cartoonist, working with several studios that make TV commercials. They had two children, Connie and Geoffrey.

On April 14, 1983, Bernie was playing with an orchestra in Hollywood when he collapsed on the bandstand. He passed away at the age of 70 years. A month later, Lori received a letter from the government. It contained a certificate honoring war veterans, signed by Ronald Reagan, President. It read:

In memory of Bernard S. Miller for services to the United States.

Lori liked the idea of citing war veterans like Bernie, who fought with music instead of guns. In a letter to me, Lori expressed the thought: "I wish with all my heart that this form of recognition would catch on more."

Looking back over the years from Bernie's childhood, the love and closeness in our family, his marriage to Lori, there was one dominating theme: close harmony.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?



Elie Reynolds and Carolyn Bright are among the 30 residents & staff who enjoyed Senior Citizen's Day at the Dixie Classic Fair in Winston-Salem.



Dora Wolf (Montreal) in "A scene from the Cooking Club."



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IN THE BEGINNING GOD CREATED THE HEAVEN AND THE EARTH. THEN HE TOOK THE BOOK OF THE COVENANT AND READ IT ALOUD TO THE PEOPLE. AND THEY SAID: "ALL THAT THE LORD HAS SPOKEN WE WILL DO AND OBEY." THIS IS

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THE LAW WHICH MOSES SET BEFORE THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL. AND ELIJAH WENT UP TO HEAVEN IN A WHIRLWIND. NEITHER SHALL THEY LEARN WAR ANY MORE. A PSALM OF DAVID: THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; I SHALL NOT WANT. AND THERE IS NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN. TWO PEOPLE ARE HOLDING A GARMENT. AND IF NOT NOW, WHEN? GLORIFIED AND SANCTIFIED BE GOD'S GREAT NAME. A BOOK IS A GOOD FRIEND. A BOOK GIVES; IT DOES NOT TAKE. LET US BLESS THE MOST HIGH. DO NOT DESPAIR. TORAH IS THE BEST VALUE. IF YOU WILL IT, IT IS NO DREAM. SAY NOT, IT IS THE FINAL ROAD WE TREAD. THIS IS THE STORY OF RAPHAEL THE SCRIBE. TO ALL YOUR SONGS, [JERUSALEM] I AM YOUR INSTRUMENT.

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GROUNDBREAKING

Over 500 balloon carrying marchers followed a full brass band, antique cars and a double decker bus in a parade to the site for the groundbreaking for the Charlotte Jewish Community Project on Sunday, December 11, 1983.

The event marked the successful culmination of four years of effort in which the Conservative Temple Israel, the Reform Temple Beth El, the Hebrew Academy, the Jewish Community Center and the Federation joined together to plan joint education-recreation facilities.

When completed in the Spring of 1985, the 54 acre site will contain 72,000 sq. ft. of indoor space including day care, school rooms, library, auditorium, gym, health club

and indoor pool. Space has also been set aside for the Jewish Social Services, regional BBYO office and for the organizations including B'nai B'rith Men and Women, Hadassah and ORT.

In Phase II, the two Temples will build new sanctuaries and social halls on the site.

The community has already raised \$5.5 million of the expected \$6 million needed for completion.

Alvin E. Levine is President of the Foundation of the Charlotte Jewish Community, Inc., the entity jointly formed by the participants for establishing the Project. As Master of Ceremonies for the groundbreaking Levine looked up at threatening clouds bunched overhead and said, "We had arranged for a skywriter to

spell 'Shalom' over our heads. I ask you to imagine those floating gracefully in the air being truly, over this site and this taking there is a miracle of peace welcome."

Prior to the parade, donors Project signed in as families o tablets to fired and placed completed facility.

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JACPAC

Three years ago, in a small town in Illinois, several women got together to form the first Woman's Jewish Political Action Committee in the country. They decided there was an urgent need to elect congresswomen who would vote for pro-Israeli legislation.

The women formed a research committee and kept a file of information on how each incumbent senator and congressman voted on issues regarding the Jewish people and Israel. They also kept information on views of candidates running against the incumbents. This information was then sent out to members monthly under the organization's name JACPAC (Joint Action Committee for Political Affairs).

There is a \$125 membership fee that goes toward the campaigns of the candidates we wish to see elected.

Last year, of the candidates JACPAC supported, 76% won their election. Logically, by having Pro-Israeli congressmen and women in office, it will make the passage of favorable legislation regarding Israel that much easier to accomplish.

Several weeks ago, a meeting was held in Charlotte to recruit our women as members of JACPAC. We now have thirty members in Charlotte. There are over 60 members in Greensboro and other members scattered throughout the state. We would like to see JAC members in each congressional district of North Carolina. This is just a beginning. Add your name to those of our Charlotte members listed below. **WE WANT YOU.**

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To join—call Patty Gorelick—
(704) 366-5134.

TEMPLE ISRAEL, CHARLOTTE

THE ISRAELI BALLET, sponsored by Temple Israel, will perform in an evening of classical ballet on Thursday, March 15, 1984 at Ovens Auditorium in Charlotte. This will be an important event for the entire Charlotte community. Watch for more information.

This year's Bondarama continues, sponsored by the Sisterhood of Temple Israel. For \$25 anyone is eligible for monthly drawings of \$25 US Bonds, and final drawing in spring of U S and Israel Bonds in large denominations. Winners' names are returned to the bowl for future drawings. A participant can win, more than once. Contact Barbara Levin, 5019 Carmel Park Dr., Charlotte, NC 28225.

Good luck to Mamie and Harry Schaffer in their new home in Coconut Creek, Florida. While residents in Charlotte, for many years Mamie conducted fundraising activities on behalf of the Blumenthal Home in Clemmons. Also, her continuous participation and valuable help with the operation of the Thrift Shop whose proceeds go to the Blumenthal Home, have been outstanding. Harry was a regular attendant at Minyonim, and he will be missed by other Minyonaires. The community joins us in voicing our appreciation.

Temple Israel's Couples Club invited its members to celebrate "End of the Year Weekend" at the Great Smokies Hilton in Asheville. There was dancing in the Grand Ballroom and a champagne dinner was served. Of course, there was also a late night (or early morning) breakfast. A good time was had by all.

Reserve January 29 for an Art Auction sponsored by Temple Israel Sisterhood to be held at Temple Israel. A preview will be held at 6:30 PM, the Auction at 7:00 PM. There will be wine and cheese, door prizes, raffle prizes, free gifts to all. Admission free.

December 4 was the date of a joint Sisterhood & Men's Club Chanukah Latke party for the Religious School. On December 6 the Sisterhood held a Leaders' Seminar and Brunch with Carol Witt of the Seaboard Regional Women's League for Conservative Judaism as guest speaker. She spoke again the following day at the Sisterhood's Torah Fund Luncheon meeting. Sisterhood held its Attic Sale on the 11th.

Temple Israel Adult Jewish Education Film Program presented "Ship of Fools" on Sunday, December 18. The next film will be shown Sunday at 8 PM on April 9.

"The People of Nes-Amin," a story of a unique settlement in Israel comprised of Christians who wanted to practice their religion and to "live in solidarity with Jewish people." It is a fascinating story, expressing the opinion that the Holocaust was a failure of Christianity. Also at the same showing will be another film, "We Were German Jews," a personal account of a German Jewish couple, their escape from Germany in 1943, their building a new life in the United States, and coming to terms with the Holocaust. Mark your calendars or order tickets from Temple Israel.

The Adult Education program of Temple Israel offers the following: On January 22, Sunday at 8:00 PM, Dr. Stephen Fishman will present *News From Utopia*. The most enduring and influential of all intentional communities in our time is the Israeli kibbutz; the backbone, the core of modern Israel's vision. This talk focuses upon the speaker's reflections about religion, work, woman's rights, family and cultural life at Ein Harod, a 62 year old kibbutz in the lower Galilee. This will be a multimedia (slides) presentation.

February 19, Sunday at 8:00 PM: Speaker will be Ms Mary Alice Dixon Hinson of UNCC Department of Architecture. Her subject is *Art and Tradition*. Like its intellectual history, the art and architecture of the post-Medieval West have been shaped by the romantic equation of creativity with invention. The cult of the new is so striking an aspect of Western culture that the continuous rejection of precedent in itself constitutes the tradition. The literary critic Octavio Paz uses the term, "the tradition of discontinuity" to describe the paradox of this position. So deeply entrenched is this value structure that we often tend to accept as natural and self-evident two rather curious consequences of it. These are, first, the devaluation of the imitation, and second, the marginality of the

artist. "I will survey each of these and then turn to an alternative tradition which our ethnocentric emphasis on the new has made conceptually unattractive and therefore largely invisible to Western eyes. That tradition not only does not share the Western premise of art as invention but is predicated on its inverse. That tradition is the Chinese; it has held, for some two thousand years, that in art, as in life, imitation is more meritorious than creation.

TEMPLE BETH EL, CHARLOTTE

On the first Sabbath in November the congregation of Temple Beth El was host to members of Resurrection Lutheran Church at Sabbath Evening Services. Coordinator of the occasion was Sylvia Greenspan, through whose outstanding efforts the evening proved to be a notable event. Special help was given by J. C., Jane Heller, and Betty Silver. Rev. Herb Mirley wrote to Rabbi Harold Krantzler expressing his appreciation of the experience, "It was such a beautiful experience worshipping with you on Friday evening. We truly felt at home as we shared our common Scriptures and liturgical songs and hymns . . . We look forward to additional opportunities to share together. Meanwhile may the Lord continue to bless and keep you, your family and your congregation." An Oneg Shabbat was held after the Services, arranged and served by a committee headed by Judy Perlin, assisted by Sally Schrader, Eisa Multer, Jessie Simon, Sue Appelbaum, and Lee Blumenthal. Baked delicacies were contributed by members of Sisterhood.

Major fundraiser for Temple Beth El Sisterhood is its Attic Sale, which was held December 13 and 14. Delores Astern and Ruth Lubin were co-chairmen.

To celebrate Hanukkah, the entire Religious School celebrated together. On Sunday, December 4,

there was a program in the Sanctuary for all the classes. Eighth grade students conducted the candle lighting ceremony. Students of the various grades sang, told stories, and recited poems for the holiday. Later, in Fellowship Hall, latkes and apple sauce were served. Chairman of the Special Events Committee in charge was Mrs. Reggie Wittlin. Parents were invited to attend with their children.

On January 15 Sisterhood and Men's Club will hold a joint breakfast meeting in Fellowship Hall. There will be a speaker from an alcohol and drug rehabilitation center.

There will be a Charlotte area teacher training workshop on January 22 from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

The Beth El 40th Anniversary Temple Directory is available to all who had their pictures taken.

Leon Barkan, son of Mark and Lyusya, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on December 3. Daniel Radiloff will



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celebrate his Bar Mitzvah on January 14. His parents are Lester and Mona Radiloff. December 17 was day of Bat Mitzvah of Stephanie Davis, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Steve Davis.

Charlotte Ski Bees held a dinner and auction on December 3.

Aerobics classes meet each week in Fellowship Hall on Monday and Thursday mornings, late afternoons, and early evenings. Phone for information.

Beth El Temple Youth did enjoy MAFTY (Mid-Atlantic Federation of Temple Youth) in its annual Winter Conclave on December 26 to 30. It was held in Camp Harlam in Kresgeville, Pa. As promised, they had the "time of their lives."

BETH MYER SYNAGOGUE RALEIGH, N.C.

by David Zendels

DEDICATION WEEKEND HUGE SUCCESS

Our gala Synagogue Dedication Weekend was a huge success. Hundreds of members of the Raleigh Jewish community, as well as relatives and friends, joined in the festive celebration.

The weekend began with our Friday Evening Services. All of the children in the Religious School took part with responsive readings, prayers and songs. Rabbi Schoen's sermon included a history of the Jewish community in Raleigh. The Sisterhood provided the Oneg Shabbat for the more than 300 people who attended.

On Shabbat morning, all past Presidents of the Congregation were honored with aliyot. Our beautiful Services included a talk by Michael Landau, our architect, who spoke about the symbolism of the sanctuary and of the building. Dr. Elmo Scoggin, Professor at the Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, told the story of the shard from the Western Wall in Jerusalem and how it found its way into Beth Meyer's wall as the keystone in our Bima arch.

The gala Cocktail Dance was

most enjoyable. We had hor d'oeuvres, danced to live music until midnight, and feasted on a breakfast of blintzes, bagels and lox, pickled herring, etc., etc. The accommodations provided by the social hall and kitchen demonstrated that the building is truly suited to be a gathering place and a community center for large functions in the Jewish community.

The weekend culminated with the laying of the cornerstone on Sunday morning. Despite the cold, cloudy weather, about 200 people, together with the children from the Religious School, participated in the program. The synagogue was presented with several significant gifts. Arthur Sandman presented a gift from Congregation Beth Or; a megillah encased in a magnificent wooden marquetry case made by Chris Henderson. We also received a Jerusalem flag from the State of Israel Bond office, presented by Herman Richman and a U.S. flag, as a gift from Stanley Gantman, who recently became a U.S. citizen.

As mementos of today were put into the cornerstone for future generations to uncover, we were reminded by Sylvia Ruby that the challenge to the congregation is to have every member put a part of themselves into the Synagogue, through involvement, hard work and dedication to the ideals and principles of Judaism. Beth Meyer Synagogue must grow from strength to strength, for ourselves, our children and our children's children. Only through our renewed and continuing efforts will the real significance of this weekend be realized.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

B'nai Israel Congregation of Wilmington has elected Walter Winter as its new president. An Anniversary celebration is being planned for the fall of 1984 on the occasion of the 30 years B'nai Israel Congregation has existed in

Wilmington. Leading members of the congregation and children of its founders will be honored at religious services. There will be a Gala Anniversary Party Saturday night. Co-chairing the event will be Sandy Moskowitz and Pat Weinstein. A printed history of the Synagogue will be issued. Nathan Stein will serve as chairman of the publication, assisted by Norma May, Arnold Neuwirth, Ben Toplin, Barbara Waxman, Ben Winter, and Marilyn Winter.

Sisterhood news of B'nai Israel includes a successful rummage sale, a lucrative bake sale, and a joyous Hanukkah dinner. Don Laufer is Sisterhood president.

Rabbi Robert Waxman is spiritual leader of B'nai Israel.

DELRAY BEACH, FLORIDA

Rabbi Samuel Silver of Delray Beach, Florida, a contributor to the American Jewish Times Outlook from time to time, has been elected Regional President of the Zionist Organization of America. TZOA is 85 years old and leads the Jewish people in America in the mission of maintaining an independent and secure Israel.

Charlotte B'Nai B'Rith Women

by Estelle Goozner

BBW met at Temple Beth El Nov. 16, 1983 at 11:30 a.m. It was a box and bagged lunch that day.

We had on the program a Panel Discussion on "Premenstrual Syndrome" featuring Robert Bell M.D., Family Practitioner and Director of the P.M.S. Charlotte Clinic, also Linda Combs-Shepherd, PH.D a Marital and Family Therapist.

This meeting was open to the public, since it concerns not only women in the Jewish community but all women.

The women who identify themselves as suffering from the PMS syndrome are invited to seek appropriate counsel.

advice on life style changes and re-
scription if needed of specific
medications in an attempt to elim-
inate or reduce undesirable
symptoms.

Some of the life style would be
diet, vitamins and exercise, avoid-
ance of certain drugs, caffeine,
cigarettes, cutting out red meats,
sugars and salts.

It was an informative meeting
and it's too bad more women
weren't in attendance.

On Nov. 30th. BBW met at
Temple Beth Shalom and had a
fun meeting of Bow-making and
learning to gift wrap for our fund
raiser Christmas and Chanukah
Gift Wrap held at Cotswold shop-
ping center this year Dec. 9th. to
Dec. 24th.

New members are Shirley
Mytelson, Ilene Goldfisher,
Dorothy Herbst, Margie Liebshtein,
Nettie Smith (life member).

We have set up our nominating
committee to select our new
officers for 1984. On the committee
are Terri Cathcart, Lillian Sutta,
Susan Bruck, Iris Spil, Meryle Elke,
Helma Levy, Reggie Wittlin, and
Linda Goldberg.

BBW has been providing free
lock room equipment to those who
need it over 25 years. The Sick
Loan Chest is now located at SESCO
at 3800 Monroe Road and is open
11 a.m. to 1 p.m. every Friday. For
more information call 373-1229
during those hours. Donations of
equipment is also greatly
appreciated.

TREE OF LIFE CONGREGATION, COLUMBIA, S. C.

The Brotherhood Breakfast
meeting of December 18 featured
Dr. Peter Kilmann, sex therapist,
as its guest speaker. Tree of Life
Brotherhood has enhanced the
beauty of the Temple with instal-
lation of storage cabinets and coat
closet in the entrance foyer. The
cabinets' design harmonizes with
the front doors and general archi-
tectural scheme of the building.

Arline Polinsky is Chairman of the
Beautification Committee. Rabbi
Howard A. Kosovske conducts
Shabbat Worship Services at 8:00
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result of a 20,000 mile secret
journey during 1978-1980. **Soviet
Jews** contains photos taken by an
American photographer during the
fall of 1981, focusing on two
groups of Jews in the USSR, those
who observe their religion actively,
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Through February 19: **Anna
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Through February 20: **Kings And
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For information phone the
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NORTH CAROLINA MUSEUM OF ART RALEIGH, N.C.

A gallery devoted to Jewish
ceremonial objects will open at the
North Carolina Museum of Art on
Sunday, Dec. 18. The Judaica col-
lection, which was formed begin-
ning in 1976, has never before had
an area for permanent display.

Exhibited in the gallery will be
approximately 35 objects which
reflect the international nature of
Judaism through the centuries.
Included are silver, brass and
pewter objects used in a variety of
Jewish ceremonies as well as Jew-
ish household or folk art objects.
The works represent the Jewish
traditions of Europe, Asia and
America, beginning with the 16th
century and continuing through
important contemporary crafts-
men.

Among the works on view are
objects used to adorn the Five

Books of Moses, known as the Torah; objects which are part of Jewish ceremonies celebrating the life cycle, such as marriage and circumcision; and objects used in celebrating holidays, such as the seder plate and the "Cup for the Prophet Elijah," which are part of the Passover celebration. Some of the works, such as a 16th century German presentation of King David dancing before the Ark of the Covenant, are not ceremonial objects but may have been displayed in the home.

Unusual within a general art museum setting, the collection was formed as the result of a special exhibition at the museum, "Ceremonial Art in the Judaic Tradition," which was shown in 1975. Guest curator for the exhibition was Dr. Abram Kanof of Raleigh, a retired professor of pediatrics from New York City who had written and lectured extensively on Judaica. Kanof had been the first chairman of the Jewish Museum in New York City and had also been chairman of the B'nai Brith Museum in Washington, D.C. At the Jewish Museum, Kanof founded the Tobe Pascher Workshop, which furthers the modern design and execution of Jewish ceremonial objects. He also is the author of the book "Jewish Ceremonial Art and Religious Observance," published by Harry N. Abrams, Inc.

The success of the Judaica exhibition led the museum, with Kanof's assistance, to launch an ongoing fund-raising campaign in 1976 for a permanent collection of Jewish ceremonial objects. A number of the works on view are the gifts of Kanof and his wife, the late Dr. Frances Pascher Kanof, and their friends and associates.

A gallery guide which discusses 26 of the works on view will be available in the gallery and in the Museum Shop for 50 cents.

Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday. No admission fee is charged. For information, call (919) 833-1935. (Photographs of works in the Judaica collection are available on request.)

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NEW FILM ON POPE JOHN PAUL II IS POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION TO CATHOLIC-JEWISH RELATIONS

by Marc H. Tanenbaum

Rabbi Tanenbaum, director of international relations of the American Jewish Committee, served as Jewish consultant to the film on Pope John Paul II.)

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

Titled simply, "John Paul II," the film dramatization was shown in Vatican City on Nov. 12, and will be aired over CBS-Television network during February 1984. The Pope John Paul film will in time be shown throughout Europe, Africa, Asia, and Latin American in diverse languages and therefore its potential impact is global in scope.

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

The first encounter with crude anti-Semitism takes place in a cafe in Wadowice, the Pope's birthplace. A drunken Polish policeman rants about the oncoming Nazi:

"We beat the Germans in 1918. We beat the Russians in 1920. We did the work of ten, each of us did. We ate starving dogs—more value to us than the Jews, I can tell you."

Karol Wojtyla, then a teen-ager, identifies strongly with his close Jewish friend and classmate, Theodor Krawich. In a subsequent poignant scene, Karol and Theodor are picnicking in a

meadow, and Theodor talks with pain about being taunted as "Jew Boy!" Karol, in a burst of anger, responds:

"It's ignorance! The exact opposite of what Christ taught. Feel sorry for him. He's ignorant."

Then Theodor says:

"I can't wait to leave this place ... You've been like a brother to me, Lolek. I mean it."

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

"Poles, like Jews, are Untermenschen, subhumans. They have no right to life. But we intend to use some of them ... the Slavs, not the Jews ... as a work force of the German Reich ... Every educated person will be regarded as an enemy and marked down for destruction. Jews will be done away with."

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

Polish group that saves the lives of a Jewish family. There are several long dramatic scenes showing the future Pope handling out forged passports and leading the Teitlebaum family through Nazi guards to safety.

Capping the emphasis on Wojtyla's lifew under the Nazi is a scene where his girl friend complains that he does not have enough time for her. She says:

"Everyone knows what you're doing ... taking Jewish families out of the ghettos, finding them places to hide. Is that what's keeping you away?"

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

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



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THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF ITALY

Reprinted from World Jewish Congress, *News & Views* (Sept.-Oct.)

Jews have lived in Italy without interruption for 21 centuries. The Jewish community of Rome is probably the oldest in the world. The first record of Jews in that city is of envoys from Judah Maccabee. After the Romans invaded Judea in 63 B.C.E., Jewish prisoners of war were brought to Rome, Jewish merchants arrived on business and the community grew. Inscriptions in the Jewish catacombs in Rome go back 20 centuries. At first Jews settled in Rome, thereafter in the southern ports and along the trade routes. Some of the old Jewish families in Rome claim descent from these prisoners of war.

The Jews who came to Italy before the Common Era and in the first centuries of that era were followed by Jews who came to Italy in the Middle Ages, mostly from northern Europe. Then came Jews of Spanish or Portuguese origin in the late 15th century. Between 1933 and 1938 several thousand refugees arrived from central Europe and after the end of World War II thousands of concentration camp survivors streamed to Italy, on their way to what was then Palestine. Only a few hundred of these Ashkenazi Jews stayed on in Italy, which explains why Yiddish is not spoken there. The most recent additions to Italian Jewry are several thousand Jews from Middle Eastern countries, the majority of Libyan origin. Since Libya was an Italian colony, they had close linguistic, religious, cultural and economic ties with Italy, and it did not take long for them to become fully integrated into the Italian Jewish community.

There are no Jews in southern Italy although there were once thriving Jewish communities in Apulia and Sicily, communities dating back to pre-Christian times. When intellectual darkness covered much of Europe during

the early centuries of the Middle Ages, the great center of Jewish life was in the south of Italy, in Bari and other cities, and Italy played a great part in the transmission of talmudic scholarship to northern Europe. South Italian Jewry was, the *Encyclopaedia Judaica* states, the fount of Ashkenazi culture. "That the Jews of France and Germany recognized their debt to the Apulian center as late as the 12th century is acknowledged in the proverb quoted by the French tosafist Jacob B. Meir Tam: 'For out of Bari goes forth the Law and the word of the Lord from Otranto,'" it notes.

Apulian Jewry was all but annihilated between 1290 and 1294 after Charles II of Anjou gave orders that all Jews in his realm were to be forcibly baptized. Many fled, others accepted baptism (some of them continuing as crypto-Jews), some were killed. In 1504 the Spanish ousted the French and a 1540 decree compelled all Jews to leave within a year, thus bringing to an end Apulian Jewry.

From 1292 the island of Sicily was ruled by the House of Aragon and became subject to Spanish ideas and events. In 1479 the Inquisition was introduced. As part of the Aragonese territories, Sicily was included in the 1492 edict expelling Jews from the Spanish dominions. An estimated 37,000 Jews had to leave. Attempts which began two centuries later to attract Jews to the kingdom of Sicily were unsuccessful.

In the generation following the abolition of the papal ghetto in Rome in 1870 and the consolidation of a united Italy, the emancipation and acceptance of the Jews of Italy were more complete than in any other country of Europe.

Between 1906 and 1910 Italy had one Jewish prime minister and another who was the son of a Jewish father. In 1910, 41.5 percent of Italian Jews were in trade and commerce; 23 percent in professions, civil service and military service; 8.1 percent in

agriculture. Jews were unusual active not only as officers in the armed forces but as public servants in the highest positions. The Jews became thoroughly absorbed into Italian life, a fact reflected in Italian attitudes toward Italian Jews in the war years. quote Raul Hilberg, "The Italian Jews turned out to be as vulnerable to German attack as Jews were everywhere in Axis Europe. But the relationship between Jews and Italians had progressed to a point which made Italian persecutions of Jews psychologically as well as administratively difficult."

Large sections of the Italian population and even some in the Fascist party opposed the introduction, in 1938, of the racial laws which deprived Italian Jews their equal status. When the Germans took over central and northern Italy in the second half of 1943, the fate of Jews who fell into their hands was sealed, yet almost every Jew who survived in Italy—the number of Jewish victims in Italy is estimated at 7,750 out of a Jewish population of about 35,000 at the beginning of the German occupation—owes his life to some Italian who hid him or helped him in other ways at the risk of his own life.

There are presently between 35,000 and 36,000 Jews living in Italy. There are 22 Jewish communities ranging in size from 15,000 in Rome to 9,500 in Milan and between 1,000 and 2,000 in Turin, Florence, Trieste, Leghorn and Genoa, down to tiny communities with ten members.

In 1929, when Mussolini signed the Concordat between Italy and the Vatican, he also appointed a committee of jurists, some of them Jewish, to draft a law defining the place of the small Jewish community in the legal system of a country in which Catholicism is not only the state religion but the religion of 99 percent of the population.

What followed was the passage in 1930 of the Law on the Italian Jewish Communities. It is still

orce notwithstanding the radical changes in the political climate of Italy since the end of World War II.

Under this law the 22 Jewish communities became legal entities and the *Unione delle Comunità Israelitiche Italiane*, an affiliate of the World Jewish Congress since 1936, the official representative body of the communities and as such the only spokesman for Italian Jewry vis-a-vis the government. The law granted the communities the power to levy a Jewish community tax on their members. The monies thus raised constitute the bulk of the income of Jewish institutions. For the first time, the *Unione* presently has a woman as its president, Dr. Tullia Levi.

After the end of the war, the Jews of Italy speedily and fully regained the civil rights which they had lost. The Italian constitution bars discrimination on account of religion, race, sex, social status and political opinion, and Italian Jews are active in all walks of national life. There is no discrimination in employment, education or housing. There are Jewish members of both houses of parliament, but they are not in any way spokesmen for the Jewish community. As in other western countries, Italian Jews are represented in the liberal professions in much larger proportion than their percentage of the general population.

Anti-Semitism was virtually unknown in Italian public life until 1967, when the situation changed. Left-wing parties and groups supported the Arab position, and although they constantly voiced abhorrence of anti-Semitism, they pursued a vehemently hostile and anti-Zionist campaign which, during the war in Lebanon, culminated in a number of ugly anti-Semitic incidents. With few exceptions, the mass media were guilty of such biased reporting, such as accusatory editorials, that inevitably the flames of anti-Semitism were fanned. The situation reached its

climax when Arafat received a hero's welcome in Rome, followed a few weeks later by a terrorist attack on Jews attending a service at a Rome synagogue.

Following the attack on the synagogue, however, as Dr. Zevi told the Governing Board of the WJC, the mass media, the political parties and particularly the labor unions—many of whose sectors bore responsibility for the increase in anti-Semitism “appeared to have perceived the danger signals and were cooperating with the Jewish communities in analysis and self-analysis.”

Living as a tiny minority in an almost totally Catholic country of nearly 60 million people, the Jewish community faces one major problem: how to live in complete equality without succumbing to the heavy impact of the non-Jewish environment. In Rome the intermarriage rate is 25-30 percent, elsewhere much higher. The answer, the community has

decided, is Jewish education. This is why the community devotes most of its resources to giving its youth a Jewish education.

There are elementary Jewish schools in Florence, Genoa, Leghorn and Trieste. In Rome and Turin the Jewish schools go up to secondary level; in Milan to higher secondary level. It also supports two rabbinical seminaries for the training of its future spiritual leaders. The *Unione* periodically publishes books on Jewish culture as well as a cultural magazine. There is a weekly, *Israel*, and the communities of Rome and Milan each have a monthly publication which is sent to all members. The Federation of Italian Jewish Youth has its own journal, *Ha-Tikvah*.

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EMMA LAZARUS

Poetess of Freedom and the Nation

by Dr. David Geffen

*"The spirit is not dead,
proclaim the word
Where lay dead bones,
a host of armed men stand
I open the graves, my people,
saith the Lord
And I shall place you living
in your Promised Land!"*

These words by an American Jewish poetess called Emma Lazarus reflect her concern for the return of the Jewish people to its ancestral homeland. Yet Emma Lazarus is far better known for the verses she wrote in 1883 in tribute to the Statue of Liberty, verses which are inscribed at the base of that well known symbol situated on Bedloes Island in the New York harbor. Emma Lazarus, an American poetess of liberty was deeply Zionist in the last decade of her brief life. It is this combination of loyalties to the USA and to her own Jewish people which makes Emma Lazarus such a fascinating personality.

Born into a New York Sephardic family in 1849, she displayed her literary talent early and was already writing poems in her teens. When a collection of her verse appeared in 1866, Ralph Waldo Emerson reacted very positively to it. In fact, Emma dedicated her second volume of poetry, *Admetus and Other Poems* (1871) to Emerson, the well known thinker and writer. He specifically praised her sensitivity to the Hellenistic ideals, themes which she continued to pursue in her writing throughout the eighteenth-seventies.

In 1876 she read George Eliot's new novel, *Daniel Deronda*, in which the topic of the Jewish homeland reborn touched her spirit very deeply. A key character in the story stresses in a moving dialogue, "There is a store of wisdom among us to found a new Jewish polity, grand, simple, just like a star on the forehead of our

ancient community, and gave it more than the brightness of Western freedom amid the despotisms of the East . . . our race shall have an organic center." Futhermore, as his character developed, Daniel takes on himself the responsibility "of restoring a political existence to my people, making them a nation again, giving them a national center . . . though they too are scattered over the face of the globe."

Emma Lazarus caught the fervor of Jewish nationalism from George Eliot's novel. She was touched by the settlement schemes in the Holy Land suggested by Laurence Oliphant in his book *The Land of Gilead*, and she read the essays of Leo Pinsker. (Theodor Herzl wrote that had he known of Pinsker's 'Auto-Emancipation', his own writings might have been superfluous). All these, together with her growing awareness of the Persecutions perpetrated against the Jews, now turned her into a major advocate of the Jewish cause.

In 1881 and 1882, as the Jewish immigrants began to arrive in large numbers in New York, she spent many hours with them, to link herself more closely with her people. When a bitter attack appeared in the *Century Magazine* in the spring of 1882, against these downtrodden immigrants, Emma Lazarus answered the charges and defended their right to life free from oppression. She noted that her proud fellow Jews, who had been pioneers of progress, had been forced to endure terrible humiliation.

Her *Songs of a Semite* and *Epistle to the Hebrews* appeared in 1882 and 1883. They are the most complete expression of her program to study Hebraic sources and to promote the development of a Jewish homeland. Unfortunately, during her last few years she was afflicted by a debilitating illness, and she died in 1887 at the age of 38.

In the latter part of 1883, when

funds were being collected to build a pedestal for the Statue of Liberty, various poets and writers were urged to submit materials to this project. Her contribution, a sonnet called "The New Colossus" written in December 1883 captured the spirit of the Statue and all that it would come to mean both to the American people and all those who sought freedom from persecution. After being auctioned for the unheard price of \$1500, the sonnet was put aside for 20 years. Then a campaign inspired by the great newspaperman Joseph Pulitzer led to the refurbishing of the base of the statue and the placing of a plaque with Emma's sonnet there for all visitors to read.

On this 100th anniversary of composition let us once again call those lines from the Mother Liberty written lovingly by the American Jewish poetess.

*"Give me your tired, your poor
Your huddled masses yearning
to breathe free,
The wretched refuse of your
teeming shore—
Send these, the homeless,
tempest-tost to me,
I lift my lamp beside
the golden door."*

HOPE IN ARGENTINA

It is hoped that under the new government of President Raul Alfonsín in Argentina the organized anti-Semitism recently prevailing may be drastically curtailed. It is believed that the current president has a good record on human rights. Elimination of anti-Semitism will be difficult because of deep roots in the church and the Peronist Party.

FROM 20 TO 120—STUDENTS OF ALL AGES NOW ATTEND THE UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA IN ISRAEL

Although their hair may be a bit more gray than that of the regularly-enrolled students at the University of Haifa, not one of their professors—during the five courses given in the fall—would place their "Elderhostel" students in any category but that of the "most dedicated students."

"Elderhostel," the New Hampshire-based low cost/short term touring and learning experience for keenagers (those over 60), this year chose the University of Haifa as one of the two universities with which it began an expansion into Israel. The program currently operates a 700-school network in the United States and Canada, as well as overseas.

According to Elderhostel's director, William Berkley—while on an information seeking tour at the University of Haifa—"Israel was the next logical link in the Elderhostel chain. Her universities are of the highest scholastic caliber, are organized in a similar manner to schools in the United States, and Israel is nothing less than one of the most exciting and inspiring countries in the world."

To develop its first program for Elderhostel, the academic advisors at the University of Haifa carefully assembled groups of courses, taking advantage of the school's innovative departments and specific research concerns—including the Department of Political Science, the Arab-Jewish Center, and the Institute for Kibbutz Studies.

Offered to the "Elderstudents" in the 1983 program were the subjects, "Peace in the Middle East," "Arab Folklore," "Media in Israel," and "The Kibbutz: A Unique Social Experiment." In each of these sessions—except at the kibbutz, where the Elderstudents stayed in a guesthouse—the participants took themselves back more than half a century and

moved into the University of Haifa's student dormitories.

Why Elderhostel? And why, when countless numbers of their friends were lounging on Florida beaches or playing bingo in urban senior centers, did these particular individuals choose to spend their days huddled over notebooks, scratching out on bits of paper the information gleaned from a day's lectures?

"What we learned," John Hess related during a lunch break towards the end of the first week, "is that the process of attaining peace in the Middle East is not as easy as it seems to a person sitting in their suburban living room."

"It all seemed so easy when we were in the United States. Just sit down and talk. That's all the opposing groups had to do. But after being here and seeing the country, meeting the people, and listening to the lecturers, I now know that it could take a couple of my lifetimes. Without Elderhostel and the University of Haifa we never would have received the complete picture."

The 1983 trial session between Elderhostel and the University of Haifa ended in mid November. Because of the strong positive responses from the students, both organizations have decided to carry the program into 1984. In the new season, the series of courses available to the students will be greatly expanded.

Ten subjects will be offered in 1984. Including, for the second

year, "The Kibbutz: A Unique Social Experiment." Also among those courses to be given will be "The Aliyah Experience," "Family Change in Israel," "Jewish Folklore," "Media, Communications, and Art, A Force in the Shaping of Israel."

In Israel, Elderhostel is coordinated by Israel Study Tours/Kopel.

CONVERSION PROGRAMS BECOME AN ACTIVITY OF REFORM JUDAISM

On November 14 delegates to the biennial assembly of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in Houston voted to create a permanent "Commission on Reform Jewish Outreach" to encourage the non-Jewish partners in mixed marriages and their children, along with those not affiliated with other religions, to convert to Judaism.

For the past four years a task force has been working on the program, and it will now become a permanent activity of Reform Judaism in association with the CCAR. Lydia Kukoff of Los Angeles, author of "Choosing Judaism," who is a convert, will serve as director of the new commission. It is urged that the work of "Outreach" be broadened and expanded as rapidly as possible. David W. Belin will chair the new Commission on Reform Jewish Outreach. There are 770 Reform synagogues in the U. S. and Canada with membership of 1.25 million.

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The Crime of Silence

by M.J. Rosenberg

It is not every week that New York's leftwing weekly, *The Village Voice*, sees fit to run an article criticizing the Arab world and praising Israel. That is just one reason why an article in the Nov. 29 *Voice* is worth reading.

Another is that the piece is by Sol Stern, a journalist who specializes in Middle Eastern affairs and in excoriating those segments of the American left which condemn Israel while finding virtue in totalitarian Arab regimes.

In 1980, Stern took on *The Village Voice* itself in a page one article called "Writing Off Israel." Stern wrote: "The Middle East is in flames. Tyrannical . . . regimes led by self-styled revolutionaries . . . are terrorizing its people, and threatening the survival of industrial civilization. Only the iniquities of Israel, however, stir up the political writers at *The Village Voice*."

In his latest *Voice* article, Stern again attacks *Voice* writers and other critics of Israel for what Stern calls, "the crime of silence."

Stern wrote about coverage of the wholesale slaughter that is taking place in northern Lebanon. "For nearly a month now Palestinians and their Syrian sponsors have been bombing refugee camps and slaughtering their own people. Watching the stupefying scenes on television, I cannot help recalling some of the things that were said in the media last year when it was the Israeli army pursuing the PLO. I remember John Chancellor standing at the outskirts of Beirut castigating 'imperial Israel.' I remember comparisons between Israel and the Nazi in this newspaper (the *Voice*) and many mainstream publications. I remember the newspaper ads signed by concerned intellectuals, the demonstrations in front of the Israeli embassy, and the exhortations to the Jews to desist from the 'crime

of silence'."

Stern writes that there is a "crime of silence" being committed today "as the Syrians deliver the *coup de grace* to Arafat's PLO. Now that protests matter much to the Syrians. In any event, they will soon achieve their goal—a wholly owned and operated subsidiary of the Syrian government. The situation will then be back full circle to pre-1967 when Arab governments used Palestinians as assassins for hire whenever it suited their own interests."

Stern makes his own position clear. He believes that the Syrian-sponsored war is a "tragedy for the Palestinian people." He also makes it clear that he himself had grave reservations about Israel's 1982 "Peace for Galilee" operation, noting that in Israel itself there was and is a debate about the war and its aftermath.

He writes that he thought Menachem Begin was wrong when he said, after the Sabra and Shatila massacres, that when gentiles kill gentiles "they come to hang the Jews."

but he adds: "In the light of recent events in Lebanon, should we not concede that it (Begin's remark) contained an element of truth? This August, after the Israeli army pulled out of the Shouf mountains, the Druse militias went on a rampage through several Christian villages. There were massacres similar to those that occurred in Sabra and Shatila. The Israeli press gave the story extensive coverage . . . however, there were no editorials in leading U.S. papers, no columns by Anthony Lewis, no demands for tribunals or commissions of inquiry."

The latest massacres are also being ignored. "There have been no demonstrations at Syrian embassies . . . At the United Nations, no country suggests convening the Security Council. When Arabs kill Arabs, it is apparently regarded as a 'family' matter," he writes.

Stern concludes that Israel's

more hypocritical antagonists hold Israel to a standard they apply nowhere else. "What . . . are they trying to tell us about the Arabs when they invoke a high standard only for Israel? When they decline to register moral outrage at Arab behavior, is it because they hold the Arabs to no standard? . . . Because if you really can't hold the Arabs to standards of decency, how are you going to convince the Israelis to trust the same Arabs, the risky business of making peace?"

Stern is asking the right questions. However, he has been around long enough to know that the response he will receive is the very "crime" he is condemning: silence.

INTRIGUING ARCHAEOLOGICAL FIND UNCOVERED IN UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA SHOMRON EXCAVATIONS

An archaeological excavation sponsored by the University of Haifa may have uncovered the altar which the people of Israel were commanded to build—as told in Chapter 27 of the Book of Deuteronomy—by Moses and the elders of Israel.

The northern Shomron site, located on the northeast ridge of Mt. Eval in a closed military area, was discovered three years ago as part of a six-year survey of potential archaeological sites in the area. The survey and the excavations are headed by Adam Zert, a member of kibbutz Ein Shem, and are being sponsored by the University of Haifa's Department of Archaeology.

Perched atop the 940 meter above-sea-level mountain, an altar under examination is surrounded by a "taminus" wall. The wall, exposed by the archaeologists, was carefully constructed from stone blocks and surrounds:

three—dunam enclosure (3/4 acre).

This enclosed space, except for one large central structure possessing many unique characteristics, is void of construction. The structure measures seven by nine meters and is built of stone blocks. It is filled with rubble and, according to the archaeologists, this appears to have been carried out deliberately. The filling material includes ashes and sheep bones. On the western side of the structure are two stone-floored courts or yards that include installations containing either sheep bones and ashes, or a single piece of pottery. Around the courts or yards are a few dozen square and round installations, also built of stone. In most of them were found purposely-placed pieces of pottery.

According to Zartel, "It should be pointed out that there is no parallel between the site and others of the same period in Israel. From the examination of the pottery it has been possible to determine that this structure was used for a relatively short period during the Israeli settlement of the area, in the 12th century B.C.E. It was later permanently abandoned."

The site itself is also mentioned in Chapter 8 of the Book of Joshua, where its construction on Mt. Eval is chronicled.

According to Professor Benjamin Mazar, a leading Israeli archaeologist, the area is a ritual site of extreme significance and is unique of its kind. Professor Mazar followed the ongoing excavations in great detail, and during the digging made several visits to the site.

The next season of excavation will begin in the spring of 1984. Until then the uncovered material and findings will be undergoing an intensive evaluation.

Martin Luther: Is There A Holocaust Connection?

by Mark U. Edwards, Jr.

Dr. Edwards is Professor of History at Purdue University and author of *Luther's Last Battles: Politics and Polemics, 1531-1546*.

(The 500th anniversary of Martin Luther's birth on November 10 is marked in a special edition of *Face to Face*, the interreligious bulletin of the Anti-Defamation League, which examines attitudes of the Protestant Reformation leader's relations with the Jews. This article by Dr. Edwards is one of four in the issue entitled, "Martin Luther and the Jews." In addition, there are reviews of books on the topic and Lutheran-developed guidelines for dialogue with Jewish congregations, including this declaration: "Christians should make it clear

that there is no biblical or theological basis for anti-Semitism." The 2.7 million-member Lutheran Church Missouri Synod has adopted a resolution stating, "We deplore and disassociate ourselves from intemperate remarks by Martin Luther on the Jews." The Lutheran World federation, following a conference cosponsored in Stockholm with the International Jewish Committee for Interreligious Consultations, pledged that Luther's writings "will never again serve... as a source for the teaching of hatred for Judaism and the denigration of the Jewish people.")

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by Magda Herzberger \$12.00

If poets are the rightful commentators on our experiences, then Magda Herzberger belongs on every major network. Her new book of Holocaust poetry, *The Waltz Of The Shadows*, is more than an addition to the literature of that now popular genre—it is more than the sum of its parts. Herzberger, a young victim of the Nazi persecutions, has done more than survive to bear witness. She shows us the despair she felt during those terrible days, but tempers it now with forgiveness and hope for the future. Her poems convey the Holocaust experience from within and without—historical events as seen through the eyes of a participant.

Herzberger's style is simple, with few elaborate images. Her poems follow her journey from the "Concentration Camps" to "Return," "Resurrection" and finally, "A Search for Freedom—the Promised Land." Along the way we experience what she experienced; we see the things she saw and feel what she felt. Like all good poetry her work is meant "to embody and show forth life." As was said of Beethoven's music, "From the heart it has sprung and to the heart it shall penetrate."

VIEWS AND REVIEWS

by Joseph Cohen

TO BE OR NOT TO BE IS STILL THE QUESTION

"To be or not to be, that is the question." This famous line from Hamlet's soliloquy is also the title of Mel Brooks' new film, an updated version of the 1942 movie about a Yiddish theatrical troupe in Warsaw on the eve of the Nazi invasion of Poland. Brooks' film, now being released, comes to join two other current Jewish successes, all of them remarkable for the fact that in each one the leading actor is also the producer and guiding genius. These movies

are Barbra Streisand's "Yentl" and Woody Allen's "Zelig." I cannot recall another time when three major films, Jewish in content, theme and spirit, addressed their basically similar issues to an audience overwhelmingly non-Jewish, i.e., the American public.

This coincidence aside, I find it even more intriguing that Brooks' title focuses on the central issue in both "Yentl" and "Zelig." Both of these movies are about Jewish identity, and while the times into which the stories are set are long since past, "Yentl" in turn-of-the-century Poland, "Zelig" in the period between the two World Wars, their messages are startlingly up-to-date and insistently familiar. Those messages carry a warning about the fragility of Jewish survival in the Diaspora. The actor's art is one of impersonation. Another word for "impersonation," in terms of all three movies, is assimilation. At the heart of assimilation lies the question "To be or not to be?" For too many Jews, pulled both ways, confusion is the end-product.

The connection between confusion and assimilation is blood-thick, and, hence, rich in its literary, and by extension, its theatrical and cinematic possibilities, particularly in a world where conformity has become the ante-chamber to anonymity, and it is the door that beckons to those Jews seeking a resolution to the confusion of their identity. The meaning to me of "Yentl" and "Zelig" is to resist capitulating in order to preclude a century hence the replacement of Jewish identity and survival by conformity and anonymity. What is being tragically forced upon the Jews in Russia today, we should not in America voluntarily seek!

Streisand's "Yentl" is adapted from Isaac Bashevis Singer's "Yentl, the Yeshiva Boy," a marvelous story of a Jewish daughter whose father, lacking a son, instills in her a passionate love of learning. Because Eastern European Jewish tradition rigidly forbade study of

the sacred books by girls, Yentl after her father's death, cuts her hair, changes into male garb, and acts as a Yeshiva student to continue her studies. Deftly, she succeeds in concealing her identity until she falls in love with a fellow student who is unaware she is a girl. The complications of her deception seriously affect the lives of all those with whom she comes into contact, leaving her with no choice but to disappear. Yentl earns our sympathy easily on two counts; first, by her belief that the study of the sacred books is paramount and should not therefore be denied on the basis of sex, and, secondly, by her acute awareness that the meaning of the Torah prohibition against wearing the clothes of the opposite sex rests in the folly inherent in the deception of the self as much as in the deception of others.

Yentl, to her own self as a woman must first be true. This only makes more poignant her abortive hope for securing a deeper and more profound Jewish identity through study. Her expectations are contemporary as her lot was futile. Yet, not a small part of her attraction to us today is in her symbolic representation of the struggle, increasingly successful among contemporary Jewish women, to undertake to gain admission to the yeshivas, to be ordained, and play a full role in all matters of Jewish life. We perceive in Yentl's effort to enlarge her Jewish identity the urge toward Jewish survival at its very core.

If Yentl seeks a larger role in Jewish life, Zelig, by contrast, wants an infinitely smaller one. Pluralism is absolutely vital to Jewish survival in America, but for Zelig it is an invitation to disaster. The son of an itinerant Yiddish actor, Zelig is a nobody in America. He willingly trades in his own identity for the identities of others—it is the old story of exchanging one's birthright for a mess of pottage. We see Zelig, the human chameleon, cleverly tailoring himself on the characteristics of all the

people in whose company he finds himself. Not content to be just somebody, he becomes everybody, which constitutes an ironic turn to being nobody. He is rendered anonymous. Where Yentl looks at us out of strength and purpose, Zelig's pull is through weakness and indecisiveness.

To drive home his point about Zelig's assimilation, Woody Allen draws upon a second, perhaps less obvious but no less real theme in American Jewish literature. Though life in the immigrant community was hard, that community nonetheless fell in love with the idea of America. From the 1930s forward, that love affair has been represented symbolically in our literature as the Jewish boy's attraction to the **shiksa**. As a theme in our literature it has been endemic, reaching its early apex in "Abie's Irish Rose" and its nadir in Philip Roth's **Portnoy's Complaint**. Zelig's salvation is absolutely dependent upon his marrying his non-Jewish therapist. Salvation is one thing, redemption is quite another thing. Zelig may be saved, but he is not redeemed. His redemption is in limbo.

These movies are obviously so entertaining, we may not recognize that they are also subtly instructive. While we are enjoying them we should perhaps reflect a little on their ramifications. For the moment the answer to the question "to be or not to be" is all over the silver screen.

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Tradition in the Kitchen

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From "Cooking With Joy"
Annie Brite & Arnold Krochmal

Sweet and Sour Meatballs

1 pound ground beef
2 tablespoons cracker meal
2 tablespoons water
1 tablespoon grated onion
1 egg
1 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon black pepper
3 tablespoons oleo
1 cup chopped onion
1 8-oz. can tomato sauce with mushrooms
1/2 cup honey
1/2 cup boiling water

Combine first 7 ingredients. Shape into 1-inch balls. Heat oleo in heavy iron skillet. Add meatballs and chopped onions. Meanwhile, combine remaining ingredients; pour over meat. Cover and cook over low heat 1 hour. Turn meatballs occasionally during cooking period. Serve with boiled rice or mashed potatoes and a green vegetable.

VEGETABLES

Harvard Beets

2 tablespoons potato flour
1 teaspoon salt
Dash of black pepper
1 cup liquid (beet juice and water)
1/4 cup cider vinegar
3 cups sliced cooked beets
2 tablespoons honey
1 tablespoon oleo or butter

Combine potato flour and spices in saucepan. Gradually add liquid, stirring until smooth. Stir in honey and vinegar. Cook over medium heat, stirring continuously until mixture thickens and boils. Stir in beets and oleo or butter. Heat 3

minutes longer over low heat stirring frequently. Serves 4 to 6.

Honey Carrots

6 medium sized carrots
1/4 cup water
1/4 cup honey

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**EXCERPT FROM:
'YE SHALL PLANT ALL
MANNER OF TREES'
Tu B'Shevat in Israel**

by Dvora Waysman

While the Jews were yet wanderers in the desert, they were commanded: "And when ye shall come into the Land, ye shall plant all manner of trees." The Psalms tell us: "Happy is the wise and righteous man. He shall be like a tree planted by the streams of water, that brings forth its fruit in its season, and whose leaf shall not wither." When a city is conquered, the Bible states: "Ye shall not destroy its trees . . ." and we are taught in the Midrash that man's life depends on the tree, even forbidding our living in a city without trees and gardens. Our Torah is described as "a tree of life."

With such an all-abiding love and respect for trees as part of God's creation, it is not surprising that one day a year—the 15th of Shevat—has been set aside as Rosh Hashana le-Ilanot—New Year of the Trees, when it is said the trees are judged—which to flourish and grow tall, and which to wither and shrink; which to suffer from lightning, winds and insects, and which to withstand all danger. Tu B'Shevat, the New Year of the Trees, falls this year on Thursday, January 19.

As the month of Shevat is ushered in, nature in Israel begins to don its spring garb. Blood red poppies and anemones sprout in meadows and on hill-sides. Cyclamens peep shyly from rock crevices. The almond tree—'Shaked'—is the first tree to open its buds and bedeck itself with rose-white blossoms. Birds begin to arrive—some to stay in Israel, others on their way to more northern countries.

The Jews were once an agricultural people living close to nature, and—with the State of Israel—this is again true. On Tu B'Shevat we are told that the sap begins to rise in the trees of Israel. It is not a meaningless or archaic holiday

here. The trees are living objects re-planted by pioneers who returned to a country that had been tragically neglected and denuded of its trees and shrubs. The Jewish National Fund encourages the visitors to plant a tree with their own hands in Israel—uniting themselves lastingly with the soil from which it grows.

**UNIVERSITY OF HAIFA
MOVES AGAINST FORCES
OF DARKNESS, PROTESTS
ARCHAEOLOGY LAW**

With the words "This is not a battle between ultra-religious groups and secular world, but between those who want to remain in the dark and the enlightened," Professor Uriel Rappaport, the University of Haifa's rector, opened a November 28 protest meeting against the "Archaeology Law" now before the Knesset.

At the meeting—held at the University of Haifa—leading members of the archaeological and academic communities expressed their absolute rejection of the bill, which is commonly known as the 'law for preserving graveyards.'

Over 400 students, archaeologists, teachers, and members of the community attended the session. There, Professor Moshe Dothan, who heads the University of Haifa's Department of Archaeology, stated that "this law will prevent any continuous archaeological excavations, will hamper studies of our land and its heritage, and will endanger the freedom of science."

Professor Benjamin Mazar, a leading figure in Israel's archaeological hierarchy, called upon those in attendance to marshal public opinion against the law. According to Mazar, the law was proposed and is about to be passed for the sole purpose of keeping the Likud coalition in power.

Organized by Dr. Michal Artzy, of the University of Haifa's archaeology department, the meeting

offered the views of not just archaeologists but other academics as well, including Professor Yehudit Naot of Technion's Faculty of Medicine.

Naot, who recently waged an unsuccessful campaign in Haifa's mayoral race, views the "Archaeology Law" as just another link in a chain of laws and a direct continuation of laws which place restrictions on abortions and autopsies.

"There is a minority in Israel which is trying to force us not to conduct research," she said.

**RECONSTRUCTIONIST
GUIDELINES ON
INTERMARRIAGE**

Much is being written and spoken about attitudes toward intermarriage. Each segment of the Jewish community voices its feelings about this significant issue which the Jewish community faces today. The Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association passed *Guidelines on Intermarriage*, a document outlining the philosophy of its members. After almost three years of debate, Rabbi Jacob Stachin, chairman of the RRA committee on Intermarriage stated, "Jewish life flourishes best in families where both parents are committed Jews. However, our commitment to this ideal should not cause us to alienate the increasingly significant members of Jewish men and women who are choosing non-Jewish spouses, especially when they express a desire to maintain a Jewish home."

Rabbi Steven Sager, President of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical Association and rabbi at Beth Shalom Synagogue, Durham, N. C., said, "It is the tradition of Reconstructionist Judaism to face both contemporary challenges. In our tradition, we continue to seek ways to reach out to mixed couples so they will not be barred from the riches of Jewish tradition and the Jewish community." Rabbi Sager is a member of the Greater Carolina Association of Rabbi

REPUBLICAN RECEPTION Held for Israeli Ambassador EIR ROSENNE

Washington, D.C.—Mr. and Mrs. Paul Lavitt of Hickory, North Carolina, recently attended a reception in Washington, D.C. in honor of the Israeli Ambassador, Eir Rosenne.

The reception was hosted by Frank J. Fahrenkopf, Jr., Chairman of the Republican National Committee, and Betty Heitman, Co-Chairman of the Republican

National Committee.

The guests included several top White House officials, including Edwin Meese, III, Chief Counsel to the President, several members of Congress, Cabinet Secretaries, and members of Jewish organizations.

"This nation, as our president has stated many times, has a strong and enduring commitment to one of the closest allies the United States has, and that is the State of Israel." Fahrenkopf told the crowd as he introduced the

Ambassador.

Dr. Rosenne, who was nominated Israel's Ambassador to the United States in May 1983, told those attending the reception that Israel is "united more than ever (with the United States) in the fight for freedom."

Dr. Rosenne became his country's ambassador to France in 1979, he was legal advisor to the Israel Foreign Ministry.

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A Rabbi Asks Questions

by Rabbi Samuel M. Silver,
Temple Sinai, Delray Beach, Fla.

Usually we rabbis pontificate.

We often give the impression that we have answers to many things.

I'd like to reverse the process.

Instead of declarations I'd like to ask you laypeople some questions.

For starters, I'd like you to tell me whether you have a favorite rabbi or whether you once had one.

If so, what did you like about him?

Also, tell me, please, whether you can remember any special sermon delivered by a rabbi.

If so, what did you like about the sermon?

Also I'd like you to tell me what kind of sermon you enjoy, if you do ever enjoy one.

If you were a rabbi, what topics would you preach about?

Is there anything particularly annoying about rabbis that you would care to specify? I know you can't generalize, but perhaps you have discerned some traits that we rabbis could correct.

How Long do you think a sermon ought to be?

Do you have any favorite synagogue melodies? Which?

If you were ritual chairman, would there be any improvements in the worship service you would recommend?

Do you have any suggestions to the Leaders of synagogue sisterhoods and men's clubs about programs you would enjoy attending?

How could synagogues induce more Jews to join them?

Do you think you're brave enough to undertake studies towards becoming a Bar or Bat Mitzvah or an adult confirmand, or perhaps repeating the Bar or Bat or confirmation experience?

Do you think it would be a good idea for Reform, Conservatism and Orthodoxy to come closer together? Do you think they will ever amalgamate? Should they?

What is your reaction to female rabbis?

You don't have to submit your replies to me. Just think about these things. And if you do want to react submit your ideas to your nearest rabbi.

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EDUCATION FOR DEMOCRACY

There is the danger of yielding to dictatorial authority. Jewish education has at its disposal a potent means of combating that danger. It has been a long-standing practice with the Jews to initiate the Jewish layman into as much knowledge as feasible of the law under which he lives, the civil and family law, as well as the ritual law. That knowledge was to consist not only of the formal rules which he was expected to obey, but of the basic premises underlying them, and of the reasoning by which they were arrived at. In Jewish tradition this study of the law is known as Gemara, in contrast with Mishnah, which is the code. The study of the law, especially when pursued in such a spirit, constituted for the Jew a religion, or a means of experiencing the divine. He felt as though he himself stood at Sinai and as though God revealed to him anew what he was to do in order that he might live the life abundant. He was thus saved from falling into the habit of obeying, as Isaiah puts it, "a commandment of men learned by rote." Thus, in commenting on God's saying to Moses: "And those are the ordinances which thou shalt set before them," the Sages add, "Set out these ordinances before them like a well arranged table." That is, let them have an intelligent understanding of the laws.

It was the study of the law in this spirit that rules out all dictatorship and self-imposed authority in Israel. No matter how great the prestige of the rabbi who was always both administrator of justice and head of the academy, he could not silence the arguments of the poorest shoemaker or porter who knew the law. That was genuine democracy.

There is nothing the Jews dread more than the evil slogan of mobocracy: "One people, one State, one leader." There is nothing for which Jews yearn more than for good tidings of democracy announcing: "One humanity, one divine Kingdom, one God."

Mordecai M. Kaplan 1881-1983

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Fact: The mental and emotional health of the residents of the Blumenthal Jewish Home is greatly enhanced by trips to activities outside the Home.

Fact: Two-thirds of the resident population use wheelchairs.

Fact: The present van holds only 3 wheelchairs.

Fact: The proposed bus will accommodate 11 wheelchairs and 12 ambulatory residents.

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FEBRUARY, 1984

A WING'S MEDICAL SUITE DEDICATED

One of the highlights of this year's Annual Meeting was the dedication of the Feldman Medical Suite on A Wing. Given by Ruth Feldman of Asheville, NC, in memory of her husband, Leon H. Feldman, M.D., the suite contains a new nursing station, a modern call-bell system, and a special medicine room for the residents of A Wing. A physician's office, lounge, washroom, and medical supply storage area are also a part of this new addition.

During the Annual Meeting, Vice-President Dan Horvitz described Dr. Feldman's very full life as one marked by wide and humanitarian interests. His involvements ranged from International B'nai B'rith to the Asheville Lions' Club and the Salvation Army. Professionally, he participated in the Prince Memorial Commission of NC, the NC State Medical Society, the Southern Medical Society and the American Heart Association. He and his wife established a scholarship which is maintained in perpetuity by the University of North Carolina at Asheville.

The importance of the new A Wing Suite cannot be overestimated. In a recent interview, Ms. Cathy Chilton, RN, Unit Manager of A Wing, indicated that the quality of service has been greatly enhanced by this addition. She stated that residents can now be seen by physicians with the appropriate amount of privacy. The new area also enables staff to have the necessary space for them to function easily. With the expansion of the medical suite, more lounge

area was made available for A Wing residents and a special phone booth, designed especially for residents in wheelchairs, was built.

Mrs. Feldman was present for the dedicatory ceremonies and took great interest in the activities of the Home. Since the Annual Meeting, President Norman Pliner has appointed her to serve on the Board of Governors. We appreciate Mrs. Feldman's very generous act and look forward to her working closely with the Home.



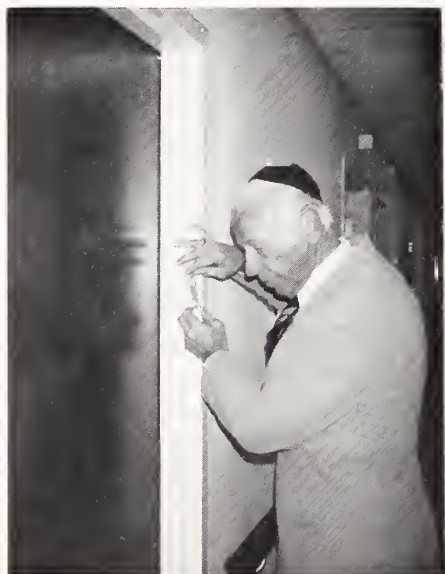
Ruth Feldman and Al Mendlovitz at the dedication of the Leon H. Feldman Medical Suite.

RABBINICAL COUNCIL DONATES MEZUZAHS

by Al. A. Mendlovitz

On Sunday, Nov. 15, 1983, each of the doors to the resident rooms in the Home was affixed with a mezuzah. For a number of years the lack of mezuzahs on doorposts was a great concern to some members of the NC Jewish community. Under the chairmanship of Rabbi Shimon Moch (Temple Emanuel, Winston-Salem, NC), the Great Carolina Association of Rabbis donated a Mezuzah for each door.

The mezuzah traditionally is a symbol of residence for each Jewish family. A rolled parchment contains the handwritten message from Deuteronomy 6:9 and 11:20 which



Rabbi Israel Gerber positions a mezuzah outside a resident's door.

states ". . . inscribe them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." The new mezuzahs at the Home are contained in handcarved olivewood boxes, placed midway up the door so residents in wheelchairs can easily touch them when entering their rooms.

During the Annual Meeting in November, Rabbi Israel Gerber directed the placement of the mezuzahs. Dr. Robert David of Bowman Gray School of Medicine and Mr. Jimmy Berkowitz, a law student at Wake Forest, helped to affix them to each doorway.

The Home and the residents are indebted to the Greater Carolinas Association of Rabbis and to Rabbis Moch and Gerber for playing a key role in this process.

COME TO THE BALL!

Put on your best dress, get your hair fixed, polish those shoes and join us for one of the year's highlights — the Annual Valentine's Day Ball! Once again, the Brenner Concert Series presents the NC School of the Arts Jazz Ensemble in an evening of music and dancing. Families, this is a good time to visit. Bring your family member to the Ball and enjoy the gala event with us!

TIME: 7-9 pm

DATE: Feb. 13, 1984

PLACE: A Wing Dining Room

No admission fee

SEE YOU THERE!

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the months of November and December.

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LOUNGE FURNITURE NEEDED

Help! Help! Help!

The Home's Coffee Shop was just renovated! We are in need of comfortable lounge furniture. This room is a gathering place where residents, families and friends can be together in a quiet and pleasant atmosphere. Please call if you can help us!

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MORE HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE ANNUAL MEETING



Music for the President's Reception was provided by the Triad Trio, with David Levy (violin), Louis Weinstein (piano) and Cathy Levy (flute).



Audrey Madans, President of the NC Association of Jewish Women, addresses the group during a luncheon/meeting session at the Home.



It has become a tradition: birthday greetings during the President's Reception! Mrs. Daniel Gerber and Al. Mendlovitz.



Mr. Mendlovitz acknowledges the craftsmanship of a handmade grandfather's clock, made and donated by Herbert Peck of the Home's Facility Services Department.



Longtime member Ruth Julian registers for the Annual Meeting. Claire Bernstein (Greensboro) is the registrar. Rose Seid (Charlotte) is in the background.



Accepting a check from the Home Store in Charlotte: Al. Mendlovitz and Elizabeth Small.

FOCUS ON A RESIDENT

ELIZABETH BARRETT

by Rick Rogers, R.T.

We welcome Elizabeth Barrett, who came to BJH in August, 1983. Born the oldest of four girls in Hudson, Pennsylvania, Miss Barrett spent most of her life in East Orange, New Jersey, and New York City. Her nephew, Robert Flynn, lives in Winston-Salem.

Education is of primary importance to Miss Barrett. She holds a Masters degree from Columbia University and also attended pre-med classes at Hunter College. She speaks proudly of her career as teacher and department head of biology and chemistry in the New York City school system.

In her never-ending pursuit of knowledge, she traveled extensively to learn about the lifestyles of people in other parts of the world. In addition



Elizabeth Barrett, receiving her certificate at the completion of last

to an around-the-world trip, she frequently toured Europe. She recalled her first taste of Italian food during a train trip through that country, and spoke enthusiastically about the beautiful rolling Irish hills which looked "like a giant quilt of many shades of green."

When she wasn't traveling, she

semester's course in Contemporary Judaism.

enjoyed reading and watching TV. She now spends much time writing letters, reading the latest information on preventive medicine and vitamins, and writing her autobiography. She is well-informed, and contributes a great deal to discussions during community meetings, Contemporary Issues, and Creative Writing.

***** WINTER

by B-1 residents

A roaring fire —
Ice skating and snow cream.
Burlap sacks for winter shoes —
Cold, cold, cold.

We cut blocks of ice from the river to
stock the ice house,
Sharpen saws, hone axes,
Gather coal from the railroad tracks
to make eyes and noses for our snowmen.

Baying dogs hunt coons and rabbits.
Apples are stored in the cellar.
Leafless trees lift bare arms to the winter sky.

It is a time of shelter —
A closing-in on animals large and small.
Squirrels dig for hidden nuts;
Birds search the snow for seeds.
We offer friends our hearth's warmth —
it is the greatest gift.

Winter sky is clear or cloudy.
Winter sun rises pink from gray.
We are isolate, bundled, reflective,
And we know that spring is coming.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

*May your name be inscribed
the Book of Life with Health and
Happiness:*

- Elizabeth Barrett
- Rae Bloom
- Lazarus Cohen
- Louis Cole
- Hugh Davis
- Lillian Kamens
- Bessie Kaplan
- Ann Spear
- Rose Spire
- Ruth Lapan

WELCOME

*May you have a long, happy and
healthy life:*

- Claude A. Eury, Raleigh, NC
- Rose Halpern, Greensboro, NC
- Laura Lieberman, Chapel Hill, NC
- Milton B. Steinberger,
Statesville, NC
- Leila T. Tedford,
Winston-Salem, NC
- Yvette Pearlman, Greensboro, NC



"Sweet dog!" Gertrude Levy (Charlotte), Sara Schwartz and Little One.

LITTLE ONE — A FOUR-PAWED BUNDLE OF LOVING

by Sara Schwartz, R.T.

This is Little One! She appeared in our neighborhood late last fall, hungry and homeless. My husband remarked on how little and cute she was. I agreed! After watching her wander around our house for a week we finally decided to take her in to protect her from the cold. "You are going to find a home for her, aren't you?" my husband kept asking. (We already have two dogs and our two-year old son, Stephen.) "Of course," I replied. But we both knew she was here to stay, and so she became a permanent member of our family.

From the beginning I recognized that Little One's size and personality would help her be a perfect visitor for residents of the Home. She has been a great success as a four-legged volunteer!

Little One's visits are part of a program known as "Pet Facilitated Therapy," which is becoming increasingly important in long-term care facilities. The value of caring for animals and the benefits of animal-human relationships have long been established. Only now, though, does it seem that nursing homes are tapping in to this valuable resource. Our experience with pet visitors has been that residents respond with eagerness and pleasure to the animals' appearance.

Little One is no exception. What a delight it is to see some residents, who respond to little else, smile and reach out for her. How marvelous it is to watch their faces and hear their laughter while Little One sits on their laps, cuddles and licks their hands! Even staff enjoys this interaction, and — of course — Little One thrives on all the attention and loving she gets. Her weekly visits bring much happiness to many people. We hope that her visits, and the informal visits of a number of other staff pets, will soon be developed into a regular program of pet visitation for the Home.

FAREWELL, 1983 — THE END OF THE YEAR PARTY

by LaQuietta Davis, R.T.

The "End of the Year" party, on January 30, 1983, began with Jan Sawyer performing oldie goldies on the piano. The contemporary tunes were played later, with many residents joining in spontaneously and singing along. Rick Rogers emceed the party with his customary joviality!

Residents from B-1 and A Wing prepared the finger sandwiches and served light refreshments which were well received. Sparkling grade juice — our non-alcoholic champagne — complemented the hors d'oeuvres. Roy and Emma Pearson and Jack Man- offered toasts to the new year as well as the old.

Following the toasts came a shower of balloons." Those residents who caught specially marked balloons received door prizes. Some of the year's winners were Ethel Iseman, Dwiell, Sophie Isley, Anna Passer, Rose Seid, Helen Schwartzman, and Zimmerman, Abe Kamens, and a Rosenfeld, and Emma Pearson. Farewell, 1983. Best wishes for all 1984!

IN MEMORY

Mourn the loss of Lewis Sutker, Lia Carter and James Womble. May their cherished memories bring comfort to their loved ones.

CALENDAR FOR FEBRUARY

FEBRUARY 1

Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:30 pm

FEBRUARY 2

Yoga with Louisa Klein, 4:00 pm

FEBRUARY 3

Outreach Movie, 10:00 am
Social Hour, 3:00 pm

FEBRUARY 8

Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:30 pm

FEBRUARY 10

*Men's Outing, 1:30 pm
Cooking Club, 2:00 pm

FEBRUARY 11

*Winston-Salem Symphony.
Leave BJH at 2:00 pm

FEBRUARY 13

VALENTINE'S BALL, 7-9 pm
Brenner Concert featuring the
North Carolina School of the
Arts Jazz Ensemble.

FEBRUARY 14

Valentine's Day
*Clemmons Senior Citizens
luncheon, 9:45 am

FEBRUARY 15

Ladies Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:30 pm

FEBRUARY 16

Yoga with Louisa Klein, 4:00 pm

FEBRUARY 28

*Out to lunch, 11:15 am

*off-campus activities

Families and friends are invited to join us in these special activities during the month of February.

FOCUS ON THE STAFF

KATHY McBRIDE, RN

by Sharon Roever, R.T.

A fairly new person to the Blumenthal Jewish Home is Kathy McBride, RN. Kathy is the blue team Charge Nurse on A Wing. Her vivacious smile makes her easy to recognize.

Kathy lives in Clemmons with her mother and her cat, Joshua. She is 26 years old and single. Before coming to BJH, she worked at Baptist Hospital in the Pediatrics section.

Kathy's involvement on A Wing extends further than her nursing responsibilities. She supports all Unit and worldwide activities. On Halloween, Kathy was A Wing's prettiest French maid. She assists residents in the daily exercise program, and if there's a party going on, Kathy will be there with a resident on each side of her. Of course, she always makes time to sit and chat with the residents.

When Kathy's not at work, she enjoys going out to restaurants and cross-stitching. She also devotes some of her time to the Humane Society. She is presently working on getting a shelter started for cats. Her favorite cat is the cartoon character, "Garfield."

She is a real asset to A Wing, and both the staff and the residents enjoy working with her.



Kathy McBride, RN



Five-year employees Jerry Clark (Maintenance) and Ruth Howell (Dietary) receive Certificates of Appreciation from Mr. Mendlovitz.

FIVE-YEAR EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED

December is the month during which employees who have been with the Home for five years are honored. Certificates of Appreciation were awarded to Jerry Clark (Facility Services), Julie Sparks (Administrative Secretary), Ruth Howell (Dietary), Margaret Beck (Nursing Assistant, B-1), Margaret Cassel (RN, B-1), Virginia Sidden (Laundry), Betty Gentry (RN, B-2), Janice Haley (Nursing Assistant, A Wing), and Margaret Reid (Nursing Assistant, B-2). We congratulate each of these employees on their years of dedicated service to the Home!

CONGRATULATIONS!

The following employees earned special recognition for six months of perfect attendance:

Loretta Boger, Housekeeping
Betty Gentry, RN, B-2
Virginia Heffinger, Nursing Asst., B-2
Brenda McClamrock, Laundry
Walt Sidden, Maintenance
Renee Woollen, Nursing Asst., B-2

HAPPY ANNIVERSARIES

1 YEAR

Chris Smith, Dietary

2 YEARS

Cindy Flanner, Energy Outlet Program

Dennis Haynes, Orderly, B-2
Virginia Heffinger, Nursing Asst., B-2

Dee Dee Webber, Dietary Clerk

3 YEARS

Joan Lennon, RN, B-1

Sharon Roever, Recreation Therapist

Catherine Smith, Craft Shop Instructor

4 YEARS

Mary Bowen, Accounting

Louise Dickinson, Accounting
Jean Shaffer, LPN, B-1

5 YEARS

Al. A. Mendlovitz, Executive Director

6 YEARS

Ruth Howell, Cook

7 YEARS

Janet Lane, Nursing Asst., B-2
Margie Sheets, LPN, A Wing

8 YEARS

Cathy Chilton, RN, Unit Manager, A Wing

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?



Residents who participated in the Reynolda House project had a display of their paintings in the hallway. L-R: Volunteer Priscilla Finch, Rose Snowitz (Greensboro), Bettie Doss (Winston-Salem) and Peggy Fishel.



James Barrett, President of Greensboro College, presents a Certificate of Merit to Eleanor Altshuller (Chapel Hill, NC) on her completion of the course in Contemporary Judaism.



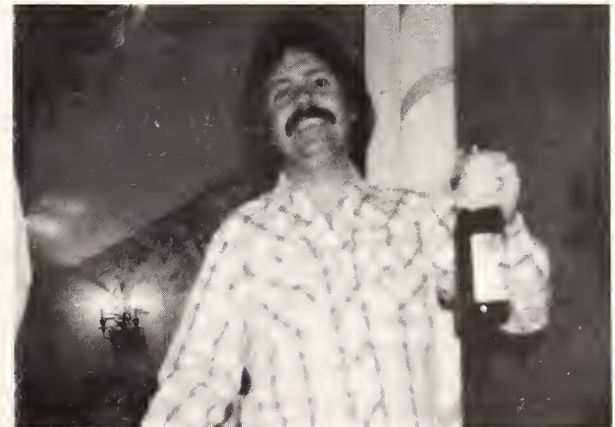
Residents enjoyed Lillian and Michael Andron's adaptation of a Shalom Aleychem tale during Hanukkah.



Pauline Bobrow (Elizabeth City, NC) visits with one of the children from the Northwest Ministries Developmental Day School.



Spire (Roanoke Rapids) and Emma Pearson (Roanoke Rapids, Va.) helped make hors d'oeuvres for the Year Party.



Rick Rogers, RT, pops the cork to signal "Farewell, 1983!"

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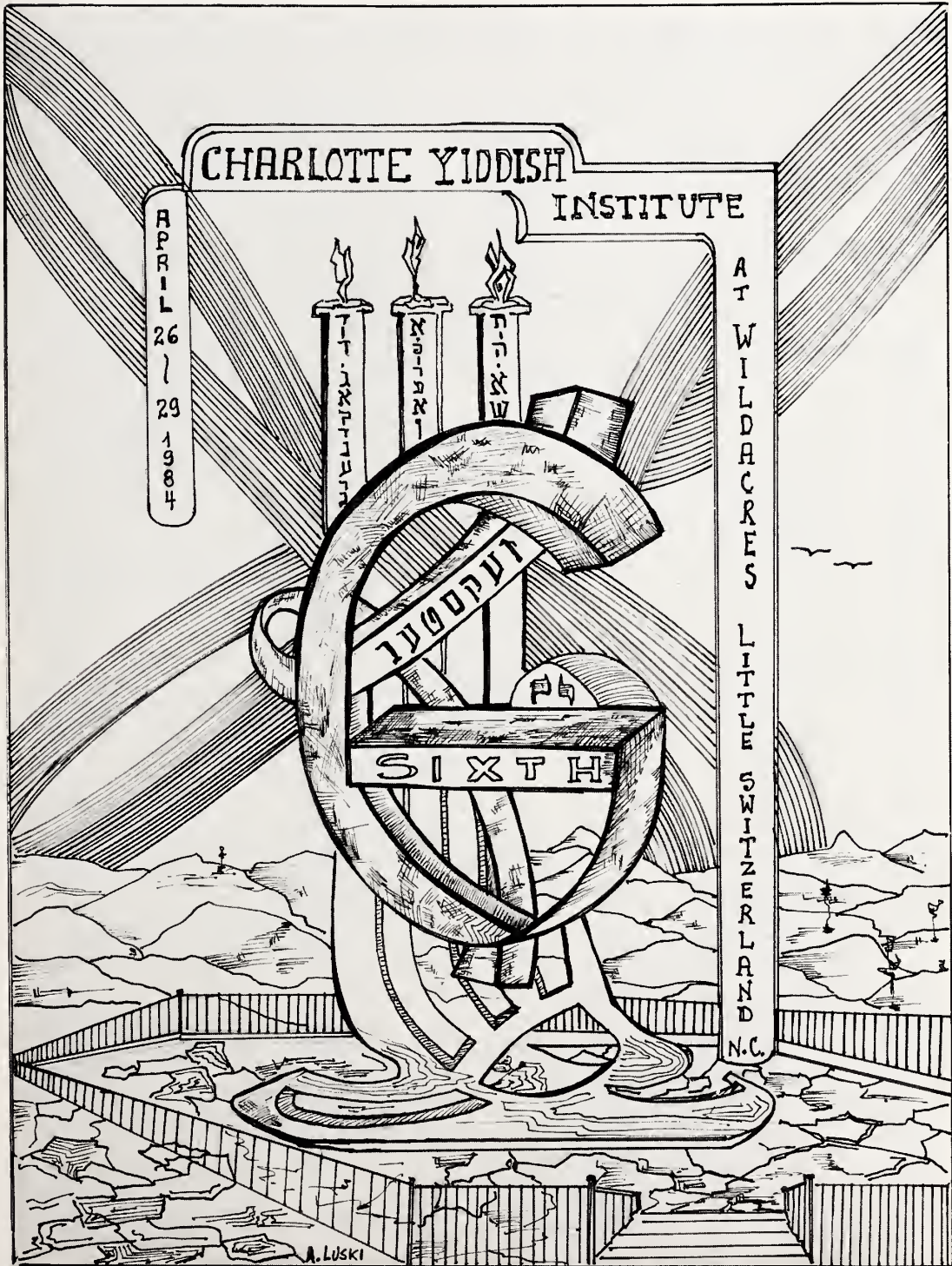
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Editorial

by Estelle Hoffman

It appears that Barbra Streisand has rendered the Jews of America a great benefit in her film, "Yentl."

Devotion to our people comes through as the only possible motive for her artistic production, which is a work of impeccable taste and faithful representation. All of the characters in the film contribute to the impression it conveys of a community which values learning and study, with reverence for its tradition. The subtlety in the portrayal of contrast between the Jewish quarters to the world inhabited by their Christian counterparts is visible, but never spoken. The characters are a tribute to Judaism.

Away from large cities with noticeable Jewish population, many smaller cities and towns will treat their mixed audiences at theatres to an insight into the background of Jewish neighbors that is enlightening and inspiring of respect and understanding.

Since Barbra Streisand's scholarly father died while she was tiny, we wonder at the feelings that must be cherished by her which guided her in this achievement. True, the story was written by Isaac

Bashevis Singer; however, its transformation into a film that is not a musical comedy, not merely a vehicle for her marvelous talent, but a credit to her people speaks more highly for Barbra Streisand than her critics have ever seen fit to express.

We agree with the writer in the **Forwards** who believes that the world is being shown in "Yentl" something of that which has held Jews together for these thousands of years. He sings high praises for this offering to the people "who have not always understood us, and not always loved us too dearly," and we join in thanking Barbra Streisand for remembering her Jewish roots in this sensitive, sympathetic film.

Not too long ago, this movie would have been inconceivable for general showing in the United States—but why? Hollywood was always blessed by a plenitude of Jewish talents in all departments, all of whom kept quiet, for the most part, about their Jewishness. It is good to recognize the distance we have come in our own lifetime and to voice our gratitude.

NCAJW TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The North Carolina Association of Jewish Women will be having their annual meeting on May 6th, 1984 at the Marriott Hotel, Tyvola Rd., Charlotte, N.C. It will be in conjunction with the N.C. Association of Jewish Men with a full day of events to take place.

Audrey (Mrs. Jerome) Madans of Salisbury, N.C. is the current president of the organization. Chairing the annual event is Sophie (Mrs. Leonard) Madans of Charlotte, N.C. The following, all from Charlotte, are members of the committee: Louise (Mrs. Mark) Bernstein, Doris Edelstein, Doris (Mrs. Sol) Fligel, Esther (Mrs. Arthur) Frank, Fay (Mrs. Dan) Green, Peggy Grifenhagen, Janet (Mrs. Sol) Jaffa, Mickey (Mrs. Bennett) Lyons, Rita (Mrs. Irving) Mond, Margo (Mrs. Werner) Moritz, and Miriam Valenstein

** (For further information contact: Rita Mond, 3400 Gresham Place, Charlotte, N.C. 28211, (704)-366-6632)

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

REGISTRATION.....10 a.m.—11 a.m.
MEETINGS.....11 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
(Men & Women will have separate meetings.)
LUNCHEON.....1:00 p.m.

PROGRAM:

Presentation of Awards.....Lucie Bode, Deputy Secretary
N. C. Dept. of Human Resources
Entertainment.....Alice & Eugene Kavadlo, members
of the Charlotte Symphony

Cost of the entire day's activities, including the luncheon, is \$12.50 per person. Reservations may be made by mailing your check payable to the NCAJW to Miriam Valenstein, 610 Hempstead Place, Charlotte, N.C. 28207

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*This month's front cover is the work of Abe Luski
of Charlotte for the 1984 Charlotte Yiddish Institute
at Wildacres.*

Carolina Character: Melvin Lenard Cohen

The North Carolina town of Morganton has named Melvin Lenard Cohen its Man of the Year for 1983. He is 41 years old, the youngest to have received this honor, bestowed upon him for his continuous work in civic and community interests.

Announcement of the honor awarded to Mel Cohen was made at the Rotary Club's annual banquet on December 14 by Doug Bean, new president of Rotary. Mel Cohen will be honored on January 25 at the Morganton Community House. He is a native of Morganton, is married to Brenda Hester Cohen of Drexel and the father of three children, Stacey, Amy, and Mitchell. He is Chairman of the Downtown Revitalization Committee and its Main Street coordinator, also president of the Morganton-Burke County Merchants Association. Efforts to rejuvenate Morganton's downtown have been productive under his leadership. It was he who initiated the first Historic Morganton Festival, bringing 20,000 people to the downtown area for a crafts, arts, and ethnic foods fair in 1982, and again last September, he was in charge of another festival, increased in size 100%.

Other directions of his talents and inspiration have been in the cooperation of downtown businesses to move overhead utility lines underground; formation for inner city businesses of a loan pool enabling loans for renovation at reduced rates of interest; encouraging such renovations of Main Street businesses, resulting in an improved appearance of the shopping district; in purchase of decorations and their display for the Christmas season on Courthouse Square; Implementation of a training workshop and morale builder for workers in downtown

stores; summertime "Street Scenes" in the downtown area, with live entertainment; capacity for additional free parking; enhancement of Main Street Park, its new Park Place eatery and encouraging the Morganton Service League to have a wall mural painted beside the park.

All of his life he has worked hard and guided many groups of people towards achievement of goals he considers worthwhile.

Melvin Cohen was born May 22, 1942, the youngest of the three sons of Si E. Cohen and Dorothy Cohen. Well known Morganton citizens were among his neighbors as he was growing up: Tommy Webb, Danny Lingerfelt, Mickey Kincaid, Bill Davis, and Otis Pitts Jr. Suransky's Department Store was owned by his grandparents and his father sold ladies' dresses in the area. He worked at a downtown store owned by his mother—Young Ages. He operated a small apparel shop above his mother's store—The Attic.

At Morganton High School, he was a National Honor Society student and was active in organizing school activities. He was voted "Most School Spirited" as a senior in 1960. He graduated from UNC-CH in 1964, having worked meanwhile at a gas station, booking bands for his fraternity and others. He received an A.B. in political science.

He served in active duty training at Fort Jackson, S. C. where he was designated acting sergeant. Then he went to work for Paul Lavitt Mills in Hickory and later with Fashion and Trend Line Furniture Co. in Hickory. He enrolled in Catawba Valley Technical Institute to learn about upholstery. Afterwards, he organized Woodlynd Hill Furniture Company, handling production and marketing, while his brother Jerry handled the business end. He

believes they tried to "move to fast," and the firm went out of business voluntarily in 1968, after placing its employees in other jobs.

He worked for Van Raalte's salesman throughout the Carolinas and Virginia, then moved on to Movie Star Lingerie, with whom he has continued since 1970. He says he works hard so that he has free time to devote to community activities. He believes he is fortunate to have "the opportunity to give society something back." Since mid-1981 when he began negotiating the transfer of overhead utility lines, he has worked for revitalization, becoming chairman of the committee in 1982. He was appointed to the board of Morganton Merchants and was soon elected its president. He continues in that office, and is coordinator of the Main Street project. Morganton was named a Main Street city within the state historic preservation-revitalization program in July.

As reported in **The News Herald** of Morganton, the interests of Mel Cohen extend beyond city-related projects. He is president of Morganton Rotary Club, and works with Morganton Lions Club in organizing a Crimestoppers program for Burke County. He has been honored in 1983 for organizing the Alexander Kimberly Neighborhood Watch program. He was president of Burke County Shrine Club in 1981 and the club raised a record \$20,000 that year for burned and crippled children. During his chairmanship, which ended this year, of projects for all clubs and units in the Oasis Temple Shrine whose area extends from Greensboro to the Tennessee line, \$900,000 was raised. He has been selected as designated nominee of six Shrine clubs to serve on the

temple's board of trustees, and is expected to head a new Shrine Circus for the temple.

In his spare time, Mel Cohen is a stamp collector, a history buff, and enjoys working in his yard and tinkering with cars. He admits to enjoyment in "doing things that haven't been done before and doing them well."

This information from article in THE NEWS HERALD by Editor Eugene Willard—2-15-83.

REFORM JEWS CALLED UPON TO RECAPTURE A SENSE OF THE HOLY

Rabbi Alexander M. Schindler at the UAHC Convention called upon leaders in the Reform Jewish Synagogues to make serious demands on themselves and their fellow congregants. "We are not sufficiently disciplined in our observances . . . We make few demands on our constituents . . . because we do not, we give substance to the perception that Reform Judaism is but a religion of convenience . . . that anything goes, that we need do little or nothing and still call ourselves Jews." Rabbi Schindler said the

issue of Jewish religious observance was not confined to Reform Judaism." The others "have their fair share of those who offer only lip service . . ." He stressed "The need to cultivate a sense of the sacred within ourselves is an aspect of our religious enterprise that has been far too long neglected," and the "growing yearning for the sacred in our day, a searching after newer and truer values, for a deeper and more personal meaning . . ." He voiced the belief in tradition and laws, "but we accord them a respectful veto, not an immobilizing veto. We believe that Judaism has survived for 3,000 years precisely because of its capacity for growth and self-renewal."

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(and enjoy Yiddish programs).

Need further information on future meetings?
Call the Charlotte Jewish Community Center at 704-366-0357.

Shalom guteh freint!

The following article was written by Rabbi Lawrence Arthur Forman of Ohel Shalom Temple in Norfolk, Virginia. He has given us his permission to reprint it from the Temple Bulletin of February, 1983.

"SPEAKING OF PURIM"

"With the Hebrew month of Adar, we make much joy." Why? Because Adar is the month in which we celebrate the holiday of Purim. As we usher in Purim and read the Megillah, we let the world know that Judaism is a faith of joy and happiness. No other holiday in the festival calendar contains such an unbridled sense of carnival merriment. Children dress in costumes, brave Esther and Mordecai are cheered on, and the wicked Haman's plans are foiled. But are they? Haman is not dead. He lives in the minds of those who hate. He speaks with the mouth of prejudice, ridiculing those who dare to differ and stand beyond the crowd. He acts with the cruelty of rumored lies. He laughs whenever human dignity is subject to humiliation and embarrassment.

Our Jewish religion has educated its people to be the opposite of Haman. Our young people represent the heritage, the pride and the faith that overcame the Hamans, the bigots, the war lords of generations past. Our religion can serve as the example for good and decency and achievement to present and future generations.

Are we different as a people? Long ago we could have succumbed to the viciousness of persecution; we could have ended the tragic fairy tale existence of our people. But we lived through a Pharaoh who decreed that every son born to a Hebrew be cast into the Nile. We stood in ancient Persia when Haman accused us so wrongfully of crimes against the state. We walked bitter roads in Europe through centuries of Crusades, black plagues, expulsions, inquisitions, Cossack blood baths, when fairy tale nightmare became deadly reality at the gates of the gas chambers of Auschwitz, Maidanek and

Buchenwald.

Today, 2½ million of our people are oppressed by a Communist slavemaster. There are no political or educational positions for Jews in Czechoslovakia or Poland. Arabs train innocent children to murder; South American prisons incarcerate Jews for political rebellion; terrorists of the Arab world do not allow our people or any other freedom loving people to live in peace.

You and I live in a land of freedom . . . freedom of worship, freedom from fear. There is a vital need to tell and re-tell the story of Purim, to remember the lessons of history. In every generation, Hamans of one form or another rise up in jealous resentment and anger against the examples of right and decency our people convey. **Somehow it is always the Jew who will not accept idolatry, bigotry, viciousness.** The ethical morality of the Jews stands out in sharp contrast to the aims of dictators and tyrants. **That is why the Jew is always the first to be persecuted by corrupt governments;** that is why the Jew will always be the scapegoat for the Hitlers and Hamans of the world. This is a stark fact of history . . . the Jew who is faithful to his tradition to the commandments, to his ethic, will always be faced with the hatred of those who cannot maintain this ideal and who are thus jealous and envious of him. An ideal example is always irritating to those who cannot achieve it.

In our pride we remember our obligation. We become worthy of freedom only when we treat fellow Jews and all fellow human beings with that kind of concern and regard with which we would have them treat us.

We do not live in a country of outward persecution, where government directed anti-Semitism is the scapegoat for a decayed society. We do not wonder here of our physical survival as a unique people. Our choices are different but they are not easier.

How well we live up to the teachings of Judaism will determine the quality of our lives if not our ability to meet the more difficult challenges: To set our own example and to live by it, to know our own worth, to overcome our problems, to cast aside obstacles to achievement, these are the word and role of the Jew!

The reading of the Megillah concludes by asking us to remember, that the act of one person, the power of one person can change the fate of an empire. The behavioral choices of a single individual can bring happiness or despair to the world. Each person's life can make a difference in helping determine the course of human events.

May we be the instruments that bring joy and human dignity to the world, erasing hatred, destroying bigotry, achieving through our Jewish religion appreciation for what is really worthwhile and worthy of our efforts and energies.

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Kibbitzing-Community News

HIGH POINT

by Estelle Levine

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Norman H. Silver on their marriage anniversary, Jan. 1, 1984. The bride was the former Eileen Bordy Martin of Pocomac, Md.

Mrs. Sara Masinter Kaplan, 88, died Saturday Dec. 3, at High Point Memorial Hospital. She was the widow of Harry C. Kaplan and a member of Bnai Israel Synagogue. Funeral was at noon, Dec. 5, at Sechrest Funeral Home, followed by burial in Hebrew Cemetery; Rabbi Robert Sandman officiated. Surviving are two sons, Leonard J. Kaplan of Greensboro and Dr. Arthur S. Kaplan of Norfolk, Va.; seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Aaron Galloway, 97, died Friday, Jan. 13, at the N. C. Blumenthal Jewish Home. He was a resident of the Blumenthal Jewish Home for three years and a resident of High Point for ten years prior to that. He and his wife, Helen Pliskin, were in the mercantile business in North and South Carolina for many years. She died in 1982. He was a member of Bnai Israel Synagogue. Funeral was at 2:30 p.m. Sunday at Sechrest Funeral Home followed by burial in Hebrew Cemetery; Rabbi Robert Sandman officiated. Surviving are one daughter, Mrs. Robert (Ethel) Silver of High Point; one son, Leon Galloway of Aiken, S.C.; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

TEMPLE ISRAEL CHARLOTTE, NC

Sisterhood of Temple Israel held an evening meeting on Wednesday, January 11, featuring Dr. Sanford Benjamin speaking on the topic of "Life Style Choices: The Key to Good Health." A question and answer period followed.

Members were accompanied by their husbands to hear this valuable discussion.

Another member of Temple Israel was speaker for the Adult Jewish Education program in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall on Sunday evening, January 22. Dr. Stephen Fishman delivered "News From Utopia," relating to religion, work, women's rights, and life at Ein Harod, a 62 year old kibbutz in the lower Galilee. A question and answer period and refreshments followed.

On Sunday, January 29, Temple Israel Sisterhood held its annual art auction with works of famous name artists. A wine and cheese party and door prizes were features of the evening.

An evening of beautiful music was presented at Temple Israel on January 21st. Performing musicians were Marvin Bienstock, Frank Birnbaum, Sam Citron, Jennifer Frisina, Marlene Fuerstman, Robert and Gilda Glazer, Eugene and Alice Kavadlo, John Pickett, and Martin Travis, also Dr. Albert Kossove, piano accompanist, and Shirley Levine.

Bondarama winners drawn at the last Sisterhood meeting are Florence Jaffa, Ginger Snitz, Reva Baicowitz, and Esther Frank. There is still time to enter for monthly drawings and grand prizes. Contact Barbara Levin.

On February 8 at 12:00 noon, Belks has graciously consented to present a professional fashion show to be held in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall. Luncheon will be served and Sisterhood invites everyone.

Temple Israel is sponsoring Israeli Ballet, an evening of classical ballet, on Thursday, March 15, at 8:00 PM at Ovens Auditorium.

For information on the "Yiddish Vinkl" call the Charlotte Jewish Community Center, 366-0357. A

program is commencing in spoken Yiddish, also songs and other programming.

On February 19, at 8:00 PM Sunday evening, Ms. Mary Alice Dixon Hinson of the UNCC Department of Architecture will speak on Art & Tradition. She will discuss tradition, the devaluation of the imitation, and the marginality of the artist. She will discuss the view of the Chinese tradition, that in art as in life, imitation is more meritorious than creation. This program is sponsored by Adult Education, Temple Israel.

COLUMBIA, SC TREE OF LIFE CONGR.

The Tree of Life Religious School Committee has announced that Marsha Weinbaum (who will be principal) and Zach Bazerman will be the new Administrators on Sunday and Wednesday respectively.

Institute of Judaic Studies will conduct an "in depth" study of four books by Chaim Potok to be held March 6, March 20, March 27, and April 3 at the home of Meta Miller, 4530 Reamer Avenue, Columbia, at 8:00 PM. Discussion leaders will be Barbara Bleeck, Meta Miller, Jerry King, and John Buchanan.

International Dinners are one of the most successful fund-raising events for Tree of Life Congregation. January's dinner was prepared by Marsha Weinbaum, Alan Rosenfeld, and Steven Seiter. It was a Spanish dinner, and served a capacity group, served on January 28.

The second annual Tree of Life—Beth Shalom Joint Lecture Series will be held on two Sunday evenings in February. Rabbi Kosovske will speak at Beth Shalom on February 5 at 8:00 PM. His topic will be "The Legitimacy of

Change in Judaism: Why the Conservative and Reform Movements are the real Heirs to Tradition," and Rabbi Kandel will speak at Tree of Life Temple on February 12 at 8:00 PM. His topic is "Spiritualism in Judaism—Communication with the Dead." Discussions will follow each lecture, also refreshments. Admission is free.

TEMPLE BETH EL, CHARLOTTE

Temple Beth El Adult Education presents six Friday evenings, "A Study of Concepts—Judaism and Christianity Compare Notes." The seminars will be as follows:

- January 20 Pharisees
Ancestors or Hypocrites
- January 27 The Bible in Judaism and Christianity
- February 3 The Crucifixion
Myth or Reality
- February 10 Jesus . . . Jew and/or Christian
- February 17 Israel . . . Chosen or Rejected
- February 24 The Messiah . . . Ben David or Christ

Rabbi Harold Krantzler will present the subject during the Friday night services, and a discussion with questions and answers will follow the Oneg Shabbat. Supplementary texts are available in the office of Temple Beth El.

On Sunday, January 15, Men's Club breakfast featured Guest Speaker Tom McLaughlin, in "Alcohol and Drug Abuse."

Junior High Conclave will occur February 4th and 5th.

Temple Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled for 8:00 PM on February 6. Sisterhood Luncheon on February 8 will honor Senior Adults, beginning 11:30 AM.

February Men's Club breakfast will be held on the 19th, program to be announced.

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We have a request for information about the Hirsch family which lived in Richmond, Virginia, from 1866 to 1879. Isaac Hirsch owned a trimmings, millinery and fancy dry goods business in Richmond, where he was a member of the Beth Ahabah Reform Congregation from 1876 to 1879. He moved from Richmond some time in 1879. Any information will be greatly appreciated by Leopold Hoenig, 453-C FDR Drive, Apt. C-1504, New York 10002.

THE SOLOMON PROJECT King's Horses

Inspire New Israeli Breed

by Bill Clark

BEER SHEVA—Israeli horse breeders have recently launched a new program to recreate the biblical horse strain originally established by King Solomon.

The effort is being coordinated at Ben Gurion's Cashvan Center for Animal Health and Improvement, where Prof. Daniel Cohen is gathering a core breeding stock.

Many scholars believe that the modern Arab horse is descended from the horse strain developed by King Solomon's breeders 3,000 years ago. In ancient times, the horses were primarily raised for the military where they either pulled chariots or carried cavalry.

Modern Israeli breeders have decided to use today's pure-bred Arab horse stock in their quest for the Solomonian equine. From these animals they are trying to select the qualities considered most appropriate for a distinctive Israeli horse.

Local breeders here have high expectations. The modern strain will be selected for characteristics similar to those Solomon prized. They'll be hardy horses, with superior endurance. They'll be spirited, but responsive to discipline. They'll be horses that are equally comfortable in the show-ring or on the rugged trails

which criss-cross the Negev Desert.

"There are already several strains of the Arab horse," Prof. Cohen explained. "And people who know horses, can, for example, distinguish between the Polish and Spanish strain of Arab horses."

Prof. Cohen explained that the key to the Israeli breeding program is using the highest quality horses in the best conditions. They are receiving the most professional handling available and are quartered in the most appropriate climate and terrain. They are inspected daily by veterinarians using the facilities of the most modern veterinary hospital in Israel. The horses are also supplied with the finest feeds and hays and are disciplined with a rigorous regime of exercise and training.

In addition to the dozen horses presently at the Cashvan Center, Prof. Cohen coordinates registration of the 200 Arab horses which are used throughout Israel for breeding, with the Israeli Arab Horse Society.

The effort to breed a fine Israeli Arab horse will take about 20 years, Prof. Cohen predicts, but when it is

successfully completed, Israel will have a horse which will stand unmatched in the world. The Israeli horse will carry with it a mystique which will charm horse lovers around the world with a combination of pedigreed elegance and desert ruggedness.

Regarding appearance, Prof. Cohen said, "We want something called a 'desert-bred look'" explaining that horses which spend much time outdoors in the desert tend to have a different appearance from those which are normally quartered in stables—that is to say, a more robust look and a brighter sheen to the coat.

"We have an excellent climate for this," he said. "We can leave our horses outdoors throughout the whole year, while most European and American breeders must bring them into stables throughout the winter."

PURIM—MARCH 18, 1984

WHAT PURIM CAN DO FOR YOU!!

by Rabbi Samuel M. Silver

PURIM can remind you that, like Mordecai, you should not worship any man.

PURIM can prompt you to refrain from playing Haman, in your home, your office, or your organization.

PURIM can help you measure yourself against Esther. She was ready to die for ideals; are you ready to live for them?

PURIM can help you recall that being Jewish means to be merry as well as to be melancholy.

PURIM can shake you loose from selfishness, for if you take this gift-giving holiday seriously you will become a donor of purse and person for the furtherance of good causes.

PURIM can send you to your Bible, to discover, (or rediscover) what intriguing literature it contains.

PURIM can put you on guard against bigotry.

PURIM can make you understand the Jewish conception of BEAUTY: the Talmud says that the chief factor in Esther's CHARM was her **simplicity**.

PURIM can remind you that concealment of Jewish identity does not absolve you from the general destiny of the Jewish People.

(Announcement of the symposium "Women Working For Social Change: The Legacy Of Gertrude Weil" by Sarah Wilkerson, submitted for publication in the March issue of *The Jewish Times Outlook*.)

"MISS WEIL GAVE RIGHT EXAMPLE"

On election day Miss Gertrude Weil, former president of the League of Women Voters, went to the courthouse during the primary election and tore up hundreds of "marked" ballots. The corrupt political heelers were dumbfounded, and the fellow who was marking ballots challenged her to send a man to do her fighting. Miss Weil's efforts in behalf of honest elections will be commended by all people who are thoroughly disgusted with present methods.

Charlotte Herald, June 23, 1922

When Gertrude Weil (1879-1971) made the papers with her ballot tearing incident in Goldsboro, North Carolina, women in the United States had only been enfranchised for two years. Weil's personal stand against corruption demonstrated a courage that can be appreciated today. In addition to her political activism, Gertrude Weil's social background also identified her as unique: she was one of a small number of southern born Jews, and the daughter of a German immigrant in North Carolina. This heritage inspired a strong sense of community responsibility manifested in Weil's lifelong interests in women's rights, race relations and the well being of the Jewish people.

On March 17, 1984 the Women's Studies Program of the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill will celebrate the life of this magnificent Southern lady. In a day-long symposium entitled "Women Working for Social Change: the Legacy of Gertrude Weil," speakers and panelists will discuss aspects of Weil's work as a social reformer, political activist and leader among North Carolina women. The keynote address will be delivered

by Anne Firor Scott, current president of the Organization of American Historians and author of *The Southern Lady*. Rabbi Martin Beifield of Temple Beth Or, Raleigh, will discuss Weil's Jewish background and her support of charitable causes. Other papers will focus on Weil's feminist activities, interracial work and efforts in behalf of women workers. A panel session in the afternoon will give participants a chance to discuss social and political reform and the special contributions of this woman. Eli Evans, author of *The Provincials: A Personal History of Jews in the South*, will moderate the afternoon session. The symposium will begin at 10:00 A.M. at the Carolina Inn, Chapel Hill and is free and open to the public.

Weil's background and education fitted her for a life of political activism and social work. Born in Goldsboro, N.C., in 1879, she lived in an era of industrialization and its accompanying social problems. As a member of a wealthy Jewish mercantile family, she was heavily influenced by her parents' strong sense of citizenship and their efforts to help the sick and poor in their community. After attending public schools in Goldsboro, Weil attended Horace Mann School in New York City and was the first woman from North Carolina to graduate from Smith College (1901).

Like many in that first generation of college educated women, Weil actively supported the women's suffrage movement. In 1914 she played a crucial part in establishing the North Carolina equal Suffrage League and served as President of the Organization in 1919 and 1920. Drawing on her influence as part of a well-respected family and as a leader in civic and women's organizations, Weil lobbied for the North Carolina General Assembly to pass the women's suffrage amendment. Although she was sorely disap-

pointed when N.C. legislators failed to ratify the amendment, she channeled her enormous energy into the creation of the League of Women Voters in 1917. She hoped that newly enfranchised women could be organized to use their political power on their own behalf. As founder and first President of the N.C. League, Weil educated women on issues such as maternal and infant care programs, property rights, labor laws and the juvenile court system.

As part of their efforts, women of the League worked to have a respectable agency survey the working conditions of North Carolina women in order to convince legislators that the state needed better labor laws. League members fought the governor and powerful industrialists to obtain the information, continuing their efforts during the bloody strike at Marion and Gastonia in 1928 when North Carolina's labor problems became national news. The stock market crash of 1929 and the closing of mills and factories made reformers' goal more difficult to achieve. Nevertheless, Weil continued to lobby for improved working conditions, actively campaigning for liberal candidates such as Al Smith and Frank P. Graham.

Through her work in women's organizations, and her experiences as a Director of Public Relief in the 1930s, Weil became interested in the education and rights of black people. At the invitation of Governor Max Baucus she joined the N.C. Commission on Interracial Cooperation in 1927. Frequently serving as an executive member, Weil remained on the Commission and its descendant, the N.C. Council on Human Relations, until 1956. She personally financed the building of a pool in Goldsboro's black community and subsidized the higher education of many black students. Even in the eighties, she openly supported the civil rights movement, sponsoring bi-racial committee meetings

her Goldsboro home in 1963.

Weil's concern for human rights and social reform were strongly rooted in her concept of Judaism and the role of Jews in society. As anti-semitism drew publicity in the 1920s, several women of her family established the North Carolina Association of Jewish Women calling together Jewish families from every corner of the state and organizing religious schools. Weil served three terms as president of the association. Throughout the 1930s, as the persecution of European Jews threatened the lives of millions, Weil and her mother sponsored Jewish families, bringing many safely out of France, Germany and Austria. An ardent Zionist, Weil's public support of a separate Jewish nation encourages others to state their beliefs and work for the establishment and success of the new nation. Aspects of the Jewish tradition she most appreciated were scholarship, idealism, concern for human rights and the mission of world peace.

Gertrude Weil demonstrated these qualities and standards in her own life, especially in her work for social welfare and justice. Her strong example encouraged other women to discover their talents as leaders and activists. For those who appreciate the continuing need to improve social institutions and work for the fairer treatment of all individuals, the lifelong work of Gertrude Weil remains an inspiration.

For further information (or to be placed on mailing list) write:

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DAVID BEN-GURION (1886-1973): MILESTONES

Born in Plonsk, Poland, in 1886, educated in cheder, while simultaneously studying secular subjects and languages; he was active in Poalei Zion (Socialist-Zionists) in his town.

Immigrated to Palestine in 1906. Worked in Petah Tikva, moving at the beginning of 1908 to Sejera, where he worked in agriculture and as a watchman.

In 1910 was called upon to work on the editorial staff of Ha'achdut, a weekly in Jerusalem.

In 1912 traveled to Salonika and to Istanbul to study law, returned to Palestine in 1914.

Expelled from the country by the Turks at the beginning of World War I, he went to the U.S. There he was one of the organizers of Hechalutz (pioneer) movement and of other activities connected with Palestine and Zionism. Together with Yitzhak Ben-Zvi, he organized the volunteers for the Jewish battalions and came to Palestine with them via England.

In 1917 he married Paula Monbaz in a New York marriage registration bureau. They had three children.

In 1919 the Achdut Ha'avoda party was established, of which he was one of the ideological leaders. It merged in 1930 with Poale Zion to form Mapai, which was BG's power base until 1965.

From 1931 to 1935 he presided as Secretary-General of the Histadruth (Labor Movement).

In 1933 he was elected as member of the Jewish Agency Executive, and was its head from 1935 till the establishment of the State.

He was the moving spirit in the passing of the Biltmore Declaration (1942) concerning the establishment of a Jewish State as the aim of the Zionist movement.

From the time the Israel Workers' Party (Mapai) was established in 1930, he was one of the chief leaders and shapers of its path.

Upon the establishment of the State of Israel in 1948, he became Prime Minister and Minister of Defense, holding these offices in all the governments till 1963, excepting the period of his retirement in 1953-54 when he resided in Kibbutz Sdeh Boker. This symbolized his belief in pioneering and his conviction that the future rested in the Negev and its revival.

Upon his final retirement from the Government, he returned to live in Sdeh Boker and Tel Aviv intermittently.

He headed the Rafi list in the elections to the Sixth Knesset in 1965, gaining only 10 seats as against 45 for the Labor Alignment led by Levi Eshkol. The Lavon Affair, after which BG left his Party, presaged the end of his political career. In 1970, BG also retired from his membership in the Knesset, devoting all his time to writing history books and memoirs dealing with the period of his public activity.

His books include: **We and Our Neighbors** (1931); **From a Class to a People** (1933); **When Israel Fights** (1950); **Israel's Eternity** (1964); **Meetings with Arab Leaders** (1967).

Reconciliation with former adversaries like Golda Meir, as well as his moderate position on the question of annexation of the territories and his vigorous stand on questions of the separation of religion and state, restored BG's public image, which had been damaged by the Lavon Affair. In his last years in Sdeh Boker, Ben-Gurion was once again revered as a symbol of Israel's independence.

He died on December 1st, 1973 and was buried in Sdeh Boker.



Rabbi Robert A. Seigel

CAROLINA AGENCY FOR JEWISH EDUCATION WORKSHOP

"I was deeply moved by this day."

"Today's Workshop has been very meaningful to me." "This was one of the best workshops I have ever attended."

(It was) "informative and educational, but inspiring."

These were some of the comments expressed by teachers who attended the Charlotte area Teachers' workshop on January 22nd, sponsored by the Carolina Agency for Jewish Education (CAJE). This was the first comprehensive workshop created by the new Carolina-based educational agency, the prototype of future programs around the state. One of the basic purposes of CAJE is to help teachers in Jewish educational institutions develop even better teaching skills. CAJE will also be a coordinating body for curriculum consultation and will be available to assist Jewish schools in the crucial work of our common goal of quality Jewish education in every community.

The Workshop was attended by teachers and administrators of Temples Beth El, Beth Shalom & Israel of Charlotte, the North Carolina Hebrew Academy at

Charlotte and Congregation Emanuel, Statesville. The program was composed of diverse seminars and workshops.

Eleanor Weinglass, Director of the North Carolina Hebrew Academy of Charlotte, led a session on THE INQUIRY METHOD OF READING TEXTS INCLUDING UTILIZATION OF VALUES CLARIFICATION.

Rabbi Robert A. Seigel, Director of Education, CAJE, led a session on the USE OF COMPUTERS IN JEWISH EDUCATION.

Ms. Weinglass and Rabbi Seigel led a workshop on LESSON PLANNING.

The day's program concluded with a panel discussion on THE JEWISH TRADITION'S CONCEPT OF GOD. The panelists were Rabbi Harold Krantzler, Temple Beth El, Charlotte, Rabbi Richard K. Rocklin, Temple Israel, Charlotte, and Rabbi David Zielonka, Temple Emanuel, Gastonia, with Rabbi Seigel moderating. A soul-searching question and answer period was the highlight of the day for many of those attending.

The Workshop also included a post-luncheon singing session, led by Marvin Beinstock, Executive Director of the Charlotte Jewish Federations, a display of Jewish educational material from the CAJE office, and a wrapup by Cy

Jacobs, Executive Director CAJE.

The Carolina Agency for Jewish Education has just recently begun but already it promises to be a major benefit to the Jewish community of our area. As one of the teachers remarked following today's activities, "This is a great beginning for a much needed program."

RABBI ISRAEL J. GERBER AWARDED TENURE

In a formal ceremony, Rabbi Israel J. Gerber has been awarded tenure by Johnson C. Smith University. Dr. Robert Albright, the school president, in presenting the certificate stated it was for "past service to the University and for future service to be rendered to the University." Dr. Gerber is Professor of Psychology.

Rabbi Gerber's latest book, *Justice On Trial: A Book For Our Time*, has been adopted as a textbook for seminars and is serving as a resource in institutions sponsoring pastoral clinical training programs.

"Those who won our independence believed that the final end of the State was to make men free to develop their faculties; and that it was their duty to secure their rights by their government the deliberate and foresighted exertions of its forces should prevail over the impetuous and arbitrary. They valued liberty both as an end and as a means. They believed liberty to be the secret of happiness, and courage to be the secret of liberty."

by Justice Louis D. Brandeis

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OPENING SCHEDULE: **Thursday, April 26, 1984**
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Israel—A New Hollywood?

by Michelle Cameron

Because of the country's fascinating geographical and human landscape, its history and its political, international and religious tensions, Israel is providing a rich source of plot for Hollywood thrillers. An ever-increasing number of these movies are being filmed far from the Hollywood sound sets, as producers are discovering the benefits of filming on location in Israel.

One such film is Cannon Film Inc. Production's joint venture with the Jerusalem-based G.G. Israel Studios. This is the fourth cooperative movie the two companies have produced together. While it is not the first to be filmed in Israel, it is the first time that, excepting the director and five film stars, the entire crew is Israeli. Even the producers are Israeli-born: Menahem Golan, Yoram Globus and Itzhak Kol.

Directed by J. Lee Thompson and starring Robert Mitchum, Rock Hudson, Ellen Burstyn, Fabio Testi and Donald Pleasance, this action-packed thriller is due to be released sometime in the spring of 1984. It is based on the novel **52 Pick-Up** by Elmore Leonard, which was scripted for film by Ronald M. Cohen and Menahem Golan. The script waited for five years before its merits were recognized. In light of events happening in the Middle East today, the plot which five years earlier might have seemed incredible, today has the ring of reality about it.

In brief, the plot revolves around attempts on the part of the American Ambassador (Robert Mitchum) and his CIA station chief (Rock Hudson) to negotiate between the PLO and Israel. A clandestine meeting between the Ambassador and moderate Palestinians is violently interrupted by radical PLO men, and the Americans are saved by Israeli soldiers. An affair between the

Ambassador's wife (Ellen Burstyn) and a PLO leader (Fabio Testi) makes for more excitement, and to additional bloodshed. In short—all the ingredients for a movie which has the rapid pace essential to this sort of film.

The five Hollywood stars and director have been pleased by the professionalism shown by the Israeli crew, and have been quick to get to know the Israeli actors and technicians. The atmosphere on the set is extremely friendly, and the two birthdays celebrated there, Hudson's and Burstyn's have furthered the warm feelings.

Both Robert Mitchum and Donald Pleasance have family connections in the country. Pleasance is married to an Israeli and his in-laws still live in the country. Mitchum's sister moved to Israel three years ago, and he hadn't seen her since. He knew only that she was connected to the Bahai movement in the country. G.G. Studios found her quickly through the Bahai center in Haifa, and staged a surprise reunion between the siblings on Army radio.

Israel was full of surprises for all the actors, who tried to take time out in between their shooting schedule to see something of the country. Ellen Burstyn, on her second trip here in two years, arrived in Israel a week earlier, and was hosted by Jerusalem mayor Teddy Kollek.

Rock Hudson was somewhat disappointed in Tel Aviv—it's only a big city after all—but Jerusalem was 'magic' for him, and he enjoyed a jaunt into the desert. Because of a heart bypass he recently underwent, "The Ambassador" is Hudson's first movie since "The Mirror Cracked." His doctor's prescription includes miles of walking daily, and he has enjoyed his hikes on the Israeli beach and the old city of

Jerusalem, watching the people there. Because of his role in the television series 'McMillan,' which had been screened in Israel, Hudson was made an honorary member of the Jerusalem Police force.

Robert Mitchum has become well known to the Israeli public as the series 'Winds of War' was being unfolded on Israeli television during his stay here. Mitchum, who loves cold borscht and matza balls, has found a small Jewish restaurant in Tel Aviv that provides these delicacies. All of the actors have found that kashrut doesn't impose real culinary limitations, and have enjoyed Israel's wide variety of restaurants.

'The Ambassador' has given the American audience a chance to see that movies do not have to be shot on a Hollywood set to be quality films. And it has given the five Hollywood stars a chance not only to portray Israel, but to see firsthand what the country is really like.



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The Seventh Annual Arab Book Fair

by Hadassah Bat Haim

The children streaming into the large halls in chattering groups are as excited and lively as if they were coming to a real fair with roundabouts and dodgem cars instead of one whose only attraction is books. It is the Seventh Annual Arabic Book Week in Haifa at the Arab-Jewish Community Center, Beth Hagefen. Visitors of all ages have exceeded 100,000—an astounding figure. The younger element make a beeline for the tables loaded with nursery stories, adventure yarns, and those most modern of all fairy stories, space extravaganzas. Literary taste, it is obvious, knows no ethnic boundaries.

A large crowd of teenage girls cluster round a display of books about films, all lavishly illustrated. In a little frequented room at the back, scholars from the universities of Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa, Birziet, Bethlehem and Hebron sigh reverently over large, heavy comprehensive histories and philosophies and try to outmoan each other about the meagerness of their respective budgets. The most respected visitor at the book fair was no less a personality than Chaim Herzog, Israel's President, who is himself an author and stresses the need for more Israelis to learn Arabic.

Most of the 150,000 publications, both hard and soft cover, have come from Egypt. In Cairo alone, the five universities turn out textbooks for hundreds of thousands of students each year. Cairo presses are busy with romances, detective stories, science fiction and religious homilies all of which are represented at this exhibition.

Mr. Salah Abbassi, who has been the main organizer of the Book Weeks, owns an Arabic bookstore in downtown Haifa and imports books. His knowledge—as befits a bookseller—is encyclopedic and

he is always at hand to advise and recommend no matter if the enquirer is a young mother looking for bedtime reading to be told to her three year old or an erudite professor seeking to clarify an obscure point in Islamic law. Printers' ink may be mixed with the blood of the publisher and writer. Besides translations from English and Hebrew into Arabic, he has more than 40 works of his own on the shelves—novels, short stories and plays, one of which, in Hebrew and Arabic, was playing in Haifa just before the opening of the exhibition.

Apart from Egypt, there are books from Iraq, Lebanon, and the Yemen brought in different complicated ways. Dealers in Hebron and East Jerusalem still have their contacts in Amman. Catalogues may be requested and orders put through. It is a roundabout and expensive procedure but the Israeli government readily allocated the necessary permits and currency.

Tzvi Israel, who has directed Beth Hagefen for twenty years, maintains that no effort is too great to raise the standards of Arab literacy and access to books. Books published in Israel were hard to find as most of them are published privately and have to be searched out. Some are on display and it is hoped that more and more authors will participate in future collections. By demonstrating the variety and number of books that can be made available, the Arabic reading public is assured that their culture is not being neglected.

Everyone of the 15,000 titles has been read by Arabists within the Israel Defense Forces for security reasons. Subversion is forbidden, but controversial essays and impartial evaluation of present and past situations are there in the

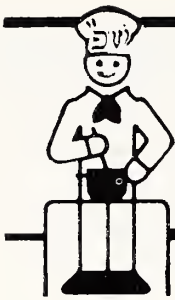
dozens.

Not every book has to be read every year. There are some titles and subjects that are established favorites and are on repeat orders from whatever source is available. Biographies of charismatic figures: Nasser, Sadat, Nukeri, Muhammed Ali (the Egyptian leader, not the boxer—though his life is also of interest), classic poetry, legends and folklore appear year after year with undiminished appeal.

There are not many cookbooks to be seen, nor "do it yourself" manuals which are so popular in the west. One reason, according to one of the assistants at the Book Fair, is that the majority of people in this part of the world have not lost the skills which the west is striving so eagerly to recover. Another reason given is connected with the generation gap. Many of the older Arabic speaking housewives cannot read, and even if they could, would never admit there was anything written in a book on their household work that they did not already know . . . The younger women often combine domesticity with a career. Teachers, doctors, nurses and bankers are glad to be freed from kitchen chores. There is usually some willing relative ready to give a hand and affluent households are prepared to hire help.

Older artisans, too, resent any suggestion that their skills are incomplete. The system of apprenticeship and inherited crafts is still prevalent. "A man may be able to write a book, that doesn't mean he can tell me how to knock a nail in" would be a common reaction to an offer of written instruction, explains one of the helpers at the long table.

They could hardly lift their heads from giving change, wrapping and packaging—the pressure of business was so strong. Prices range from I.S.50 for paperbacks to many thousands for beautifully bound works of scholarship that will last more than one lifetime. There are customers in all sections.



Tradition in the Kitchen

TRADITION IN THE KITCHEN

FISH FILETS WITH ALMONDS

2 lbs any fish filets
salt & pepper to taste
3 tbsps olive oil or melted butter
½ cup mayonnaise
1 tbsp lemon juice
dash Tobasco sauce
1 tsp onion, grated
2 egg whites
½ cup almonds, shredded and
toasted

Preheat broiler with rack 5 inches from source of heat. Arrange fish in single layer in greased shallow pan. Sprinkle with salt and pepper and brush with olive oil or butter. Broil until fish flakes easily, about 10 minutes. While fish is broiling, prepare topping. Mix mayonnaise, lemon juice Tobasco, and onion. Whip the egg whites until stiff and fold them gently into mayonnaise mixture. Spread the topping evenly over broiled filets, sprinkle with almonds, and return to broiler and cook until topping is lightly browned and puffy.

Rebecca Selinger, Ocala, FL.

FISH CASSEROLE

6 lbs meaty fish (such as speckled trout), whole
Cook fish with onion, celery tops and carrot until soft. Cool, remove bones. Prepare sauce with:
1 cup mayonnaise
1 beaten egg
1 tsp salt
½ tsp pepper
1 tsp sugar
2 dashes seasoned salt
1 tsp dry mustard
1 tsp wet mustard
4 dashes Tobasco
1 finely chopped green pepper
Flake fish, removing all bones. Mix with sauce. Add 1 tbsp cooking sherry. Put into baking dish top with buttered breadcrumb. Bake at 350° about 30 minutes.
Janet Jaffa, Charlotte

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Book Reviews

VIEWS AND REVIEWS ELI WIESEL'S NON-TRADITIONAL GOLEM by Joseph Cohen

Probably few Jewish contemporary literary figures are as well known as Elie Wiesel, or as highly respected. Because he emerged after the Holocaust as the first major, articulate spokesman of the ordeal through which he had himself passed, and because he possessed the ability to transform into words a compelling sense of the horror of the six million dead, his voice conveyed their doom into our consciousness in unforgettable ways.

The haunting power he possesses to influence others is not vouchsafed to many. A special privilege, it carries with it the accolades of fame. It also carries certain obligations. One of these obligations, particularly for a writer whose entire reputation rests upon the believability of his stories, is verisimilitude, which requires a careful adherence to the truth of his subject matter.

I confess, therefore, to being a little surprised at the liberties Wiesel has taken in his newly released version of the legend of the famous golem of Prague. This is not a problem which should keep anyone from reading *THE GOLEM THE STORY OF A LEGEND* (Summit Books, \$12.95), and I suspect that multitudes will find it, as, indeed, did I, charming, diverting and enchanting. The problems that arise here are of interest both to scholars and laymen, though I would gladly ignore them if I could since it's never comfortable playing the role of Peck's bad boy taking on the Jolly Green Giant, especially in as esoteric a corn-patch as Jewish Mysticism. We don't ordinarily think of Wiesel as jolly, but his version of the golem is hardly solemn.

Readers familiar with Gershom Scholem's "*The Idea Of The Golem*" in *Kabbalah and Its Symbolism* (Schocken Books) and

and fascinating dimension.

With all her beauty, intelligence and fame, Cat is 37—and she can no longer convey her profession's essential illusion: the look of youth. This is the moment she falls in love with Clay Whitfield, a powerful and successful banker who wants to make her his wife. But when he asks her to embrace his church, Cat is torn by a conflict she never dreamed would touch her.

To answer Clay's question, Cat Willingham takes a journey to her past: the mother she rebelled against, living still in the Jewish neighborhood in Brooklyn where Cat was raised, on the Yom Kippur she used to know—only this Yom Kippur is 1973, Israel has been attacked, and Cat Willingham does not understand why she feels such turmoil.

Somebody Please Love Me is a captivating novel that takes the reader behind the scenes of the New York world of high fashion, opening nights and the beautiful people. But it is also a story that Jewish readers will find particularly moving, for it raises issues of identity and continuity that are of concern to us all.

Aviva Hellman is the wife of Yehuda Hellman, executive vice chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations. Born in the United States, educated in New York, Jerusalem and London, Mrs. Hellman now lives in New York and maintains a home in Tel Aviv. She is the author of three previous novels—*Me, Me, Me* (with Jack Phelps), *In Place Of Love* and, most recently, *Double Standards*.

STORIES by Meir Blinkin, State University of New York Press, translated from the Yiddish by Max Rosenfeld, 166 pages, \$10.95.

Newly available to the English speaking public, the short stories of master story teller Meir Blinkin are charming and delightful and touching accounts of the Jewish immigrant at the turn of the century.

Born in the same small town as Sholem Aleichem, Blinkin was driven by poverty and anti-Semitism to come to America. His stories tell us what life was like in the immigrant community, conveying a strong sense of the stresses and changes to be endured. These stories not only illuminate the social conditions but provide deft psychological analyses of troubled immigrants with their conflicting claims of loyalty to the secular world and Jewish orthodoxy. Blinkin is also a master at evoking a mood of psychic tensions and the claustrophobia of immigrant life. He captures vividly the speech of his characters, with their Anglicisms and malapropisms. Blinkin with his stories helps to preserve that immigrant world and saves us from cultural amnesia.

SOMEBODY PLEASE LOVE ME

by Aviva Hellman \$15.95

"What makes you Jewish?"

When top fashion model Cat Willingham (nee Catherine Wallenstein) is asked this question by the man she plans to marry, *Somebody Please Love Me*—Aviva Hellman's absorbing new novel about the choices every woman must make—takes on an added

Arnold L. Goldsmith's *The Golem Remembered, 1909-1980*, published by Wayne State University Press in 1981, will, as I have, readily perceive the distinctions between the traditional views of golem and Wiesel's departures, to say nothing of recognizing his two primary sources which remain, curiously, under a cloud of suspicion.

The generally accepted view of golem, the Prague golem not excepted, is that once fashioned of clay, they are given mobility by the insertion in their mouths of a piece of paper with the Hebrew word "Shem" written on it, or by the Hebrew word "Emes" (truth) being imprinted on their foreheads. To return the golem to nature, the "Shem" is removed, or the "E" erased, leaving the word "Mes," meaning corpse. Golemin, once created, keep on growing, become increasingly truculent, are envious of the pleasures enjoyed by their human masters, are inclined increasingly toward violence, and in time, the must be destroyed.

Despite the fact that Elie Wiesel calls his book the "story of a legend," and reduces its reliability by describing it as having been handed down orally through seven generations, the rendering is nonetheless Wiesel's. His golem is fashioned by a magic hand and receives neither the "Shem" nor the "Emes." He is described as a gentle, obedient servant, to whom people can respond with affection, a kind of over large, huggable stuffed animal.

Moreover, Wiesel's golem never grows larger, never becomes truculent or insolent, and he never turns destructively on the Jews of Prague. When the great Rabbi Lowe, the Maharal, determines that the golem's time has come, the reason given is that his work is completed, and not that he is threatening to destroy the Jewish ghetto of Prague.

What was the golem's work originally? It was to protect the Jews of Prague against their

enemies. At the time Jehudah Lowe was Chief Rabbi there were enemies enough but the fear of pogroms requiring the protection of the golem was not occasioned as Wiesel insists, on the revival of the infamous blood libel, the charge that before Passover, Jews murdered Christian children to obtain their blood for matzo. Wiesel's substantial use of the blood libel and the presence of a powerfully aggressive churchman named Bishop Thaddeus was not based on the facts of life in sixteenth century Prague. Both the blood libel threat and Bishop Thaddeus were late nineteenth, early twentieth century accretions to the legend utilized in the world of two story-tellers Yudel Rosenberg and Chaymin Bloch.

Yudel Rosenberg's *Nifla' ot Maharal im ha-Golem*, published in Yiddish in Warsaw in 1909, and subsequently translated by Joachim Neugroschel as *The Golem Or The Miraculous Deeds of Rabbi Liva* seems almost certainly to have been Wiesel's primary source. Rosenberg argued convincingly that his account was based upon the discovery of a hitherto unknown early manuscript detailing the "great wonders" performed by Rabbi Lowe and the Golem in Prague. Though Rosenberg later achieved a wide reputation as a respected rabbi in Montreal, his "discovery" has not been authenticated and Arnold Goldsmith writes that Rosenberg's "Golem manuscripts" may well have been "a literary hoax . . . perpetrated on the Jewish reading public."

Wiesel's second source was Chayim Bloch who published *The Golem, Legends of the Ghetto of Prague* in German in 1919. Like Rosenberg, he, too, subsequently achieved recognition for this work. In his introduction he mentioned reading *Nifloet Mhrl* (i.e., Rosenberg's work) but he does not mention Rosenberg by name, and while the two versions differ in some respects, there is enough

similarity that some scholars view Bloch's work as a plagiarism. Bloch was a more talented and lively writer than Rosenberg, but all his literary inventiveness does not belie his heavy and direct use of Rosenberg's unauthenticated account.

In using Rosenberg's and Bloch's versions Wiesel apparently chose to ignore Scholem's aforementioned historical essay on the golem, Gustav Meyrink's *The Golem*, published in 1915, an enormously popular novel of psychological inquiry, depicting the golem as the mirror image of his creator, and Abraham Rothberg's *The Sword of The Golem*, a novel published in America in 1917 which confronts not only the psychological makeup of the golem but the moral implications of his creation.

Ultimately, it is the moral issue to which Scholem, Meyrink and Rothberg address themselves that is most important. For the basic lesson scholars emphasize in the creation and subsequently required destruction of the golem is that mortal human beings may not seek to become God by imitating God's creative power. Human pride must be held in check, and confusion about omnipotence follows. Unfortunately, Wiesel's version ignores the moral issue entirely and the basic lesson is lost.

If Wiesel's *THE GOLEM* leaves something to be desired, M. Podwal's numerous superbly appropriate illustrations make up for what is lacking in Wiesel's account. They are the real treasures in Wiesel's book.

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GERSHOM SCHOLEM Revealing the Secrets of Jewish Mysticism

by Dvora Waysman

There was a time when the word "Kabbalah"—Jewish mysticism—was only whispered. It was said that if you delved into it without the proper preparation—meaning years, or even decades, of scholarly study of the Bible and Talmud, you could go mad. What was contained in the Zohar, the Book of Splendor or Radiance, belonged to the moonlit landscape of mysticism and the occult, and its secrets—rendered in difficult Aramaic—could be learned only within the confines of certain sects of the Hassidic movement.

So Mystic

Then along came a man who was no mystic, in fact, not even a religious Jew in the accepted sense... but who made the secrets of Kabbalah available to all who wished to read them. The late Professor Gershom Gerhard Scholem spent sixty-three years of his life constructing a history and bibliography of Jewish mysticism, translating the Zohar and other Kabbalistic works into English. This year marks the 50th anniversary of his appointment as Professor of Jewish Mysticism at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

During his lifetime he published over 40 volumes and nearly 700 studies on this subject. He saw himself as a historian and studied the mystic texts as historical documents. According to Professor Joseph Dan, his former student and colleague, he once said: "All I found were scattered, shabby pages and I transformed them into a story". Professor Scholem died in Jerusalem on February 21st, 1982 at the age of 84.

The Zohar in English

One of his most important achievements was the translation into English of the Zohar. Although it has made it possible for anyone with enough curiosity to read it, it does not mean that they will understand it. It is actually a running

commentary on the Pentateuch, but the Scriptural words soar upwards in esoteric fancy.

You read of worlds beyond worlds; hidden meanings; numbers and names that have supernatural power; hosts of both angels and demons. Despite its accessibility today because of Professor Scholem's work, it is still a study for the few. Jewish mysticism is outside the main line of our tradition, and has no bearing on Halacha—Jewish law. Yet for its followers, it has had a marked influence on thought and conduct. In the Middle Ages, Safed was the seat of Jewish mysticism and the names of many famous Rabbis are linked to Kabbalistic writing and study. While many studied the Zohar with delight, others rejected it as confusing and destructive. It contains both great poetry and vision and dark parabolic allegories, dynamically charged with strange energy. The origin of Kabbalah is still obscure although many scholars attribute it to Rabbi Simeon ben Yohai in the 2nd century, while others maintain this was just a compilation of even older material.

Authority

In Professor Scholem's introduction to the Zohar, he states that the Zohar established itself for 3 centuries (1500-1800 C.E.) as a source of revelation equal in authority to the Bible and Talmud. It made its way out of "an almost complete, hardly penetrable anonymity and concealment". Eventually it was regarded as a sacred text supplementing the more traditional ones on a new level of religious consciousness. Written as a series of treatises, the Zohar seems to be interpretations of Biblical passages, and in parts an ancient Midrash. Sections are called "Midrash ha-Neelam" (The Secret Midrash) and "Sitre Torah" (Secrets of the Torah).

This fascination with Jewish mysticism was a lifetime study for Gershom Scholem, born in Berlin in 1897. He received his Ph.D. from

the University of Munich for his thesis on Sefer ha-Bahir, the earliest known Kabbalistic text. An ardent Zionist, he came on aliyah in 1923. Ten years later he was appointed Professor of Jewish Mysticism at the Hebrew University. Mainly due to his work and scholarship, a basic understanding of Kabbalistic symbolism has become a pre-requisite for any serious study of Jewish theology.

He retired in 1965 after many Israeli and foreign honors had been heaped on him, receiving the Israel Prize for Jewish studies in 1958. After his death in 1982, the Hebrew University established the Gershom Scholem Center for the study of Kabbalah, which maintains his unique library (23,000 volumes on Jewish mysticism). There are now three generations of scholars working in this field in Israel: Professor Scholem's own students; his students' students; and now their students.

Intensity of Scholarship

A scholar and an historian, Professor Scholem was single-minded, never deviating from his study of Kabbalistic texts. His private library reflects the same intensity—every book is connected to this subject and nothing else. He has been an inspiration to many (Chaim Potok's best-selling novel "The Book of Lights" purportedly portrays him in fictional form). Even though, for many of us, we are no closer to understanding the Kabbalah he has bequeathed to everyone the ability to read from these once-secret texts.

100th ANNIVERSARY OF HOROWITZ MARGARETEN

The Horowitz Bros. & Margaretten Company, famous for its Matzohs and other Kosher food products, and a New York "institution," marks its 100th anniversary in 1984 with a series of special events, including a "Matzoh Ball" leading up to the Passover holiday.

The past 100 years are as much a story of the family as they are of the business. The two are inseparable.

Less than a year after they arrived on America's shores from Hungary Jacob and Mary Horowitz decided in 1884 to establish a matzoh bakery with the help of their four sons, one daughter and her husband. One-hundred years later, their great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren are running the company, maintaining a tradition of quality gained through the experience and know how passed from generation to generation.

The founders began by baking matzoh in borrowed ovens in a tiny bakery at the southern tip of Manhattan. When production demands increased, the family moved its bakery to larger quarters on New York's lower east side. Finally, following the Second World War, the company moved to its present quarters, a large mechanized factory and warehouse at 2900 Review Avenue in Long Island City, N.Y.

As part of its celebration, the company will sponsor model seders at Jewish schools in the area, and New York's Mayor Koch will be on hand to bake the "100th Anniversary Matzoh." Media tours will also be conducted at the factory.

The Horowitz-Margaretten family, joined in the late 19th century in Hungary through marriage, is composed of hundreds of relatives living throughout the United States. The Horowitz family traces its genealogy all the way back to 1440 in Bohemia. The Family Association, formed after the first world war, has published two

books on its genealogy and continues to issue periodic newsletters to keep family members aware of their relatives' activities throughout the world.

The company ships its high quality matzoh, prepared for Passover, and for eating the year round, and dozens of other products, ranging from noodles to soup mixes and gefilte fish, to nations around the globe.

The Horowitz Margaretten family had over 100 of its members in the armed forces during World War II; some were killed in action. During the War the family saved hundreds of persecuted European Jews, helping them gain safe passage out of Europe and signing affidavits for their entry into the United States. After the War, remnants of the family still in Europe were brought to the U S and Israel. In Israel, the Family Association established a loan fund to help needy relatives and ultimately others "get started." It still exists.

Today, 100 years after its founding the Company is skillfully and lovingly run by a fourth and fifth generation father and son team.

POLLING AMERICA'S JEWS

by M. J. Rosenberg

A new scientific study of the attitudes of American Jews toward the State of Israel has been released by the American Jewish Committee which commissioned it. The study, which was conducted

by Dr. Steven Cohen of Brandeis University, indicated that American Jewish support for Israel is as strong—or stronger—than ever and that "broad psychological attachment to Israel" is widely felt.


Dr. Cohen's technique in producing the survey was to "distinctive Jewish names" from the telephone book. Thus, his research was not confined to the Jews who are synagogue members or givers to the United Jewish Appeal. He was able to create a fairly representative sample of American Jews—some of whom affiliate with Jewish organizations and some of whom do not.

American Jews are strongly attached to Israel. 93% "pay special attention to newspaper and magazine article about Israel." 90% agree with the statement, "If Israel were destroyed I would feel as if I had suffered one of the greatest personal tragedies in my life."

One of the survey's most surprising findings is that fully 90% of U.S. Jews have visited Israel at least once. 17% have visited more than once.

There are also strong personal ties. 34% have family in Israel. 40% have friends there. And 17% have "seriously considered" moving to Israel themselves.

The report has clear political implications: candidates who are suspected of not being supportive of Israel can write off the Jewish community. 73% of those surveyed agree that "Jews should not vote for candidates unfriendly to Israel." Almost a third have "irre-



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ast 12 months contributed money
a political candidate because
e/she would support Israel."

The survey delves into other
reas of Jewish commitment. It
nds that the most popular Jewish
practice is to attend a Passover
eder (89% do). 77% light Chan-
kah candles. 59% fast on Yom
ippur.

American Jews—like their
rethren in Israel—are divided over
particular Israeli politicians and
olicies, but over Israel's security
self, there is consensus. Steve
ohen puts it this way: "In brief,
oad psychic attachment to Israel
still widely felt among American
ews... The findings suggest little
no erosion in the most fervent
upport for Israel. Caring for Israel
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ver seder and lighting Chanukah
andles as among the most
popular and widespread contem-
porary expressions of American
ewish commitment."

RELIGIOUS PLURALISM IN ISRAEL SUPPORTED BY YOUNG JEWISH LEADERS

Religious pluralism and the need
to give equal status in Israel to all
branches of the Jewish religion
was the theme of a forum chaired
by Dr. David Gordis, Executive
Director of the Foundation for
Conservative (Mesorati) Judaism
in Israel at last month's epochal
First World Assembly of Young
Jewish Leadership.

The Assembly, whose partici-
pants included 150 young Jewish
leaders from Israel and diaspora
countries, took place on the shores
of the Dead Sea for three days in
December.

Gordis, who has just returned
from Israel to his headquarters in
Los Angeles, said that a major
issue at the conference was the
status of non-Orthodox Judaism in
Israel. At present, he pointed out,
the Orthodox rabbinate has
complete control over Jewish

marriage and divorce, conversions
to Judaism and decisions on which
rabbis are and are not given legal
status in Israel. Consequently,
non-Orthodox procedures and
personnel have no place in the
official religious life of Jews in
Israel, the only country in the free
world in which this is the case.

At the forum he chaired, Gordis
reported, there were a number of
Israeli participants who said to him
that for the first time they were
becoming aware of the validity of
non-Orthodox alternatives to
Jewish practice. One kibbutz
member, a secular Jew, told the
Conservative leader that he now
understood the role that Conser-
vative Judaism can play in Israeli
life. Another, the mayor of Ash-
kelon, said that he was beginning
to appreciate that for many Jews
the issue was a serious one and not
merely a theoretical one as he had
been led to believe.

Gordis said that he was particu-
larly impressed with the openness
and intelligence of the participants
who included two members of the
United States Congress and a
dozen members of the Knesset,
Israel's parliament. In addition,
there were government officials,
academicians from American and
Israeli universities, and a number
of Israel's younger political
leaders. The average age of those
attending was 40 years.

Gordis also reported on the state
of the Conservative Movement in
Israel saying that thanks to its
efforts Israelis have come to
understand that Conservative
Judaism has come to Israel to stay.
The first Conservative sponsored
kibbutz, Hannaton, which will be
settled in the Galilee next
September, is now under con-
struction and will open on
schedule. Plans are complete for
the opening of a Conservative
Rabbinical school independent
from the American Conservative
schools and designed to train
Israeli Conservative rabbis. Mem-
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PETITION ASKS SUPREME COURT TO UPHOLD CONN. SABBATH OBSERVANCE PROTECTION LAW

The U.S. Supreme Court has been asked to rule that a Connecticut law requiring employers to give workers time off for religious observance is constitutional. The request, made in a petition filed on behalf of a Connecticut chain store manager, asks that the U.S. high court review a decision of the Connecticut Supreme Court which declared the state's Sabbath observance employee protection statute unconstitutional.

The Connecticut court had declared that any law requiring employers to allow employees to take time off for religious purposes violated the principle of separation of church and state. The petitioner argues that it isn't so.

The store manager is represented by Nathan Lewin, a Washington attorney and vice-president of the National Jewish Commission on Law and Public Affairs (COLPA).

In announcing the filing of the petition, Howard Zuckerman, president of COLPA, and AJCongress' Ms. Waldman said that although Mr. Thornton, the plaintiff in **Thornton v. Caldor**, is not Jewish, the Connecticut Supreme Court ruling against the Sabbath observance protection statute is of "obvious importance and concern" to the Jewish community.

The petition was filed by Mr. Lewin on behalf of Donald E. Thornton, a Connecticut department store manager with the Caldor chain of retail stores, who asked to be excused from working on Sunday because he observed

the day as his Sabbath. The chain offered to transfer him to a store in Massachusetts that was closed Sundays or demote him. Mr. Thornton refused the out of state transfer and sued Caldor under a 1976 revision of the state's Sunday laws, specifying that no employee could be required to work on his or her Sabbath.

A trial court ruled in Mr. Thornton's favor, rejecting Caldor's argument that the law was unconstitutional. The Supreme Court of Connecticut, however, reversed the decision.

In asking the U.S. Supreme Court to overturn the Connecticut Supreme Court decision against Mr. Thornton, Mr. Lewin says in the petition that the Connecticut court's analysis was "faulty." He asserts the Connecticut law is an anti-discrimination measure representing "legislative accommodation to the conscientious needs of individuals" and serves a constitutionally acceptable purpose by providing protection to an individual in the free exercise of religion.

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NEW BOARD MEMBERS RECEIVE ORIENTATION

by Ellen White, Executive Secretary

In all organizations, the building and maintaining of relationships is vital to the life and functioning of the Blumenthal Jewish Home. Staff members are selected for their demonstrated abilities to both perform certain tasks and relate in a caring way to the residents. Likewise, Board members are selected from the men and women in the communities across the State who have a desire to acquire a broad understanding of social problems and a wish to help other people.

Board member is an honor that comes with it many responsibilities. On-going Board members and members of the Home's staff feel an obligation and a privilege to orient those who are new to the Board, so each member will have a firm foundation on which to make policy decisions for the Home.

Immediately following the January Board meeting, the first of two sessions designed to meet this goal was

held. The main focus of this meeting was the operation of the Corporation, including the functions of the Board and committee responsibilities. The next session, in February, focused on the operation and programs of the Home.

In order to carry out its responsibilities for the management of the

corporation, and to insure service delivery, Board members are sought from varying backgrounds, representing as many communities as possible. Each year, due to the rotation process, new members are welcomed to the Board. Even though they may have a long history with the Home through family or community



President Norman Pliner at work with new Board members Arnold Pickholtz and Jan Samet.

involvement, the orientation program fills in the gaps and gives a more complete picture of the Home's services and needs.

This year's "class" in attendance at the first session were welcomed by Norman Pliner, President of the Board. When asked to tell about themselves, the miniature portraits they shared show the diversity of talent which will now be an asset to the Home.

Harold Needle: His coming to the Board is going "full circle," because 25 years ago he worked with I.D. Blumenthal, a consultant, Morris Zeldich, of the National Association of Jewish Federations, and Joe Bronstein, Executive Director of the Jewish Home in Wilmington, to plan for the North Carolina Jewish Home. Now retired, he was at that time the Executive Director of Family Services in Greensboro.

Mimi Levin (Mrs. Jack): For more than nine years, her mother, Rose Block, has been living at the Home. Her father-in-law was also involved with the Home, both in its founding and development, and later as a resident. Consequently, she has a special understanding of the life at the Home from the family member's point of view. She also is aware of many of the staff issues since she is a very frequent visitor to the Home. The Levin family incorporates the special qualities of commitment to and interest in the resident life at the Home, and both Mimi and Jack (who serves as volunteer photographer at the Seders each year) are participants in many of the Home's special resident events.

Mr. Jan Samet of High Point is a prominent attorney. The Samet family has long been supportive of the Home. Mr. Samet follows in the footsteps of his cousin, Norman Samet, as a Board member.

Arnold Pickholtz is a native of Cleveland, Ohio. He has a number of business interests, including a graphic design company and real estate projects. He comes with experience in the non-profit sector, having worked in an executive capacity with



Congratulating members of the Recreation Dept.: Mr. Mendlovitz with Sharon Roever, Catherine Smith, LaQuietta Davis and Rick Rogers.

NATIONAL ACTIVITY PROFESSIONALS' DAY WE RECOGNIZE OUR OWN

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the month of January.

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Goodwill Industries and the Epilepsy Foundation of North Carolina. Currently he is on the Board of the Labuvich and the Hebrew Academy of Charlotte. Special interests include public relations and financial planning.

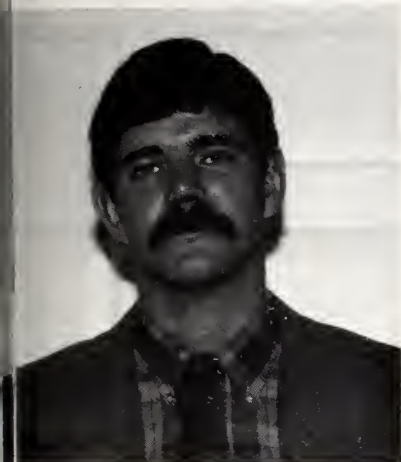
Other new Board members include: Mrs. Ruth J. Feldman of Asheville, Mr. Milton Goldberg of Winston-Salem, Mrs. Doris Dworsky of Raleigh, and Dr. Eugene Sandler of Chapel Hill.

Who's responsible for birthday parties, bingo games and trips to the symphony? Who helps residents who arranges classes in current events and yoga, and teaches them how to plant tomato seeds? Who assists residents with shopping and out to lunch excursions? The members of the Therapeutic Recreation Department are of course!

This dedicated team was recognized by residents and staff of the Home on January 26, National Activity Professionals' Day. In a special ceremony during the noontime meal, Executive Director Al. A. Mendlovitz thanked members of the Recreation Department for their many contributions to life at the Home. He commended their leadership in special events such as the county-wide Senior Olympics Day "CELEBRATE!", the annual Hallowe'en Gong Show and the ever-popular Springfest, and said, "We have more activities going on here than anywhere else in the country!"

For a full year of energetic, dedicated and creative service to residents, family members and staff of the Home we thank Jan Savet, Director of Community Programming, LaQuietta Davis (RT), Sharon Roever (RT, A Wing), Rick Rogers (RT, B-1), Sara Schwartz (EOP), and Catherine Smith (Recreation Shop Instructor). They're the best!

LANHAM APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF GENERAL SERVICES



Doug Lanham

We are pleased to welcome to the Home a new member of the Executive Staff, Doug Lanham. Doug is the new Director of General Services. The General Services Department encompasses Maintenance, Housekeeping, Laundry, shipping and receiving. It will be his responsibility to see to the cleanliness and maintenance of the Home and its grounds. We feel that the functions of these sections overlap to such an extent that they should be consolidated into one department in order to provide a better environment for our Residents.

Doug comes to us from the North Carolina Baptist Hospital where he worked for five years in the Engineering Department. Prior to working at the hospital, he attended UNC-G where he served for eight years as an engineer and salvage diver in the U.S. Navy, from which he was medically discharged in 1978.

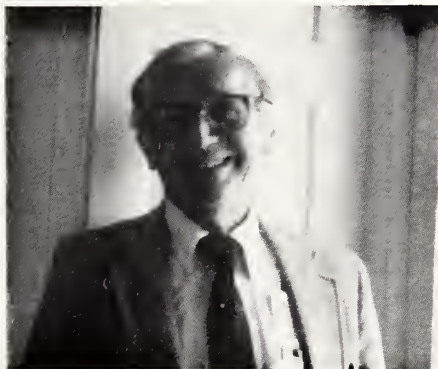
Doug is married and lives in Winston-Salem with his wife, Alice. When he is not working, he enjoys raising and training hunting dogs, with which he hunts grouse, quail and ducks. He and Alice enjoy various outdoor sports, including fishing, camping and shooting skeet. Doug is also concerned with the preservation of wildlife and the conservation of natural resources, and is active in several conservation groups.

Program Update: Podiatry

by Ellen White

For many years the Home has offered podiatry services for the Residents. Dr. Gene Weisberger, who has headed up the program from the beginning, was interviewed recently for the Times Outlook. He is proud of the fact that the Home now has four podiatrists rotating every two weeks. The aim is to see each Resident once every two months, in order to maintain their feet in good health.

Comfort for the Resident is a major focus of the program. Of equal importance is prevention of infections. There is no attempt to correct with surgery here, as might be done in a regular podiatry office. Working in tandem with the medical doctors, the podiatrists seek to prevent disease of the feet that would result in loss of limb.



Dr. Gene Weisberger

Dr. Weisberger reported that three of the attending staff members currently serve on the NC Board of Podiatry Examiners, and the other is a past member of that board. According to Dr. Weisberger, there probably is no other nursing home that has that distinction. Serving at the Home with him are Dr. Ernest J. Daniels, Dr. John H. Hodges, and Dr. W. Grady Dunn.

Correction to the Minutes of the Annual Meeting (January, 1984 Issue of American Jewish Times/Outlook): Rabbi Albert Silverman, Greenville, North Carolina.

CALENDAR FOR MARCH

- MARCH 2
Outreach Movie, 10 am
Social Hour, 2 pm
- MARCH 5
Music & visit from 3-5 yr. olds
1:15 pm
Yoga, 4 pm
- MARCH 6
Men's Forum, 3:30 pm
- MARCH 9
*Men's Outing, 2 pm
Cooking Club, 2 pm
- MARCH 11
*Winston-Salem Symphony,
Leave BJH at 2 pm
- MARCH 13
*Clemmons Senior Citizens
luncheon, 9:45 am
- MARCH 14
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:15 pm
- MARCH 15
Fast of Esther
- MARCH 16
Visit from NC Hebrew Academy
Purim Program, 10:30 am
- MARCH 18
Feast of Purim
- MARCH 19
Yoga, 4 pm
- MARCH 21
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:15 pm
- MARCH 25
Brenner Concert, 3 pm
- MARCH 26-30
ROCK AND ROLL JAMBOREE
DRIVE FOR THE ARTHRITIS
FOUNDATION
- MARCH 26
Yoga, 4 pm
- MARCH 27
*Out-to-lunch, 11 am
- MARCH 28
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:15 pm
*off-campus activities
*Families and friends are invited to
join us in these special activities
during the month of March.*



Newcomers: Kate Pliner (Albuquerque, NM), Gertrude Kennedy (Wilkesboro), Milton Steinberger (Statesville), Laura Lieberman (Chapel Hill) and Edna Blevins, Dir. of Social Services.

12 WEEK COURSE FOR THE VISUALLY LIMITED BEGINS

A twelve-week course for residents who have visual limitations began in mid-January. Taught by Rick Rogers, RT, the course will focus on activities of daily living, improvement of sensory perceptions, and development of friendships and support among those residents who have problems with their sight.

Some of the important skills taught will be those of eating and grooming, identifying different articles of clothing and jewelry, and improving mobility. The group will practice different techniques depending on individual degree of visual impairment, to deal with each of these areas.

Of course, fun is an important element of the group's activities, and games for enhancing memory, aural and tactile sensitivity, socialization are included in the curriculum.

One of the most important factors of this group's purpose is the development of awareness and support among its members. Sharing with each other methods of coping with vision problems, and learning from others are having to deal with similar difficulties and losses has led to real "esprit de corps" among members. New and lasting friendships are possible as a result of the course.

Members of the Visually Limited group will receive Certificates of Merit upon completion of their work in the course. The seven residents who are currently enrolled are Rose Leiberman (Greensboro), Lisa Rosenfeld (Charlotte), Lillian Sutton (Greenville, SC), Hortense Andron (N. Miami Beach, Fla.), Jennie Doliner (Raleigh), Virginia Harmon (Winston-Salem) and Rose Lichtenfels (New York).

DO YOU RECALL? GRANDCHILDREN

by B-1 Residents

They call me "Mutti," "Mamma," "Nanny," "Grandma."

They like to show me off!

When they come for my birthday they make plenty of noise.

I like to watch them grow.

I like to hear about school.

I like to see their talents develop.

I'm proud of my grandchildren.

They're wonderful to me and they take care of me.

Why are grandchildren nice?

Because they don't live with you!

They're all the joy without all the responsibility!

They remind me of my children when they were small.

Even though they're grown, they'll always be children to me.

All of my grandchildren are grown, and it feels empty when they're gone.

They grow so fast,

And change so quickly.

But maybe if I noticed my own changes

Theirs wouldn't be so surprising.

SPEECH SERVICES

Lenore T. Shamey, M.S., C.C.C.
Speech and Language Pathologist

Speech and Language services are provided by a licensed and certified speech and language pathologist on referral by the resident's physician. Treatment time varies according to a resident's need but typically administered three or four times per week on an individual basis. The ultimate goal in therapy is to restore the resident's communication skills to an

optimum level. Therapy may involve muscle strengthening, improving comprehension, and/or facilitating verbal expression. Augmentative communication tools are also utilized. Services for the staff are offered on a regular basis so that carry-over of skills can be achieved. Increased involvement with support staff has been suggested for assisting residents in maintenance programs.

(This report was inadvertently omitted from the January, 1984 Annual Report issue.)

FOCUS ON A RESIDENT

FAY MOSS

by Sharon Roever, RT

One of the most pleasant and familiar faces around the Blumenthal Health Home belongs to Fay Moss, who has been living at the Home for over a year. She is frequently seen coming to and from the Craft Shop, where she not only paints and crochets but also assists Catherine Johnson, the Shop's Instructor. Fay has completed several paintings, selling some and giving others to members of her family. Others are displayed throughout the Home. When not painting, Fay enjoys crocheting, singing, and going out to eat at Chinese and seafood restaurants.

Fay was born in Pinsk, Russia in 1901. She was one of seven children. After moving to America with her family, Fay attended school in Massachusetts. Her father worked with the automobile industry, and her mother was a housewife.

When she was twelve years old, she met her first husband, David Levy. He states that the town was small, and all the families were friends. Later Fay and David became sweethearts, and were married in 1922. They had two sons, Richard and Hal Mark, who are now in the medical profession.

Fay met and married her second husband, Reuben Moss, in 1933, and in 1973. Reuben Moss was an artist, and after his retirement he and Fay became extensive travelers. They have visited many places abroad — including Russia, China, Europe, and Japan.

Even when always on the go, Fay visits as often as possible closer to home. Her sons and four grandchildren live in Charlotte, and Fay enjoys her trips to see them. Around the Home she is known as the person who always "has something going!" Her sense of humor, energy and creativity, combined with her positive approach to living, make her a real asset to BJH!

PLEASE TELL ME

by Ruth Wharton
Social Services Coordinator

Q. Must I turn over my assets to the Home before admission?

A. No! We charge only our per diem rates. However, since we cannot operate without contributions, any gifts are, of course, gratefully received, but admission is not based on financial contributions.

Q. My mother has had her personal physician for many years. May he stay on as her personal physician?

A. While a Resident of the Home, care is assumed by our staff physicians. One's personal physician may serve as a consultant to the staff physician at the Resident's expense.

Q. What does it cost to live at the Home?

A. Our present rates are \$57.00 per day for semi-private, intermediate care; \$60.00 per day for semi-private, skilled nursing care; and \$68.50 per day for private, skilled nursing care. These rates include care and maintenance, the services of our staff physicians, social and recreational activities here at the Home, laundry and housekeeping services. Hospitalizations, medication, personal toiletries and beauty shop charges are the types of services not included in our per diem rate.



Fay Moss with one of her recent paintings.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Jack Manton
Fay Moss
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IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Aaron Galloway, Evelyn Handler and Carl Harmon. May their cherished memories bring comfort to their loved ones.

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Sara Schwartz, Recreation
Sue Welch, RN (B-1)

2 YEARS

Craig Bodford, Dietary
Bonnie Emmons, LPN, A Wing

4 YEARS

Peggy Beckner, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing

5 YEARS

Sandy Smith, Nursing Asst., B-2

6 YEARS

Julie Sparks, Administrative
Secretary

7 YEARS

Lucile Shaw, Unit Manager, B-2

15 YEARS

Jim Merrell, Facility Services
Director



Learning how: New employee James Hinson puts out a fire while other members of January's orientation class look on.

NEW ORIENTATION PROGRAM FOR STAFF

Thanks to a Board commitment to help staff better prepare for their service to the residents, a day-long orientation process has been designed to acquaint new employees with the Home, its philosophy, functions and policies. The orientation program incorporates mini-sessions with the directors of each of the Home's departments. For eight hours, the new staff members learn about the aging process, the roles of the nursing, dietary, housekeeping, social services and recreation department, and the basics of infection control. They receive an overview of the major events in Jewish history, and learn about the things that make BJH a Jewish Home.

A tour of the kitchen and lunch the staff dining room introduces them to Kashruth, and questions and answers help clarify particular ideas or policies.

The first orientation class was held in January, with nine new staff members in attendance. Reviews of the orientation program were very positive. Bonnie Ayers, Director of Personnel, stated that all of the new employees felt that the training process would assist them in the performance of their jobs for the residents. January's class included Lauren Jones (Social Services), Frank Anthony (Administrator-in-Training), James Hinson (Housekeeping), LaQuetta Davis (Recreation), Susan Holmes (Nursing), Ginger Simmonds (Dietary), Greg Cuthrell (Housekeeping), Angela Moon (Nursing) and Vonda Smith (Nursing).

CONGRATULATIONS!

The following employees are two-time winners of the Perfect Attendance program:

Pauline Allen, Nursing Asst., B-1

Ann Day, RN, B-1

Janet Lane, Nursing Asst., B-1

Jean Garland, Nursing Asst., B-2

Amy Minton, LPN, B-2

Peggy Winfrey, RN, B-2

Lois Call, LPN, A Wing

Linda Lawrence, LPN, A Wing

Linda Pinnix, LPN, A Wing

Barbara Ragan, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing

Izora Moore, Dietary

Esther Peay, Dietary

Sue Ellis, Housekeeping

Verna Howell, Housekeeping

Lena Wall, Laundry

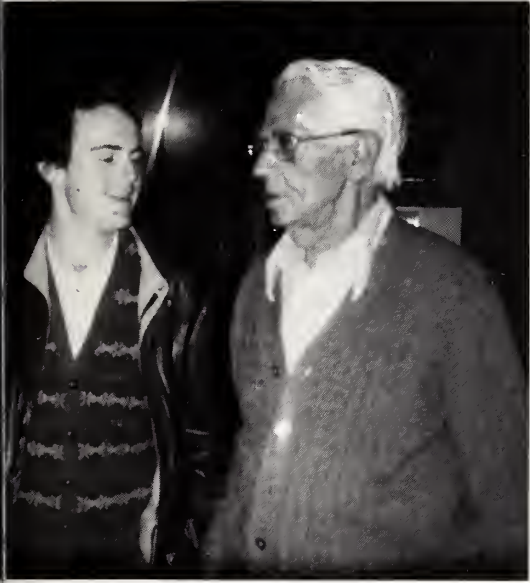
Calvin Petticord, Maintenance

Don Smith, Maintenance



Some of the two-time Perfect Attendance winners: Ann Day, Verna Howell, Amy Minton, Lena Wall, Esther Peay, Sue Ellis and Izora Moore.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?



At a recent meeting of Men's Forum, Bill Ray, grandson of Roy Ray (Winston-Salem) showed slides of a trip to Europe.



Children from the Triad Gymnastic Academy received rave reviews at January's birthday party!



Planting for spring: Rose Seid (Charlotte) and Dolly Wolf (Montreal, Canada).



Jack Manton's (Charlotte) placemats have become popular gift items in the Craft Shop.



The Residents' Council voted to participate in a Wake Forest University research study conducted by Debbie Best, Ph.D. Dr. Best and two students answered residents' questions about the study's purpose.

Gifts

IN MEMORY OF:

MRS. SARAH ATLAS
By: Gene & Diana Davis
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Silverstein

MRS. EVA BEEN
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By: Mrs. Bernice Tilles

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By: Ronni, Jerry & Michael Herman
Max & Nellie Herman

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WHEN YOUR CHILD ASKS

by Rabbi Richard K. Rocklin
Temple Israel, Charlotte, NC

Many of our favorite Passover observances including the Seder, The Haggadah, the Four Questions, hunting for the Afikoman, are based on a SINGLE verse in the Torah: *"And when your child asks you in times to come; 'What are all these laws and customs and observances all about,' you shall answer him saying, 'We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt, and the Lord in His might brought us out of Egypt and made us a free people.'"*

Out of that one verse so much has grown: the table set with special foods, the child asking the Four Questions, and the Haggadah or "Telling" the Father's answers. The whole Seder ritual is largely an elaboration of the one verse. The verse is intriguing and thought provoking, "And when your child asks you in time to come...." What sort of questions is he going to ask, and what sort of answers will you have for him?

First let us take the question on its simplest level. When your child asks, "Why do we eat matzah on Passover? Why do we have a Seder? Why do we open the door for Elijah?" will you be able to answer him? Will you be able to give him answers that will plant seeds of respect and reverence in him? Or will you have to rely on saying, "Oh, it's just an old custom to do it this way."

A young woman came to see me to inquire how to conduct a Seder. She had a smattering of information, but no idea of the overall pattern or the REASONS behind it.

She asked about the cup of Elijah and the opening of the door, and how she might explain that to her young child. I tried to explain that Elijah is supposed to be the

ambassador from G-d, that he represents G-d visiting our Seder, and that as he is an important guest we set a place for him and open the door to let him in. I went on to say that according to Jewish tradition, Elijah will usher in a new age, a time in which people won't hate or kill each other any more, and that this new age will start on a Passover. So every year at this time, we look to see if Elijah is coming. She looked at me, a little perplexed and overwhelmed, and said, "I think I had better tell him it is just a nice old custom, like hanging a stocking for Santa Claus!"

Perhaps at a certain age level, you can't do much more than that, but when a child asks and is READY for a serious answer, will you have that answer to give him? Will you be able to explain what Passover is about, what Bar Mitzvah is about, why a person in mourning recites the Kaddish? Will you be able to give him answers that will let him grow up thinking of Judaism as a profound, mature way of life, worthy of his respect and devotion?

Now let us widen the focus of the question: in times to come, when your child asks you about life, will you be in a position to answer? Will you have thought the questions through for yourself?

When your child asks, "Why are there people in the world who don't like me because I am Jewish? Why are there people who like to hurt others and take what doesn't belong to them?" What answer will you give him then?

I wonder how many people have grown up thinking that religion consists of questions to which nobody knows any answers, thinking that G-d acts arbitrarily without pattern or reason, because whenever they asked their parents a serious question all they got were blank looks and shrugs of the shoulder in reply. When YOUR

child asks you about life, will he be turned away without an answer?

And let us look at that verse once more, from still another perspective. When your child asks you about your own actions, about the way you behave, will you be able to account for it? When your child asks, "Why did you tell me that, when it is not true? Why do you do things you don't want to do, and use language you don't want me using?" will you have an answer for that?

To take a striking example: there is a curtain of silence that has fallen in Germany today between two generations on the subject of the Second World War. Parents are reluctant to mention it, and children are afraid to ask about what their parents were doing between 1933 and 1945, terrified by the prospect of answers they might get, and imagining the worst. The subject is on everyone's mind but on no one's lips, and the silence is painful. This symbolizes the legacy left by Hitler's Germany—to have a father come home from a prosperous job to a comfortable home, and have his son look at him across that terrible silence, wondering what awful crimes he is hiding in his memory, what blood is on his hands. This is the punishment of a generation that acted without considering that day of V'HAYA KI YISHALCHU BINCHA, that day when, in times to come, your son will ask you, "How could you have done such things?"

For a long time people have been urged to live morally with this sort of reasoning: When you have to stand before your Father in Heaven and justify your actions, what will you be able to say? I wonder, perhaps, in our time, we would get better results by holding up before people, not the day when they will have to face their Father in Heaven, but the day when they will have to face their children, and see the consequences of their behavior.

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reflected in them.

And if there is a gap between the generations today, if we see children getting their values from their peers and classmates rather than from their parents and teachers, it is not because children have stopped asking questions. It is because, all too often, they have found that parents and teachers have no answers for them. They ask about life and purpose, about customs and observances, and the answers they get are superficial and unimpressive. They ask us to justify the standards of morality we keep, and we give them no answers at all.

Passover comes as a holiday of reconciliation, of re-establishing dialogue between the generations. Its keynote is sounded at the very beginning of the holiday, when the child asks his questions and the father answers him. Passover, this holiday that is centered in the home, marks a new beginning of parents and children taking each other seriously, communicating with each other.

The Haftarah chanted just before the beginning of Passover contains the last words ever spoken by a prophet in Israel: "Behold, I am sending Elijah the prophet, before that great day comes, the dawning of the Messianic age, and he will restore the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents...."

The Messianic age to which we all look forward will never be possible until this dialogue between parents and children is restored; until this verse of the Torah becomes a determining force in the way we conduct our lives: V'HAYA KI YISHALCHA BINCHA MACHAR, when in time to come, your child asks, then you will indeed have answers for him, so that the hearts of the parents and the hearts of the children may again become one.

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Kibbitzing-Community News

YIDDISH VINKEL

by Elkie Tulman

The Charlotte Yiddish Vinkel is by now a well established "event" in which approximately 40 people have participated each month since February. The third meeting will be on Wednesday, April 4th, at Temple Beth Shalom at 7:30 PM. To date, two couples from as far away as Winston-Salem and Greensboro have attended, and we invite others from surrounding communities to join us. We always meet on the first Wednesday of the month.

The great success of these gatherings must be attributed to the energetic and imaginative pre-planning by Baila Pransky, Rose Luski and Bobbie Pollard, to the talents and patience of the "faculty" and to the enthusiasm of all those attending. A real "haimishe" feeling, a coming home to "mishpoche" (family), was sensed by all, as they struggled to express themselves in "Mama loshen" (Yiddish).

The successful format used heretofore will most likely continue. After the distribution of Yiddish name tags to all and the introduction of newcomers, etc., the group was divided into three levels, which were led by Sidney Goozner, George Ackerman and Abraham Luski with Baila Pransky and Rose Luski acting as substitute teachers. These unstructured classes lasted about an hour and ranged from learning the alef-bet and simple sentences to listening to and discussing newspaper articles and poetry. Quite frequently the enthusiastic comments of the students poured out in pure "Yinglish," but all was understood, corrected and accepted in good humor.

During the "iberrise" (intermission), refreshments were served and a social hour ensued. Music was also on the menu as Marvin

Bienstock led the group in a Yiddish sing-along at the first Vinkel. Rabbi Yoseph Groner brought a tape recording of "A Chazan Oif Shabbos" by Zalman Baumgarten, which was greatly enjoyed by all at the second session.

In the last portion of each Vinkel meeting, lichtbilder (slides) depicting life in pre-war Poland were shown and narrated by Abe Luski and John Pransky. These were made available to us by YIVO in New York. These slides were eye-openers which helped erase the stereotypical view held by many of us of Jewish life in Poland. We were surprised to see a chief rabbi who was also a professor of history and served as a senator in the Polish government; a multi-story brick building which was a yeshiva in the 1930's and is now part of the University of Poland; women students in crisp white uniforms in a Jewish nursing school dormitory; two Jewish-owned and operated ambulances; children in a Jewish secular day school which was closed on Shabbos; large weaving factories in Lodz (a city called "the Manchester of Poland"); a palatial home of a Jewish industrialist; portraits of Jewish chauffeurs, poets, authors, heads of "kehillot" (communities), etc. It was an awesome and revealing glimpse into a world that is no more.

Before leaving, "Vinklers" were offered copies of several Yiddish publications, among them were: *Afn Shvel*, a literary quarterly; *Yiddisher Kemfer*, a weekly Jewish labor publication; and the *Forward*, a weekly Yiddish newspaper with an excellent English supplement. For further information, call the Charlotte JCC (704) 366-0357.

CHARLOTTE B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN

by Estelle Goozner

BBW met at Temple Beth El on March 7, 1984, 11:30 AM.

Our President Linda Binnick gave her welcoming address to the regular members, new members and guests.

We had a lovely luncheon of a soup salad bar and a portion of the money went to help furnish the kitchen of the Hillel House Chapel Hill.

Susan Bruck, the Region Chairperson of BBW, gave her report of the Biennial International Convention that was held in New York City.

She said that too much material was given within a tight schedule was just too much to absorb at one time. One of the guests at the Convention was Chaim Potok and he spoke on "Feminism and Judaism."

Miriam Wallace has been reelected to the National Executive Board of BBW.

Vicki Hopkins announced the new Slate of Officers for 1984-1985 and it was voted in by the membership. Steering Committee: Meryle Elko; Beth Linderman; Reggie Wittlin; Fundraising V.P.: Toby Silber; Program V.P.: Meryle Elko; Community Val. Ser. V.P.: Beth Linderman; Administrative V.P.: Reggie Wittlin; Membership V.P.: Susan Coen; Treasurer: Nancy Kornhauser; Finance: Linda Goldberg; Recording Secretary: Mickey Waldman; Correspondence: Shirley Fytelson; Counselor: Lira Binnick; Concil Reps.: Lira Binnick; Terri Cathcart; Vicki Hopkins; Janet Jaffa; and Toby Silber.

In a ceremony our seven branched Menorah was lit to honor our new members who have recently joined BBW. Each candle depicted Justice, Service, Peace, Truth, Fidelity, Benevolence and Brotherly Love which is BBW. The new members honored were Natalie Cohen, Bussie Goldberg, Jane Diamond, Susan Coen

oberta Malickson, Helene Mathanson, Elkie Tulman, Deane Rosenberg, Nettie Smith, Iline Goldfisher, Margie Liebstein, Shirley Fitelson, Dorothy Herbst, Renee Chermin, Esther Gold, Rosabelle R. Datnoff, Marlyn Schidman, and Lila Josephson.

Our keynote speaker was Jo Attshall, who is a Color and Wardrobe Consultant. She was a delightfully funny lady, almost a standup comic. She claimed the "World of Fashion" should be fun and you don't have to do everything by the book. She taught us how to blend colors to our coloring. We went home that day more knowledgeable about how to pull together a better wardrobe with new purchases and clothes we have in our closets.

On Thursday Feb. 23rd at 7 PM, Temple Beth El, BBW held Community Education Day. The subject was "Cults". We learned how Cults work, who joins them and why. The speakers were Andy Silver, former member of the People's Temple, Betty Silver, his mother, and Miriam Wallace, member of the ADL Regional Advisory Board.

Some of our members will once again participate at the Special Olympics being held April 12-13 at Charlotte Country Day School. These special children are either handicapped or mentally retarded.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE BETH SHALOM CHARLOTTE, NC

Rabbi Robert Seigel of Temple Beth Shalom in Charlotte, N.C., spoke on April 2 at Sacred Heart College in Belmont, N.C., on Jewish Life Today. "The occasion is sponsored by the Jewish Chautauqua Society, the interfaith educational project of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods. JCS accomplishes its goal of improved interfaith relations by the awarding of courses at universities throughout the United States and Canada, sponsorship of binomic lectures to campuses,

library book donations, distribution of a large film collection, and sponsorship of institutes for Christian clergy. Rabbi Seigel is also serving as Circuit Riding Rabbi to Statesville, Lumberton, and Whiteville, N.C.

COMMUNITY NEWS CHARLESTON, SC

The Saul F. Alexander Foundation of Charleston, S.C. recently awarded \$500.00 to the SJHS for the advancement of its work.

The foundation was created from a bequest of Saul F. Alexander, a Russian immigrant who became a successful merchant in Summerville, S.C. and who wished to repay this country for the good life which he had enjoyed here.

Managed ably and profitably for many years by Walter H. Solomon, Charleston, the foundation has made over the years generous awards of scholarships and substantial contributions to many religious, cultural, educational and medical institutions.

Chairman of the board of trustees of the foundation is Edward Kronsberg, Charleston.

The bicentennial anniversary of the Hebrew Benevolent Society of Charleston was observed on March 18. The society which was originally established to care for the sick and bury the dead, is the oldest Jewish charitable society in the United States.

The main event of the celebration was a banquet featuring as keynote speaker John L. Loeb, Jr., former United States ambassador to Denmark and currently United States delegate to the United Nations General Assembly. On this special occasion, Mr. Loeb received the society's Humanitarian Award.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE EMANUEL GREENSBORO, N.C.

Members of the third and fourth grades participated in the Friday

evening service after dinner was served in the Temple for the children and their families. Rabbi Arnold Task spoke on "Doing Good Work."

Mrs. Charles L. Weill has celebrated her 94th birthday.

Rabbi Task's Discussion held its final session February 29.

Sisterhood's slate of officers for the coming term is as follows: President Midge Pines, Vice-Presidents Mary Berkelhammer, Carolyn Gold, Charlotte Hurwitz, Eileen Black, Recording Secretary Gilda Friedman, Corresp. Secretary Vicky Kadans, Treasurer Polly Strasser, Asst. Treasurer Seema Wilner. Linda Silverstein is Chairman of the nominating committee.

A Book Review Meeting was held at the home of Rabbi and Mrs. Task on Sunday, March 4. The book "When Memory Comes" by Sol Friedlander was reviewed by Susan Cook, who is principal of B'nai Shalom School.

The Jewish Community Payers presented "Peter Pan" on March 1st and March 3-5, at Beth David Synagogue in Greensboro. Proceeds went to Greensboro Jewish Youth Activities.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE ISRAEL CHARLOTTE, N.C.

SUNDAY, APRIL 29 at 8 PM— Temple Israel of Charlotte presents on its Adult Jewish Education Film Series two movies:

THE PEOPLE OF NES-AMMIN. This is the story of a unique settlement in Israel comprised of Christians who wanted to practice their religion and to "live in solidarity with Jewish people." It is a fascinating story. They express the opinion that the Holocaust was a failure of Christianity.

and WE WERE GERMAN JEWS. This is a personal account of a German Jewish couple, Herbert and Lotta Strauss, their escape from Germany in 1943, their building a new life in the United States, and their coming to terms with the Holocaust.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE BETH EL, CHARLOTTE

Temple Beth El has been conducting a series of Adult Jewish Study Sabbath Seminars on Friday evenings at the Temple. Roland Heller is Chairman of the Adult Study Committee.

Mayor Harvey Gantt was guest speaker at Temple Beth El's Men's Club Breakfast on Sunday, February 19. It was a rewarding occasion.

At Sisterhood's meeting on Wednesday, February 8, members enjoyed hearing a talk by the Hon. Ruth M. Easterling, State Representative now serving her fourth term in the N.C. General Assembly. A resident of Charlotte, well known in our community, Miss Easterling spoke on "Really Living as Long as You Live." Luncheon was served at the meeting.

Members of Temple Beth El enjoyed a covered dish dinner, Italian style, on the evening of February 11. There was music for dancing afterwards.

On a special Friday evening at Temple Beth El on March 2, Avodah Dance Ensemble, devoted to presentations of Jewish culture, participated in Sabbath Services. Later, in Fellowship Hall, the Ensemble danced again, on stage. The performance was presented by the Jewish Welfare Board Lecture Bureau. Expenses were defrayed by volunteer donors in the congregation. Refreshments were served in Fellowship Hall.

Temple Beth El will hold its annual Family Passover Seder at the Temple on April 16.

A program featuring Dr. Arlene Martone was presented to Temple Beth El Sisterhood on Wednesday, March 14, a luncheon meeting. The subject of discussion was, "How Women Experience Life," or "The ABC's of Women's Life Cycles."

The children's section of Temple Beth El's library receives new books continually. Jenny Rosenthal is Temple Librarian.

COMMUNITY NEWS GREENSBORO, NC

Temple Emanuel has held community dinners in December and January. Another one is planned for May. When the first one was held November 15, about 50 people were expected to attend. Instead, 300 attended, despite rainy weather. A joint committee of Synagogue and Temple members worked to make this event a success for the entire Greensboro Jewish community. The dinner was held at Beth David Synagogue.

Temple Emanuel's Brotherhood sponsors the 9th Annual Golf Tournament on April 15 at Starmount Country Club. The tournament is open to members of Temple Emanuel, who invites members of Beth David to attend. Only 60 players are accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Passover Seder for the congregation will be held on Monday, April 16, at 6:30 PM.

Rabbi Arnold Task has been a visiting speaker at area colleges, under the sponsorship of the Jewish Chautauqua Society. Since March he has spoken at Bennet College, Randolph Technical College in Asheboro, and he has participated in a panel discussion on current events in the Middle East.

Temple Emanuel Brotherhood presented Dr. Yonah Alexander of Georgetown University Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, DC, on Sunday, March 25. His subject was INTERNATIONAL TERRORISM, delivered as a slide lecture.

A joint luncheon meeting of Temple Emanuel Sisterhood and Beth David Sisterhood together with other women's organizations of Greensboro, was held March 20. Guest speaker was Leah Lefstein, Associate Director for Early Adolescence of UNCCH. She spoke on COMING OF AGE IN THE U S AND ISRAEL.

Anne Bluethenthal, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Bluethenthal, is engaged to be married in August to

James David Smith, son of Mr. & Mrs. Edward A. Smith of Kansas City, Mo. Mr. & Mrs. Milton Friedman have a new grandson, Joshua Harry Johnson, born March 11 to Kenny and Wendy (Silver) Johnson in Baltimore.

FREE CONCERT

The Charlotte Symphony Orchestra and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Council on Aging cordially invite individuals over 60 years of age in the Metrolina area to a special symphony concert on Tuesday, May 1st, at 2 PM at Overton Auditorium. This is part of a special celebration recognizing May as Older Americans Month. The concert is provided without charge to those over 60 and underwritten in part by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Arts and Science Council. For more information call the Symphony office at 332-6136 or the Council on Aging at 372-7170.

COMMUNITY NEWS GREENSBORO, N.C.

The American Balalaika Troupe performed at Temple Emanuel on February 28. The program featured folksong and dance from Eastern and Western Europe, the Middle East, and the United States. The performance provided a delightful evening for families of the congregation. Instruments including the balalaika and bouzouki were played along with the singing and dancing of the Company.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE ISRAEL, CHARLOTTE

Temple Israel Sisterhood held a fashion show, "Reflections of Spring" on Wednesday, February 8, in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall of Temple Israel. A hot luncheon was served.

Guest speaker for Adult Education on Sunday, February 19, was Ms. Mary Alice Dixon Hinson, speaking on "Art and Tradition."

Adult Education will present two films on Sunday, April 29, at 8 PM. Please mark your calendars. The films will be "The People of Jes-Ammim," a story of a unique settlement in Israel comprised of Christians who practice their religion and "Live in solidarity with Jewish people." They express the opinion that the Holocaust was a failure of Christianity. The second film to be shown that evening will be "We Were German Jews." This is a personal account of a German-Jewish couple and their escape from Germany in 1943, of their new way of life in the United States and their coming to terms with the Holocaust. The final films of the series will be shown June 24.

A special Shabbat was observed on February 17 with students of the Hebrew Academy of Charlotte conducting services. They sponsored the Oneg Shabbat following services.

Consecration Service was held for the Religious School's Alef grade on Friday Evening, March 5. Arthur Tirsun is Educational Director.

Temple Israel's Couples Club had a good time Saturday night, March 10, in the I. D. Blumenthal Social Hall. Cocktails and snacks were served, followed by a delicious buffet dinner. There was dancing to the live "Big Band" sound.

Bondarama winners in the last drawing were Elkie Tulman, Norman Steinberger, Lottie Goldman, and Rhoda Gleiberman. Sisterhood's March event was a luncheon for members and older adults. There was music for their entertainment.

On April 1st Adult Jewish Education presented Abraham Moskowitz, speaking on "Nostalgia of Jewishness." Refreshments were served.

Rabbi Richard Rocklin and Rabbi Robert Seigel of Beth Shalom held a dialogue at 7:30 PM on March 6 at Temple Israel, discussing topics relating to "When Bad Things Happen to

Good People," the book written by Rabbi Harold Kushner. The author spoke at Ovens Auditorium on March 19, sponsored by the JCC and other community organizations.

The grand event in March was the Israel Ballet at Ovens Auditorium. It was attended with great enthusiasm by the entire community.

COMMUNITY NEWS COLUMBIA, SC

An auction which promises to be the "First Annual Chai Bid Benefit Auction" was held in the Jewish Community Center of Columbia, on February 18.

A live auction began at 8:15, with local auctioneer Roy C. Smith donating his time and expertise. A silent auction was also held, with bidders signing names and numbers. There was also a Chinese auction.

Coffee and dessert were served, and a bar was open all evening. There was a cocktail buffet preceding the auction, at 6:30 PM. There were wonderful items in the auction, over 200 of them. The evening was one of great excitement and fun.

TREE OF LIFE CONGREGATION COLUMBIA

A joint lecture series was held on two Sunday evenings, February 5 and 12. This is the second annual Tree of Life—Beth Shalom Joint Lecture Series. Rabbi Kosovske spoke on "The Legitimacy of Change in Judaism, Why the Conservative and Reform Movements are the Real Heirs to Tradition." Rabbi Kandel of Beth Shalom spoke about "Spiritualism in Judaism—Communication with the Dead." Discussions followed.

The flower bed at the front door of Tree of Life Congregation has been enlarged with new plantings of May Wonder tulips, Dutch Master daffodils, and a border of grape hyacinths. Three Ilex Compacta hollies have also been planted. Sisterhood celebrates it

30th year of selling Holland bulbs.

On March 6 a series of Study Sessions began, to be held at the home of Meta Miller, continuing through April 3. The series is designed to be an in-depth study of four books by Chaim Potok. They are: "My Name is Asher Lev"; "The Chosen"; "The Promise"; and "The Book of Lights". Discussions will be led by Barbara Bleeck, Meta Miller, Jerry King, and John Buchanan.

February's Gourmet Dinner was held on February 25. Diana Buchanan was the chef. The menu was a delicious Greek dinner. Sandy Hertz was in charge of reservations.

Brandi Radin, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Ira Radin, was called to the Torah as a Bat Mitzvah on Friday evening, February 10. Services were followed by an Oneg Shabbat.

March Bar Mitzvah celebrations were those of Jason David, son of Mr. & Mrs. Irwin Boxt, on March 9, and Jeffrey Kemp, son of Mr. & Mrs. Murray Politis, on March 16.

Sisterhood held a Mystery Progressive Dinner on February 11. Those participating with hospitality, cooking, and dishwashing were: Joe & Lilyan Klein, Beth & Nard Fleischman, Ina & Jack Gottlieb, Arline & Gerry Polinsky, Henrietta & Al Block, Beryl & Pierre Jaffee, Selma & Mac Dickman, Catherine Weiner, Jeanette Birch, Leona Sobel, Ida Weisberg, Gail Anastasion, Lil Berger, Bootie Weinberg, Ethel Brody, and Ellen Helman. Proceeds are slated for the purchase of a new copying machine.

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WHEN BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE

Tuesday night, March 6, the Jewish Community Center of Charlotte held a dialogue between Rabbi K. Rocklin of Temple Israel and Rabbi Robert A. Seigel of Temple Beth Sholom with a discussion following by members of the audience in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall of Temple Israel. The program was held in anticipation of one to occur at Ovens Auditorium on the evening of March 19, to be attended by the community at large of Charlotte, followed by an all day seminar on March 20th at Myers Park Baptist Church, both events to be led by Rabbi Harold Krushner, who wrote the book, "When Bad Things Happen To Good People," the subject of all of the aforementioned dialogue and discussion. Rabbi Kushner wrote the book after his own experience of losing a young child. Maybe he needed to write the book for his own philosophy. In any case, it had been translated into seven languages, and it has been a best seller for a long time and the subject of much discussion and provocation of much thought.

Charlotte's Rabbis Rocklin and Seigel were in agreement about the lack of good explanations for bad things' happening to good people. God is beyond the understanding of humans. As a child is often unable to understand a parent's motivations, more vast is the difference between God and the mentality of a person. Although people would like to believe that God is omnipotent, He is not necessarily so. Jung, the philosopher, said that God never was all powerful, but that we made that assessment.

Rabbi Rocklin feels that suffering voice crying, "Why me?" is a call for sympathy, not for an explanation. Friends of Millie Werstman remember that she answered that question with "Why not?" What God can and does

bestow upon us is hope and courage and strength and the ability to help one another. This concept of the limited God has deep roots in Jewish tradition, according to Rabbi Seigel. He reminded listeners that Rabbi Kushner had an appellation for prayer which asks for something with expectation of receiving it—"The cosmic vending machine." We must have a world that contains pain and anguish. It is pain which tells us something is happening. The disease of disautonomia has a symptom of insensitivity to pain. The victim is unaware of injury or pain connected with an illness, and is therefore unwarned. It is not natural to feel no pain, for pain is universal. "Anguish and heartbreak cannot be distributed equally, but they are distributed very widely," according to Rabbi Kushner.

Suffering is often viewed as a test. Throughout the Bible, its heroes were tested, Adam, Abraham, Moses, Job, and most of the rest. Some passed the test; others flunked. But that is not necessarily so, either. Things aren't always good or bad; they just are. They are what we make them. We can sanctify an act or we can debase it. We can choose good or evil, and that is the choice that makes us human. Blaming God instead of people is unfair, because God is on our side. Jewish religion tells us He weeps for his people. We really ought not to be concerned about where tragedy comes from, but rather where does it lead? The question should be what am I going to do about that tragedy?

Rabbi Rocklin agreed that there are ways other than religion that work to sustain people. Religion is a way that has proved to work for many. Real prayer gives people a feeling of not being alone. Rabbi Seigel made the point that the verb "I'hitpalel" which is Hebrew for "to pray" is a reflexive verb. A reflexive verb does something to its subject, implying that Jewish concept of prayer is doing something to one-

self, acquiring strength, hope, and confidence.

Questions ultimately arise concerning the Holocaust: why did God let it happen? The answer has to be God is not responsible for the Holocaust, but mankind is. It was perpetrated by man upon others of his kind. Good and evil exist. Judaism is more concerned with mitzvohs, the teaching of good behavior and building a good society that it is with theological discussions about the nature of God.

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BEFORE THE EXODUS Israel From Bondage To Deliverance

by Dvora Waysman

Every year we celebrate Passover by retelling the story of the Exodus from Egypt—how God delivered us from bitter slavery by means of the miracle of the Ten Plagues and brought us to freedom. The concept of freedom is so important that it is the first of the Ten Commandments: *I am the Lord thy God who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage...*

But what do we know of the life of the Jews before the Exodus? Not too much. There are three periods of history in ancient Egypt, the Old Kingdom, the Middle Kingdom and the New Kingdom. The Old Kingdom and its first ten dynasties of pyramid builders ended in 2500 B.C.E., the Middle Kingdom lasted from the 11th-17th dynasty, 2500-1587 B.C.E., when the Hyksos, Bedouin invaders from the Arabian desert, ruled Egypt. They were expelled by the founder of the 18th dynasty in 1587 B.C.E., which marked the New Kingdom until the end of the 20th dynasty in 1100 B.C.E. Later Egypt came under Libyan, Persian, Macedonian and Roman rule.

Biblical interest in Egypt begins during the Middle Kingdom. Joseph served one of the Hyksos kings, who restored and enlarged the temples and encouraged learning. Not long after the death of Joseph, the Hyksos were driven back into Asia and a native ruler regained the throne.

This nationalist dynasty was a calamity for the descendants of Jacob. As friends of the overthrown Hyksos kings, they lost their favored position and their past services to the State were ignored. From prosperous settlers in the Eastern Delta of the Nile, they were gradually reduced to serfdom as each successive ruler issued harsher decrees. These rulers were great architects, famous for the number and

magnificence of their monuments. This great frenzy of building called for forced labor, and the feared and hated Hebrews seemed the natural choice. The Pharaohs condemned them to cruel slavery as bricklayers and manual laborers. This was utterly alien to their nature and their shepherd traditions.

It is different to know how the "new king" who initiated their oppression was. Scripture does not tell us—"Pharaoh" just being the royal title for the reigning monarch. The Bible aims more to emphasize God's guidance of His people. The hieroglyphic monuments give little data, maybe because not much excavation has taken place in Goshen, the Eastern Delta where the Jews lived. But even if ancient Goshen was revealed, the Egyptian chronicler might have taken little notice of an alien serf-class like the Israelites. Keeping sheep was considered at that time to be a lowly occupation: *"Thy servants have been keepers of cattle from our youth even until now, both we and our fathers; that ye may dwell in the land of Goshen; for every shepherd is an abomination to the Egyptians..."* (Gen. XLVI:34).

There are few references on the monuments to "Apuriu," the Egyptian name for Hebrews. But in a report addressed to an official in the reign of Rameses II, it is written: *"Give corn to the native soldiers, and also to the Apuriu, who are bringing up stones for the great tower of Pa Ramessu..."* This is a rare reference to the Hebrew serfs" forced labor for the Egyptians.

Egyptian records pass over the entire Exodus in silence, their invariable custom when defeated by any ruler or nation. For instance, the Hyksos conquest of Egypt is the most important political event in Egyptian history, yet no mention is made of this catastrophe in the monuments, although it shook the whole social structure to its foundations. Only the Biblical writers, among all the Oriental chroniclers, describe defeats as well as victories.

The majority of scholars identify the Pharaoh of the oppression as Rameses II, extravagant and tyrannical, whose dates are given as 1300-1234 B.C.E. by Petrie. "He was a vain and boastful character who wished to dazzle posterity by covering the land with constructions whereon his name was engraved thousands of times, and who prided himself in his inscriptions upon great conquests which he never made." (Naville) The Exodus is believed to have taken place under his son Merneptah, with whom the decline of Egypt began.

The memory of Israel's bondage and deliverance is woven into the words of legislator, historian, psalmist, prophet, and priest throughout the ages, and it was above all the remembrance of the Exodus which heralded the birth of Israel as a nation. No people would have invented the stain and dishonor of slavery in a foreign country...it was completely contrary to tradition at that time. The whole story of Israel is or long protest against idolatry and inhumanity. Whereas Egyptian religious life revolved around worship of the dead to which the pyramids are a testament, Judaism has always been a religion of life declaring man's humanity to man as the most acceptable form of worship to the Creator.

Israel in Egypt was like a child. Only out of Egypt could it grow uncontaminated by the poisonous influence of a decadent civilization. When we re-tell the story of our bondage, it has greater significance heard in Israel, in our own independent land. Now, we do not say: "Next year in Jerusalem," for we are already here. We say: "Next year Jerusalem the Rebuilt," referring to the Messianic vision of the reconstruction of the Temple in Jerusalem. Isaiah calls it the "city of righteousness" and Lamentations says it was "full of people among the nations, prince among the cities" and "a reflection of beauty, the joy of the earth."

IN REFLECTION

Ira Gissen, Director North Carolina-Virginia Region Anti-Discrimination League of B'nai B'rith

The President of the United States, in his State of the Union address, asked why kids couldn't pray in school inasmuch as Congress hired chaplains to lead a prayer at the start of each of its sessions. A few weeks later, in the opening statement of his news conference he declared: "The Senate will begin debate shortly on whether to permit voluntary prayer again in our nation's schools, our children's schools. And a huge majority of Americans favor restoring this long-cherished tradition of religious freedom. I urge the Senate to reaffirm that voluntary prayer in school is indeed a basic right of our people, and I hope the House will follow suit."

The notion that prayer in school would be voluntary is inconsistent with the reality that children are required to attend school and are susceptible to the authority of teachers and the pressure of peers. Beneath the oratory to the Congress and to the press lies the nullity of the language of the Constitutional amendment sponsored by the Administration. It provides, in part: "Nor shall the United States or any state impose the words of any prayer to be said in public schools." Clearly, then, established prayer of some religion, will be used.

If, indeed, "... a huge majority of Americans favor restoring this long-cherished tradition..." and the amendment favored by the Administration would sanction denominational prayer, we are approaching a history-making Constitutional confrontation.

The safeguard of our religious liberty is rooted in the Bill of Rights, in the very first amendment. The Bill of Rights was envisioned by the Founding Fathers to protect the minority from the tyranny of the majority. Under John Marshall, the Supreme Court established its authority to inter-

pret the Constitution.

The advocacy of "voluntary school prayer" misrepresents what the Supreme Court has ruled. Children can pray, individually, in school, if they so desire and are not otherwise occupied with their studies. There is no question that religion can be studied as a component of history, current events, art, music and science. The Bible can be studied as literature.

If those who want to change the Constitution prevail, where will it all lead? The following words recently spoken by the President of the United States before a convention of religious broadcasters, may suggest the direction: "If the Lord is our light, our strength and our salvation, whom shall we fear, of whom shall we be afraid? No matter where we live, we have a promise that can make all the difference—a promise from Jesus to soothe our sorrows, heal our hearts and drive away our fears. He promised there will never be a dark night that does not end. Our weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning. He promised if our hearts are true, His love will be sure as sunlight. And by dying for us, Jesus showed how far our love should be ready to go: all the way."

While that proposed amendment would appear most objectionable because of its provision of denominational prayer, an alternative amendment to our Constitution offered by Senator Orin G. Hatch may prove to be more dangerous. Commonly referred to as the "silent prayer" amendment, it would authorize voluntary participation in group silent prayer or meditation. However, the Senator's amendment would, in addition, permit so-called equal access to the public schools by all voluntary student groups.

The "equal access" provision represents a plan to abolish restrictions against "youth ministers" and evangelical organizations such as: Young Life, Youth for Christ—USA, Campus Crusade for Christ International

and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

The Pandora's Box that these proposed amendments would unlock and the ensuing storms of controversy that surely would follow serve to underscore the eternal wisdom of the authors of our Bill of Rights. So has the Supreme Court commented: "Government in our democracy, state and national, must be neutral in matters of religious theory, doctrine and practice. It may not be hostile to any religion or to the advocacy of no-religion; and it may not aid, foster, or promote one religion or religious theory against another or even against the militant opposite. The First Amendment mandates governmental neutrality between religion and religion and between religion and non-religion."



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TIME FOR AN ISRAELI UJA

by Daniel J. Elazar

If the Zionist movement is to revive itself, it needs a real presence in Israel and a real task to carry out. The only way to make that happen is to establish a sphere of direct civic action within Israel as a Zionist effort.

It is the height of irony that the Zionist movement has become strictly a diaspora movement at a time when virtually every other Jewish organization is trying to establish an Israeli presence. This development guarantees that Zionism will become increasingly irrelevant.

The task of a new Zionism in Israel could span the entire spectrum of "quality of life" issues. It could address itself to local civic concerns and to issues of social and cultural integration in the state. An Israeli civic Zionism might, for example, find a role in Project Renewal as a counterpart to the diaspora involvement.

One very important task of such a movement would be an "Israeli UJA" which would raise funds among an increasingly affluent population to contribute to the common treasury of the Jewish people. This could be Israel's share in support of common Jewish tasks throughout the world. Such a step would end the present situation of funds flowing in only one direction and would shatter the image that poor Israel is dependent on diaspora support to survive.

This is, in fact, no longer true, but is a myth perpetuated to maintain the "campaign." Since the truth will come out, this myth is becoming increasingly dysfunctional. Funds from the diaspora today constitute only 4 percent or less of the total Israeli public sector expenditure. Even the Israeli Government gives money to the Jewish Agency. Yet Israel is still presented as a needy recipient of diaspora support rather than as a partner in common Jewish effort, because there is no equivalent voluntary

fundraising mechanism in the Jewish state.

What is needed is to transform the Israeli-diaspora relationship into one of partnership in serving world Jewish needs, including:

- A. Jewish education;
- B. The building-up of young leadership to carry on our work;
- C. Engaging the minds of half a million Jewish students and faculty on the campus;
- D. Involving the organized community in the encouragement and support of aliyah from the free world.

Such an effort could also fulfill the functions of a United Way or Community Chest for internal Israeli needs as well. (An Israeli UJA exists, but it is confined to dunning a few large corporations for relatively modest amounts.)


Such evidence as we have indicates that Israeli Jews are as generous in their voluntary contributions as one could expect Jews to be anywhere. But their contributions are solicited in dribs and drabs, with no concentrated

annual campaign devoted to major philanthropic purposes—what is known in the United States as federated giving. Hence the sum raised remains relatively small.

As long as Israelis had not attained affluence, this could be understood, but with the existence of a substantial class of Israeli millionaires and the general affluence permeating Israeli society today, there is no longer any reason why Israelis should not develop the same systematic efforts and, as a result, rise to the giving levels of other Jewish communities.

If the Israeli Zionist movement could contribute to these needs, it would also become a fitting partner for diaspora Jewish community leadership in the Jewish Agency. That body, in turn, could truly become an instrument of the Jewish people and its worldwide polity.

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The Anti-Defamation of B'nai B'rith has called upon the Smithsonian Institute to explain "its last minute turnabout" in cancelling a scheduled archaeological exhibition from Israel.

Kenneth J. Bialkin, the League's national chairman, suggested that "political considerations had intruded" in the museum's decision to exclude certain artifacts—11 of a total of 320 exhibit items—from the show even though they had been selected originally by the Smithsonian's own designated curator.

"At least one Smithsonian official has publicly acknowledged," Mr. Bialkin declared, "that UNESCO and several Arab countries

objected to the inclusion of these artifacts from the Rockefeller Museum."

The ADL official emphasized that the Smithsonian, which "prides itself on being a cultural, and not a political, institution, has an obligation to explain whether and why it yielded to outside pressures."

In a letter sent January 5 to S. Dillon Ripley, Secretary of the Smithsonian, Nathan Perlmutter, ADL's national director, noted that the ownership of the objects in question—mainly carvings and statues excavated during the British mandate—"is not in dispute and is unaffected by any territorial dispute between Israel and its Arab

neighbors."

He also pointed out that the Smithsonian action contradicts what Ms. Peggy Loar, director of the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service, said when the exhibition was initially planned:

"This show, composed of ancient archaeological material from the Holy Land, doesn't deal with contemporary borders at all, and in no way will the show or our selection represent United States policy."

Mr. Perlmutter in his letter questioned whether the cancellation was in any way related to a reported \$5 million gift from Saudi Arabia.

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MED.-DEAD PROJECT STILL ALIVE

Israel's Most Ambitious Civil Engineering Plan Hasn't Been Shelved
by Yitzchak Dinur

The Mediterranean Sea to Dead Sea Canal Project (the Med—Dead canal), suspended some months ago by the Israel Government is by no means finished. Preparatory work is still going on.

The intention is to connect the Mediterranean Sea with the Dead Sea by canal and tunnel and to utilize the approximately 400 meter drop between the two for generating electricity hydraulically. This is the largest civil engineering project to be seriously considered since Israel's national water carrier was built in the 1950's to bring Jordan river water from the North of the country to the south. Like that earlier project which utilized a natural body of water—the Sea of Galilee—as a reservoir, this plan also imaginatively envisages utilizing the Dead Sea as a sink for the water from the Mediterranean.

The primary objective of the canal is to generate quantities of electricity by having falling water operate turbines. A number of secondary advantages add to the proposal's attractiveness. In a couple of decades the flow of the Mediterranean Sea water would restore the level of the Dead Sea, which has fallen by rather more than ten meters since the national water carrier began diverting water from the Jordan River which empties into the Dead Sea.

The project will be able to provide cooling sea water for nuclear power plants located inland, away from the sea

shore; and the canal and the associated storage reservoirs will enable the development of industry, tourist facilities and marine fish farming. Industrial activity would divert population from the densely peopled center of Israel. Last but not least, the lighter layer of Mediterranean Sea water floating on the denser Dead Sea water will turn the entire Dead Sea into a large solar pond which will also be able to produce electricity.

The scheme thus aims to produce electricity in three ways: by hydro-electric generation, via a solar pool effect, and from an atomic energy power station.

A canal connecting the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea was one of the many futuristic ideas advanced by Herzl in his visionary novel *Altneuland* published in 1902. He saw ships sailing from Haifa via the Jezreel and Bet Shean Valleys down the Jordan River to the Dead Sea, and he included an electricity station in the forecast. "The Dead Sea had come alive" and "as far as the eye could see, the lake was surrounded by great plants—power had attracted all kinds of industries", he wrote.

Herzl's proposition was not original, although it probably received the most publicity from his book. There have been a number of such proposals both before Herzl and since then, even as recently as 1943 when the head of the Palestine Survey Commission, engineer James Hayes, suggested a multi-purpose scheme.

The route which Herzl wrote about has not proved practicable, and ships will not be sailing down the Jordan. But the essence of his vision—a link between the two seas—remains valid.

Six alternate routes have been considered. Herzl's route was eliminated quit early. The most southerly route, passing through the northern Negev was chosen. The intake is to be from Qatif a site on the coast of the Gaza Strip. However, should political constraints force the Qatif intake to be abandoned, an alternative intake is available further north along the coast near Zikim, within Israel proper.

The Qatif route is the one advocated by Israel's Environmental Protection Service, because it offers the greatest possibilities for regional development in the northern Negev and threatens the environment less than any other route. (It has been opposed for political reasons in Israel, not to speak of violent Arab opposition, which has been brought to the UN).

The project is to have several main components:

—A sea-water intake and pumping station on the Mediterranean coast at Qatif.

A main waterway consisting of a subterranean pipeline 7 kilometers long from the intake on the coast to the edge of the Gaza Strip, followed by an open canal 22 kilometers long passing south of Beersheba to the Dead Sea. An inverted siphon will carry water under the important Besor River bed. This "canal" project really has more tunnel (80 kms.) than canal (22 kms.).

—Two reservoirs at the Dead Sea end of the tunnel, an upper storage reservoir and a lower regulating reservoir.

—A hydro-electric station near the Dead Sea.

—A pressure pipe connecting the regulating reservoir and the power station's turbines, which will generate the electricity.

An underground exit pipe emptying into a canal conveying

he spent water to the Dead Sea. After extended discussion in various public committees, the Israel government authorized this project in principle in 1981 and established the Mediterranean-Dead Sea Canal Company, to implement it. The project is practicable, but there are a number of technical problems which are still being worked upon. Financing the estimated cost of \$1.3 billion is the largest problem. The Israel World Organization sold special bonds to contribute to the funding, most of which was supposed to come from the Israel government and international financing bodies. Early in 1983, the Israel government declared that it could not find the money and suspended the main program temporarily, to the disappointment of many and to the chagrin of buyers of the special bonds.

However, the project has not been abandoned. Recently, the Ministers of Energy and of Finance have agreed that planning and design work and investigative operations, such as trial ground-drilling, are to continue, and a trial tunnel will soon be started.

Notwithstanding financial, political and technical difficulties, far-sighted Israelis still believe that the Jewish state will yet have its Mediterranean Sea to Dead Sea connection, with all the advantages involved for our economic future.

CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS OF MAJOR AMERICAN JEWISH ORGANIZATIONS

Comment by Julius Berman, Chairman, Conference of major American Jewish Organizations on Arab League Contributions to Jesse Jackson's PUSH.

"It is surprising that the Rev. Jesse Jackson did not know the source of the largest single contributions—the largest by far—made to the organization he headed and also to its fundraising team.

"And it is naive, at best, to suggest that these were innocent gifts. The Arab League is an association of 21 Arab nations, several of which broke diplomatic relations with our country more than 15 years ago. Supporting economic development for minorities in the U.S. is not one of the League's purposes.

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PRESIDENT OF RABBINICAL COUNCIL OF AMERICA DECLARES THE AMERICAN ORTHODOX SYNAGOGUE IS FACING FORMIDABLE CHALLENGES FROM THE SECULAR, THE UNINTERESTED, THE 'TURNED OFF' AND THE FEMINIST MOVEMENT.

Sounding the theme of his organization's Midwinter Conference, Changing Images of the Orthodox Synagogue is facing formidable challenges from the secular, the uninterested, the turned off and the feminist movement.

And unless we recognize that these challenges raise legitimate problems for organized religion, we will lose the opportunity to hold the line against defections, said Rabbi Gilbert Klaperman, president of the Rabbinical Council of America in opening the three-day Midwinter Conference. Rabbi Klaperman said the Synagogue must reassess its traditional role and develop surrogate services for the singles, the poor, the disadvantaged, the unlettered and the alienated.

We must reach out to the lonely and the wandering, asserted Rabbi Klaperman in his address to several hundred rabbis from throughout the nation. The Rabbinical Council of America is the largest Orthodox Rabbinical Group in the world.

I am proposing that a committee in

every synagogue be responsible to compile a registry of singles, single-parent families and the needy in their community and that a sufficient number of homes be opened to them on a regular basis. I know that there are occasional holiday and Shabbat programs for singles. What I would like to see is the children of single parent families included in a stable family setting. It is a rough world out there for those who are lonely and Judaism requires that we share not only our material blessings but also ourselves and our homes and our hearts, said Rabbi Klaperman. A major topic at the Rabbinical Council of America meeting is The Synagogue and Its Relationship with the Non-Jewish Community. Rabbi Klaperman said that we must communicate with the Christian community. There is increasing polarization and consequent tension between the religions and the races which must be diminished and resolved.

He cited anti-Semitic flareups, the paintings of swastikas on synagogue walls and tensions between blacks and whites. We may not all believe the same, but we must learn to live side by side in harmony.

Rabbi Klaperman said that the synagogue must reassess its long-time reluctance to express its opinion on political matters.

The synagogue sanctuary is no longer isolated from the impact of the political arena. Religion has much to say about economic security, health, poverty and morality in government and international affairs, added Rabbi Klaperman.

He told the Rabbinical Council of America that it should be prepared to make clear and meaningful statements on the sanctity of life and the issues of peace and nuclear proliferation.

Rabbi Klaperman cited the fact that when he called for a nuclear freeze, he was widely criticized for using a religious platform to meddle in a political issue.

In his talk, the President of the

Rabbinical Council of America said world survival, is a political matter and religion has something meaningful to say about the morality and threat of human extinction.

REJECTION ON RELIGIOUS GROUNDS

New Traditions

by M.J. Rosenberg

New Yorkers over 30 will remember Julius Lester, a writer and radio personality who was at the center of alleged anti-Semitic incident during the 1968-1969 teachers' strike. Lester, who is black, permitted an anti-Semitic poem to be broadcast on his WBAI-FM radio show. Lester said that his intention was to stimulate a discussion on the evils of anti-Semitism and racism in general. He was unfairly labeled an anti-Semite.

Lester tells his remarkable story (which ends with his conversion to Judaism) in an exciting new quarterly called *New Traditions: Explorations in Judaism* which is published by the National Havurah Committee (2521 Broadway, New York City). *New Traditions* is edited by William Novak, who was one of the leaders of the pro-Israel, pro-Jewish resurgence on the campus in the late 1960's. At that time Novak founded *Response* magazine which then (and now) printed the best writings by Jewish students. *New Traditions* will feature articles and poetry on Jewish themes, religious and secular. If upcoming issues are anything like the premier issue—and particularly the Julius Lester article—*New Traditions* will become an important Jewish periodical.

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Book Reviews

JEWISH BOOKS VIEWS AND REVIEWS by Joseph Cohen

THE DEVIL AND THE JEWS: The Medieval Conception of the Jew and Its Relation to Modern Anti-Semitism by Joshua Trachtenberg, Jewish Publication Society, 288 pages, paperback. Illustrated \$9.95.

The frightening presence of anti-Semitism in virtually every part of the world keeps scholars constantly searching for its root causes. That its origins lie in the emotional realm rather than in the rational is the theme of Joshua Trachtenberg's *The Devil and the Jews*.

Dr. Trachtenberg asserts that a pursuit of a logical basis for hatred of the Jews is futile. The characterization of the Jew as both greedy and powerful on the one hand and the powerless vagrant on the other defies all logic. We must rather uncover the deeply embedded emotional causes which persist to this day, even though they may be in the depths of the subconscious.

For the author, the phenomenon of modern anti-Semitism can be traced, in large part, to medieval origins. In this context, the evil stems from the gentile world's conception of the Jew as devil, in both a literal and figurative sense. Far from the medieval Christian, Satan was indeed a real personage, who was at the opposite end of the moral scale from Jesus. And since the Jews were also considered the placable enemies of Jesus, they were consequently considered to be obvious allies of Satan, giving rise to the feared and hated anti-Christian.

So was born the "demonic Jew," a product of cultural and historical factors prevalent in Christian

Europe in the late Middle Ages, but which continue to display themselves in various forms through succeeding epochs and in many different settings.

Through extensive documents, exacting analysis and vivid illustrations, the author captures the full-dimensional diabolization of the Jew. He is portrayed as devil and demon; as sorcerer and blasphemer; as desecrator and heretic; as ritual murderer; as usurer and infidel. In short, he was accused of possessing a "complete panoply of the devil's own."

Dr. Trachtenberg painstakingly analyzes these attitudes toward Jews by the hostile Christian world and clearly shows that they are "based on the crassest superstition and credulity that have permeated to the lower depths of Western culture." He indicates that while the upper hierarchy of the Catholic Church urged tolerance, the lower clergy engaged in constant agitation and persecution. In surveying the many charges of witchcraft and sorcery, the author provides fascinating legends and examines personalities who exhibited bitter prejudice against their Jewish neighbors. Martin Luther is here. So is Shakespeare. Dr. Trachtenberg was praised by Harold Laski in *The New Statesman and Nation* for having "examined with scholarship of high quality and acumen of real power one of the basic principles of modern anti-Semitism."

The precarious situation of the Jews in many parts of the world lends special emphasis to the words of A.L. Sacher, in the *New York Herald Tribune*, when he reviewed the original 1943 edition.

"One wishes that Dr. Trachtenberg's volume could be placed in the hands of every minister, every teacher, every educator— all who mould public opinion."

There is little doubt that this is indeed a chilling study. But as the author points out, "it is one which we must have the stomach to expose to the light of day if we are to comprehend the ultimate spring not only of medieval Jew hatred but of its modern, more sophisticated version."

THE ORIGINS OF ANTI-SEMITISM by John G. Gager, Oxford University Press, 269 pages plus notes and index. \$24.95

How deeply rooted in Western culture is anti-Semitism?

On the basis of a reexamination of the original sources and a review of both Christian and Jewish scholarship, Gager concludes that anti-Semitism in antiquity was rare. Early Greeks and Romans viewed Judaism as an ancient and respectable philosophy; attitudes ranged from sympathy to participation in some Jewish practices to outright conversion. Indeed an important reason for early Christian antipathy was the fact that Judaism was a formidable competitor.

"The book brings the study of ancient pagan and Christian anti-Semitism to a new plateau where one sees things more clearly and, I dare say, more correctly," says Krister Stendahl, Harvard Divinity School. Kirkus Reviews calls it "A stunning challenge to some widely accepted ideas on the genesis of anti-Semitism.....Priority reading for church historians and anyone else who wants to study the religious roots of the Holocaust."

YOU LEARN BY LIVING by Eleanor Roosevelt, The Westminster Press, Paperback, 224 pages, \$9.95.

In her great wisdom and concern for all humanity, Eleanor Roosevelt wrote this book, hoping to help us

to learn from living, as she did so profoundly, to the vast benefit of much of mankind. The book is dedicated to her "grandchildren and great-grandchildren in the hope that sometime they may find a little help in these pages."

She offers her experience in personal and public life as examples of her advice. Her style of writing is direct and easy to understand. Everyone should read her kind words, for she was undoubtedly one of the outstanding citizens in the history of our country. The introduction states that Mrs. Roosevelt was a privileged person (by birth) who never presumed on privilege. All who knew her can testify that hers was a character that was genuine and righteous.

In this book she stresses the importance of responsibility and being useful, as well as the art of making the most of one's time.

EVOLUTION IS NOT EROSION

Reflections on *America's Jews in Transition*, a New Book an essay by Egon Mayer

As the saying goes: the times they are a'changin'. And that applies to American Jewry every bit as much as it does to all other facets of American life today.

Like the story of our Exodus from Egypt, the story of America's Jews has been told many times before. But, just like the ancient story of redemption, the more modern one—of how the successive waves of Jewish immigrants settled in America, and how the diversity of organized Jewish life developed here as a result—gains in comprehension, in depth, and in relevance with each retelling.

When the story is retold by a young Orthodox professor of sociology, the reader is treated to a feast of both historical detail, cultural sensibility, and a sophisticated analysis of current Jewish social dynamics that is quite unprecedented in the corpus of literature dealing with American Jewry.

In a relatively short book—only 272 pages, including a useful glossary, index, and thorough bibliography—Professor Chaim I. Waxman of Rutgers University reviews the familiar story of successive waves of Jewish immigration from 1654 until 1924; then quickly and deftly moves to address the more contemporary social forces—such as Jewish upward social mobility, urbanization and suburbanization, the cultural revolution of the 1960s, and the demographic revolution of the 1970s and 80s due to intermarriage and birth-rate decline—and their impact on Jewish identity, religiosity, communal organizations and Jewish political attitudes.

While his prose is mercifully jargon free (that's high praise for an academic sociologist), his story is woven together with an embracing treatment of the most up-to-date professional scholarship in the field. Though his chapters on the American Jewish family, and on Jewish leadership and decision making have all the contemporary ring of newspaper headlines, they illuminate familiar social trends by placing them in and tracing them through more subtle developmental patterns in American social history. For example, Waxman traces how much of the attachment to the extrinsic trappings of traditional Jewish culture have diminished in the transition between the first, second, and third generation of immigrants, only to resurface, again, in the fourth and fifth generations of Jews in the search of meaning and identity which flowed from the cultural turmoil of the 1960s. Thus, his description of American Jewish evolution builds on a thorough and documented understanding of broader social trends.

In a similar spirit, Waxman writes in his conclusion, "the declining rates of affiliation among American Jewry may not be indicative of the decline of Judaism; rather they may be indicative of a Judaism that

is changing and in which there is search for alternative modes Jewish expression."

Coming from the pen of an Orthodox Jewish social scientist who, apart from having a Ph.D. Sociology also holds rabbinic ordination from Yeshiva University such a conclusion is revolutionary in its optimism and challenge the reader to re-think much of contemporary rhetoric concerning the prospects of American Jewry in the decades ahead.

1984 ORWELL'S YEAR AND GOLDSTEIN'S TOO!

Just about everyone will agree that 1984 is George Orwell's year. I think it belongs almost as much to Emmanuel Goldstein. That may be a fairly brash assertion, since Orwell is famous but Goldstein hardly known at all. Some of us have never even heard of him. Even Orwell says he is "shadowy." You wouldn't recognize him on television if we saw him. There are no known pictures. He can't be reached by phone; and his address is unlisted. Is he for real? Orwell says he is, and that should settle it. When Orwell's protagonist Winston Smith and Julia in 1984 establish contact with O'Brien whom they mistake for a rebel against Big Brother, to whom they are opposed, O'Brien assures them that Goldstein exists. "There is such a person," O'Brien says, "and he is alive."

However anonymous Goldstein is, we are all in his debt. In Orwell's novel 1984 only Goldstein or, to be it more precisely, his symbolic representation, is sufficient strong to threaten Big Brother. That is to say Goldstein stands for human freedom, the worthiness of the individual, dignity, decency and compassion, all the values which have been methodically destroyed by the super-totalitarian state envisioned by Orwell in his anti-Utopian epic. That Orwell's book is important to us is obvious not so much for the accuracy of its prophecies, of which much is presently being said, but more

s warning against the possibility of total enslavement. Goldstein is the embodiment of that warning. That is why I believe it is as much as year as Orwell's.

In the summer of 1982 the Irish government, during the centenary celebration of James Joyce's birth, unveiled a plaque in Dublin's Old Jewry commemorating the birthplace of Joyce's fictional hero, the Jew, Leopold Bloom, in *Ulysses*. If the Irish people can pay homage to a fictional Jew, it behooves us to do no less with one of our own who remains unsung.

Although Joycean criticism is filled with speculative commentary over the Irish author's choice of a Jew as the central figure in his most important work, Orwell's choice of Goldstein as the erstwhile opponent to Big Brother is, as near as I can tell, gone virtually unnoticed. When and how did Goldstein's Jewish presence come to grip Orwell's consciousness?

Like Joyce, Orwell was not Jewish. Both came from humble beginnings but were well educated. Just as Joyce did, Orwell was exposed in his youth to the anti-Semitic guttersniping of the common folk he encountered and befriended with whom he associated. To his later shame, he well even indulged in some endless anti-Semitic utterances in his early book *Down and Out in Paris and London*. That work was published in 1932.

A few years later, when Orwell went to Spain to fight with the anarchists in the Spanish Civil War where he nearly lost his life, having been shot through the throat by a sniper, his social consciousness was awakened, and he subsequently became one of the century's leading champions of individual freedom and personal integrity. What he had to say about intolerance, bigotry, human cruelty, totalitarian despotism on both the left and the right, and the prostitution of rhetoric in the processes of corruptive power

made his readers acutely uncomfortable. Such truths often do. Often challenged and frequently attacked for his views, he stood by his convictions and earned the acclaim he is accorded today. His death in 1949 from tuberculosis was a loss the Free World could ill afford.

His prophecies, particularly in the prostitution of rhetoric seem dramatic and they catch our attention. One has only to observe what is going on in Iran today to realize that the despotism Orwell said was possible has indeed come to pass. The slogans and chants used in Iranian prisons parallel "doublespeak" and "thought-crime": "Khomeini is our leader. Death to America. Death to the USSR. Death to our former leaders. Death to Bani-Sadr. This is not a prison, it is a university. We are happy to be here. We want to go to the front and fight. We want to die for the Islamic Republic."

However dramatic the prophecies, they do not, at least to me, constitute the real significance of 1984. That significance lies in Orwell's warning that such despotism was possible. I believe that early warning has been a potent force in helping us to safeguard our liberties. And it is here that the Jewish presence of Goldstein takes on an additional dimension of meaning.

After Orwell's social consciousness had been awakened the plight of the Jews in central Europe seemed to be close to the surface of his thought. In his essays and literary columns he pondered the problems of anti-Semitism with increasing frequency. It troubled him that so much of English literature from Chaucer through Belloc and Chesterton was hostile to the Jew and he kept searching for explanations, arriving usually at the not unexpected conclusions that people, even well-intentioned ones, were perverse in their need for scapegoats, or, simply inclined too strongly toward intolerance. He convinced himself that things

were improving, however slowly, and he took pride in his belief that the "Jewish joke" had disappeared by the early 1930s from the English music hall and theater. That might have been wishful thinking, for it was not within his power to turn the tide of English anti-Semitism from its traditional course.

What was in Orwell's power was a moral imperative to set things right in his own work, an imperative which I am inclined to believe grew more out of his intellectual honesty than any negative sense of guilt for his earlier insensitivity. That imperative manifested itself in his decision to make Emmanuel Goldstein, whose "shadowy" presence was real enough in his own mind, the symbolic hero of 1984. It was an act by one individual attempting to compensate for the injustice of centuries. But in perhaps an indefinable way, it was something more monumental: it was an acknowledgement that so long as the Jew insists on human freedom, all humankind can stand against enslavement and the death of the spirit.

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PASSOVER, 5743

Passover at the Home is one of the most significant of all occasions during the calendar year. At this time we will gather, as do all other Jews throughout the world, to commemorate the Exodus of the Israelites from bondage in Egypt. For us, Passover is a community time, a time of sharing with friends and families the experiences of our traditions and heritage.

As in past years, the emphasis during this year's celebration will be on broad participation by all members of the extended BJH family. Members of the Board of Governors, residents and their families, guests and staff members of the Home will all join in first and second Seders, assisting with leadership of the services and lending their own personal histories to the common experience.

We encourage you to join us for either the first or second Seder. Reservations may be made by contacting the Home's office by *April 9, 1984*. Cost per meal for adults is \$8.00; children under twelve, \$4.00.

Holiday worship services will take place at the Home as follows:



Mrs. Rose Block (Greensboro): a time of sharing traditions and heritage.

Monday, April 16	6:00 pm Seder I
Tuesday, April 17	9:30 am Service
	6:00 pm Seder II
Wednesday, Apr. 18	9:30 am Service
Monday, April 23	9:30 am Service
Tuesday, April 24	9:30 am Service

We hope that you will join us for this very special time.

CELEBRATE PASSOVER AT THE HOME

With awareness that the special preparations required for the Passover are sometimes too difficult for the elderly or the handicapped, the Blumenthal Jewish Home is sponsoring a special Passover Holiday Program for those members of the NC Jewish Community who want to spend Passover with us.

Guests will be lodged at the Clemmons Ramada Inn through special arrangements with the management. They will have reserved places for the first two Seders as well as opportunities to attend all services and other Passover activities at the Home.

For those who are interested in joining us for only the first two days of Passover, cost (excluding lodging) is \$50.00 per person. **DEADLINE FOR REGISTRATION IS APRIL 9, 1984.** Other arrangements either for a part of the holiday may be made directly with the Home. For more details, or to register, contact: Sawyer, BJH, PO Box 38, Clemmons, NC 27012 (919) 766-6401.

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WOME HOSTS 1984 WINTER KALLAH

The Great Carolinas Association of Rabbis, including rabbis from North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, held its bi-annual Winter Kallah at the Home Feb. 14 and 15. The full schedule included lectures by Dr. Saguiv Hardari on "Inside Israel" and "Israel and International Politics," and by Dr. Jerry Pubantz, who presented a lecture on "The Soviets, The Arabs, and the Mid-East Crisis."

Members of the Association travelled to Greensboro to hear the Israel Chamber Orchestra in performance on the first evening of their conference. They also spent time at Reynolda House in Winston-Salem for a tour and a presentation on Jewish Symbolic Art. Dr. Allen Klein, a local physician on the faculty of Bowman Gray School of Medicine, presented a slide show from the Museum of Jewish Art in Greece during this event.

While at the Home, the Rabbis spent time visiting with members of their congregations who are now residents. This was one of the most important elements of the two-day exchange.

Newly elected officers of the Association are: Rabbi Shimon Moch (Winston-Salem), President; Rabbi Judah Fish (Portsmouth, Va.), Vice-President; Rabbi David Kraus (Spartanburg, SC), Treasurer; Rabbi Ronald Bluming (Asheville), Secretary; and Rabbi Samuel Friedman (Silver Springs, Md.), Historian.

Attending the Kallah: (seated), Rabbi Shimon Moch (Winston-Salem), Rabbi Judah Fish (Portsmouth, Va.), Rabbi Israel Gerber (Gastonia), Rabbi Abe Schoen (Raleigh); (2nd row) Rabbi Frank Fischer (UNC-CH), Michael Andron (Winston-Salem), Rabbi Arnold Task (Greensboro), Rabbi Robert Sandman (High Point), Rabbi Robert Waxman (Wilmington); (back row) Rabbi Gerry Walter (Roanoke, Va.), Rabbi Steven Sager (Durham), Rabbi Jonathan Malino (Greensboro) and Victor Cohen (Greensboro).



BUS FUND DRIVE A HUGE SUCCESS!

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Madans, co-chairmen of the special Bus Fund Drive, recently expressed their gratitude to the many individuals whose spontaneous response to the Bus Fund Drive has raised over \$36,000 of the original goal of \$40,000.

Over 200 individuals and families have contributed to the Bus Fund, and the project's success is practically confirmed. A fortuitous turn of events has prompted us to send the following letter to all those who so generously supported this campaign. We print it here for your information, and also in the event that your personal letter did not reach you.

Many thanks to each of you who want to "get Mrs. Kahn on the bus."

Dear Friend:

March 12, 1984

I want to thank you for your contribution to the transportation fund for the Residents of the Blumenthal Jewish Home. As you probably recall, our goal was to raise \$40,000 to purchase a special bus that would transport large numbers of both wheelchair confined and ambulatory Residents.

I am pleased to say that the campaign goal has almost been reached. As of this date, we have raised a total of \$36,033.

A funny thing happened on the way to purchase a bus. When consulting with the Winston-Salem Transit Authority (WSTA) regarding the special bus, we were told that governmental monies were available for handicapped individuals. They surveyed and found that our need was universal in that other nursing homes in our area have the same need, and that such equipment is unavailable.

The WSTA sought and received grants from the County, State, and Federal governments. They are in the process of accepting bids on two transit-sized buses, specifically adapted for wheelchairs, and anticipate delivery this summer.

In addition, a local foundation has agreed to subsidize the operation of the service for the first 36 months. This will make it possible to rent the equipment at a fraction of the actual cost.

Our Board is pleased with these developments. We plan to use the money received to accomplish our initial goal: To transport wheelchair bound Residents on trips. We plan to keep the capital intact and to utilize the interest earned to rent the special equipment, as well as to engage additional staff to allow a maximum number of Residents to "go on the bus."

The reasoning that led to our decision included the following:

1. This turn of events will provide a higher quality of service than the original plan would have.
2. We will not have to hire a special driver.
3. We will not have to service special equipment.
4. We will not have equipment that will depreciate.
5. We will have a "transit-sized" bus, not the school bus equipment that we were considering.
6. Should we want to use the capital to purchase a bus in the future, we will have that option.

The money received for this project was given to purchase a bus. However, we feel the goal of helping Residents with transportation can best be met as outlined above. If you do not want your donation used this way, please call me (704-636-6105), or the Home's Director, Al. Mendlovitz (919-766-6401), and let your feelings be known.

We sincerely appreciate your support of the project.

Sincerely,
Audrey Madans
Jerome Madans
Committee Chairmen

CALENDAR FOR APRIL

APRIL 2
Candy-making Class, 10:30 a

APRIL 3
Men's Forum, 3:30

APRIL 4
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2:00
Contemporary Issues, 3:15

APRIL 6
Outreach Movie, 10:00

APRIL 8
*Winston-Salem Symphony, 2:

APRIL 9
Candy-making Class, 10:30 a

APRIL 10
*Clemmons Senior Citizens
luncheon, 9:45

APRIL 11
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2:00
Contemporary Issues, 3:15

APRIL 13
*Men's Outing, 2:00
Cooking Club, 2:00

APRIL 15
Search for Chometz

APRIL 16
First Seder, 6:00 pm

APRIL 17
Passover Worship Services,
9:30 am in the Sanctuary
Second Seder, 6:00 pm

APRIL 18, 23, 24
Passover Worship Services,
9:30 am in the Sanctuary

APRIL 25
Birthday parties on each Un

APRIL 30
Candy-making Class, 10:30

We invite families and friends
join us for these special events
April.

*Off-campus activity



FOCUS ON A RESIDENT

GERTRUDE KENNEDY

by LaQuietta Davis, RT

A newcomer to the Blumenthal Jewish Home is Gertrude "Tat" Kennedy. Mrs. Kennedy was born in Wilkes County, NC, and has lived there throughout her life. She has a lovely painting of "the Old Curtis Homestead," the house in which she was raised. She is very proud of this house, which sits on a hill overlooking the Yadkin River, and the farm, which have been in her family for many years.

Mrs. Kennedy knows "just about everybody in Wilkes County." And she is known by just about everybody there as "Tat," the name her father chose for her. Her father, a Sheriff, and her mother, the Registrar of Deeds in Wilkes County, were very interested in her education. She graduated from Wilkesboro High School and attended Women's College in Greensboro. Although her mother wanted her to complete her course of study, she interrupted school to "run off" and marry her childhood sweetheart, George, who is also a resident of BJH. She laughs and says, "I've never regretted it!" They have been married 62 years.

While George worked in town, Tat got busy with gardening, canning, baking and raising their daughter, Frances. She says that her main goal in life has been to help others. She and George are the oldest members of the Wilkesboro Baptist Church, where she was active sending meals to those in need. She was also instrumental in organizing the first men's Club of Wilkesboro.

The Kennedys have three grandchildren. Norman Stockton III is an executive Continental Illinois National Bank of Chicago; Molly Badora lives in Charlotte with her husband, who is an executive with the Bojangle Chicken Corp.; and Christopher Greg Stockton, who is a high school student in Winston-Salem.



George and "Tat" Kennedy at the Valentine Ball.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May your name be inscribed in the Book of Life with Health and Happiness:

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Ida Kadis
Gertrude Levy
Lillian Sweitzer
Jean Tager
Clarice Wooters
Robert Gerringer
Zona Willard

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May you have a long, happy and healthy life:

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New York
Grace Jones, Winston-Salem,
North Carolina
Julius Neumarkt, Charlotte,
North Carolina
Anna Stemper, Clemmons,
North Carolina
John Stemper, Jr., Clemmons,
North Carolina
Lucille Tolley, Winston-Salem,
North Carolina
Sophie Zweben, Charlotte,
North Carolina

PLEASE TELL ME

by Ruth Wharton
Social Services Coordinator

Q. What kinds of religious services does the Home provide?

A. Friday night and Saturday morning Jewish services are held each week. All the Jewish holidays are observed with services and all the traditional trimmings. Non-denominational Protestant services are held each week at Friendship Circle. In addition, major events in the Protestant calendar, such as Good Friday, Easter and Christmas are observed with special services.

Q. Can husbands and wives come in together?

A. By all means. Couples may room together or separately as they wish. Occasionally, a husband or wife might have to precede the other, as often only one bed is available at a time.

Q. May I choose my roommate?

A. Unfortunately no. When choosing suitable roommates, we have to look at the overall picture of the Home and work for the good of the whole. We do, however, take into consideration any preferences that our residents have.

IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Rae Bloom, Anna Gruber, Hannah Levy, Jack Manton, Maxwell Pitkin, Bertha Robbins and William Wyatt. May their cherished memories bring comfort to their loved ones.

WE GET LETTERS .

Dear Mr. Mendlovitz,

I just wanted to write a note to you know how very much I appreciated the opportunity to work in the Jewish Home. I had heard of its good reputation, and now through working there, I can certainly see how you have earned it! Needless to say, I was very impressed with everything. It is fortunate that Nutrition students are able to experience the Home through working with the Dietary Department. I learned so much in my two weeks there, and there is still a lot left to learn. I have never seen such a clean kitchen and had such good food. I know you are proud of the department, it runs so efficiently. You couldn't have two nicer, more dedicated, hard-working people than Mrs. Bumgardner and Mrs. Crews. The Home is lucky to have them, and we appreciate their interest in students.

I hope to see you when I return to work . . .

Sincerely,

Krista Cau

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

May 17 has been chosen as the date for **CELEBRATE! '84**, the second annual Long-Term Care Olympics Day for all nursing and retirement homes in Forsyth County. Last year over 300 residents, family members and staff people from the area homes participated in **CELEBRATE!** at the Dixie Classic Fairgrounds in Winston-Salem. Last year BJH residents won **FIRST PLACE!**

We need family members to serve as volunteers again this year. Plan to come with us to the Fairgrounds, help our residents win their competitions, and assist us with the many tasks there are to be done.

For more information, or to volunteer, call the Recreation Department, 919-766-6401. **WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!**

TIME: 10:30 am-2:30 pm

DATE: MAY 17, 1984

PLACE: Dixie Classic Fairgrounds, Winston-Salem

EVENT: **CELEBRATE! '84**

HELP US WIN THE TROPHY AGAIN!

DO YOU RECALL?

by Residents of B-1

I remember the smells of my mother's kitchen —
hot yeast rolls, and fresh apple pie.
(A good apple pie will smell all through the house!)

I remember the fragrance of mother's bread baking.
The first one home from school got the heel,
drenched with country butter.

I remember taffy pulls after school,
stretching the candy until it was white,
laughing with friends and eating it all up!

I remember chicken on Sunday,
cooked all morning and flavored with spices.

Pickles took fourteen days, and sauerkraut took longer.
We canned and pickled and preserved to make our provisions last the winter.

Did food taste better then, when we made it ourselves?
In memory, yes, for it was flavored with our labor and with our love.

(Krista is a student in the Master's program in Nutrition at UNC-G. Her rotation experience at BJH was part of a required 6-month work experience.)

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Jewish Home who made donations during the month of February.

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MEN'S FORUM GROUP TOURS NEW NEWSPAPER FACILITY

Thanks to the connections of Roy Ray, long-term Winston-Salem resident and former Production Manager of the Winston-Salem Journal and Sentinel newspapers, some of the members of the Men's Forum group received a tour of the expanded newspaper plant several days before it was open to the public. Marveling at the technological processes that make newspaper production quite different from that of earlier years, the members of the group were extended the warmth and enthusiasm usually reserved for a select circle of people. Members of the paper's staff, many of whom were hired by Roy during his tenure, took the group through the new wing, explaining techniques and equipment in detail. Among the tour members were Roy Ray, Charles Rosenfeld (Henderson), Zeno Sink (Winston-Salem), Sol Greenberg (Charlotte), and Louis Cole (Greensboro). Mr. Chuck Dizard, Assistant Executive Director, and Mrs. Edna Blevins, Director of Social Services, accompanied the group.



Charles Rosenfeld, Roy Ray, Edna Blevins, Zeno Sink, Sol Greenberg, Chuck Dizard and Louis Cole visit the new Winston-Salem Journal & Sentinel offices.

FOCUS ON A VOLUNTEER

JEFF McMILLAN

by Janet C. Sawyer

A television advertisement states "A mind is a terrible thing to waste." How true a comment that is, for minds of any age. This month's recognition of Jeff McMillan finds its basis in his special gift of stimulating minds to think, to create, and to form opinions. Jeff began his volunteer services at BJH residents over a year and a half ago. As a member of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program, he came weekly to teach a class in Creative Writing. From an uncertain beginning, the class has now become an established part of our weekly schedule. Jeff encourages class members to write, to revise, to publish and to enter contests as a mode of self-expression. Several of the manuscripts prepared by class members have first been published in these pages of Times Outlook. For those of us who do write, the satisfaction of forming a story or an article, polishing it and sharing it with a larger public. Jeff's skills and enthusiastic leadership have made this possible for each of the members of the Crea-

tive Writing Class.

Not content with just this assignment, Jeff next became our teacher for Contemporary Issues, a weekly class on current events. His class is one of the most popular activities on the calendar, for both his personal style and his presentation encourage residents to follow the news, form opinions and decipher trends in local and world happenings. The stimulus of thought and discussion is vital to the success of this class, and — if class attendance is any measure — Jeff is as successful a teacher as there could possibly be!

When not volunteering at BJH, Jeff is involved in a number of other civic and volunteer activities. He writes a bi-weekly column, "Reflections," for the Winston-Salem Sentinel. He serves on the Advisory Board of Knollwood Hall Nursing Home Advisory Committee, and leads a men's discussion group once a month at Silas Creek Manor Nursing Home. He has contributed a number of articles to national publications, including the **Christian Science Monitor**, **Harvest Years** and **Baseball Digest**. (He calls himself a "baseball nut," and enjoys this sport above all others.) A former salesman, he and his wife, Georgia, settled in Winston-Salem approximately four years ago.



Jeff McMillan during "Contemporary Issues" class.

Jeff's volunteer efforts have made a significant difference in life at BJH, and his very special gifts make him a valued and valuable member of both the BJH and Winston-Salem communities.

EMPLOYEES WIN RECOGNITION IN NEW SUGGESTION PROGRAM

As a kick-off to the Home's new Suggestion Program, staff members whose suggestions were accepted were awarded prizes of \$50.00 by the Board of Governors.

Congratulations to the individuals listed below for their suggestions in the areas of Resident Comfort and Life Enhancement, Safety, Facility Improvement, and Improved Working Conditions:

Dennis Haynes (Orderly, B-2)
Walt Sidden (Maintenance)
Marie Doty (Maintenance)
Melvorine Holton (Nursing Asst., B-2)
Cynthia Miller (Nursing Asst., B-2)
Cynthia is a two-time winner in the program.

Linda Lawrence (LPN, A Wing)
Steve Hodge (Dietary)
Pauline Allen (Nursing Asst., B-1)
Amy Minton (LPN, B-2)
Ruby Redd (Nursing Asst., B-2)
Kathy McBride (RN, A Wing)
Kathy is another two-time winner in the program.

CONGRATULATIONS!

The following employees are winners in the Perfect Attendance Program:

Ellen Hughes, Nursing Asst., B-2
Lartha Johnson, Dietary

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

1 YEAR

Tabitha Blankenship, Nursing Asst., B-2
Deborah Hayes, RN, B-1
Cynthia Miller, Nursing Asst., B-2
Anne Tuttle, Nursing Asst., B-2

2 YEARS

Calvin Petticord, Security Guard
Mary Vance, RN, B-2

3 YEARS

Becky Boyer, Dietary
Dallas Hamilton, Orderly, B-2
Judy Howell, LPN, B-2

4 YEARS

Celeste Martin, Nursing Asst., B-2
Patsy Staley, RN, A Wing
Martha Whitaker, RN, B-1

5 YEARS

Becky Bonner, Nursing Asst., B-2

13 YEARS

Linda Pinnix, LPN, A Wing

18 YEARS

Izora Moore, Cook



Joan Marie Belnap

BJH ANNOUNCES NEW ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR

Executive Director Al. A. Mendlitz takes pleasure in announcing the appointment of Joan Marie Belnap to the position of Administrative Services Director of the Home. Ms. Belnap began her employment in March, 1984 following fifteen years of work with the North Carolina School of the Arts.

Ms. Belnap's degree in Business Administration was earned at Wake Forest University. She has attended graduate school at UNC-G in the business administration program. Her responsibilities as Internal Auditor at the NC School of the Arts, and her expertise as Accounts Manager at the School of the Arts Foundation are excellent preparation for the duties she will assume at BJH.

As supervisor of the Business Services Department, Ms. Belnap will be responsible for all accounting procedures, personnel services and general office management. She will also be in charge of developing computerization methods for the Home. Her experience with grant and funding issues will prove invaluable to the Home's continued growth.

When not at the Home, Ms. Belnap enjoys teaching in the Jackie Sorenson Aerobic Dancing Program at Winston-Salem. She has two boys, Glen and Stuart, ages 14 and 11. We welcome her as the newest member of our Executive Staff and management team!

NURSES RECEIVE CERTIFICATION

The American Nurses' Association certifies nurses who excel in their fields of practice. Libby Carter, RN, Unit Manager of B-1, recently passed the certification examination to become a Certified Geriatric Nurse. Marilyn Rowland, RN, Director of Nursing, was certified as Nurse Administrator.

Their specialization in geriatric nursing improves the overall care provided to residents of the Jewish Home. Congratulations on excellent performance in these areas of certification!



Marilyn Rowland, DON, and Libby Carter, Unit Manager.

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?

Annual Valentine's Ball — Fun for All



The Brenner Concert Series featured the NC School of the Arts Jazz Ensemble.



Dancing to the music, Alice Fruh (Greensboro) and Chuck Dizard, Asst. Executive Director.



Sam Cohen (Raleigh): in the mood!



Ella Grosser (Myrtle Beach, SC) and Tabby Blankenship



Muth Folkner (Pfaftown), daughter Betsy, and Annie Dixon (Winston-Salem)



Eva Weinberg (Pembroke Pines, Fla.) and Rose Germaine (New York)



Crowning King and Queen of Hearts: LaQuietta Davis and Sharon Roever congratulate A Wing's Louis Cole (Greensboro) and Dolly Wolf (Montreal, Canada).



Rick Rogers pins a corsage on B-1's Queen of Hearts, Mae Livengood (Winston-Salem). King John Eros (Miami Beach, Fla.) looks on.



B-2's King and Queen of Hearts: A Happy Ben Eldridge (Winston-Salem) and Ida Watman (Charlotte)



The Royal Court's Staff King and Queen, Wal Sidden and Vicki Pack.



Living it up: Laura Lieberman (Chapel Hill) and Bob Gerringer (Greensboro).



Families and friends helped make up the crowd of over 125 people. Here: Sophie Isley (Winston-Salem), daughter Imogene and her husband Charles Robinson.

CORRECTION:
**A DONATION RECEIVED IN HONOR
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THE FIFTH CUP FOR ELIJAH

One innovative ceremony suggested in the new Rabbini Assembly Haggadah, **THE FEAST OF FREEDOM**, urges all participants at the Passover Seder table to pour a bit of their own wine into the cup welcoming the prophet Elijah to demonstrate that everyone must work together to bring about redemption.

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VELVEL PASTERNAK

Stillman is Associate Professor of History and Arabic, State University of New York at Binghamton. He has a B.A. in Oriental Studies, University of Pennsylvania, Post Doctoral Studies, Jewish Theological Seminary. He has been the recipient of many awards, has lectured widely, and has been a consultant in his field to many groups. He has written numerous articles in English, French, and Hebrew and also contributed to the *Encyclopaedia of Islam*, *Encyclopedia of World Literature in the 20th Century*, *Dictionary of the Middle Ages*, and *The World History of the Jewish People*.

LECTURE TOPICS

Israel & Its Islam Neighbors

The Islamic Factor in the Middle East: Understanding the Revival
New Attitudes Toward the Jew in the Middle East: Can a Semite be an Antisemite?
Traditional Islamic Attitudes Towards Jews and Judaism.

Mr. Pasternak was born in Toronto, Canada. He has a B.A. from Yeshiva University and a M.A. from Columbia University. Post Graduate studies—Julliard School of Music, Dept. of Ethnomusicology Jewish Theological Seminary. His name has become synonymous with Hasidic music. His recordings and books have become the definitive works in their field. He has lectured extensively in synagogues, community centers, university campuses and classrooms throughout the United States, Canada and Israel. He has vividly brought the glorious heritage of Hasidic music to enthusiastic audiences wherever he has appeared. He transmits a renewed appreciation of the Hasidim, one of the most colorful groups in Jewish life.

LECTURE TOPICS

Hasidic Music

1. The Spirit of Hasidic Music
2. An overview of the Music of the Jews
3. The present appeal of Hasidic music world wide.

Editorial

REFLECTIONS AFTER THREE SCORE YEARS AND TEN

by Estelle Hoffman

The measure of man's days is long, for, as it is written, man shall live for three score years and ten. That amounts to 25,567 days, a considerable number. This is an uncertainty, since life spans range from a mere flicker of time to centenarian length.

In another view, the measure of man's days is short, for it is also written, the years of man's life are few and fleeting. This observation in our prayer book is followed by the prayer, "Teach us to number our days that we may use each precious moment wisely."

In youth it seemed that unlimited time lay ahead, but my assessment has changed as I approach the fullness of that measure. After having been young for a long time it is not easy to accept the reality of old age. I harbor no complaint about aging; it was my intention, and I am grateful for my heredity of longevity. However, the process is not occurring in a completely natural fashion. Problems arise, and effort is necessary to cope with them. As retrospect grows longer, there is more food for thought, just as today's student of history has more material to learn than did his predecessors.

Sometimes my life appears to have been an accumulation of errors, failures, and disappointments. Some of the second and third may be results of the first. What causes most pain is that most of the time I was consciously striving for excellence. Perhaps I might have done better in areas within my control, but societal and mundane matters are of great concern to me, and in that realm there is often no possible good solution. Such disappointments, which cause innate optimism to wither, contribute to the sorrow of aging.

There are sources of strength from which to draw. From memory of writings of exceptional minds of history, from their endowments of wisdom and the wealth of their arts, encouragement and enrichment help to sustain me. Three generations of fathers in my family who worked for their families selflessly were content with their lot and were never weakened by self-pity. A sense of good fortune helps. What a stroke of luck to have been born in a time and place which protected me from physical torture or punishment! An enduring marriage to a partner tolerant of my failings and a small number of escapes from disaster, relative to the share meted out to an average person, have made bearable the "slings and arrows of outrageous fortune" which flesh is heir to. Thus, on brighter days my life feels rewarding.

It is good to live with broad interests and a point of view which is not self-centered, insofar as that may be possible. The great advantage of long life is the amount of time for learning from the accumulated wisdom of the ages. In retrospect I see that my prime time was not my peak of enlightenment. A long perspective helps to acquire patience and appreciation and the ability to decide what best use can be made of one's efforts.

Perhaps I have never had an original thought, but the heritage from the genius of humanity belongs to all of us. Sometimes the paucity of such qualities amongst today's leaders is discouraging. In Umberto Eco's best seller, *"Name of the Rose,"* he has the stained glass worker in the Italian monastery in the year 1327 say, "We no longer have the learning of the ancients, the age of giants is past!" The novel's protagonist, William of Britain, admits with his unusual perception, "We are dwarfs, but dwarfs who stand on the shoulders

of those giants, and small though we are, we sometimes manage to see farther than they." Later he concedes, "The life of learning is difficult, and it is difficult to distinguish good from evil. And often the learned men of our time are only dwarfs on the shoulders of the dwarfs."

Evaluation of one's own time will probably prove to have been probably incorrect. One more quote from *"Name of the Rose,"* this time from its narrator, is a weighty observation: "After so many years even the fire of passion dies, and with it what was believed the light of truth. Who of us is able to say now whether Hector or Achilles was right, Agamemnon or Priam when they fought over the beauty of a woman who is now dust and ashes?"

The best hope of a lifetime is the possibility of having made some good contribution to the world. Regret for any wrongdoing cannot accomplish anything. It is time to express gratitude for the constant joys in life.

Beloved people of all time past and present; dear creatures of other species who are, alas, at our mercy; language, books, music and other arts; trees, shrubs, flowers and all vegetation and the miracle of its continued renewal; pleasures afforded by our senses including sight, sound, taste, smell and feeling; understanding; the beauty of our universe; all these treasures most cherished in life.

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THE EDITOR'S CHAIR

by Editor Gabriel Cohen

This is being written on Saturday night, after Havdallah, in Charlotte, N.C. where we came yesterday to participate in the simcha of our golfing partner, as we have written here, Morris Speizman and his wife, Sylvia. It is a surprise. The family has gathered here for a Bar Mitzvah of the Speizmans' grandson Mark Andrew, the son of Robert and Carol Speizman. The family is here legitimately for the Bar Mitzvah, but we, as a friend, would not have travelled from Tampa, where last week's edition was edited, to Charlotte just for a Bar Mitzvah.

Consequently we are here incognito, because if we were to have attended the Bar Mitzvah and the round of affairs, that would be a give-away.

Even so, we almost inadvertently ran into the party at the Charlotte City Club where we dined with Maurice Weinstein—our friendship goes back 35 years—who is past chairman of the International Council of world B'nai B'rith. He took us to the Club for dinner and after finishing and heading for the car on the parking lot, we ran right smack into the Speizman party having dinner at the same place. We were waved back, and I ducked around a corner of the hallway, and we waited until the party had gotten into their cars and headed for the Conservative Congregation services where the Bar Mitzvah would take place.

Maurice and I attended services at the Reform Temple—Rabbi Harold Krantzler—Friday night and while Maurice went to the Bar Mitzvah Saturday morning, we could not—for once again that would alerted Morris that something was going on. All the rest of the family and friends had a reason for being in Charlotte, but not us.

Now although Morris isn't as smart as us, we have a sneaking suspicion that he knows that something is fishy and may sense

that there's too much celebrating for just a Bar Mitzvah. He is past president of the World Council of Conservative Judaism, and the synagogue in Jerusalem where the large Conservative congregation holds services and the Conservative Movement in Israel has its offices, was donated by Morris and another person.

Yet we have to keep up the charade.

Of course we'll be at the outdoor gathering to cry out surprise—tents have been erected—at son, Robert's, home here and we'll share in the festivity and Morris of course will be surprised to see us—Helen and me—and we'll be as happy as they are. But meanwhile we have been laying low, and not going into the lobby of the Radisson Plaza Charlotte where we and all the out-of-towners are housed, without peering around to see that Morris isn't in the environs.

But meanwhile we've been the guest of the man who is a most gracious host, and wife, Carol. We'll tell you later what Maurice is doing in more detail—but for now he's been researching for several years a book he's planning to write on the Arabs. He has just returned from Israel where he met with President Herzog, Simcha Diniz, Yosef Tekoah and a number of scholars, and he'll be visiting Egypt soon. We took a walk this afternoon and then stopped for tea, and more and more as the years go by, our friendship which was cemented long ago has been a pleasure for us as it must be for him.

So we'll tell you later about the wedding anniversary, and also about meeting Rabbi Krantzler and the president of the Temple, Allen Gordon, who happens to be a reader of The P-O, in a later "chair."

Older readers know that we love North Carolina and feel like coming home when we get back. We spent three years at the University of North Carolina, and have run up and down its hills and

dales as a cross country runner and we envy Rabbi Nath Perilman and the others who retreated to Chapel Hill. So the combination of the place and the people make tug at our heart as you readers will see us mention North Carolina and specifically, Charlotte, much will recall.

Charlotte, we've noted before with a population of less than 4 million Jews, produced the late Dr. Blumenthal and a Herman Blumenthal, a Harry Golden and Morris Speizman, a Maurice Weinstein, and was creative to the extent of pioneering with a successful circuit riding rabbi, who now is involved in a \$5.5 million acre campus which will house every Jewish institution from Jewish Community Center, educational institutions, congregations, and what have you.

Quite a Jewish community. On March 7, Gabriel Cohen wrote again concerning Rabbi Rocklin of Temple Israel:

The Conservative rabbi in Charlotte is Richard K. Rocklin and we've never seen anything like the way in which he is loved, and women alike adore him, and he were to leave, the community would have difficulty in recovering. He's been there for 11 or 13* years, we don't recall which, and while we didn't get to attend his services that we explained here last week, we can assume that he is a warm and outgoing individual whose qualities which endear him, we probably know more American rabbis than almost anyone, but the way in which Rabbi Rocklin has touched the lives of congregants is something outstanding. Maybe when we get to know him better, we can render some judgements about what about him—his professional ability has to be a factor—that even such sentiments.

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*Rabbi Rocklin has been Temple Israel Rabbi for 14 years.

Kibbitzing-Community News

COMMUNITY NEWS BETH DAVID, GREENSBORO, NC

Beth David Sisterhood's main project this year is work for the new library at the Jewish Theological Seminary which suffered a disastrous fire in 1966. In addition to its regular goal, additional monies will be raised, which will be rewarded by the inscription of Sisterhood's name on a shelf in the library.

Sisterhood held its Torah Fund Luncheon on April 9 in the Social Hall. The program was an award-winning script-slide show. Bunny Moff and Jimmi Williams were in charge.

The Choir of Beth David appeared at the Joint Holocaust Remembrance Service on Friday, April 20 at the Synagogue.

On May 20 the Beth David Choir will present the Greensboro Oratorio Society singing Handel's "Judas Maccabeus," at the synagogue at 7 PM. Tickets are available through the Choir or Synagogue Office.

Temple Emanuel Brotherhood's 10th Annual Golf Tournament was held Sunday, April 15, at the Farmington Country Club, with golfers from Beth David participating. Games, drinks, lunch, prizes, and trophies were enjoyed by all. Chairman was Ben Gaus.

Stephen Rosenstein, son of Mr. & Mrs. David Rosenstein celebrated his Bar Mitzvah at Beth David.

Mr. & Mrs. Don Eagle announced the marriage of their daughter Nancy to Bradley Cohen.

GREENSBORO:

We learned that Cy and Genie Jacobs of Greensboro celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary. Cy is past president of the Lumenthal Jewish Home, long active in the NCAJM, and at present Executive Director of

CAJE, The Carolina Agency for Jewish Education. CAJE is working to benefit our entire community by helping teachers in Jewish education. May Cy and Genie continue to enjoy life for years to come.



Teri Leibowitz & Bernie Ackerman

CHARLOTTE WEDDING

Teri Leibowitz and Bernard Ackerman will be married on May 19 in a ceremony at Temple Israel in Charlotte. There will be a reception and celebration at the Marriott Hotel. Many guests will attend from distant homes.

Teri was born in Springfield, Massachusetts, the daughter of Vivian and the late Jack Leibowitz (O.B.M.) of Charlotte. Teri attended Peace College in Raleigh and North Carolina State University. She is Executive Vice President of Market Research Associates, Inc., of Charlotte.

Bernard was born in Walhalla, South Carolina, and he graduated from Emory University. His parents are George and Sarah Ackerman of Ft. Mill, South Carolina. He is a C.P.A. and operates his business in Rock Hill, SC.

COMMUNITY NEWS CHAPEL HILL, NC

On March 17 a Symposium was presented by The Women's Studies Program of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This was held at the Carolina Inn from 10 AM until 5 PM, with a break for lunch. The keynote address was delivered by Anne Firor Scott of Duke University, and it was a beautiful tribute to Gertrude Weil. There were many interesting speakers for a panel discussion, with Eli Evans as the moderator.

The Friendship Circle met on March 25 at the home of Gladys Siegel. Slides were shown of her visit to Israel and the members enjoyed this very interesting afternoon.

Mrs. Mary Berman continues very ill and would like her friends to visit her.

Fannie Gladstein is still at the Hillcrest Rehabilitation Center in Durham. The address is 1417 Pettigrew, Room 211. Fannie will welcome visitors.

Steve Levin, son of Dick and Charlotte Levin, who is a feature writer for the Dallas News, covered the rape trial in Massachusetts of the four men who were implicated in the widely covered event.

MORRIS SPEIZMAN GETS SERVICE AWARD

The Charlotte Board of Realtors presented industrialist Morris Speizman with its first Community Service Award on Monday in recognition of his work for Mercy Hospital and several Jewish organizations.

Speizman received the award at a prayer breakfast sponsored by the Woman's Council of Realtors as part of the observance of Private Property Week.

The breakfast and presentation of the award are expected to become annual events.

Board President Dan Cottingham noted that Speizman chairman of a hosiery-mill equipment manufacturing and distribution firm, has served as president of Temple Israel, vice president of United Synagogues of America, president of World Council of Synagogues, president of Charlotte Federation Of Jewish Charities, N.C. chairman of United Jewish Appeal, president of the Mecklenburg Democratic Men's Club, president of the Mint Museum of Art, chairman of the Mercy Hospital board and president of the Charlotte Textile Club, in addition to being a director or trustee of 15 local, regional and national organizations.

It is, Cottingham said, "the profile of an unselfish person." He gave Speizman a plaque and a check for \$500 to go to the charity of Speizman's choice. Speizman designated the Special Olympics, and the Women's Council of Realtors gave an additional \$500 to that athletic program for the handicapped.

About 200 real estate people attended the breakfast. The speaker was Bob Harrington, dubbed the "Chaplain of Bourbon Street."

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LUBAVITCHER REBBE

Rabbi Menachem M. Schneerson will celebrate his 82nd birthday on Friday, April 13, the 11th day of the month of Nissan. On the evening of April 12, the Rebbe will deliver a public address at Lubavitch World Headquarters in Brooklyn at 9:30 PM. Cable TV stations will receive the program live via satellite and will transmit to North and South American stations. It will also be heard in Centers around the world, via a telephone hookup system.

The Rebbe speaks in Yiddish and a simultaneous English translation

will be provided. Thousands attending will be viewed on TV as they join in Chassidic singing and say "L'chayim" to the Rebbe.

Rabbi Schneerson immigrated to the United States in 1941, having studied at the University of Berlin and at the Sorbonne in Paris, learned in mathematics, medicine, and the sciences. In America he began writing on a wide range of subjects, Chassidic, Kabbalistic, and on Torah, and those writings gained recognition by scholars throughout the world. He assumed leadership of the Lubavitch movement in 1950. Its institutions soon acquired new dimensions, notably in the field of Jewish education. More than 100 cities in the United States and Canada have a Lubavitch institution. His followers claim that the Rebbe has transformed Chassidism into the heart of Judaism.

Over 60 volumes of his talks, letters, and responses have been published. He has become a legend in his lifetime, and has gained admiration, respect, and awe from those who know him. The utmost importance of his work is the comprehensiveness of his thought and action towards unity of the Torah, of the Jewish people, and the unity of the entire creation.



Rabbi Menachem M.
Schneerson

CHARLOTTE B'NAI B'RIT WOMEN

by Estelle Goozner

BBW held their 32nd annual installation of Officers meeting at the Ritz, located at the Nova Plaza Hotel on East Independence Blvd. on Wednesday, April 4th, at 11:30 a.m.

Charlotte Chapter of BBW is having a first time steering committee. We have joined the talents of Reggie Wittlen, Ben Linderman and Meryle Elko to provide our top leadership. In addition to their top administrative role, they will also have specific vice pres. responsibilities.

Besides the steering committee we have: Fundraising V.P., Tol Silber; Programming V.P., Meryle Elko; Com. Vol. Ser. V.P., Ben Linderman; Admin. V.P., Reggie Wittlin; Membership V.P. Susan Coen; Treasurer, Nancy Kohler; Fin. Sec., Linda Goldberger; Recording Sec., Mickey Waldman; Corres. Sec., Shirley Fytelson; Counselor, Linda Binnick.

Susan Bruck Installed BBW new officers for 1984-85. She is Past Pres. of BBW and the now Pres. of Avodah Council.

Our Seven branch Menorah was lit and each candle was named: Justice, Service, Peace, Truth, Harmony, Benevolence and Brotherly Love. These are the qualities BBW works at.

Elizabeth Klein, gave the Installation and then a lovely gourmet buffet luncheon was enjoyed by the members present.

Linda Binnick gave her farewell address mentioning the year's good work accomplished by Charlotte BBW.

We have to date 149 members, 10 life members. We received 3 new members this year and Gigi Kohn is our latest life member.

Three new members who joined are Marilyn Schnidman, Rochelle Rudo-Datnoff and Lila Josephs.

It was indeed a lovely Installation that day, and we felt we were truly enjoying ourselves at the Ritz.



New Officers for BBW (1984-85).

Miriam Wallace, of Charlotte, N.C., right, newly elected national B'nai B'rith Women executive board member, poses with Beverly Davis, newly elected international president of the 125,000-member Jewish women's service and advocacy organization, at the BBW Biennial Convention



THE MOST CRUCIAL TIME

by Rabbi Frank A. Fischer, Director B'nai B'rith Hillel in North Carolina

"College is the most crucial time of many of our lives. Assimilation is at its highest during these years; we are constantly questioning our identity, our upbringing, and our future. As a minority . . . we need to remain close, to form a community within a community . . . to be able to grow as young Jewish adults . . . At college, Hillel is all we have."

The insightful statement was

made by a student at one Hillel Foundation. Hillel professionals have known these truths for many years. They take on added meaning when spoken by a student.

At the center of the Jewish community on campus, Hillel serves all Jewish students without regard to institutional affiliation or background. Hillel provides Jewish educational and cultural resources for those who seek to expand their Jewish knowledge and experiences while devoting their major study time to professional and academic interests.

Here in North Carolina, Hillel serves Jewish students and faculty at the various campuses of the University system and at Duke University. The population numbers well over 3,000 young men and women who come here from the various communities throughout our State and from other parts of the country.

Our major program focus is at Chapel Hill and at Duke. These two campuses attract 2,500 Jewish students. Through extension service, we seek to reach out to students at E.C.U., N.C. State, Charlotte, and Greensboro. Guidance for these smaller campuses is provided by volunteer faculty and student leadership at E.C.U., N.C. State and Charlotte, and a part-time professional in Greensboro.

The activities of the Hillel year are diversified and wide-ranging. They include Shabbat and holiday observances, inter-collegiate weekends, social service projects, seminars and discussions, brunches, a variety of social functions, and home hospitality.

Highlights this year include **Jewish Awareness Week at Duke**, featuring Paul Cowan, author of "An Orphan in History," a presentation by Velvel Pasternak on Hasidic Music, and a photographic exhibit of works by Bill Aaron.

Students from throughout the State joined with those from campuses in Virginia for a weekend retreat at the University of Virginia and later this spring, U.N.C. Hillel will host a second weekend retreat. A number of our student leaders joined hundreds of students from across the country in a solidarity Day for Soviet Jewry in Washington, D.C. On each campus faculty members are regularly invited to speak to students at delis and brunches on a wide range of topics.

A delegation of students from U.N.C. Chapel Hill and Duke participated in Washington II, a national Conference of Jewish students from across the country sponsored by B'nai B'rith. The students discussed such issues as the prospects for peace in the Middle East, the current state of Soviet Jewry, and a number of domestic issues.

B'nai B'rith and Hillel have a very special relationship, much like a family. B'nai B'rith is the parent, Hillel the offspring. Additional vital support for our program comes from federations and other community-wide Jewish fund raising bodies throughout North Carolina.

We have recently refurbished the Hillel facilities in Chapel Hill, provided new office and meeting space at Duke and eventually, hope to secure office space for Hillel on the other campuses. This was made possible through a major capital improvement project undertaken by the State Hillel

Board under the dedicated leadership of Mr. Gerald Shor and Dr. Robert Rosenstein.

There are many things on campus that compete with religion. At Hillel, a student can get counseling if it is needed. A student who is troubled by a problem with a cult or an unsympathetic professor can usually get help from Hillel staff.

If Hillel were not here, it would mean that students couldn't get answers to some of these concerns. Supporting Hillel is one of the most important things we can do as a community.

N.C. B'NAI B'RITH ASSOCIATION YOUNG LEADERS

This year for the first time we held a Young Leaders Retreat Week-End. This affair was a joint venture with South Carolina and has the support of District Five and the District Young Leaders Committee.

The week-end for husbands and wives was held in Charleston, S.C. at the Charleston Marriott on March 23rd to 25th.

RALEIGH

During the current year the Raleigh Lodge converted with its previous success. The unit meets on a regular basis always with a speaker.

Some of the projects this year have been the annual community picnic on Labor Day Week-end. In November there was a successful Blood Drive. For December, they performed a community service project with their participation in Operation Pinch Hit on Christmas. The unit is now working on its participation in the Israeli Bond Dinner to be held in May.

HICKORY

The Hickory Lodge carried out a highly successful Christmas substitution program for Catawba Memorial Hospital. The project gained great notoriety from Hickory media. The lodge president, Peter Sullivan, commented "We want to help the poor and begin other projects, but one of the most important things we

can do is let our Christian friends be at home at Christmas time."

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

As we head into spring and begin to think about more relaxing times, we should consider, in the season of rebirth, the future. B'nai B'rith is more than 140 years old, and like the totality of the American Jewish community, it's undergoing profound changes. We see it around us, the Raleigh Lodge has changed to a unit; the Hickory Lodge is again a functioning part of order; the State Association has leadership development as its

prime objective. Many of the communities are undergoing profound internal changes.

What does all this have to do with us, you ask? B'nai B'rith has made adjustments often, since its birth, but the best changes were those institutes at the local level. It is vital that, in order for B'nai B'rith to be a key part of the Jewish Community, we must work together on these changes. We must have input not only from those cities which are growing, but also, from those of which are not.

Help us to decide on those directions. Please make it a point to attend the upcoming state and district conventions. Now is the time to tell B'nai B'rith what you need.

CHAI CLUB

For the past several years our Chai Club membership has been shrinking. At a time when our youth services are in desperate need for funds, we have yet to rally to their aid. If you are a member please make sure your pledges are paid. If you are not a member and are interested in helping, you may contact you lodge president or Chai Club chairman for further information. **Please take the time to pledge now.**

CHARLOTTE LODGE INFOGRAM

During this year Charlotte Lodge has been hard at work building new memberships. We have formed the Young Professionals Group to

create a source of your leadership for our lodge. This program has been very successful so far and membership has been on the increase.

At Christmas we did our substitution program for the hospital and jails. We have had several community service programs and are planning a major Jewish Awareness and CVS project. Our Charlotte Hebrew Cemetery Assoc. is in need of help to gain new members and funds. The Lodge has agreed to come to the aid by providing the manpower and time needed to achieve these goals.

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS GROUP OF CHARLOTTE LODGE

In order to better meet the need of the young men in Charlotte, the Charlotte Lodge directed its programming and membership drive towards the twenty to thirty five year old age group. Under the direction of Sam Kaplan, Region Director, the Young Professionals Group was formed in November. This group, while a part of the Charlotte Lodge, has functioned independently in its programming and recruitment of new members.

On November 13th the first function was held with Havi Moses formerly of the Denver Broncos, as the speaker. Over 100 people attended and the event was well received. The December meeting featured newly elected Charlotte City Councilman Richard Vinroot and was attended by 25 people despite inclement weather. The last function was cocktail hour held on January 3 with Charlotte Observer Editor Cartoonist, Doug Marlette who attracted 35 men.

The group is growing in popularity and is achieving its goals of obtaining new members and providing an evening fellowship among young Jewish men in Charlotte on a monthly basis. With proper programming we expect to continue to attract more new members who in turn will be exposed to all that B'nai B'rith has to offer.

SAVE THESE DATES !! NORTH CAROLINA STATE CONVENTION

DATE: May 19-20, 1984
PLACE: REGISTRY INN,
CHARLOTTE, N.C.

This is your state convention. We need your ideas and support for it to remain viable and grow in strength.

There will be an officers workshop and a programming workshop on Saturday afternoon. A cocktail party is the plan for Saturday night. On Sunday we will have our annual business session and an installation luncheon.

WOMEN'S ANNUAL MEETING Message to the Men

The North Carolina Jewish community can be proud of many achievements. In 1947 we originated the B'nai B'rith institutes, now an international movement. In 1954 we established the Circuit Riding Rabbi program widely copied on many areas. In the "sixties" the Blumenthal Jewish Home was born.

We now have another opportunity and challenge! Who among us is unaware to our Jewish youth who join the "moonies" or other cults, or who simply abandon our culture in search of ethical ideals; when these ethical ideals are waiting for them in Judaism IF OUR JEWISH EDUCATION CAN MEET THE CHALLENGE.

At our annual meeting last year the North Carolina Association of Jewish Men created The Carolina Agency for Jewish Education. Since then we have created a viable agency with an exciting program ready in operation.

Our goal is to create a network of Jewish Education covering the entire State and to strengthen meaningful Jewish Education for our children in all of our communities from the largest to the most minute. We are using exciting printed materials, audio visual equipment and computers.

Come to the annual convention

of our Association on May 6, 1984 in Charlotte to hear this story. We want every Jewish family to be aware of this exciting program.

Sincerely yours
Cyril Jacobs

ELECTION 1984—Words from Boone, NC

Dr. Sheldon Hanft of Appalachian State University at Boone, NC, has sent us an article from *The North Carolina Independent* issued March 16-29, 1984, entitled "Another Jesse with a Jewish Problem."

Dr. Hanft believes the observations in the article would be of interest to many North Carolinians, both Jewish and Gentile. The article was written by Mark I. Pinsky, who "has been writing about North Carolina politics since 1965."

The article states that the Rev. Jesse Jackson isn't the only Jesse with a Jewish problem, and that among the Jewish community which numbers about 20,000 in North Carolina, a consensus has been forming against the reelection of Senator Jesse Helms. The reason, the article states, is that "Helms has an exceptionally weak record of support for Israel. And even those Jews who may share Helms' reservations about Israeli military policy have detected the aroma of traditional, Old Right anti-Semitism behind Helms' opposition to Zionism."

We might mention that AIPAC has declared Helms' voting record to be the worst in its anti-Israel stance in the Senate.

Mr. Pinsky quotes from a 1970 broadcast by Helms, as editorialist for WRAL-TV, in which he voiced strong resentment against the news media for their pro-Israel bias.

Helms has gone as far as to suggest that the United States threaten to "shut down relations" with Israel.

One North Carolina rabbi voiced "no doubt in my mind that he's an anti-Semite as well. To me it's a

mitzvah to defeat Helms." Prominent Jews appear on the list of contributors to the campaign of Governor Jim Hunt.

Helms does have Jewish supporters, however. It would be wise to check his record before voting.

DR. DAVID CITRON AT CHARLOTTE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

When Dr. David Citron of Charlotte retires from Charlotte Memorial Hospital at the end of this year, he will become the Acting Director of Medical Education at that hospital, as well as filling the same position for the Charlotte Area Health Education Center, serving Mecklenburg and eight other counties.

Dr. Citron has been on Charlotte Memorial's staff since 1956. He will return to private practice on a part-time basis in Charlotte with the Mecklenburg Medical Group in 1985.

CHANGE OF DATE AT TEMPLE ISRAEL

"THE CHAPLIN REVUE" will be shown as the final film of Temple Israel's Film Series on May 20 at 8:00 PM. There will be no movie in June. The showing will be in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall and admission may be paid at the door.

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**AGUDAS ISRAEL
CONGREGATION OF
HENDERSONVILLE,
NORTH CAROLINA**

by Tillie Kaplan, Editor Agud
Israel Newsletter

Most of our foliage is still taking its winters nap, but the crocus, iris and daffodil are beginning to peep through the earth, so spring is surely on the way; well maybe, this past week it snowed and the cold weather is with us again.

Despite the cold and inclement weather, the winter has been busy one for our community. Friday night services and Saturday morning services in the Synagogue are well attended. Something new has been initiated for Saturday services by our lay leaders, who feel that women should be absolutely equal and should be drawn into all facets of the service, as per Martin Heilbrunn. They are called up to the Bema and participate in the Torah reading the portion of the week. The men read in Hebrew from the Torah and the ladies in English from the Bible. Such a wonderful idea and made thanks to the group who brought it to life. We can now follow along with the men and this makes the service so meaningful. The February 11th service was conducted by Miriam Sud with her husband Bert, February 18th by Sylvia Switzen with Bert Sud, February 24th by Toby Heller with Bert Sud.

We are now involved in the In-Depth faith Movement to raise funds to buy food and other necessities for the poor and needy in our area. The Ladies Auxiliary pledged to buy pampers and bath tissue. There are many young mothers here who no longer can afford these necessities. This is an ongoing project and we will try to meet further needs.

We are proud to report that Mayor Don Michelove and his daughter Ellie were in Washington, D.C. during February, attending the Mayors' Conference. Surely we can now expect some goodie from Hendersonville.

Our Friday night sermons by Morris Kaplan and talks by various members of the Congregation are always enjoyable, but the talk on February 3rd given by Bert Sud had great meaning. He feelingly told us about the Torahs and Artifacts taken from the Prague Synagogues by the Nazis during World War 2. This was in accordance with an edict given by the Nazis, who were convinced the Jewish religion and its people would be wiped off the face of the earth. They wanted to create a museum for the world to know the life style of a now extinct people. These Torahs and artifacts have been recovered and are at this time being exhibited in Museums around the world. The emotion Bert put into his narrative made his dissertation on the subject alive and important. He lived in Prague during the horror; he was there!

During the summer of '83 we had Wednesday afternoon get togethers in the Social Hall of the Synagogue. Liesel Stern helped run these. A special thanks to her and her husband Marvin for the hard work and devotion that went into this project.

Chanukah was celebrated with a sing-a-long conducted by Sylvia Switzen. The highlight of the evening was Bobby Deutch playing Chanukah tunes on his guitar, accompanied by the chorus of children. They were darling and made a joyful sound.

Our Morris Kaplan has been named the Civitan Citizen of the Year by the Hendersonville Civitan Club for outstanding achievement and unselfish service for the betterment of our Community. We are so proud that this hardworking member of our congregation received such recognition.

During last summer we enjoyed the Friday night services conducted by the children of Blue Star Camp. It was beautifully done and impressive. Later during the evening the children sang Hebrew melodies and danced the Hora. We really enjoyed them. We also had the privilege of having the children

from Camp Judea entertain us on Sunday August 7th. What a lovely group and how marvelous they were!

Our congregation celebrated Purim on Sunday, March 18th, in the Social hall of the Synagogue, with dreidels and groggers and the traditional reminders of the ill-famed Hamen.

Shalom until next time.

NOTES ON ATLANTA

Of the estimated 40,000 Jews in the Atlanta area, at least half are affiliated with its synagogues. About 100 years ago, the historic first temple opened on downtown Peachtree Street, and there followed the establishment of numerous orthodox and conservative synagogues throughout the South, as Jews continued to settle here.

The second of Reform Temples in Atlanta was built at the northern edge of Atlanta in 1968. It is Temple Sinai, with a membership of 425 families, soon to be expanded to accommodate people waiting to become members. Rabbi Philip N. Kranz and many of its members lead active lives in the Jewish community.

In an article in the Chicago Tribune, Bruce Buursma points out that Atlanta is a "major stronghold for the country's largest Protestant denomination, the 14 million member Southern Baptist Convention," which "once issued a tract on witnessing to Jews that noted among the things Jews do not know is that Southern Baptists love them. The pamphlet also asserted, with perhaps intended irony, that many Southern Baptists did not know that, either."

Temple Sinai occupies a site in an affluent suburban neighborhood. Its eternal light is encased in what was an Israeli mortar shell. The sanctuary is strictly modern, with Hebrew inscriptions and symbols on its white stucco walls. Temple Sinai follows the trend of restoring traditional observances and

rituals. Study groups on Hebrew Scriptures and rabbinic commentary, Hebrew language courses and the its Cantor all contribute to the spiritual and educational values offered.

COMMUNITY NEWS TREE OF LIFE CONGREGATION, COLUMBIA, SC

A beautiful Seder was held on Tuesday, April 17, in the social hall of Tree of Life Congregation in Columbia. The committee in charge was led this year by Ruth Bazerman. Rabbi Howard Kosovske presided.

Students of the Religious School attended a Sunday School Seder on April 15. School Principal is Marsha Weinbaum.

The Brotherhood held a free dinner on April 26. They also provided free admission to the Metro Baseball Game for all paid up members. Jerry King is President of Brotherhood.

Catherine Weiner has knitted a beautiful afghan which she donated for a raffle to benefit Tree of Life Congregation. The drawing will be held at the Congregational meeting on May 17.

The Bat Mitzvah of Joelle Lea Kosovske, daughter of Rabbi and Mrs. Howard Kosovske, was celebrated on Friday evening, April 13, when Jolie was called to the Torah.

Jennifer Euster was called to the Torah for her Bat mitzvah on April 27. Jennifer's parents are Sandra and Gerald Euster.

A joint service for Yom Hashoah was held by Tree of Life Congregation and Temple Beth Shalom at 8 PM on April 29 at Tree of Life Congregation.

COMMUNITY NEWS COLUMBIA, S.C.

Columbia's 1984 UJA-Federation Campaign closed on March 25 with an extraordinary program for the community. The Federation's Women's Division sponsored a Campaign Victory Brunch at the

Holiday Inn, Northeast, at which an address was given by Akiva Baum, former civilian administrator of the West Bank. He is currently associated with a Wall Street law firm specializing in international corporate law. He has practiced law in Tel Aviv and has studied in Israel, Europe, and the United States, holding various advanced degrees. Gail B. Anastasion and Rita L. Robinson and Alan Witten were honored with Sh'ma Awards for outstanding campaign leadership. Pat Baker received the special "Lion of Judah" pin in recognition of her exceptional contribution to the Women's Division this year. Victoria W. Serbin was honored with the National UJA-Project Renewal Ketubah.

An effort is under way to establish a chapter of Young Judaea in Columbia. There was a workshop on March 25 at the Jewish Community Center for children in grades 5 to 8 entitled "Being Jewish in a Non-Jewish World." Workshop leader was Lawrence Bergmann, Ph D.

The swimming pool at the Columbia Jewish Community Center will open on Memorial Day with a party. Repairs and improvements have been made since last year.

The Tree of Life Temple's Brotherhood presented a play, "What the Butler Saw," at Workshop Theatre on March 20.

GREENSBORO, N.C.

The annual Congregation Seder was held Monday, April 16, at Temple Emanuel. On Saturday evening, April 7, the Couples Club met at the home of Al and Vicky Kadans. Friendship Circle held a meeting at noon on March 22. On Friday, March 30, Hillel at UNC-G and Guilford observed Jewish Identity Week's beginning. The week's programs were planned and Sisterhoods of Temple Emanuel and Beth David helped with sponsorship.

Temple Brotherhood featured Dr. Yonah Alexander of George-

town University Center for Strategic and International Studies, speaking on "International Terrorism." The event took place in the Rypins Building on Sunday evening, March 25.

25th Annual Conference of Southern Branch of Women's League for Conservative Judaism

The 25th annual Conference of Southern Branch of Women's League for Conservative Judaism will be held in Asheville, North Carolina, April 29, 30, May 1, 1984. The hostess Sisterhood is Beth Israel. Marilyn Liberman, Knoxville, Tennessee, is Conference Chairman, and the Local Arrangements Chairman for the Beth Israel Sisterhood is Norma Feingold.

Jessica Waxman, of West Hartford, Connecticut will be the National Consultant Speaker. She is a Past President of her Sisterhood and of her Branch, which she now serves as Parliamentarian. She is an accredited Discussion Leader, Speakers Training Chairman, and Vice President for Women's League. Ms. Waxman has also served on her synagogue Board, the American Jewish Congress Board, Hadassah, and Jewish Children's Service. She is a former teacher and guidance counselor.

Programs planned for the Conference range from a discussion of the implications of ordination of women to voting in 1984. Workshops, displays, and programs highlighting the Conference theme THE YEAR OF THE BOOK—HOW BEAUTIFUL IS OUR HERITAGE are planned to take advantage of resources from the National office of Women's League. Delegates from Sisterhoods in Louisiana, Florida, Alabama, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee will attend. Harriet Schaffer, Memphis, Tennessee, is President of Southern Branch.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE EMANUEL, GREENSBORO, NC

The Congregational Passover Seder was held at Temple Emanuel on Monday, April 16, at 6:30 PM.

A model Seder was held for pupils of Grades 3 to 7 of the Religious School on April 15. Cradle Roll Passover Party was held April 21st for all pre-Religious School age children. Martha Eisenbert and Sherry Eckert were in charge.

Couples Club held its April meeting on the 7th at the home of Al and Vicky Kadans.

Carolyn Suzanne Sloan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sloan became Bat Mitzvah on April 13.

Brotherhood held its 9th annual Golf Tournament on Sunday, April 15. Ben Guaz was Tournament Chairman. A lunch at Bobb Kriegsman's followed. Trophies and prizes were awarded to three winning teams.

On Sunday, April 29, a Yorl Hashoah Service was held at First Presbyterian Church.

May events: Saturday, May 12: Temple Brotherhood Reno Nite in the Rypins Building. Sunday, May 20: Handel's Oratorio, "Juda Maccabeus" presented by the Beth David Choir at Beth David, directed by Paul Gould and conducted by Donald Trexler. Friday-Monday, May 25-28, Memorial Day Single Weekend in Nashville, Tenn. For information write to Jack Guttman, 242 Iroquois Apts., Nashville, TN 37205. A Family get-together planned for the weekend of June 1st to 3rd. Jan Marmor is chairperson.

COMMUNITY NEWS TEMPLE ISRAEL, CHARLOTTE, NC

Temple Israel celebrated the rededication of the Temple Ark in ceremony on Sunday, April 8, at 10 AM at Holocaust Square. Members assembled included children of the religious school and congregar

all age groups. After the congregation sang the "Star Spangled Banner" and "Hatikvah," there was an opening prayer by young members of the Bet Class, then Rabbi Rocklin's message related to the Holocaust, our remembrance of it, and the survival of Jewry and Judaism. A procession to the Temple was led by four past presidents of Temple Israel, Dr. Albert Kossove, Ike Ashendorf, Sol Gaffa, and Aaron Gliberman, who carried the Chuppah. Walking under the Cuppah, President Jerry Levin carried a Torah dressed in a mantle dedicated in honor of our auntie Smith by her friend Goodson Call.

Children of the Hebrew School and the assemblage gathered at the doors of the Temple where the Kindergarten and Primary Grades I and II sang "Eytz Chayim."

The program inside the sanctuary included brief remarks by Morris Speizman and the ceremony of dressing the Torahs in new mantles and adornments, with announcements of donors and honored names. Morris Speizman stressed the long continuity of the Torah since it was received on Sinai by Moses, and the symbol in this ceremony of our acceptance of the Torah's teachings. "It is in this spirit we dedicate our Ark."

The children of Belle S. and Luis G. Boxer presented a Torah mantle, and Deane and Karl Boxer presented the family. A Torah was dressed by Deane Boxer and William Ashendorf in loving memory of Rosalie Citron Ashendorf by her husband and children. Leonard and Evelyn passed the Torah with the mantle they donated in honor of their children, grandchildren and each other. In memory of beloved grandparents, Harry Goldstein and Cara Goldstein, Shel and Meg Goldstein dressed the Torah whose mantle was donated by Elen and Shel Goldstein, Meg Goldstein and Matthew Luftglass. Lee and Lois Benjamin acted in

honor of the cover donated by Lois and Sanford Benjamin in honor of daughter Robyn's and Son Lee's Bat and Bar Mitzvahs. Alyce and Sherman Levine donated a Torah cover in honor of the B'nai Mitzvah of their sons, Kevin, Brandon, and Jonathon, who did the Torah dressing before the Ark. One Torah was dressed with mantle donated by Pauline and Paul Lavitt of Hickory in honor of their 28th wedding anniversary October 15, 1983.

Cantor Frank Birnbaum sang the Shehechyanu and led other singing. The formal Ark opening was done by Berta and Sam Kaplan and the blessing on the new Ark curtains was made by Patty and William Gorelick.

Those assembled joined in fellowship for refreshments after the ceremony in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall.

A television program for Passover was presented on Charlott's Channel 9 on Sunday, April 15. Rabbi Rocklin, Cantor Birnbaum, and some adults and children of the Temple membership participated.

Congregants joined in a Seder the Second Night of Passover in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall of Temple Israel, April 17. This is the annual Pressman Passover Seder.

Young Couples Club held a Seder on Sunday, April 22, at the home of Judy and David Miller.

The following officers for Temple Sisterhood were elected at the April meeting: President Lois Benjamin, Vice Presidents Debbie Hirsch, Blanche Yarus, Merilee Kodsi, Ginger Snitz, Treasurer Arlene Karp, Financial Secretary Helen Friedman, Corresponding Secretary Paula Klein. Outgoing president is Rhonda Gleiberman.

A series of luncheon discussions will begin Wednesday, May 2, at 12:00 noon. Torah will be studied in a warm social atmosphere. Everyone is welcome.

TEMPLE BETH EL, CHARLOTTE

Temple Beth El held its Passover community Seder on Monday, April 16.

Guest speaker at Friday Evening Services on April 27 was Daniel S. Mariaschin, Assistant to the National Director of the Anti-Defamation League. He spoke on "Anti-Semitism After the Holocaust," lessons from the past and for the future. The event marked Yom Hashoa, Holocaust Day. A community-wide Holocaust Service was held on Sunday, April 29, at Holocaust Square at 12:15 PM. Interfaith Holocaust Services were held at 7:30 that evening at Assumption Catholic Church, co-sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews and the Charlotte Area Clergy Association.

Temple Beth El Sisterhood held a diner meeting on April 11. The program was presented by G. G. Kosch and included a slide presentation of her art work. Dinner was prepared by Bobbi Bernstein and her committee.

A special vote of thanks goes to Hilbert Fuerstman for his talent, patience, and dedication in repairing the Pulpit Bible of Temple Beth El. Presented to the Temple in 1943 by Claire Rosenberg Cohen, the Bible is out of print and this is a treasure of Temple Beth El.

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Reflections on my UJA Mission tour of Israel

by Ralph Smith

Standing on the Mount of Olives, the panorama of Jerusalem is one of earth's most inspiring skylines, the sun setting over the modern city structures with the golden Dome of the Rock slowly fading into the foreground darkness. Since its beginning Jerusalem has been ravaged by war, rebuilt, burned, ransacked, torn to pieces and rebuilt more than any other city on earth.

Jerusalem is a city replete with historical and religious sites, and is holy to three world religions—Jewish, Christian and Muslim. Its long and involved history make it one of the most interesting cities in the world to visit.

My wife and I along with other members of South Study Mission, UJA, arrived in Jerusalem on Feb. 16, 1984. The next morning we had the privilege to tour the Ophel Park. The archaeological excavations at the foot of the Temple Mount are still continuing. They commenced some 15 years ago and are expected to be completed some three years from now. This archaeological dig is the largest ever to take place in Israel, and the largest in the entire world during the last half century. Here, twenty-five archaeological layers have been discovered from the early days of King Solomon in this area, until the days of the Ottoman Emperor, Suliman the Magnificent,

the builder of the walls of today's Old City. Each layer tells a story about construction in the area of the Temple Mount.

Our next point of interest was a visit to a place in the Upper City named The Burnt House. The Burnt House was excavated in 1970 and was the first discovery clearly showing evidences of the sacking and burning of a house by the Roman legions. The plan of the Burnt House included a small courtyard paved with stones, three medium-sized rooms, a small room, a small kitchen and a small, stepped ritual bath. The remains of a young woman's arm was found in the kitchen; apparently she was not able to escape the fire. Also a spear was found propped against the wall where its owner could quickly grab it to defend himself against the invading Romans, but the Romans burned the house so

quickly that the spear was never touched.

These two excavations dramatically and vividly illustrate some of the tragic and fateful history of Jerusalem. Now after two thousand years Israel is again building its homeland.

A visit to Jerusalem would not be complete without going to the Western Wall on Sabbath eve. We arrived at the Dung Gate about 4 P.M. and proceeded through the gate to the Western Wall, my wife stopped at the place that is set aside for women, and I proceeded to the plaza in front of the Wall. Already a crowd was forming. By sunset it would be almost impossible to get up to the Wall. Just before sunset the students from the Yeshiva school came marching and chanting across the plaza to the Wall. Quickly they formed a single file line, dancing and chanting through the crowd, welcoming any who would join them. Within a few minutes they formed a small group and began chanting, standing facing the Wall. I became a part of it. Too soon it was over. I rejoined my wife, and we slowly made our way back to the hotel.

In most large cities that I have been in I would not think of walking the streets by myself, especially after dark. In Jerusalem I have found it safe to walk after dark. Saturday night I left my hotel and walked the Jaffa Road towards the



Inside the Burnt House

City. I stopped at the open market. Here you will see the most beautiful fruit and vegetables in the world. This is really the super-market of Jerusalem and so crowded, it is hard to walk, but well worth walking through. I proceeded down Jaffa Road to the intersection of King George Road and then started back. For me it was late, a few minutes after 10 P.M. It seemed to me that all the buses were still running and full of people and the streets were still crowded with people walking and some waiting on the buses. As I walked I sensed a feeling of a calmness and longing for Jerusalem, for I realized I soon would be leaving and already I was looking forward to my next visit.

When I got back to my hotel my wife was already asleep. I went out on the balcony. A beautiful, full yellow moon was overhead and below me I could see a peaceful Jerusalem, both ancient and modern, with a mystical glow that made it easy to understand King David when he said, "Behold, he that keepeth Israel doth neither slumber nor sleep."



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BINDING TIES

VALDOSTA, Ga.—A Valdosta State College professor of history, Dr. Louis E. Schmier, has just completed a unique Georgia history book. It is a pictorial history of Jews in Georgia and their contributions to the economic, cultural, political and religious growth of the state.

"*Binding Ties*" is to be released by the publisher, Creative Concepts, Atlanta, in late May. The hardbound first edition will be sold by subscription reservation and all books are to be autographed.

Carrying the subtitle, "*A Photographic Glimpse of the Jewish Experience in Georgia*," the book is more than just a picture book. Stories and vignettes help bring life to the photographs because, as Schmier says, "A photo may be worth a thousand words—but only if you have the right words."

The professor, a native New Yorker educated in his home state and at the University of North Carolina, spent most of his vacations for the past three years collecting more than 300 photographs, 90 percent of them never published before. He traveled the state, discovering towns he'd never heard of and some that are not on the map. He also went to other Southern states and as far as New Jersey, collecting family photographs and interviewing people.

"I found them in basements, attics, garages, storerooms, workshops and stuffed in boxes, drawers and envelopes. Sometimes I had to fight off cockroaches and mice. But some were framed and proudly displayed on tables or walls," he said. "The oldest photograph is dated 1849, and the majority are prior to World War II. I included a few contemporary photos to give a sense of tying the

present with the past."

Selecting a title for the book was a real struggle, the author said. His first choice was "Koshe Crackers," but he abandoned that as being too flippant. "*Binding Ties*" not only correlates the past with the present but pays homage to the fact that Jews have been part of every facet of the Georgia scene since the state was founded.

In the book are images of newly arrived immigrants, Confederate soldiers, peddlers, rabbis, businessmen, inventors, civic and political leaders. There are scenes of weddings, religious festivals, family gatherings, and ordinary people at work—hoeing cotton, plowing fields, canning peaches, forging swords, and playing games.

"Many of the photographs were not dated and the people in them were not identified, which meant the exchange of many letters and



Ben Taylor & his peddling wagon in Quitman, Georgia, 1906.

telephone calls," said Schmier. "I hope this will inspire people to preserve papers and photos and to date and identify them."

Looking through the book and reading the stories about the people in it is somewhat like being at a family reunion, evoking such remarks as, "Do you remember when . . .?" or "Whatever happened to . . .?" It stirs memories of personalities, relationships, meaningful events and important accomplishments, he said.

"The stories are told in the words of the people themselves, for the most part," said Schmier, "which makes it a warm and personable experience. What I like about it, it combines scholarship with readability, making it both informative and enjoyable. I'm kind of proud of it and it is the first book of this kind in the South."

"*Binding Ties*" is his second book, the first being, "*Reflections of Southern Jewry*." Schmier's third book, which he describes as a scholarly book," is to be published by Mercer University and is due off the press soon. He is now at work on a book about Jews in Valdosta, which he hopes to finish this year.



KEEPING THE DREAM ALIVE

By Don McEvoy

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JUSTICE DELAYED . . . DENIED

Seventy-one years is a long, long time to wait for justice. The Georgia State Board of Pardons and Paroles had the opportunity recently to make symbolic restitution for one of America's most blatant examples of the miscarriage of justice, but they failed the test.

In 1913, Mary Phagan was brutally murdered in the building of the National Pencil Company in Atlanta. Four months later, Leo M. Frank, a Jew, was found guilty of the crime, largely on the testimony of Jim Conley, who was the janitor in the building. Frank was sentenced to death by hanging.

Three months later, a vicious mob took Leo Frank by force from the state prison at Milledgeville, transported him to Cobb County and lynched him.

In March of 1982 Alonzo Mann told reporters of the *Nashville Tennessean* that on April 26, 1913

when he was only 14 years old, he had seen the body of the dead girl in the arms of Jim Conley, the janitor whose testimony had led to the conviction of Leo Frank. Conley threatened to kill the young boy if he ever revealed what he had seen. Mann later repeated his story, which was videotaped and recorded by a court reporter, to representatives of the Georgia Parole Board.

It took 68 years for an eyewitness to come forward and tell the truth. Alonzo Mann lived a lifetime haunted by fear and shame. Only in the twilight of his life, and after the death of Jim Conley, did he muster up the courage to confess what he had seen so many years ago.

It has also taken that long for Jewish organizations to feel sufficiently secure to petition for a posthumous pardon for Leo Frank. But last year the ADL and the American Jewish Committee and the Atlanta Jewish Federation did just that. They asked the State Board of Pardons and Paroles to cleanse the record of this dark stain.

The Board refused, saying that it was the responsibility of the petitioners to prove conclusively Frank's innocence. For shame!

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JERUSALEM—FIVE YEARS OUT OF THREE THOUSAND

by Simon Griver

This Jerusalem Day marks five years since I first came to live in Jerusalem. Five years is no great length of time in a city which is reputedly at least 3,000 years old, but in all those centuries it is unlikely that there has been another five years in which the city has undergone so many physical changes.

Since 1979 Jerusalem has spread outwards at an unprecedented pace. Rocky hillsides have been transformed into huge, sprawling suburbs like Ramot, Gilo and East Talpiot, where my own apartment is located. To some, these new neighborhoods are hastily conceived, monotonous, concrete slabs. Such descriptions may be exaggerated but aestheticism has sometimes been

compromised for the sake of economy.

In the last few years construction has pushed ahead of outer-outer suburbs like Ma'ale Adumim in the Judean Desert. Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek is bitterly opposed to these new settlements. He argues that it is better to have a smaller Jerusalem with a clear Jewish majority than a Greater Jerusalem stretching from Bethlehem to Ramallah, which might eventually have an Arab majority. He is against a policy which encourages young couples to prefer Ma'ale Adumim since housing is cheaper there than in Jerusalem.

This question is only one reminder of the deep divisions and potential tensions that plague Jerusalem. The city's Arabs remain unanimously opposed to the concept of undivided Jerusalem as capital of the State of Israel. However, each year produces a more grudging acceptance that the peaceful co-existence is preferable to a circle of futile violence. There have only been two terrorist bombs that have exploded causing fatalities during the five years since I have lived in Jerusalem, claiming nine lives. (I, myself, was slightly injured by the first of these bombs in Ben Yehuda Street in September 1979, before I emerged unscathed from my army service!).

I am anxious, as a Jew, over the growth of Jewish terrorism and violence. There was the attack by American immigrant Allan Goodman on the Temple Mount which killed two Arabs and the recent spate of grenade attacks on churches and mosques by the TNT ('Terror against Terror') organization which culminated in an aborted attempt to overrun the Temple Mount. There was the murder of Emile Grunzweig, the 'Peace Now' demonstrator whose only crime was his views were what they were. Emile was an IDF parachute officer who paid for his views with his life—and it seems unlikely that it was an Arab who threw the grenade which cut him down.

A similarly worrying phenomenon is the violence of ultra-orthodox extremists against Jews who reject the outlook of religious zealots. The war cry of 'shabbat shabbas' preceded weekly stone-throwings on the Ramot road, and this has anything to do with the traditions of Judaism. Other struggles surrounded the archaeological dig on the site of King David's city which it was claimed was a former cemetery, and the proposed sports stadium in the northern suburb of Shuafat. Some ultra-orthodox elements struck at the heart of Jerusalem democracy in September when they physically attacked Mayor Kollek as he left a synagogue after Shabbat prayer. That he was so overwhelmingly elected as Mayor shows how remote these enclaves of fanaticism are from the rest of Jerusalem. Most of the very moderate orthodox Jews in Jerusalem deplore the extremism and intolerance of the zealots, whom they see as a noisy and harmful element in Jerusalem.

In a more optimistic view, tensions have abated between Sephardi and Ashkenazi Jews during the years I have lived in Jerusalem. While socio-economic disparities remain, the gap is narrowing, partly through social programs like Project Renewal and partly through a general consensus that integration is desirable. There are more and more Ashkenazi-Sephardi marriages, producing children to whom the differences are meaningless. The new suburbs have been particularly helpful in breaking down ethnic barriers as a cross-section of Israelis move into them. Both the fifth President Yitzhak Navon and his successor Chaim Herzog, believe that in the area of life Israel is making progress. Jerusalem certainly is.

But it is not only the outskirts of Jerusalem that have changed in the last five years. Over the years the downtown area has come closer to resembling the center

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Elsewhere the city has seen
any other projects reach fruition
the last five years. The Hebrew
niversity opened its new campus
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Even the timeless, walled 'Old
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With the burgeoning construct-
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at the city's projected population
l be no more than 600,000.

The capital's diplomatic
pulation has, on the other hand,
runken considerably in the last
e years. The Jerusalem Law of
180 drove the thirteen embassies
at were located in the city down

to Tel Aviv, though that of Costa
Rica has since returned. The law
stipulated what had already been
imple:ted following the Six Day
War in 1967, enabling the Arabs to
spell out how effective their diplo-
matic pressure can be.

One Institution that remains in
Jerusalem is, as we have noted,
Mayor Teddy Kollek himself. Re-
elected last October for a fifth term
in office, he has served as mayor
since 1965. Kollek's promotion of
racial and religious tolerance; his
benevolent bullying for the best
interests of all Jerusalemites and
his untiring efforts to improve our
quality of life—these don't change.
I may be biased but in my view, the
fact that 65% of Jerusalemites
voted for Kellek is the most
optimistic sign that during the
coming five years peace and
harmony will prevail in the eternal
city.

ISRAEL IN THE JEWISH RELIGION Eretz Yisrael in Jewish Spiritual Consciousness by Dr. David Geffen

*Dr. David Geffen, who came to
Israel from Atlanta, Georgia, writes
of the religious and spiritual aspect
of the historical connection be-
tween the people and the Land of
Israel.*

The Psalmist tells us in Psalm
126, "They who sow in tears will
reap in joy" ("Hazorim bedima
berina yizkoru," in Hebrew). These
words are most appropriate as we
celebrate the 36th, double hai,
anniversary of the State of Israel.
For close to 2000 years, prior to the
founding of the State, our ances-
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much a part of their lives and beliefs. In prayers they intoned, in the Torah they read, in the Haftorot they chanted about Eretz Yisrael. They expressed not only a love of the land but also a longing to return to the soil of our homeland.

The words of the prophet Ezekiel, chapter 37, at the conclusion of the vision of the dry bones—rang in their ears “Thus saith the Lord—I will open your graves . . . and I will bring you to the land of Israel . . . and cause you to be at ease in your land.”

The statement ‘Leshana Haba’ah beYerushalayim’—‘Next Year in Jerusalem’—which we recited only a few weeks ago at the conclusion of the Passover Seder, is one of a number of key phrases always helping us to keep Eretz Yisrael in mind and in focus. That same phrase, it will be recalled is also recited after the shofar is blown at the conclusion of Yom Kippur. In the holiest of moments we are commanded not only to remember our land but to hope that next year we would be there.

In the daily morning service the love of God for His people is emphasized in the ‘Ahava Rabba’ prayer. A significant part of that love is to “bring us home in peace from the four corners of the earth, and make us walk upright into our land.” These lines begin in Hebrew with “vehaviaynu” (bring us home) and express a basic sentiment which characterized Jewish life for century after century, encouraging God to bring us home from wherever our sojourns had taken us.

Immediately after this prayer comes the Shema. The Shema affirms God’s unity and affirms our readiness to perform His commandments and to transmit knowledge of them to our children. The second paragraph, surprisingly enough, deals with the land of Israel. Taken from the eleventh chapter of the Book of Deuteronomy there is an emphasis on the cessation of rain to water the fields if the Jewish people turn

away from God. Yet the bottom line in the entire passage is the conclusion which proclaims, “That your life and the life of your children may be prolonged in the land, which the Lord promised He would give to your fathers.” Just think about it—day after day, three times a day, we Jews recite the Shema, and as we do, we emphasize agriculture in Eretz Yisrael. For centuries there has been no better way to remember the land than referring to it as we do in the Shema.

The silent devotion, the Shemona Esreh prayer, provides an overview of aspects of Jewish needs. After referring to a number of significant categories, we reach the statement, “may our eyes behold Thy return in mercy to Zion.” As these words were recited throughout history, Jews recalled with a broken heart how we waited so long and suffered such terrible losses until we could return to our land. Moreover, now that we have our land—would that others may feel the need to join us so that together we might all witness that Return, now expressed in aliyah to the independent State of Israel, which is so vital to continuing the growth of Israel.

Annually we are reminded by the prayers for dew at Passover and the prayer for rain at Shemini Atzeret that it is our responsibility as Jews to call for Divine assistance to supply the needs of the land. The power of poetry of both of these special tefilot prayers echoed the close ties to the land of Israel of the Jewish people wherever they may be found.

The most recent revisions in the various prayerbooks have made it abundantly clear that today all streams and groups in Judaism accept the importance of Israel as our spiritual home. Both in the Reform and Conservative (Mesorati) siddurim of recent years, there are numerous prayers and references to the reborn State of Israel which call for the worshippers to pray for the peace of

the land and its inhabitants. Daily, weekly, annually this link to the land is stressed through the services that are conducted and reaffirmed in the sermons which the rabbis preach. The love of Israel, Ahavat Yisrael, unites religious Jews.

They who sowed those seeds many centuries ago have provided us with the chance to reap the fruit of their labors in that we have Medinat Yisrael, a State of Israel which celebrates its independence and sovereignty. As we mark Israel’s 36th birthday, we must assure ourselves if we are doing enough to insure the future of the State. Our prayers never cease, our interest never wanes, but every so often, such as when we observe Independence Day, we must reaffirm the resolve—“Bring us peace from the four corners of the earth and let us walk upright into our land.”

While Israel is celebrating over 36 years of statehood, it therefore seems fair to say that the hope of the birth of this state has been a part of the Jewish consciousness for 2,000 years—ever since the destruction of the second Temple and our expulsion from the Land. We, in this generation, are blessed with the realization of that hope and dream. This embodies both the privileges and the obligations of the Jewish people in our days.

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TRIBUTE TO OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

Old man: You get old and can't do anybody any good any more.

Boy: You do me some good, Grandpa. You tell me things.

— Robert Penn Warren

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There is a popular notion that older people are set in their ways. The truth of the matter is that they can be remarkably adaptable. They have to be. They have lived through more technological change than anybody in history, from horse drawn milk wagons to supersonic jets and man walking on the moon.

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We are often asked what the needs of our older adults are. Health care and finances are, in my view, two primary concerns. In health care two things are vital. We should constantly strive to arrive at a better understanding between the physician and the patient; and difficult as it is to solve, we must come up with workable and acceptable charges for services rendered.



Jeff McMillan

We must also bear in mind, for one reason or the other, that we will always have the truly needy among our elderly. America's compassions will decide their plight.

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I don't know what your destiny will be, but one thing I know: The only ones among you who will be really happy are those who have sought and found how to serve."

Albert Schweitzer

Society is slowly but surely becoming enlightened to a truism: there is no single point when someone becomes old. For example, the

Guest Editorial by Jeff J. McMillan

ability to be a creative person recognizes no age limit. We could cite any number of older adults who are proving the truth in the old adage that "It's better to wear out than to rust out." Recently Rex Harrison, at 75, opened successfully on Broadway as the lead in the revival of "Heartbreak House," a drama by George Bernard Shaw. Red Skelton, 70, and James Cagney, in his 80's, are still performing. But the encouraging aspect of ongoing creativity in old age is that it is not limited to rare individuals or the famous. It is common in everyday life.

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In summing up this tribute to Older Americans and Older Americans Month, we wish to state two of our firm convictions: Society must increasingly strive to meet the needs of our elderly. And, just as important, we must provide opportunities for our older adults to serve in some capacity. When we give them the opportunity to feel needed we complete a circle of love.

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In conclusion we remind our readers: People of all ages have needs. They differ, of course. And one of America's finest hours will be the day we close — once and for all — the generation gap.

Ed. note: A senior citizen himself, Jeff McMillan writes a bi-weekly column, "Reflections," for the Winston-Salem Sentinel. He teaches in the Adult Continuing Education division of Forsyth Technical Institute, and also volunteers at BJH as the instructor in Creative Writing.

KEEP BUSY STAY HAPPY

by Rose M. Spire

All knowledgeable persons in the research and studies of the aging agree on one thing — that the prime key to a healthier and more satisfactory life for the elderly is to remain active. In my case the proof is in the pudding.

I am a resident of the Blumenthal Jewish Home. I was admitted due to a disability problem. I have been a resident two years. At the Home there are many activities. Now, at 83, I continue to participate in several projects daily.

Our Recreation Therapist, Sharon Roever, prints an activity calendar each week. Therefore we can select the activities we desire. One of my typical days would include going to the Craft Shop, where I paint. The instructor, Catherine Smith, has been a tremendous help. I have completed three pictures. One I titled "Winterscene at Twilight," which I sent my daughter as a birthday gift.

I also attend a creative writing workshop. The instructor, Jeff McMillan, has helped me to write stories, one of which was published in our Home magazine.

On one of my typical days I also attend and participate in a Contemporary Issues class. We discuss the interesting news of the week.

My days are complete and happy. I have also overcome my disability.

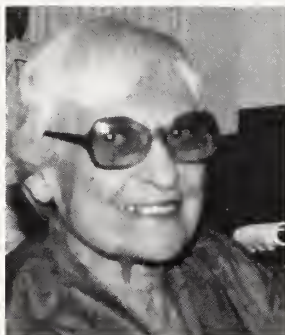
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Rose Spire (Roanoke Rapids, NC)

Recently I received a card from my granddaughter, Gayle. She wrote, "Aren't you glad we are related? I love your painting. You did a wonderful job. You are following in your granddaughter's footsteps with your interest in painting. I also enjoyed your story about Uncle Bernie that was published in your Home magazine. You are certainly getting talented in your later years. I am glad you are so active. It gives Mom and me a role model to follow when we are your age. Love — Gayle."

CALENDAR FOR MA OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

- MAY 1
Junior League Music Makers
6:30 pm
- MAY 5
Outreach Movie, 10 am
Social Hour, 2 pm
- MAY 6
National Nurses' Day
- MAY 7
Israel Independence Day
Brenner Lecture: Facing East
Look at the People of Today
Israel, Marvin Bienstock, Ex
Director, Jewish Federation
Charlotte, 2 pm
- MAY 8
Clemmons Senior Citizen
Meeting — at the Home, 10
- MAY 9
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:15
- MAY 11
Cooking Club, 2 pm
*Men's Outing, 2 pm
- MAY 13
MOTHER'S DAY
*Winston-Salem Symphony
- MAY 17
CELEBRATE! Leave BJH
9:30 am
- MAY 18
CELEBRATE! Recognition
Ceremony, 12 noon
- MAY 22
*Out to lunch, 11:15 am
- MAY 23
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:15
- MAY 27
Brenner Concert: Young Sa
Symphony and Volunteer F
ognition Ceremony, 2:30 pr
- MAY 29
*Tanglewood Picnic, 10am-2
- MAY 30
Ladies' Coffee Club, 2 pm
Contemporary Issues, 3:15
*We invite families and friend
join us for these events in Ma
Off-campus activity



Yearly treat — the Purim play and visit from students of the Charlotte Hebrew Academy!



B'nai Shalom Day School (Greensboro) students performed a mini-version of Mozart's *Magic Flute* for BJH residents.



The Brenner Series (March) featured Dr. Charles Isley and his Barbershop Quartet.



A Wing Nursing Assistants were honored in a special recognition ceremony. L-R: Barbara Ragan, Robin Beard, Susan Jones, Judy Bowden & Vonda Smith.

CELEBRATE '84 IS RIGHT AROUND THE CORNER. WE NEED YOU!

July 17, rain or shine, BJH residents are competing in the second annual CELEBRATE! Senior Olympics.

We need volunteers to assist with transportation, to help residents at the Fair Grounds, and to aid us during mealtime.

Please call the Recreation Department (919-766-6401) if you can donate some of your time. We need your help to help us win the trophy for the second year in a row!

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Dacron fill for pillows
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Polyester cotton remnants
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Embroidery thread
Lamp shade frames
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Art supplies
Picture frames
A mannequin (to display handmade shawls, etc.)

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THE STAFF OF THE BLUMENTHAL JEWISH HOME

by Anni Frankl

Every morning, when I am well enough and when the weather permits, I go for a little stroll through our beautiful grounds. Much of the time I walk down the driveway to the entrance gate, from which you can see right down to the river. As the seasons change you can enjoy a variety of landscape pictures. Sometimes it's hazy, and on other days the air is so clear that you can see far over meadows and wooded areas, even to the two highways.

As I walk many vehicles pass me — mostly older ones, big and small cars, station wagons, trucks, flat tops, some with noisy motors or other defects that one can hear long before and long after they go by.

It gives me a warm feeling to realize that all these cars bring people for just one purpose: to serve us residents. From many of the vehicles someone may wave at me. Much of the time I cannot recognize who it is, but I know that these are friends, and I greet back. I feel that it is a good beginning to the day to have all the beauty of nature around me and so much friendliness expressed to me.

Frequently during the day in the hallways or in the crossroad between the buildings I meet somebody who may say to me something like, "I saw you walking this morning. How well you have recovered." They all know my name.

Since my admission to the BJH in May, 1979, I have been ill and in need of special care three times. Each time I found myself having to use a wheelchair and then a walker for a while before I completely recovered. The people who gave me such friendly encouragement were not only those in direct daily contact with me. Some of them were office workers. Others belonged to the housekeeping or maintenance staff.

Like most newcomers I had worried that my life and my contact with people would be much less personal than I was accustomed to when I entered a large institution. I worried



Mrs. Frankl presents her paper to the Board of Governors.

that in many ways I would be reduced to a number. True, my garments and underwear are marked "280," and my mail carries my room number "126." But I am still the person I always was, recognized by name and treated like a friend.

In my own professional life I have always enjoyed team work. Under the present administration of the Home such coordination of services is superbly organized. With all the different services we receive from a large staff it is amazing and very enjoyable to find that one can still get to know many of the individuals, from Executive Director Al Mendlovitz down to the most modest employee.

The relationship between a staff member and a resident includes much more than one giving care and the other receiving it. I can't help worrying when the staff has difficulties getting back and forth in nasty weather, or when one of them is sick. And I enjoy hearing from those who do farming or gardening — what they plant and when, and how things grow and are finally harvested. It is always a pleasure for me to see or hear about staff member's children, especially the little ones.

Many little things happen that go beyond the line of duty. For instance, one of our nurses' assistants, when on duty in the morning, brings to those of us who have subscribed to it, the morning paper to our rooms. The rule is to pick it up at the nurses' desk. A man from housekeeping, who

used to be a farmer before so serious health problems forced him to seek less strenuous work, often comes to clean our floors. He and I talked about my plants in the winter and one day he brought stakes and fixed up one of them for me. When I was moved to another floor he dropped in once in a while, always with a friendly smile, and once he brought his wife and daughter to say hello.

One more example of such special treatment. For almost a year now I am suffering from diabetes and am under treatment with strict diet and insulin. There are frequent ups and downs in my blood sugar level that impair my general well-being. I am grateful to our staff for helping me understand the illness and for watching over me. I used to take several days' vacation away from the Home when my brother came to visit, but now I don't even dare to go on such a thing. But I have local friends, who like to take me out for lunch, shopping, and I love it. In my present condition I could easily be told to give up these short outings for the time being. Instead, I am encouraged to go out and have a good time, and much attention is given to the amount of blood sugar I have at the time of departure, so I can take all necessary precautions.

These little incidents are not rare occurrences. They fit into the thoughtful care the residents are given, and show the quality of the relationships between residents and staff members.

To fully appreciate the friendly helpfulness of the staff, one must realize that we residents are always cooperative and friendly in turn. There are those who complain a great deal, others who find it impossible to conform to the necessary rules they are asked to respect. Some may spread nasty rumors, but coping with these and other difficulties, the staff members frequently reveal their admirable professional attitudes. Knowledge of the conditions, needs, wishes and difficulties of each resident is shared, much to our benefit, and here again the freedom of staff supervision and teamwork

p/s off.

In an institution certain rules have to be kept and certain schedules have to be set. Yet it is possible to balance the needs of the institution with the needs of each person in a sensitive and personal way. In closing I want to describe a small, perhaps not too significant incident, that nevertheless tells something about the general, friendly atmosphere that exists between staff and residents in the Home. It was almost past breakfast time and I lingered over my last cup of coffee while the majority of guests had already left the dining room and the servers were busy clearing the tables. A woman, who finds it difficult to come to meals on time, arrived. A server came to take her order and when to pass it on to a cook in the kitchen. A little while later the cook himself brought the breakfast on a tray, and served it. When she started to pour the coffee in the cup, the server objected, saying that she wanted her coffee later. The cook said, "Honey, you want your coffee now, because later" — and she made an expressive gesture "no more coffee."

The preceding article is reprinted in part from a longer paper which Mrs. Finkl wrote at the request of Norman Fner, President of the Board of Governors.)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

1 YEAR

Garren Brannon, Orderly on call
Betty Harris, Nursing Asst., B-1
Debra Holton, Nursing Asst.
on call
Phillip Money, Orderly, A Wing

3 YEARS

Marlene Newell, RN, B-1
JoAnna Tucker, Dietary

4 YEARS

Vicki Lanning, LPN, B-2

7 YEARS

Barbara Ragan, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing
Esther Peay, Dietary

9 YEARS

Pauline Allen, Nursing Asst., B-1

CONGRATULATIONS!

The following employees are winners in the Perfect Attendance Program:

Dallas Hamilton, Orderly, B-2
Ruth Howell, Dietary
Joan Lennon, RN, B-1
Belinda Salazar, Laundry
Joe Smith, Housekeeping

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May your name be inscribed in the Book of Life with Health and Happiness:

Christine Daniel
Benjamin Eldridge
Emilie Froehlich
Rose Leibowitz
Anna Passman
Mayer Schulman
Sylvia Silbert
Douglas Vaughn

WELCOME

May you have a long, happy and healthy life:

Ida Aronowitz, Bronx, New York
Anita Kirkham, Dallas, Texas
James Robertson, Winston-Salem, North Carolina
Sylvia Silbert, Charlotte, North Carolina
Virginia Dare Wyatt, Winston-Salem, North Carolina

IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Ike Goodman, Emma Pearson, Lucille Tolley and Sophie Zweben. May their cherished memories bring comfort to their loved ones.

PLEASE TELL ME

By Ruth Wharton
Social Services Coordinator



Ruth Wharton

Q. Will the Home take care of my estate when I become a Resident? I don't trust my family.

A. No. We are not in a position to provide that kind of service for you. In a case like this, we suggest you select a trust officer to care for your finances.

Q. My mother has strange eating habits. When she moves into the Home, can she have a bagel with cream cheese for breakfast?

A. In this particular case, yes. We have a large variety on our breakfast menu and we try to cater to individual likes and dislikes. Residents must let our dietary staff know of their wishes and we will try and comply, keeping in mind, however, kosher dietary laws and medical needs.

Q. What kind of medical services does the Home offer?

A. The Home is licensed for two levels of nursing care — intermediate and skilled. Each Unit is staffed with highly competent nursing personnel. A Licensed Nurse is always on each of the Home's living units. There are three physicians on our staff who come to the Home four days a week.

Q. Are the Residents allowed to use the living room?

A. Yes. Residents and their families are encouraged to use the living room — it is their home, and we hope they will take advantage of the beautiful and comfortable areas throughout the facility.

ARTHRITIS WEEK BJH RESIDENTS AND STAFF MAKE THEIR MARK

For the first time in the history of the Home, residents voted to sponsor a "Rock and Roll Jamboree" to raise money for a health-related agency. They chose to support the Arthritis Foundation of North Carolina, and lent their energies and enthusiasm to a week-long effort of awareness and fund-raising for help with this disease.

And what a success "Arthritis Week" was! Each day brought about another activity for which residents — and staff — found sponsors, ticket-buyers, and interested helpers. Monday, March 26, was "Information Day" about the Arthritis Foundation. Kenneth Wilson, Director of Development, and John L. Kline, Executive Vice-President of the Foundation, visited the Home and spoke with residents and staff about the Foundation's purpose and goals.

Tuesday was "Rock for Arthritis" day. Residents lined up in shifts to rock in the A Wing Lobby. They had already signed up sponsors to donate money according to how long they rocked. Most residents agreed the work wasn't too hard and the pay-off was great!



Ben Eldridge, La Quietta Davis and Julia Kennette (all from Winston-Salem).



Rocking for arthritis: Pauline Bobrow (Elizabeth City, NC) and Rose Leibowitz (Greensboro).



Roy Ray (Winston-Salem) with 11-year old volunteer Stuart Belnap.



Rose Halpern (Greensboro, NC) with Exec. Director Al. Mendlovitz and Rose Spire (Roanoke Rapids, NC).



Ed Dwiel (W-S) and volunteer.



Dolly Wolf (Montreal, Canada) with volunteers Tim and Jason Blevin.



Top-o-the-morning! Zeno Sink (Winston-Salem).



Julie Sparks (Adm. Secretary) and Mary Chizik (Asheville).



Ruth Folkner (Pfafftown), Bettie Doss (W-S) and Virginia Harmon (W-S).



Glen Belnap escorted Helen Schwartzman (Greenville, SC) on the indoor "Mile-Walk for Arthritis."

Wednesday was "Raffle Day." Over \$100 was raised in ticket sales for a beautiful crewel pillow, made and donated to the Home by Elizabeth Griffeth, a private duty sitter at BJH. Lucky winner was Mrs. Anni Frankl (Winston-Salem).

Thursday was "Unit Day." Each of the Home's Units had special activities in the Home's living room to sell "services" for arthritis. B-1 residents Ethel Iseman and Virginia Harmon sold chocolate chip and peanut butter cookies they and other residents had made earlier in the morning. Ethel also sold a marble cake, which she made especially for the fundraiser. A Wing residents sold hugs and kisses, and their booth was busy and lucrative!

Friday was "Walk to the Gate" Day. Residents, staff and volunteers signed up sponsors to walk a mile for arthritis. Those who preferred to stay inside did three round-trips from A Wing solarium to B-1 solarium and back, which equalled a mile. Whether outdoors or indoors, everyone had fun and agreed this was the highlight of the week.

Pledges are still coming in, but at this writing we have exceeded our goal of \$250! Congratulations — and thanks — to all who joined in to make "Arthritis Week" a huge success!



Hard at work rocking for arthritis: Claire Bernstein (Greensboro), Sol Greenberg (Charlotte) and Kate Pliner (Albuquerque, NM).

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FACTS ABOUT THE JEWISH ELDERLY

Jews 65 and over form about 13% of the national Jewish population; by 1991, this is expected to increase to over 15%. The Jewish aged follow national trends for those over age 75 (38%) and over age 85 (10%); these two groups are also predicted to increase in the next decade. A recent study has found that the Jewish population is aging at a higher rate than the general population. While the average age for the U.S. population as a whole is 30 years of age, for Jews, it is 35 years. Persons 60 years old or older head 31% of all Jewish households in this country, which has been contributed to by the sharp decline in Jewish fertility rates and overall longevity. Again like the general population, Jewish women live longer than Jewish men. Presently, 56% of the Jewish women and 44% of the Jewish men are over age 65.

Of those Jews 65 and older, 71% have only a high school education or less while in the next age cohort, 50-64 years of age, 52% have no more than a high school education. Undergraduate college education is higher for those 50-64 years of age (33%) than for those 65 and older (13%). A quarter of those over 65 have a post-graduate education while half of those 50-64 do.

In the American Jewish population as a whole, 700,000 to 800,000 Jews live below poverty level incomes. In the general Jewish population, 72% of those households with incomes under \$4,000 are those with someone 65 or older in them, and 25% of these are single-person households.

Jewish women have increasingly become part of the working force and, therefore, are not available for day to day care giving. And there are significant numbers of Jewish elderly who do not have living children and who must, thus, manage alone. (Aging Concerns — UAHC)

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NORMAN STILLMAN

For the past 11 years, Dr. Norman Stillman has been the Associate Professor of History and Arabic, State University of New York at Binghamton. He has been a visiting professor and lecturer in Middle Eastern and Jewish History, Near Eastern Languages and Literature; Medieval Jewish History and Arabic in such places as Tel Aviv University, New York University, Jewish Theological Seminary of America University of Texas Extension Program in Morocco and for two years (1968-70) he was assistant instructor in Hebrew at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr Stillman holds a B.A. in Oriental Studies from the University of Pennsylvania, Ph.D. in Oriental Studies from the University of Pennsylvania and did Post-Doctoral Studies at the Jewish Theological Seminary (1970-71). His academic honors include Phi Beta Kappa, Honors Major, in Oriental Studies, magna cum laude and he received the B'nai Zion Gold Medal for the best undergraduate Hebrew student at Pennsylvania.

He is an accomplished linguist possessing knowledge in Arabic, Colloquial Moroccan Arabic, Hebrew, French, Persian, Aramaic, Latin, German, Spanish (reading ability only).

His publications consist of 1 book, 2 coedited volumes, a monograph, numerous articles in English, French and Hebrew; as well as contributions in the *Encyclopedia Of Islam*, *Encyclopedia Of World Literature In The 20th Century*, *Dictionary Of The Middle Ages* and *The World History Of The Jewish People*

LECTURE TOPICS:

1. The Islamic Factor in the Middle East: What we must know as Americans and Jews
2. Traditional Islamic Attitudes Towards Jews and Judaism
3. New Attitudes Towards the Jew in the Middle East: Can a Semite be an Antisemite?

VELVEL PASTERNAK

Velvel Pasternak's name has become synonymous with Hasidic music. His recordings and books have become the definitive works in their field. Mr. Pasternak has lectured extensively in synagogues, community centers, university campuses and classrooms throughout the United States, Canada and Israel. He has vividly brought the glorious heritage of Hasidic music to enthusiastic audiences wherever he has appeared. By means of tape recordings, Velvel introduces his audiences to the finger-snapping and foot-tapping melodies which have become the hallmark of Hasidic music. In addition, Mr. Pasternak succeeds in transmitting a renewed appreciation for the Hasidism, one of the most colorful groups in Jewish life.

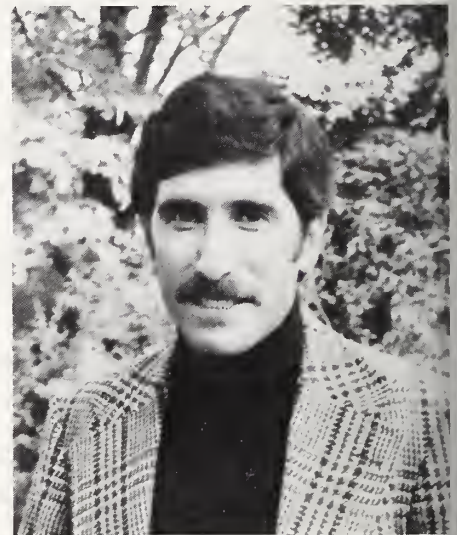
Mr. Pasternak was born in 1933 in Toronto, Canada. He holds a B.A. from Yeshiva University and a M.A. from Columbia University. His Post-Graduate studies were at Julliard School of Music and the Department of Ethno-Musicology-Jewish Theological Seminary.

He was an Instructor—Yeshiva University Cantorial Training Institute (1959-1968), an associate Professor of Jewish Music—Touro College (1971-1979), and a Music Director—Brandeis Bardin Institute in California (1977). He has lectured at many universities throughout the United States.

He was Editor of the Jewish music section, "Jewish Almanac," Bantam Books (1980). He is the author of many Jewish songbooks and has many recordings and arrangements to his credit.

LECTURE TOPICS:

1. From Bukhara to Block: An Overview of the Music of the Jews
2. Hasidic Music: A Joyous Celebration
3. A Shabbat of Hasidic Music



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SPEAKING OF MEMORIALS

by Estelle Hoffman

Sometimes it seems there have been no improvements in the character of human society, and it is easy to feel that human nature doesn't change. Maybe not, in fundamental traits, but everyone agrees that fashions do change, and so does behavior, especially differing in dissimilar areas of the world.

Rulers, leaders, and important people have always wanted to leave a permanent memorial to themselves, in the universal urge to obtain a bit of eternity. More than ever before, tourists now scurry to see pyramids, temples, memorial edifices of all kinds. In the United States, statues of individuals have been erected since our beginning as a country. In recent times, monuments have been more often constructed to events or causes than to men and women of specific identity. A past president is more likely to have a library dedicated to commemorate him than a statue.

Notable is the General MacArthur Museum in Norfolk, which every American, especially those who were not grown and aware through the 1930's, should visit to view the film shown there of the newsreels of the years before we entered World War II. It rekindles the horror of the time and gives understanding of the causes of that war and feelings of Americans which impelled us to fight.

Besides libraries, schools, museums, monuments to unknown soldiers, ideals, and certain valiant groups, there is a new (in the span of history) kind of monument in the United States. It is the "Foundation," established either during or after the lifetime of a person or corporation. The list of

Foundations is long, and most grants receive little or no publicity.

Occasionally, rarely, wealth is accompanied by genius and humanitarianism, operating quietly and conscientiously; enriching all within range. Philanthropy of good people is not new and not unexpected. That good which results from fortunes of people who were not bent on doing good deeds, or in some cases from the fruit of the labor of people who were rascals, or at least unadmired by most of us, has become our heritage.

No names will be cited here, but think of some enormous endowments which are well advertised. Much of that money was originally gained through exploitation of workers, through business practices of questionable virtue, by giants in commerce who were bigots, and we have been endowed ultimately from the proceeds of those fortunes with a legacy of weekly operas in our homes via radio, with endowments to the arts, to educational institutions, with scholarship assistance and various benefits too numerous to attempt to mention.

There is much to relish in the realization of the irony involved in this thinking. Imagine a rogue, a quasi pirate, perhaps disdainful of the masses, greedy and thinking of self-enrichment, or at best building a financial empire for his own family. After his life of extravagance and self-indulgence, the general public profits from his enterprise. In reply to the probable reasoning in the mind of the reader, it may be that tax structures of government make it expedient that philanthropic procedures be instituted; that makes no difference in the effect.

Didn't Abraham Lincoln say that

the good which a man does is interred with his bones, but the good lives afterward? I believe, "It is not necessarily so," and offer in proof these foregoing thoughts.

When a donor is known, a memorial is a real and permanent tribute. When he is anonymous, the contribution is just as great in benefit to society thereby accomplished. So, builders of fortunes in our time, leave us no pyramids built by slave labor and vulnerable to pillage, nor leave statues of emperors with removable heads. Instead, bequeath us with some of the proceeds of your wealth, so that we may all be enriched. The burden of the taxpayer need not include a great cost for the subsidy of projects conceived by great misers which lack the financial wherewithal to achieve them. ("The government has wars to wage and many factions to appease! When changes in taxation lighten the burden of big business, let some small portion of the resulting difference sift down to us, the general public.")

There can be no greater monument than such a bequest.

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SECOND HAVURAH INSTITUTE AT WILDACRES

The second Southeastern Regional Havurah Institute will be held at "Wildacres", a magnificent retreat center in the mountains of North Carolina from Thursday August 24th through Monday noon August 27th, 1984. The cost is \$135 per individual plus membership in the National Havurah Movement (\$35 per person, \$50 family membership). Lodging, meals, materials and gratuities are included.

The Institute has a fourfold purpose:

a. To train Havurah leaders for congregations. Workshops on techniques, group dynamics, and innovative programming will be included.

b. To provide adult Jewish education of the highest level, featuring some of the leading teachers of the Havurah movement.

c. To further Jewish creativity in the arts by bringing together leading exponents of Jewish graphics, dance, and music. The weekly Torah portion will be interpreted by the artists, using their art forms.

d. To celebrate the fullness of Shabbat in profound and innovative ways.

Among the teachers, leaders and artists participating are Dr. David Teusch, Executive Vice-President of the Reconstructionist Foundation; Dr. Joseph Rosenstein, chairperson of the National Havurah Committee and chairman of the mathematics department at Rutgers University; Rabbi Mitch Chofitz, founder and Rabbi of "Havurah of South Florida", an authority on Jewish Mysticism; Rabbi Allan Lerman of Gainesville, teacher of Midrash; Rabbi Saul

Rubin of Savannah, Georgia, chairman of the Central Conference of American Rabbi's Committee on Havurah; Dr. Joanne Tucker, founder of New York based dance company "Avodah", specialist in Jewish liturgical dance; and Dr. Bernard Solomon, professor of art, Georgia Southern College, reknown Jewish artist and printmaker; plus other experts.

Reservations are limited to the first 100. For further information, please contact Rabbi Mitchell Chofitz, 7150 SW 62 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33143 (305-666-7349) or Rabbi Saul Rubin, Temple Mickve Israel, 20 East Gordon St., Savannah, Georgia 31401 (912-233-1547). In the Atlanta area, applications are available through Debbie Antonov at The Temple (873-1731).

NEWS FROM RALEIGH

by Selma Schoen

On March 31, the Beth Meyer Synagogue sponsored a gala dinner-dance which was held in it's beautiful new social hall, and was attended by about 300 people. The Sisterhood prepared a most delicious dinner and dancing continued until after midnight.

The Annual Israel Bond Dinner took place on Sunday, May 6th, also at the Beth Meyer Synagogue. The honoree was Dr. Elmo Scoggin, in recognition of his many years of dedication to Israel and the Jewish people. Dr. Scoggin has been a professor of Hebrew and Old Testament studies at the Southeastern Baptist Seminary and is chairman of the North Carolina State Holocaust Commission. The Bond Drive dinner was sponsored by the local B'nai B'rith unit. Dr. Scoggin was

presented with the "Lion of Judah" Award by Dr. Abram Kanof and George Conroy served as Master of Ceremonies. The featured speaker of the evening was Tanin Eschel, the Deputy Speaker of the Israeli Knesset.

The statewide annual commemoration of "Yom Hashoah", Holocaust Memorial Day took place on Sunday, April 29th and was most impressive and well attended.

The members of Beth Meyer Synagogue enjoyed a most informative lecture by Dr. Abram Kanof, explaining the magnificent wall-hanging, done in needlepoint by Joanne Pizer, which hangs in Beth Meyer's entrance hall. The hanging reproduces a part of the mosaic floor of the Bet Alfa Synagogue in Israel.

Dr. Kanof who is the Curator of the Jewish Exhibit at the North Carolina Museum of Art, is available to guide groups through the Judaica Exhibit.

The Beth Meyer Sisterhood held its Annual Donor Luncheon and those who attended spent a most delightful afternoon having a lovely lunch and listening to the guest speaker, Rabbi Stephen Sager of Beth El Synagogue in Durham.

The Raleigh Chapter of Hadassah held its Donor Luncheon and installation of officers on May 16th.

The months of April and May have seen many "simchas" in Raleigh. Mazel Tov to:

Adam Steigrad, son of Mr. & Mrs. Alan A. Steigrad, on the celebration of his Bar Mitzvah.

David Jaeger, son of Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Jaeger, on his Bar Mitzvah.
Cynthia D. Kirschbaum, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Rorid Kirschbaum, on her Bat Mitzvah.

Sherri Landau, daughter of Mr. &

Mrs. Henry Landau, on her Bat Mitzvah.

Stacy Harris, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Harris, on her Bat Mitzvah.

David Falk, Jr., son of Mr. David Falk, on his Bar Mitzvah.

Congratulations to Iris Wagman, a senior at Duke University and daughter of Dr. & Mrs. Jack Wagman, who has won a prestigious scholarship for the M.D.-PhD program at Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis, Mo.

NORFOLK, VA

Temple Israel of Norfolk, Virginia presents its Second Annual Jewish Singles Sun and Fun Weekend to be held at the Grand Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach, August 24-26, 1984. It is an opportunity to join with **Jewish singles from the entire East Coast.**

After last year's participation of 50 people, Temple Israel expects an attendance of over 600 this year. A full program of worship, dining, music, dancing, sports, discussions and swimming in the ocean or indoors will make this a complete vacation. Cost is \$150.00 per person, double occupancy, includes four meals, services, Oneg Shabbat, dance, speakers, numerous sporting events and, of course, surf and sand.

Reservations and payment before July 15, 1984 entitles the participant to a \$10.00 discount. More information may be obtained at Temple Israel, 7255 Granby Street, Norfolk, VA 23505. Telephone (804) 489-4550

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B'NAI ISRAEL CONGREGATION WILMINGTON, N. C.

"The B'nai Israel Congregation is planning a Gala Anniversary weekend in early November to celebrate the 81st Anniversary of the Congregation as well as the 30th Anniversary of its current building. This is a correction to the previous article which stated that the Congregation was only 30 years old."

CHARLOTTE

Maurice Weinstein was guest speaker on Friday night at Temple Israel Men's Club Shabbat Service. He spoke on Arab Motivation and peace in the Middle East.

A Holocaust Service was held at Holocaust Square on Sunday, April 29, sponsored by the Charlotte Jewish community with local civic leaders participating. On the same evening there was an interfaith Holocaust Service at Assumption Catholic Church, sponsored by the National Conference of Christians and Jews, as well as by the Charlotte Area Clergy Association.

Rabbi Mordechai Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Shai Richardson, is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary on May 13. He will become Assistant Rabbi of Achavat Achim in Atlanta.

Dr. and Mrs. David Citron announce the engagement of their son Barry to Karen Winter. Alice Miller of Charlotte is Barry's grandmother. The Millers are members of Temple Israel also.

The Jewish Community Center and the Charlotte Jewish Federation in cooperation with the Jewish organizations is sponsoring a community-wide Israel Independence Day celebration on Sunday, May 6, at Randolph Junior High. Activities include a Maccabiah (mini-Olympics) from noon to 2 PM, Opening ceremonies from 2 PM to 3 PM, and booths and special events, including dance,

Israeli musician, and exhibits from 3 PM to 5 PM.

Channel 9 of Charlotte aired a Passover Program with Rabbi Rocklin conducting the Seder, Cantor Birnbaum and children and adult members of Temple Israel participating in the Seder, and Temple Israel Choir and The Shriner Chanters supplying opening and closing music. Participants deserve our gratitude, because of the fact that the taping took eight continuous hours for the 28 minutes of viewing time.

GREENSBORO, NC

The annual meeting of the Greensboro Jewish Federation was held May 24 at Beth David Synagogue. At this open meeting the Consul General of Israel, Yosef Yaakov, was guest speaker. Election of officers was held and 1983 allocations were recommended by the Allocations Committee of the Federation, along with those of the Finance and Executive Committees.

Rabbi Israel J. Gerber

Rabbi Israel J. Gerber of Gastonia, N.C., Professor of Psychology at Johnson C. Smith University, has been invited to address the 8th International Conference on "Environment and Human Action," sponsored by the International Association for the Study of People and their Physical Surroundings (IAPS). The symposium will be held in July in West Berlin.

Dr. Gerber will speak on "The Association Between Ethnic Background and Malignant Melanoma Mortality in the United States." The paper is a joint effort of the Rabbi and his son, Wayne S. Gerber.

(Local Delegates Attend 1984 JWB Biennial in Boston)

Three local Jewish representatives attended the 1984 Biennial Convention of JWB, which took place in Boston from April 25-27.

JWB is the leadership network and central service agency for 75 Jewish Community Centers, 100 YWHAs and camps in North America serving 1 million Jews. It is also the U.S. government accredited agency serving the religious, Jewish educational and morale needs of Jewish personnel in the military, their families and hospitalized VA patients.

More than 900 Jewish communal leaders from North America, Israel and Europe—many of them presidents, members of board of directors, and executives of JCCs, Ys, Jewish Federations and other organizations—spent the five days in grappling with issues and problems of pressing concern to the Jewish community.

These major issues included ways of maximizing the Jewish educational effectiveness of JCCs, meeting the changing needs of the Jewish family, rising to the challenge of leadership, and making the most productive use of the new technologies.

The local representatives who attended the JWB Biennial were Martin L. Schneer, Miles S. Lerner and Harold Josephson.

They heard Dr. David Hartranft, Hebrew University professor and director of the Shalom Hartman Institute of Advanced Studies in Jerusalem, who served during the entire convention as Biennial Scholar-in-Residence.

Morton L. Mandel, of Cleveland, reported the findings and potential implications of a study conducted by the Commission on Maximizing the Jewish Educational Effectiveness of JCCs. Mandel is Commission chairman; William Rotman is study director.

The delegates also took part in an intensive Sabbath experience beginning Friday night with

Shabbat dinner and Shabbat Cafe and including Torah study sessions, Shabbat services, a Shabbat luncheon and Study Seminar on Saturday.

Arthur Kurzweil, genealogist, discussed "Jewish Roots." James and Marcia Rudin, co-authors of *Prison or Paradise?: The New Religious Cults*, discussed the problem of Jews in cults. Dr. Daniel Hartman led a session on Torah study.

The West Point Jewish Cadet Choir sang at Sabbath services. Rabbi Barry H. Greene, chairman, JWB's Commission on Jewish Chaplaincy, delivered the sermon. Dr. David Hartman led a study seminar Saturday afternoon.

The delegates took part in plenary sessions, forums and workshops. Some of them participated in an Advanced Leaders Roundtable. Others took part in a six-hour New Leaders Seminar that featured Professors Bernard Reisman and Jonathan Woocher of Brandeis University.

At another session, delegates heard Dr. Ben Chinitz, dean, School of Management, Lowell University, Lowell, Ma., speak on "The Outlook for Jewish Philanthropy in the Coming Years."

In addition to serving Jewish Community Centers in North America and U.S. Jewish military personnel, JWB strengthens Jewish education and culture through the Jewish Media Service/JWB, JWB Lecture Bureau, JWB Jewish Book Council, JWB Jewish Music Council, and Israel-related programs.

JWB is supported by Jewish Federations, the UJA-Federation Campaign of Greater New York, Jewish Community Centers and YM-YWHAs, and JWB Associates.

DEBT

While Ronald Reagan's runaway military spending makes the budget deficit zoom, Donald E. Wilkinson, governor of the Farm Credit Administration, reminds us that the government is in debt to the tune of \$1.4 trillion—one thousand and four hundred billion dollars.

How can we put even a billion in perspective? Here's Wilkinson's try:

* A billion seconds ago, Harry Truman was U.S. President.

* A billion minutes ago was just after the time of Christ.

* A billion hours ago, man had not yet walked on the face of the earth.

* And a billion dollars ago was late yesterday at the U.S. Treasury.

RELIGION AND HITLER

A new play in Salt Lake City, Utah has rekindled painful memories about a young German

Mormon, Helmuth Huebener, who pamphleteered with two young friends against Hitler, despite his church's wishes. He was beheaded by the Nazis in 1942, while his friends, Rudy Wobbe and Karl-Heinz Schnibbe, survived years in concentration camps.

The play, "Heubener Against the Reich," by Brigham Young University professor Thomas F. Rogers, was suppressed by church leaders because a doctrine of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints requires obedience to the "law of the land." In the Nazi era, the church authorities in Utah counseled German members to support the Third Reich. Another church doctrine, however, teaches devotion to truth and freedom of choice.

Mr. Huebener's two young Mormon friends are alive and living now in Utah. Both were cast heroes in the play, but, in its run at the university, were branded as "traitors" by anonymous callers.

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Shavuot

"The season of the giving of the law and the birth day of Israel's religion".

by Morris Kaplan

"And he gave unto Moses, when He had made an end of speaking with him upon Mount Sinai, the two Tablets of the Testimony, tables of stone, written with the finger of God." Exodus XXXI:18.

Mount Sinai has been for approximately 3000 years, and still is, in the mind and heart and prayers of the Jewish people.

The Book of Exodus, complimented by our prayer book, has kept vibrant for each successive generation the awesome event experienced by Moses and his followers at the foot of Mount Sinai; an event which occurred "On the third new moon after the Israelites had gone forth from the land of Egypt." Exodus 19:1.

Shavuot commemorates the event of the revelation where God's will was revealed to Israel. It marked the proclamation of the ten commandments.

The drama of Moses' encounter with God on Mount Sinai for forty days and nights and its consequences, has been recorded and dramatized in literature, drama and song to this very day.

The Ten Commandments became the moral bedrock for much of western civilization. It's

acceptance by Moses committed the Children of Israel to obey God's commandment and convey the message of the "Shema" to all people.

On that day on Mount Sinai the children of the Exodus became a nation. From that day to the present, a span of approximately 3000 years, the Hebrew people carried the "Ark of the Lord" before them on the tortuous road of Jewish history. The relics of the past strewn along the battle scarred road of history marks the undying faith of a people and attests to what a people with a mission, inspired by God, can endure.

The Festival of Shavuot emphasizes a spiritually significant and moral lesson that for the Jewish people the struggle for freedom from bondage and the blessings of religious and political freedom can only be sustained by complete and uncompromising commitment to Torah.

Our Torah with its commandments was, and still is, a challenge to a people who with amazing dedication and devotion received God's promise as recorded in the Book of Genesis 12:2, "I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and be thou a blessing."

We might ask, is the revelation as received on Mount Sinai relevant

today? Has the course of his refuted God's promise to the people?

The answers to these questions can be found in the history of the people within the context of world history.

As we study the history of the people we are constantly amazed by the fact that we have survived and still exist as a viable Jewish people, still stubbornly dedicated to a spiritual and moral way of life.

The glories of the Jewish people, the unsurpassed contributions which our people have made and still are making to mankind, in spite of the tortuous road which our people have traveled, is documentary proof that God's promise was not received in vain.

The birth and existence of the state of Israel attests to this. Amen Yisroel Chai. "The people of Israel will live."

Will Herberg in his book "Judaism and the Modern Age" concludes with these statements: "To be a Jew means not only to stand in Abraham's place and answer 'Here I am' to God's call when and where it comes; it means also, to stand at the foot of Mount Sinai and receive the Torah."

The challenge of Jewish history is the challenge of Shavuot today. The gauntlet thrown at our feet—challenge to arise and confront again and again those enemies who would destroy us.

Do we as Jews have the convictions—the dedication—the courage to stand in Abraham's place and answer God's call "Here I am"?

At this time, another dark hour in our history, the cloud which hangs over the state of Israel, the savagery of the Russian leadership in its treatment of the Russian Jews, vicious anti-semitism and its ugly head here in America and other parts of the world. All of these



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challenges call upon us, at this Shavuot to arise and answer "Here I am" and to give of our political and financial strength to bolster our prayers to God as expressed in the "alenu": "And it has been fortold: The Lord shall be King over all the earth: on that day the Lord shall be one, and His name one."

Morris Kaplan is president of Congregation Agudas Israel. He is a resident of Hendersonville since 1945. He and his wife Anne have two children, Major David Kaplan (West Point, 1969, married to the former Elissa Landey of Valdosta, Ga.) and Eileen Stang (married to Dr. Michael Stang, M.D. formerly of Greensboro, N.C.) and two grandchildren, Jeffrey and Lara Kaplan.

PERTAINING TO JEWISH WEDDING CEREMONIES

A question frequently asked about the Jewish wedding ceremony is, "Why is a glass broken at the end of the ceremony?" Most common is the explanation that breaking a glass is a reminder of the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem in the year 70. In that connection, as in others, it reminds us that our joy is never unalloyed, that we must remember the sorrow of others, even as we rejoice. Also offered is the reason of the fragility of human relationships and emotions.

The ring used in the ceremony is supposed to have no jewels in it. Here the reason is unclear, but part of tradition. Reasons offered are that stones are rough, in a poor symbol of marriage, which is supposed to be smooth, or that value should not be ostentatious in the marriage ceremony. The latter may raise a great many questions about modern Jewish weddings.

It is customary to throw nuts and/or candy at the groom when he is called up to the Bimah on the Sabbath before the wedding, symbolizing good wishes and blessings. Nuts are traditionally a sign of plenty, in various cultures, as well as our own.

In a traditional Jewish wedding ceremony the groom comes to the canopy (Chuppah) before the bride. This indicates the freedom of choice allowed the bride, it is said, so that she sees the groom before she reaches the canopy. The Zohar says this was the procedure in the creation of Adam and Eve. After she was created from Adam's rib, she was "brought unto Adam."

Speaking of the "chuppah," which means "cover," it is used to symbolize the home the married couple will establish, or a bridal room in which the bride and groom will consummate the marriage.

The seven blessings in a Jewish wedding ceremony, called "Birkat Chatanim" represent the seven days of the week in which the Almighty created the world . . . or, they might represent the seven canopies provided for Adam in the Garden of Eden.

There is controversy over the reason the wedding party is arranged by the parents of the bride, when the wedding feast is called in Hebrew, "Seudat Chatan." It is done generally in America, and it might be suspected that the bride's parents think it worth the price to marry off a daughter. By this time the custom is set and seldom altered, although we do hear of affluent grooms or their parents who pick up the check when the bride's family is unable to foot the bill.

Lighted candles carried by members of the wedding party as

they approach the canopy enhance the beauty of the occasion. Explanations for their use include the requirement of light in all Jewish ceremonies, indicating that we need to be enlightened, that this is an enlightened activity, that the couple has made an enlightened choice.

Best wishes to all of our readers who participate in June weddings this year!

AJCONGRESS REPORT ON FUTURE OF AMERICAN JEWRY SAYS JEWISH IDENTITY WILL REMAIN STRONG IN 21ST CENTURY

Despite demographic changes and a high rate of intermarriage and assimilation, Jewish identity in coming decades will remain a strong and vibrant force in American life, according to a report just published by the American Jewish Congress.

The 36-page report, entitled, "The American Jewish Community in the 21st Century," was prepared for AJCongress' Biennial Convention held March 25-28 in Baltimore. It asserts that while a growing polarity exists between the Orthodox and other segments of the Jewish community, a "strong Jewish consensus" will continue on key issues of traditional Jewish concern.

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of attention for American Jews. And certain communal traditions, such as philanthropy, will also retain a role of fundamental importance, as will a strong current of political liberalism, the report says.

Prepared by Dr. Donald Feldstein, an authority on Jewish communal relations, the report acknowledges, however, that "there does exist a very serious demographic problem for the Jews in the United States." With the threat of high attrition due to such factors as intermarriage and low birth-rate, "we could enter the 21st century with just over 4.6 million Jews," according to the report.

Furthermore, there will be significant population shifts, as the American Jewish community disperses throughout the country. The report notes that the percentage of Jews in the Northeast has dropped by 14 percentage points since the 1930's. "The twelve largest cities of Jewish settlement now house under one-third of American Jews," says the report. It predicts a significant redistribution to rural areas, university towns, and other regions outside of the northeast urban areas.

The report acknowledges that this dispersion can serve either as a force for weakening existing Jewish communities or for reviving many moribund smaller Jewish communities. Similarly, demographic dispersion can work to dilute the political power and influence of the Jewish community, although it can also serve as a strengthening factor, by motivating Jewish leaders to accelerate political activity and contracts with legislators as a means of countering the effects of dispersal. The actual outcome will depend on the degree to which Jewish communal leadership recognizes these developments and takes steps to deal with these changes.

Despite these predicted changes, the New York metro-

politan area, however, will continue to be the center of American Jewish life, the study predicts.

The report notes that there has been a surge in Jewish day school enrollment in recent years. "That 85 to 90,000 American Jewish children are enrolled in day schools is a reality few would have predicted in the 1950's," the report states. The report also cites the increase in Jewish education programs in colleges and universities, as well as the more informal courses in Jewish culture, Yiddish and other areas of Jewish life in community centers synagogues and elsewhere.

However, the AJCongress report does not paint a sanguine picture. Most Jewish children are not receiving intensive religious training which will make a lasting impact on their later lives, it contends. Additionally, Jewish educational institutions lack a solid base of trained teachers and are experiencing a serious financial crisis.

The AJCongress predicts a growing "bipolarity" in American Jewish life—a division of the community into two camps: the larger will be un-educated in Judaic matters and less identified with the Jewish community, but still Jewish enough to respond in a crisis: the smaller will be more Jewishly educated and involved in Jewish affairs.

Accelerating the spread of bipolarity is the current drop in the overall Jewish birthrate in the face of a high rate of reproduction among Orthodox Jews.

The report predicts that intermarriage will continue at a rate of 30 to 40 percent into the next century. It concludes that, "issues of quality aside, there is evidence of little or no quantitative loss to the Jewish people from intermarriage, due to conversion of spouses and Jewish identity of the children." Nevertheless, the report adds that the "intermarried, and how to (deal with them) or not to

deal with them, is one of the major questions now facing the American Jews." How the Jewish community meets this issue will help shape the nature and size of the American Jewish community in the decades ahead, the report observes.

While American Jews will continue to be "heavily professionalized" in such fields as medicine, law and academia, the report says, "a new class of Jews is emerging in the corporate executive world in a whole variety of fields." Included in this changing professional scenario are more Jews receiving M.B.A.s and entering the business world, high-tech firms, real estate and communications.

However, the report stresses that through "American Jews are among America's wealthiest and most highly-educated subgroup" there are pockets of Jewish poverty, especially in the large urban areas. According to the report, the aged are the largest segment of the Jewish poor. Since Jews will continue to have a disproportionate number of elderly people in their ranks, this problem will persist in the years to come.

Projections of Jewish organizational life, also included in the AJCongress report, foresee a continuing variety of agencies and institutions. But it predicts a strengthening of the local federation system as these agencies revise their strategies and activities to adapt to the needs of an increasingly mobile and diverse Jewish population.

The report includes three additional observations:

Since American trends in general determine Jewish trends, even to the extent of influencing American Jewish attitudes toward Israel, the future of American Jewry will be shaped largely by the American future.

A likely projection for the future of the American Jewish community is an "ebb and

flow" process in which the size and influence of the Jewish community alternately shrinks and grows, in numbers and influence.

The United States is a "unique crucible" for an American Jewish community eager and able to enter into the American mainstream. Jews have thrived in the U.S. in spite of their relative small size as has no Jewish community in a host country before.

Lisbon, Portugal, April 27 . . . A call for "speedy normalization" of diplomatic relations between Spain and Israel was made here by Shimon Samuels, director of the Anti-Defamation League European Foundation (ADLEF).

Mr. Samuels made the appeal during a meeting on "Anti-Zionism, A New Form of Anti-Semitism," held under the auspices of the Union of Jewish Students of Portugal. Some 60 students—from Portugal, Spain, Spanish Morocco and Gibraltar—attended. ADLEF provided materials and guidance for the symposium.

Noting that the conference was taking place on the 10th anniversary of the Portuguese revolution against dictatorship, Mr. Samuels said: "Both Spain and Portugal are embarked on an arduous path back to democracy. As committed bulwarks of the Western alliance and as candidates for entry into the European community, they are aware of the dangers of extremism.

"Anti-Zionism," he declared, "is a tool of extremist elements bent upon destabilizing fragile democracies; anti-Semitism is an insult to Iberian history."

Mr. Samuels emphasized the contribution of the historic, yet small Jewish communities of the Iberian peninsula in "adding the dimension of Sephardism to the glory of Spanish and Portuguese civilization."

AMERICAN JEWISH STATISTICS

Interesting statistics published by the American Jewish Committee report the American Jewish population at approximately 5,728,000, about the same as 1982. New York State has most, 1,869,190, California next with 789,260, Florida, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania all report over 400,000, followed by Massachusetts and Illinois whose Jewish populations number near 250,000, followed by Maryland, Ohio, and Connecticut. Details of trends and events are published in *The American Jewish Year Book*, published by the American Jewish Committee, cost \$23.50.

Additional information in the Year Book tells us the world's Jews number about 13 million, also unchanged since 1982. Jewish populations in other countries are also reported. It is interesting to note that American Jews continue to migrate to the Sun Belt.

Ninety-five percent of the world's Jews live in nine nations, led by the U. S. Israel's Jews number 3.374 million. The only other country with over one million Jews is the USSR, whose number steadily declines.

The American Jewish Congress informs us that Rabbi Eugene Borowitz, professor of Jewish Studies at the Harvard Divinity School (also editor of *Sh'ma*), in an address to the Biennial Convention of American Jewish Congress in Baltimore, declared that it is time for American Jews "to reassert with vigor our old American psdion for democracy." The theme of the convention is "American Jewry in the 21st century."

He stressed "a deep-seated appreciation of the American democratic ideal," which American Jews cherish, making it unlikely that many will emigrate to Israel. The uniqueness of America in its notion of equal rights for every citizen, including the power to determine who shall govern combined with the "social ideal of

people of the most diverse backgrounds, interests and commitments living together in harmony . . . working together for the common good," is the American vision which appeals to them. Dr. Borowitz added, "for all our devotion to the State of Israel and its/our dreams, we overwhelmingly propose to work out our Jewish destiny here." Speaking of the recent secularization, he explained that people are now turning back to religion, hoping to gain some of the old high values.

At the convention, Dr. Henry Feingold, of City University of New York, told the delegates that our pluralistic society has created an ideal place for the Jewish presence in America. He urged the American Jewish community to work among Jews to emphasize virtues of Judaism and its heritage, especially amongst our youth.

Irving Howe, noted author and social critic, sounded another note. He reflected upon the fact that the culture of American Jews is the victim of modern history, and questioned the finding of a replacement for old ties to Judaism. He feels that neither activities associated with Israel nor the Holocaust can provide substantial foundations for a sense of American Jewish identity. Omitting "the genuinely religious Jew," for whom there is no problem, Professor Howe believes that our hope for Jewish renewal in America depends on continued self-examination and questioning. He believes the spark of Jewish idealism remains in our commitment to the social problems of the entire world.

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Israel's Treasure is the Negev

ISRAEL'S TREASURE IS THE NEGEV

by Yehonathan Tommer
JNF NEWS BUREAU



Israeli Agronomist Yoel De Malach demonstrates the fine quality of vegetables produced through the use of revolutionary farming techniques Ramat Hanegev, a Jewish National Fund-supported agricultural station in Israel's Negev desert.

BEERSHEBA, THE NEGEV—Israeli agronomist Yoel De Malach is convinced that Israel's farming future is in the Negev. He has 40 years of solid pioneering at Kibbutz Revivim, which he helped to establish in 1943 with 30 friends from his native Florence, Italy. A dusty outpost south of Beersheba at the time, Revivim is today a leading agricultural cooperative.

At Ramat Hanegev, a Jewish National Fund-supported research and experimental agricultural station near Revivim, DeMalach and a team of researchers and technicians have developed food crops irrigated by saline water and treated sewage. JNF reclaimed the surrounding sand dunes and is currently raising funds to sponsor land research and development projects there.

"Our tasks are to advise farmers establishing new **kibbutzim** in the Negev and to help veteran **kibbutzim** choose suitable crops," says DeMalach. "We are growing tomatoes, grapes, cotton, asparagus and peanuts."

According to DeMalach the idea that the Negev is dry is not quite true. "After 15 years of oil drilling," he says, "it's known for certain that the Central Negev virtually floats on an underground ocean of water. It's all artesian bore water, 3000 feet below the surface and mostly brackish—with salt concentrations ranging from as low as 500 to as high as 2,400 milligrams per cubic meter. You can't drink it, but it's fine for irrigation." The key to Ramat Hanegev's success is adapting plants to tolerate salt water. DeMalach believes the entire Negev can one day become one vast farming region.

"Don't forget," he points out, "that in the Arava we've been farming with brackish water for several years, with salinity at least as high as in the Negev." Over 20 agricultural villages—stretching along the Arava Valley between the Dead Sea and Eilat—are using advanced techniques, such as drip irrigation. Israeli farmers there have doubled and even tripled world records for crop yields. Dreams of making the desert bloom suffered a severe setback ten years ago, when the energy crisis rendered large-scale water desalination economically unfeasible. In recent years, Israel has been investing in developing even more effective methods of cultivating cash crops in saline, sandy soil irrigated with brackish water or treated sewage. Soil experts, plant geneticists and agronomists from such prestigious institutions as Ben Gurion University and the Volcani Institute have joined the JNF in this effort.

"Drip irrigation—an Israeli invention—is a proven method of effectively washing salts from the

soil," DeMalach says. "It is keeping the salt dissolved. Also, the water gets only to the roots of the plants and prevents salt crusts from forming on the leaves."

DeMalach is still searching for ways to cut costs. Next year he plans to introduce underground drip irrigation on a model developed by the Dutch. "When irrigation lines some 10 to 50 inches underground loss of water through evaporation can be reduced to almost nothing," he predicts.

DeMalach still has to find a way to prevent roots from ripping through the plastic piping and choking outlet valves. "We've almost solved this problem," he says. A non-poisonous inhibiting powder is being tested by industrial chemists in Beersheba and, when fully developed, it will be sprinkled around the irrigation lines to protect them."

The Ramat Hanegev crops irrigated with sweet and brackish water alternately and then tested for comparative growth, disease, plant resilience and adaptability.

Paradoxically, the fruits and vegetables grown with brackish water are actually sweeter and tastier. "This is because produce grown with salty water is fleshier and their juice and sugars more concentrated," DeMalach explains. "This is particularly true of tomatoes and melons which are more solid and have better flavor."

The Negev experimental station is currently testing some 25 different strains of melons and a cluster a variety of tomatoes called "Tamar,"—the Hebrew for date. Among some of the more exotic plants being tested this year is a tropical fruit called **Pijoia**, as well as the American buffalo gourd which will be ground into industrial starch by a Beersheba firm.

In the Negev today, David Ben-Gurion's prophecy lives.

How Funny is the Jewish Joke?

HOW FUNNY IS THE JEWISH JOKE?

Can Jewish Humor Survive a Conference on Jewish Humor?

by Joel Bainerman

Everyday a religious Jew was seen davening (praying) in front of the Western Wall in Jerusalem. One day a non-observant Israeli walked up to him and said, "I see you here everyday, seven days a week. Tell me, what are you praying for God for? To this the man replied, "I am telling God of my tsuris (troubles), of my financial problems, about my daughter who can't find a husband, and asking him to help me." "Well," the secular Jew asked, "does he send you help?" The man turned to him and said, "No, but what do you expect, it's like talking to a wall."

Jewish humor is a mirror of Jewish life, wherever it may be. Humor has been used by Jews throughout the centuries as a defense-mechanism against the persecution and suffering perpetrated by their adversaries. Now, it has also 'made aliyah' to Israel.

At the Tel Aviv University, Dr. Avner Ziv has been studying Jewish humor as part of his research for his soon to be published book, 'Personality and Sense of Humor.' One can learn quite a lot from Jewish jokes, particularly of the composite nature of the Jewish family," says Dr. Ziv. "For instance, there are many Jewish jokes involving the mother and her son but relatively few, if any, of the father-son, father-daughter or mother-daughter relationships. The reason, of course, is because the mother is the dominant figure—in a protecting and caring manner in the Jewish household."

The most profound element of Jewish humor is its use of self-disparagement in a positive fashion, Dr. Ziv maintains. The main character in the typical

Jewish joke is invariably the shlemiel, the loser, who winds up winning in the end. Never using physical force, he usually triumphs through an intellectual and quick-witted thrust. The resulting message is, "you don't have to attack me and damage my honor; I'll do it myself, and do it better than you."

In the early part of this century in a small Eastern European town, Hymie, a young but fragile man, saw the woman he had been courting sitting on a park bench with another man. Enraged with jealousy, he walked over to the couple. When the strange man stood up and towered over him, Hymie, trembling, said to him, "You better not fool with me, I'm a bigger coward than you."

The Jewish tradition of Tzedakah (charity) is evident in the shnorer (begging) stories of poor Jews seeking financial assistance from wealthy Jewish families. In these anecdotes, the rich man is obliged to give, and if he doesn't, he can be scolded by the poor man.

During harsh times, a member of the Rothschild family had been sending money to two poor Jewish brothers in the Holy Land. When one of the brothers died, the payments were reduced. The surviving brother went to visit his benefactor and asked him why he had stopped sending the same amount of money. Rothschild said, "But your brother died." To this he replied, "What, you have to inherit my brother's wealth?"

As the Jews acquired their national independence, their humor underwent changes. The shlemiel image of the helpless Jew and the self-disparaging humor of the Diaspora was replaced by a chutzpadik (impertinent) brand of satire and ridicule.

"Israelis take great pleasure in laughing at people who tell them what to do or how to live," reveals Dr. Ziv. "They love to poke fun at

those who think they are important or special and, of course, who is a better target for this than the nation's politicians? Ridiculing them is their way of fighting back. For the first time in history Jews can make fun of a public figure without facing any repercussions, and they are taking full advantage of the opportunity. I can't think of anywhere in the world where satire is stronger than in Israel."

Incidentally, it is worth noting how many of Israel's top satirists, humorists, and cartoonists are Hungarian origin. They include Ephraim Kishon whose work has been translated into 26 languages and sold over 30,000 copies. The younger generation of humorists is Israeli born. As of today it's hard to know from their work that Ha'aretz's cartoonist Zeev is from Hungary while Davar's cartoonist Moshik was born and still lives in a Kibbutz.

At any rate, June 1984 will see the first conference on Jewish humor, to be held at Tel Aviv University. The renowned political satirist, Art Buchwald will deliver the opening address entitled, 'Can Jewish humor survive a conference on Jewish humor?'

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ON REFLECTION

by Ira Gissen, Director
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PEOPLE, PREJUDICE AND POLITICS

In the maelstrom of controversy swirling around the comments made by Jesse Jackson and some of his advocates, it is easy to slide into mistaken judgments.

For example, in an interview in Playboy magazine, he defended his usage of "Hymie," claiming "it was said with a light-hearted ring." (No doubt there was a similar light-hearted ring to the scatological remarks made by former Secretary Earl Butz and the "cripple" crack made by former Secretary James Watt.) In that same interview, he stated that the publicity given to his comment has produced a positive result because: "There is now a dialogue under way that hasn't existed in a decade."

Who are the participants in that dialogue? Is one of them the Minister Louis Farrakhan? The Reverend Farrakhan has indelibly inscribed his name in the annals of foul politics with his polemic: "I say to the Jewish people... If you harm this brother, I warn you in the name of Allah, this will be the last one you do harm." His subsequent death threat against Milton Coleman, the Washington Post reporter, was no less astonishing and repugnant. The admiration that he has expressed publicly for Adolph Hitler's "achievements" boggles the mind and churns the stomach.

It is unreasonable to expect that an aspirant to the highest elective office in the land would do no less than previous holders of that office and eschew the embarrassment caused by an offensive crony?

Mr. Farrakhan pollutes the political waters which in turn nourish poison pen letters such as that published in the "Afro-American" under the heading, "Jackson and Jews" which stated, in its most restrained sentence: "The Rev. Jackson can take solace

in standing up for those who have already been silenced by the special interests, the ADL and the Jewish lobby," (This is dialogue?)

A particularly perceptive editorial page cartoon appeared in the Raleigh News and Observer. It portrayed a white Klansman and a black Muslim both thinking the same thoughts, beginning with "Separate Nations for Blacks and Whites" and concluding with "Down with the Jews." The cartoon's message is important.

We know that the issue that concerns us deeply is not race because we know that Jews in large majorities, have voted for black candidates in city and state elections around the country. That there are candidates and office-holders, of all races, who are people of integrity and courage is easy to demonstrate.

One of the first blacks in the nation to be elected mayor of a major city, Kenneth Gibson's qualities have been recognized by his repeatedly being reelected Mayor of Newark, New Jersey. Born in Enterprise, Alabama, employed as a professional city engineer, Mr. Gibson has been opposed bitterly by militants and anti-Semitic polemicists such as Leroi Jones (also known as Imamu Baraka.) Mayor Gibson continues to refute the excesses of political extremists. A fine example is his recent letter to the Anti-Defamation League: "It is very, very frustrating to me as a supporter of Jesse Jackson's campaign to have to read and hear of his insensitivities, ignorance or possibly worse. I have tried to talk to him personally by phone since the admitted derogatory references to Jews but was only able to talk to a campaign leader. I expressed my serious concerns about those remarks and I intend to discuss these issues with Rev. Jackson personally in the next few days.

"Your reasoned and reserved response to these incidents is commendable. I'm not sure if I could be as reserved in my

response if I were in your position. Several years ago during a visit to Poland, I was taken on a tour of the former concentration camp of Auschwitz. While in Israel recently I visited the Memorial to the victims of those atrocities. I have often thought that such visits should be mandatory for public officials, military leaders, social scientists, educators, religious leaders and anyone else with a desire to influence others. Sometimes the person who least needs the lesson is the one who hears the sermon. I didn't need to visit Auschwitz or the Memorial in Israel to become sensitive to what happened under Nazi leadership in Europe. I didn't need those visits to know that too many world and national leaders sat quietly in their positions while those atrocities were being executed. I appreciate your understanding that the utterance of one black person do not reflect the thinking of all black people. I emphatically deplore the Jesse Jackson insulting references to Jewish people.

"I'm sure you realize that black people are able to think for themselves and the great majority of us do not subscribe to negative ethnic racial or religious references in speeches. Therefore, the implied threats by Muslim Minister Farrakhan do not represent the thinking of myself or other black who know the difference between righteousness and rhetoric.

"So once again we have another division between historical allies. What happened to the liberal and civil rights alliance between black and Jews? What can be done to improve those relationships?

"I respectfully suggest that you and other national Jewish leaders meet with blacks in national leadership positions to hopefully rededicate all of us to the basic principles by which we worked a few years ago. If there is anything we could do to help, please call upon me.

Sincerely,
Kenneth A. Gibson
Mayor

"P.S. If you think that publication or distribution of this letter would

be of any value, please feel free to do so."



Book Reviews

VIEWS AND REVIEWS

by Joseph Cohen

BERNICE RUBENS: THE NOVEL AS DOCUMENTARY

"Come stranger, and hear the story of our constant flights from bondage and of that minstrel who sings the song that orchestrates our survival. A song that was heard almost a century and a half ago in a small tavern in the ghetto of Odessa." Thus, the narrator of Bernice Rubens' novel *Brothers* (Delacorte Press; \$16.95), with lyric grace, invites us in an opening prologue to hear the masterfully told narrative of five generations of the Bindel family, their tragic history and stubborn survival from the time of their oppression in Czarist Russia in 1825 to their breathing the free air of Israel in the 1970s.

This novel of nearly 500 pages never meanders, loses its momentum or slackens its hold on the reader, as each Bindel generation takes its place on center stage in a world that grows increasingly hostile to Jewish survival. The losses sustained by each generation are many and the deaths often violent and heart-rending, yet in each pair of brothers that comes along there is a saving remnant who keeps alive not only the family name, but the Jewish passion for freedom and love of heritage. Intrinsic in this passion and love is a legacy which commands each father to charge his sons, often in the face of impossible odds, to survive as Jews. The command contains what appears to be a doctrinal dilemma, one to which we must shortly

return.

But first things first. Who is Bernice Rubens and why is this a novel of more than passing significance?

Though Rubens is now recognized as a leading British novelist, she is little known in the United States and Canada despite the fact that five of her previous eleven novels have been published on this side of the Atlantic, including *The Elected Member*, for which she won England's most prestigious literary award, the Booker Prize. Retitled *Chosen People*, this novel was issued here by Atheneum in 1969. Another of Rubens' novels, *I Sent A Letter To My Love*, was produced as a stage play in New Haven in 1978 and it subsequently was made into a critically acclaimed movie, starring Simone Signoret, which had its premier in New York in 1981.

Rubens is Welsh, having been born and reared in Cardiff, the daughter of an orthodox Russian-Jewish immigrant. She graduated from the University of Wales with honors in 1947. After a brief teaching stint, she became a free-lance documentary filmmaker. Her cinematic career credits are impressive. She has combined her rich Welsh-Jewish heritage and her literary talent (much as her Welsh-Jewish cousin, the well-known poet, Dannie Abse, has done), and added to it, especially in this new book, her expertise in making documentaries.

In contradistinction to fiction, the documentary insists on factual discipline. Through her documentary-making experience, Rubens brings to her novels and added dimension of authenticity and

control in manipulating her power-laden historical materials. In *Brothers* this enables her to avoid skillfully the pitfalls common to historical novels—superficiality, formlessness and confusion—as she relates the lives, in their proper chronologies, are set against the continuous turbulence of modern history: the pogroms under the Czars, the mass flight from Mother Russia, the rise of Zionism, World War I, mine disasters in Wales, the emergence of Nazism in Germany, Kristallnacht, the Holocaust, Auschwitz, Stalinist repression in the Soviet Union, the birth of the state of Israel, the Six Days War and terrorist attacks by the PLO.

Throughout this panorama of tragedy and survival, Rubens provides the reader with historical guideposts and explanations, reminiscent of the once unrivaled "March of Time" documentaries many of us remember seeing as children. To help keep the generations straight in our minds, she provides us with a genealogical table.

Her accounts of the lives of the first generation sons conscripted at the age of ten into the Russian Army, of their twenty years military service, of their later deaths and those of their wives in the terrible Odessa pogrom of 1871, the murder of the third generation in Auschwitz, and the Orwellian horrors perpetrated against the fourth generation as Jewish dissidents in Russia, are all unforgettable.

The theme of survival is set into motion on the day the two first generation Bindels are forced into army service. They are admonished by the family patriarch in their harsh circumstances to live by compromise. He says in his admonition, "You must survive, my children . . . Beware of principles. Abandon them. . . There is no cause on earth worth dying for, no God worth one's dying breath, no country worth one's martyrdom, no principle worth one's sacrifice. Only in the name of love is death worthy. And friendship." This

smacks of a sacrilegious capitulation, yet in terms of the catastrophes awaiting each Bindel generation it gives them a prescription for survival. While it appears to be a capitulation, it is, in fact, not one, for it leaves unblemished, as the patriarch makes clear at the time, the boys' Jewish souls. His message is Jewish continuity over martyrdom. The doctrinal dilemma is resolved by emphasizing that living rather than dying for God is of greater worth.

The same issue of continuity over martyrdom is, incidentally, at the heart of Joseph Heller's great "quasi-Jewish" novel *Catch-22*. In a different but no less equally devastating context, it poses a similar moral dilemma, arguing that desertion is finally preferable to death in combat where the death is a totally pointless sacrifice. The unmistakable message of both *Catch-22* and *Brothers* is that in a world gone mad with genocide there can be only one response: a defiant "L'Chaim—To Life!"

Brothers is deserving of a wide reading because in its conceptualization of the novel as documentary it brings into focus with clarity and sympathy the whole of modern Jewish history in a dramatically authentic way. It calls again to our attention the importance of choosing life over death and freedom of bondage.

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BOOK REVIEW THE ORIGINS OF ANTI-SEMITISM

by Estelle Hoffman

The history in this book goes back to earliest times and is written from extensive research in pre-Christian cultures, with its evidences of relationships between Jews and other peoples. Attitudes towards Judaism in pagan times gave little evidence of anti-Semitism, and the influences of Judaism on neighboring peoples were widespread. The author has examined original sources and shows that they were "very much in

and of their world," recreating for us a picture of those ancient times. He makes the interesting observation that "our sense of the past is created for us largely by history's winners." Even existing records cannot be trusted completely, due to the factor of exaggeration and distortion. Christianity arose during a period when Judaism evinced a profound attraction for many thinking people of the period, and this caused a competition which resulted in some of the antipathy of the early Christian "missionaries."

THE ORIGINS OF ANTI-SEMITISM is a studious work which will be appreciated by readers who are interested in valid sources of antiquity, as well as thought of contemporary theologians.

by John G. Gager, Oxford University Press, 311 pages, including notes and index \$24.95

BOOK REVIEW THE TERRORISTS

by Leo L. Hoffman

Social historian Milton Meltzer traces terrorism from the Muslim assassins of the 11th century, the mass murders of the French Revolution, the killers of the Russian tsar, Germany's Baader-Meinhoff Gang, Italy's Red Brigades, Uruguay's Tupamaros, Ireland's IRA, to the Weather Underground and the PLO.

The personalities that take to terrorism, the social and political forces that motivate them are analyzed, as well as the moral issues raised.

How do these terrorists justify the killing of innocent people for the sake of some remote utopia? Sacrificing the present to some vague and unpredictable future is a delusion, says the author. This is a book worth reading.

Milton Meltzer is an ardent advocate of social justice and freedom, who has written over 50 books in the field of history, biography, and social reform.

by Milton Meltzer, Harper & Row, 218 pages, \$10.95.

AMERICA'S JEWS IN TRANSITION

by Chaim Waxman, Temple University Press, 272 pages including references and index, \$24.95 cloth, \$9.95 paper

Where do America's Jews fit into the aftermath of the cultural turmoil of the 1960s? How are they confronting challenges to their continuity within American society? These are just some of the questions studied in a new book, *America's Jews In Transition*, by Chaim Waxman.

America's Jews In Transition provides an up-to-date analysis of the contemporary American Jewish community. A social history and sociological study of American Jewry, this examination includes educational, occupational, income, and political patterns of American Jews; the American Jewish family covering intermarriage, religious affiliation, and Jewish feminism; anti-semitism; the relationship between American Jews and Israel; and the immigration of Soviet, Israeli, and Iranian Jews to the United States.

Chaim Waxman supplies an elaborate background on Jewish immigration, beginning with the earliest Jewish settlers in the middle of the seventeenth century to the present. He challenges the major sociological theories of ethnicity and religion in the United States, through a thorough investigation of the social patterns of American Jews in each generation. In synthesizing a vast array of empirical studies, Waxman argues that while American Jews have been successful in their quest to integrate into the American social system, recent developments indicate that this ethno-religious group is confronting the challenge to its continuity and is manifesting survivalist strengths which were not readily apparent in earlier generations.

America's Jews In Transition should interest students in a wide range of fields, among them sociology, ethnic studies, Jewish

studies, American studies, and religious studies. Because of its breadth and the freshness of its material, *America's Jews In Transition* should also appeal to the general reader.

Chaim Waxman is the author of numerous books and former president of the Association for the Sociological Study of Jewry. He is Associate professor of Sociology at Rutgers University and is currently a Visiting Professor of Sociology at Tel Aviv University in Israel.

BOOK REVIEW KLAUS BARBIE: The Butcher of Lyons

by Tom Bower, Pantheon,
255 pages, \$15.95

From the man who broke the story of Klaus Barbie's American connection on the front pages of the *London Times*, the *Washington Post*, and other major newspapers, comes KLAUS BARBIE: *The Butcher of Lyons* (\$15.95 hardcover; March 5, 1984 publication).

Not a newcomer to this subject, Tom Bower has been on the track for years with his investigative research on the postwar treatment of Nazi war criminals. He is the author of the major book on what happened to German war criminals after the war, *The Pledge Betrayed*; Bower's dogged investigations—which included interviews with several of the Americans involved in the Barbie case, his research into historical records of the Counter Intelligence Corps (CIC) of the U.S. Army, as well as records deposited in the national archives of France, led to the original news-breaking stories which have formed the basis of this book.

Here is the "Butcher of Lyons" in all his guises—as a member of the S team, as the head of the Gestapo in the occupied French city, as a fugitive fleeing the Allied army—and as that same fugitive captured after long years as a prominent resident of Bolivia. And, here is the story of his unlikely partnership with the Americans:

why the Americans recruited him: how they installed him as a highly regarded, well-paid informer against his former, fellow Nazis; his eventual escape to Bolivia with American aid, by means of the American "rat line."

A "taut, richly backgrounded story"*, KLAUS BARBIE: *The Butcher of Lyons* is as compelling as any to come out of the war: the forthcoming trial lends it an immediacy that cannot fail to stir interest and controversy.

*Starred *Kirkus Review*

A NEW HAGADAH THE TELLING: A LOVING HAGADAH FOR PASSOVER

by Dov ben Khayyim, Editor

Please do not turn away, thinking this is appearing late, long after Passover. "The Telling" makes a great gift for Chanukah, Purim, a Bar Mitzvah, especially a Bat Mitzvah, or any occasion. It costs only \$4.00 mailed at book rate, or \$4.75 in first class mail. Lower rates (25¢ lower for each copy) are offered for quantities of five or more.

The paperback book is printed in Hebrew and English, with pictures which are a mix of contemporary and ancient. It uses "the four children" instead of "the four sons." There are some traditional teachings about the role of women, and the blessings are in female Hebrew, too. Its editor claims this Hagadah is traditional enough for your grandparents, yet feminist and inspiring for the younger generations. "It is again a living book."

Each year we receive copies or reviews of Hagadahs too late to be published before Pesach. While the holiday is fresh in memory, you may want to think about a new Hagadah for next year's Seder, or to use as suggested above, as a gift.

BOOK REVIEW REFLECTIONS OF A NEOCONSERVATIVE

 by Irving Kristol, Basic Books, \$19.95

This is a collection of essays of writings on politics, economics, business and foreign policy over the past decade, but it begins with his personal memoirs reaching back into the 1930's, and reflects general trends in that period. He writes of his radical days in New York City College and the evolution of his thinking is explained, as he continued to study society and to learn by living.

Irving Kristol believes that politics (government) attends to the arrangements of society "in a sober and prudent way, so as to achieve domestic tranquillity." But, he says, "It must (also) be committed to shaping the future with at least as much energy as to preserving a traditional attachment to the past."

He discusses the relationship of politics to economics and of politics to religion. In fact, it is interesting to find that as he grew conservative in his political thought, he turned to conservative religion; i.e., orthodox Judaism.

His views towards other countries tend to be convincing, since he has obviously studied the history and societies of which he writes.

The last section of the book, entitled "Religion and the Jews," deals with Jewish humor, God and science, and a comparison of Christianity, Judaism, and Socialism. I might add that he supports the system of capitalism, despite its weaknesses, and although he voices many fears for the future of America, there is an undertone of hope that we may still work things out, somehow. He considers all viewpoints, while openly declaring his own, which is that of an intellectual Jewish American.

by Estelle Hoffman

BOOK REVIEW ENCOUNTERS WITH ISRAELI AUTHORS

by Dr. Esther Fuchs,
Micah Publications, 95 pages
\$8.50 Paperback

Encounters With Israeli Authors

is a series of nine interviews with some of Israel's most famous writers: Gershon Shaked, Amalia Kahana-Carmon, S. Yizhar, Itamar Yazo-Kest, A.B. Yehoshua, Aharon Appelfeld, Aharon Megged, Yehuda Amichai, and Yoram Kaniuk. Some of the writers such as Aharon Appelfeld, whose novella *Badenheim, 1939* was published by David Godine, A.B. Yehoshua, whose recent novel, *The Lover*, was published in the United States and has received excellent reviews, and the poet, Yehuda Amichai, are well known here. Others are not. This book will serve as an introduction to the qualified numbers of other Israeli writers.

Besides the obvious literary interest in these writers, what makes the interviews compelling is that they address themselves to a variety of concerns: relationships with the Arabs, with other Jewish communities, their identities as Jews and/or Israelis, the problem of the Jewish immigrant in Israel, and the problem of writing in Hebrew; and they speak with Israeli candor and lucidity and with an immediacy in their tone.

Dr. Fuchs is well qualified to have undertaken these interviews at this time. Herself an Israeli, she has been in the United States since 1976, during which time she earned a Ph.D. in Hebrew literature from Brandeis University. She has taught courses in the Bible as literature, Modern Hebrew Fiction and Literature, Jewish Philosophy, Yiddish literature, and Israeli film and fiction. She has had a number of articles published in *Midstream*, *Prooftexts*, *Hebrew Studies*, and elsewhere, and is currently teaching in the Department of Oriental and African Languages and Literature at the University of Texas, in Austin.

END OF AN EXILE:

Israel, The Jews and the Gentile World by James Parkes, Micah Publications, 300 pages, including introduction and appendix with articles, \$8.00, paperback

End of An Exile, Dr. Parkes' classic study of Israel, the Jews, and the Gentile world, was first published in 1954. Out of print for some time, this new publication of Dr. Parkes' book makes available for the first time to a wide audience the important facets of his thinking. The background and history of Christian Zionism, particularly in the United States, is expanded in Dr. Voss' article; James Parkes' attitude towards Christianity and antisemitism is explained in an article by Rose Lewis; and Robert Everett's article gives an over-view of Dr. Parkes' life and ideas. A. Roy Eckardt kindly contributed the eulogy, originally published in the *Journal for Ecumenical Studies*. The introduction was written by Roberta Kalechofsky and, expanding on Parkes' theological Zionism contains some new and interesting ideas on that subject.

In *End of An Exile*, tracing the five roots of Judaism and the relationship of the Diaspora to Zionism, Dr. Parkes' makes clear his theological basis for Christian Zionism and sets forth his theological explanation regarding Christian-Jewish relations. The book is an excellent introduction to one of this century's outstanding Christian thinkers on Jewry and Jewish history. It is an outgrowth and distillation from his work in *The Conflict of The Church and The Synagogue*, *The Jew In The Medieval Community*, and his studies on the Middle East and modern Jewry. Books like *End of An Exile*, were part of Dr. Parkes' effort to reach a wider audience. His writing always lucid, is exceptionally readable and fluid.

Since his death in 1981, eulogies and commemorative statements have begun to accumulate. There can be little doubt that the future will honor Dr. Parkes, and it is our hope that his volume, with its appendix composed of articles by A. Roy Eckardt, Reinhold Niebuhr, Rose G. Lewis, Reverend Robert Everett, and Dr. Carl Hermann Voss, will contribute to that honor.

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Here's great news for Lovers of oranges, that is, of those extraordinary Shamouti oranges from Israel. After a virtual absence of several years, Jaffas are back again in North America.

There will be plentiful supplies of Jaffa Shamouti oranges on produce shelves until the end of April—750,000 cases of the fruit are destined for North America. Fast, ultramodern ships equipped with temperature controlled chambers will deliver three consignments of Jaffas at regular intervals to ensure that supplies are at the peak of freshness.

The soil and climate of Israel's coastal plain beside the Mediterranean make it a perfect place to grow citrus trees. A special type of

orange, the Shamouti—is grown in this plain around the ancient port of Jaffa. Jaffa, it was recorded in the bible, was the port from which Jonah sailed on his maritime adventure with the whale. Now Jaffa is incorporated in the bustling modern city of Tel Aviv, but it still retains its unique historical character and its name which has become famous throughout the world because of the citrus fruit named after it.

JAFFA ORANGE- AVOCADO SALAD

¼ cup warm water
2 tablespoons golden seedless raisins
6 Jaffa oranges, divided
¼ teaspoon salt
⅛ teaspoon crushed red pepper
⅛ teaspoon ground ginger

2 cups coarsely shredded carrots
1 large, ripe avocado, peeled and sliced
1 tablespoon lemon juice
Lettuce leaves

In small bowl combine water and raisins, soak 20 minutes. Drain. Squeeze the juice from 3 oranges (1 cup). In large bowl, combine orange juice, salt, pepper, and ginger. Stir in carrots. Cover, refrigerate 1 hour. Peel and slice remaining 3 oranges. Sprinkle avocado slices with lemon juice to prevent darkening. Line serving plate with lettuce leaves. Arrange orange slices and avocado slices over salad, sprinkle with raisins. Serve with remaining orange juice dressing.

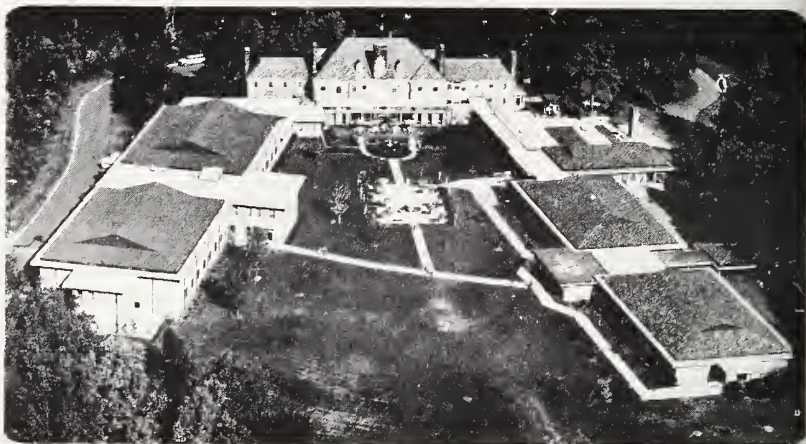
Yield: 4 to 6 servings.



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BJH EARNS ACCREDITATION BY JOINT COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION OF HOSPITALS

Dr. David S. Citron, Chairman of the Medical Advisory Committee of the Blumenthal Jewish Home, announced that the Home has been awarded a three-year accreditation by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Hospitals (JCAH). This highly coveted accreditation is professionally recognized as the standard of excellence by which nursing homes and hospitals measure themselves. Only a very small percentage of nursing homes nationally are able to meet the standards of care which are set by JCAH.

The voluntary decision to seek accreditation reflects our sincere commitment to evaluate and improve our services, as well as to maintain a high level of care. We are proud that our efforts to provide high quality health care have received professional and national recogni-

tion. Our continued striving for self-improvement in all areas of resident services is a statement of our dedication toward accepting for our residents only the highest quality of health care services possible.

An intensive on-site review investigated every aspect of care given to residents of the Home. The survey scrutinized performance as well as the written policies and procedures in use at BJH. Systems of care were evaluated, and all service delivery methods were compared against the highest standards developed by leaders in the health care field. The final survey report showed that we are in compliance with these rigid standards.

Accreditation reflects positively on our dedicated staff, who maintain 365 day a year, 24-hour a day commitment to the finest care and ser-

vices to our residents. It takes approximately 180 employees working in a team effort to provide the needed services for 134 residents. This is a complex web of interrelated parts, held together by the common goal of offering the best possible care to those who come to BJH to live.

Accreditation also indicates high-level commitment beyond the walls of the Home. Those individuals and groups who support the Home financially through memberships and donations, who offer their time and expertise in service on the Board and/or committee work, or who visit the Home, offering moral support — all these work together to make the Blumenthal Jewish Home a leader in the health care delivery system. Thanks to each of you for doing your part.

IT'S COMING!!

SPRINGFEST, 1984

Games, arts and crafts booths, entertainment, refreshments, exhibits, wagon rides, rummage sale — fun for all! Bring your family and friends to our third annual Springfest. For more information, call the Recreation Department, 919-766-6401. We want to see you there! 2-4 pm in the Courtyard, June 14, 1984

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We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the month of April.

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The following employees are winners in the Perfect Attendance Program:

Steve Hodge - Dietary
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Calendar for June

- June 1
 Outreach Movie, 10 am
 Social Hour, 3 pm
 - June 5
 Men's Forum, 3:30 pm
 Shavout Services, 6:30 pm
 - June 6
 Shavout Services, 9:30 am
 - June 7
 Shavout Services, 9:30 am
 - June 8
 Cooking Club, 2 pm
 *Men's Outing, 2 pm
 - June 10
 Livestock Players, "Razz-
 Ma-Tazz" Musical Review,
 sponsored by the families of
 Jack Pearlman and Sol Levin.
 2:30 pm
 - June 12
 *Clemmons Senior Citizens
 Lunch, 9:45 am
 - June 14
 SPRINGFEST! 2-4 pm
 - June 17
 Father's Day
 - June 26
 *Out to lunch, 11:15 am
 - June 27
 Birthday parties, each Unit
 2:30 pm
- We invite families and friends to join us for these special events in June.
- *off-campus activity



Marvis Bienstock, Executive Director of the Charlotte Jewish Foundation and Federation, greets Mr. & Mrs. Usher Zimmerman (Charlotte) after a recent Brenner lecture.

IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Rose Lichtenfels, Grace Creech and Jennie Doliner. May their cherished memories bring comfort to their loved ones.

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PLEASE TELL ME

by Ruth Wharton
Social Services Coordinator

Q. Does the Home provide televisions?

A. There are two televisions on each unit in the lounge areas. Residents must provide their own televisions for their rooms. An antenna hook-up is provided for each room. Unfortunately, Cable services have not yet been extended to Clemmons.

Q. Do the Residents have any say in decisions made in the Home regarding care, activities or governing policies?

A. We have a Residents' Council and an Improvement Committee. Residents' Council is open to all residents of the Home, and provides a forum for complaints, discussion, and an opportunity to question staff about policies or complaints Residents might have. In addition, each Unit has a Community Meeting at least once a month. At this time suggestions for improvements on the unit, complaints, and possible activities are discussed. The results of these meetings are brought before the Administration, which responds as quickly and efficiently as possible. Residents really do have a "say" in what goes on.

Q. I am contemplating admission to the Home. I have visited the Home many times in the past. Is it necessary for me to visit the Home again when I know so much about it?

A. Yes. We want you to see the Home through the eyes of a potential Resident, not as a visitor. It gives you a chance to talk with our staff and our staff has the chance to talk with you. We want all applicants to know what to expect and we want them to be aware of all the alternatives open to them so that they can make an intelligent decision.

WANT ADS

Polyester cotton remnants

A set of Mishnah
(in English)

Mannequin (to display
handmade shawls, etc.)

Baby dolls

Children's wooden puzzles

Dacron fill (for pillows)

Zigzag sewing machine

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Sandra Thompson, owner of Creative Cakes & Candies, taught an 8-week course in chocolate candy-making. Rose Seid (Charlotte), Alice Fruh (Greensboro) and Rose Germain (Queens, NY), were among those who enjoyed the sweet taste of success in this class!



A trip to the Nature Trail for the Visually Limited at Tanglewood Park and certificates of completion marked the end of a 12 week course for visually limited. L.-R.: Hortense Andron, (N. Miami Beach, Fla.), Rose Leibowitz (Greensboro), Rick Rogers, Rec. Therapist, Lillian Sutton (Greenville, NC), Virginia Harmon (Winston-Salem) and Rose Lichtenfels (New York).



Volunteer Mary Perkins entertained members of Ladies' Coffee Club with a beautiful luncheon at her home. L.-R.: Mary; her mother, Florence Voelkel; and Rose Leibowitz (Greensboro).



Still in love — Abraham & Lillian Kamens (Charlotte), sweethearts for 63 years!



Each month the Dietary Department prepares something special for residents who celebrate birthdays. Edna Blevins, Director of Social Services, shows off April's confection.



Linda Withers, Assistant Director of the Jewish Center for the Aged in Chesterfield, Missouri, led a one-day workshop for clinical staff members. She is flanked by Lauren Jones, Social Services, and Patsy Staley, RN.

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Editorial

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THE WALL STREET JOURNAL & TRENDS AMONG JEWS

Some years ago, *Look Magazine* predicted that American Judaism would disappear by the end of the century. *Look Magazine* has vanished and now the *Wall Street Journal* has taken up the issue of Jewish survival. I do not predict that Dow Jones and Company will meet the fortuitous fate of *Look*, although there are some trends that portend the self-destruction of Judaism in America. The Journal indicated that the American Jewish population is shrinking. No longer are there large waves of immigration to replenish our ranks. Nearly 40% of us will reach the end of our life expectancy within the next generation. Our birth rate is below the level of ZPG. Inter-marriage is up and the tides of assimilation and loss of Jewish identity indicate a wavering of commitment to a heritage that has sustained us for over thirty centuries, despite persecution, suffering, and anti-Semitism.

How ironic that as precisely the time when our religion could be of practical value, at the moment when there is the fullest measure of freedom and possibility, so many have abandoned our estimable and venerated faith.

The conflict in families, the dissatisfactions with our goals and daily responsibilities, our disappointments with ourselves and our children, and our feelings of inability to control so much of what happens to us, can bring us fresh awareness that the teaching of mature religion can be a necessary and important functioning part of our lives. Jewish values are unique in their specific combination. No other system replicates them.

Jewish values can bring families close, they offer a sense of community and a heritage without parallel. Jewish values are responsible for encouraging the highest cultural and social achievements and our theology emphasizes that the more we know of science and the universe the greater is our concept of God. Judaism teaches *Tsedakah*, righteous action, social justice, compassion for all people. Judaism holds there are many paths up the mountain to the glory of God, and our liberal thrust has taught a healthy respect for democracy and the workings of our political system.

Do we have a viable future? There are some positive prospects. Although inter-marriage rates are very high, a majority of those not born into Judaism, willingly and often enthusiastically, see the merits of embracing our faith. They witness the quality of life, the independence of mind and heart, the freedom of developing potential, and the beauty of a glorious tradition that is unequalled in scope and possibility. Those who turn to Judaism are often more committed than their "born" Jewish spouses. They become active in Temple and communal life and are, in many cases, the people we most rely upon.

Will we survive in freedom? The answer will depend upon how we plant and nourish the roots of our faith, so that Judaism can blossom and flourish in America. Are we building up the necessary spiritual reserves within ourselves by instilling Judaism in our children, attending worship services, observing the Shabbat in our own way, celebrating holidays and the

holy days, making a pilgrimage to Israel, involving ourselves in Jewish organizational work for the rehabilitation, the sustenance, and the well-being of our people here and around the world? How much care and concern do we give in order to cultivate those personal Jewish disciplines that bud healthy spiritual blossoms within our homes, within ourselves, and our people and our faith?

Our religion is our response to life. Since each individual makes a response to existence, why should it not be through Judaism? Why not a Jewish response that teaches us to cope with reality in constructive ways, to solve our problems, to overcome our challenges, to learn respect for ourselves and for our fellowman, and to work together to overcome the violence and propaganda forced upon us.

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Kibbitzing-Community News

CHARLOTTE, NC

Walter J. Klein of Charlotte has been elected to four offices in the national religious community.

He has been elected President of the Board of Overseers of Hebrew Union College—Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati. He has served on that body since it was founded.

He has also been elected to the Board of Governors of that institution.

The Union of American Hebrew Congregations has announced that Klein has been elected to the Executive Committee of its Board of Trustees.

And the National Conference of Christians and Jews has elected Klein to a new four-year term of its national Board of Directors.

The Juvenile Diabetes Foundation of Charlotte held its Fifth Annual Roast on April 30 at the Sheraton Center. Offered up for the roasting was Charlie "Choo Choo" Justice, roasted by Orville Campbell, Woody Durham, Dr. William Friday, John "Buck" Fraley, and Art Weiner. Those attending the Roast and Dinner were welcomed by Cassie Phillippi, who is President of Charlotte Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. Bill Hensley was Master of Ceremonies. "Choo Choo" is called North Carolina's greatest sports hero.

JDF is a totally volunteer organization whose membership includes adults, children, families personally connected to diabetes in some way, also corporations. JDF has a program which responds to calls and needs of families with diabetes. It offers a referral system of local physicians, hospitals, and others who may be of service. Meetings of JDF are held monthly and are open to the public. There are pamphlets, a

quarterly magazine, fact sheet, local newsletter and information available, as well as a speakers bureau. JDF's Charlotte Founder is Roz Greenspon.

Stephen Fishman of Charlotte, who teaches philosophy at UNCC, won second place in fiction category of Crucible magazine's annual literary contest. The Crucible is a magazine of literature, photography, and art, and is published in Wilson, NC, at Atlantic Christian College. Dr. Fishman is a member of Temple Israel in Charlotte and an active member of the Charlotte Hebrew Academy. His participation in "The UNCC Writing Project" at Wildacres is undoubtedly paying off!

TEMPLE ISRAEL

The annual Congregation meeting was held at Temple Israel May 27. Officers for 1984-1985 were elected. They are William Ashendorf, President; Sanford Benjamin, Vice-President; Barnet Weinstock, Secretary; Fred Bergen, Treasurer/Administration; Jerry Segal, Treasurer/Finance. Samuel Lerner & Judi Strause nominated for 2nd V.P. Announcement later.

Discussion and lunch with Rabbi Rocklin are continuing on Tuesdays at noon. Call 376-2796 for reservations.

Adult Education Committee presented "The Chaplin Revue" on May 20, as its last event of this season. Shai Richardson is Chairman, assisted by Sidney Goozner.

The Religious School held its Confirmation Services May 18. Members of the class were Amy Speizman, Barbara Lash, Aleisa Fishman, Carol Karp, Joanna Kornhauser, Melissa VanGlish,

Amy Bernhardt, Becky Cohen, Craig Besnoy, Michael Greenspon, Matthew Kodsi, Mark Lewis, Frank Weiner, Brandon Levine, Dan Meltsner, Joel Asrael, Brian Bruckner and Jay Ashendorf.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Friedman will sponsor the Oneg Shabbat Friday, June 22, in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. Congratulations to Helen and Ernie, dedicated members of Temple Israel.

Couples Club will have its annual Mystery Bus Ride on Sunday, June 24. Contact Douglas or Rosa Mann at 366-4703 for information.

Men's Club held its annual picnic on May 27, following "Zimri" presented by students of Religious School in their closing ceremony.

Amy Jill Seitlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Larry Seitlin, became a Mitzvah June 2. Scott Meltsner, son of Chuck and Brenda Meltsner, was elected president of Student Council of Charlotte Country Day School. Congratulations to Larry and Simon Frohman, recently married at Temple Israel. Laurie, the daughter of Ralph and Nancy Smith; Lillian Frohman is Simon's mother.

On May 26, Jonathan Kinsler, son of Sheila and Mark Kinsler, was Bar Mitzvah.

SOUTHERN JEWISH HISTORICAL SOCIETY

A Southern Jewish Archive has been established at Tulane University in New Orleans. The decision of the Southern Jewish Historical Society on this matter opens the way for a working agreement between the Society and the Jewish Studies Program at Tulane to change

material from all over the South into the Tulane collection. It will also make possible the coordination of efforts between the Society and the Program to seed grant funds to make the Tulane collection the major Jewish historical repository in the region.

Dr. Joseph Cohen, whose book reviews appear in the *American Jewish Times Outlook*, is director of Jewish Studies at Tulane and chairman of the Southern Jewish Historical Society's Resources Committee. He presented the resolution to the conference members, observing that "the combined efforts of the SHJS and Tulane would redound to the benefit of the entire Southern Jewish community, in the preservation of its unique heritage, presently undergoing so much change. The assembling in one easily accessible metropolitan center of a significantly large body of artifacts relating to Southern Jewish life," he said, "Will be of incaluable value to students and scholars from all over America, now and in perpetuity, constituting a gift by the present of the past to the future."

COLUMBIA, SC TREE OF LIFE CONGR.

"The Right Kind of Prayer," by Mrs. Seiter's Religious School Class (Grades 1 and 2):—

Dear God,

Please help all the bad people learn to be better.

Please help end all the wars.

Please don't let people shoot other people.

Please help people to be nice to each other.

Thank you for people who risk their lives for others.

Thank you for this beautiful world and people who care about each other.

Amen

Sisterhood of Tree of Life Congregation held its installation of officers on May 1st at the home of Libby Paul. They will serve during the 1984-1985 year, and are

as follows: Ethel S. Brody, President; Libby Paul, Executive Vice President; Leona Sobel, Membership Vice President; Diane Kall, Program Vice President; Sue Mandell, Corresponding Secretary; Arlene Polinsky, Recording Secretary; Henrietta Block, Treasurer.

Brotherhood of the Congregation held a Mother's Day breakfast on May 13.

The annual congregational meeting was held at 8 p.m. on May 17. Its Board meeting had been on May 9.

May 20 was the last day of the year for the Religious School and a picnic was held on that day, which was Lag B'Omer.

Brotherhood's officers announced for the coming year are Mike Kronenfeld, President; Alvan Block, Secretary; and Ed Hertz, Treasurer.

Jennie and Mike Kronenfeld have a new son, Jeffrey Brian. Michael Wolff, son of Elsie Wolff, graduated from Emory University with a degree in Computer Sciences. He has accepted a position with Mc-Com Corporation in Germantown, MD. Brad Bleek has been named Senior Technical Assistant with Computer Sciences Corp. in Maryland. He is one of only two students at Capitol Institute of Technology in Washington, DC, to receive such an appointment, and will receive his degree in electronic engineering this summer.

Sisterhood held its annual covered dish supper and white elephant auction on Saturday night, July 14. Ruth Bazerman, Selma Dickman, and Ida Weisberg are Chairwomen.

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KINSTON, N.C.

by Mrs. Sol Schechter

Mrs. Harold Kallman, President of the Kinston, Greenville, N.C. Hadassah and Mrs. Sol Schechter, Vice-President of the Southern Seaboard Region attended the annual Hadassah Conference in Greensboro. They were pleased to report that they had met their monetary quota, in all categories, and their new Life Member quota. Considering the size of the quota, this was quite an accomplishment for this small chapter.

At our last Sisterhood meeting the following officers were elected for the year 1984-1985. Mrs. Stanley Pearson—President; Mrs. Gerald Kanter—Vice-President; Mrs. Irving Ertis—Secretary; Mrs. Abe Stadiem—Treasurer. Mrs. David Brody, outgoing President, was commended for a job well done and presented with a gift.

Congratulations to Mrs. Sidney Kanter whose two grandchildren graduated from college: Dina Kaler from UNC at Chapel Hill, and Jonathan Kaler from the University of South Carolina at Columbia.

Mazel Tov to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Heiling whose granddaughter, Rebecca Schwartz, is graduating

from high school in Miami, Florida.

Our monthly Family Night Services have been well attended. Rabbi Robert Shafron plans to service strictly to interest the children, and they love it.

Julie Esther Gintis of Anderson, S.C. and Fredric Michael Cohen of Atlanta, Ga. were united in marriage at Temple Israel, Kinston. Rabbi Robert Shafron officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Gintis of Kinston. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Milton Cohen of Raleigh.

The bride received a bachelor's degree at UNC at Chapel Hill and a masters degree in business administration at the University of Georgia at Athens. She is presently employed as manager of Atlanta Letter Division of Independent Publishing Company of Anderson, S.C.

The groom studied accounting at UNC at Chapel Hill. He is employed as a senior tax specialist at H.M. Pullen Co. of Atlanta, Ga.

After a wedding trip to Denver, Colorado, the couple will live in Atlanta.

SARLIN-DUNCAN WEDDING

Miss Janet Michele Sarlin became the bride of William Lewis Duncan at Beth Israel Synagogue in Greenville, South Carolina. Rabbi Hyman Fishman officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sarlin of 18 Highland Court, Liberty, S.C. and the granddaughter of Mrs. Maurice Honigman of Greenville, S.C. A Magna Cum Laude graduate of the University of Georgia, she is Director of Marketing of the Atlanta Marriott Northwest.

The bridegroom attended Clemson University. The son of Mr. and Mrs. William A Duncan of Easley, S.C., he is territory manager of Palm Pool Products in Atlanta, Ga.

The Palmetto String Quartet



Mrs. Janet Duncan

presented classical selections prior to the ceremony and nuptial music.

Mrs. Jonathan Alper of Miami, Florida and Mrs. David Chidsey of Dallas, Texas, sisters of the bride were matrons of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Christy Dorse, sister of the groom; Mrs. Milton Sarlin of Spartanburg, sister-in-law of the bride; Mrs. Mark Miller and Mrs. Charles Williams both of Atlanta.

William A. Duncan, father of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Dr. Milton D. Sarlin of Spartanburg, the bride's brother; Jonathan Benson Alper of Miami, Florida and David Aron Chidsey of Dallas, Texas, brother-in-law of the bride; Robert Carman of Lilburn, Georgia; Michael Buckner Brown of Greenville; James Caldwell Foster Jr. and Daniel M. Hopkins both of Easley.

Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. Isidore Karen Fedder of Hickory, N.C. and Mrs. Erick Nickolson of Easley presided at the guest registers.

After a wedding trip to Bermuda Mr. and Mrs. Duncan will move to their home in Marietta, Georgia.

FRANKLIN, N.C.

Shabbat service was held at St. Cyprian's Episcopal Church in Franklin, 7:00 p.m., Friday, July 6. Dr. Asher Marks led the worship service and presented a sermonette on "The Joys of Hebrew." Morry Tenenbaum conducted congregational singing. Oneg Shabbat followed the service. Upcoming Shabbat services: August 3 & 17, September 7 & 21.

The long-awaited **Holocaust Torah Dedication Service** is now scheduled for Sunday, August 26, at 2 p.m. at St. Cyprian's Church in Franklin. Guests are welcome, and a large crowd is expected (perhaps so large that service may be held outdoors?)

Roger Turner of Sylva has received the commission to build the Ark which will house our Torah and will be kept at St. Cyprian's. Those who attended the business meeting after services June 15th had the opportunity to view several of Roger's proposed designs. Selection was made of a pattern to be built of oak and walnut, featuring a lattice design. Roger is a skilled artist and builder, and this will be a piece to be proud of. Now we need everybody's help with our Ark Fund.

We had a fine turn-out for services and Oneg, Friday, June 15th—and for the congregational business meeting afterwards, presided over by volunteer chairperson, Lee Berger. Special thanks to volunteers recruited for various tasks, including the following: Pauline Tenenbaum will do calligraphy for invitations to Torah Dedication; Constance Head, volunteer Editor of Newsletter, also volunteer Xerox-er; Ada Sails is preparing update of mailing list; Alfred Kaplan will prepare address labels based on our updated list; Pearl Fegarsky will assist with folding and actually getting bulletins in the mail; and Dr. Fred Berger will continue as volunteer Treasurer.

Specials thanks, too, to our

Oneg Shabbat hostesses in June, Rose Temkin and Pearl Fegarsky. Anyone wishing to help with future Onegs, please contact Gloria Bass. (This includes Oneg for Torah Dedication Day.)

More thanks: to Lee Berger who took on the hard job of preparing the first preliminary updated mailing list, included with the previous issue of the bulletin . . . And to Morry Tenenbaum song leader and Hebrew class instructor, for his tireless efforts with our group!

GREENFIELD-TULMAN WEDDING

The wedding of Joseph Brian Tulman and Deborah Greenfield took place at the home of family friends in Sands Point, New York. The ceremony took place in the garden with Rabbi Gerald Serotta, Hillel Director at George Washington University, officiating. (Rabbi Serotta may be familiar to some as founder of the "New Jewish Agenda.")

Joseph is the son of Stanley and Elkie Katzin Tulman (formerly of Winston-Salem) now residing in Charlotte, N.C. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa from U.N.C. in 1975, with a B.A. in sociology and minor in music. After a year spent as one of the leaders of the Young Judea Year Course in Israel, he returned to Chapel Hill and earned his J.D. degree at the U.N.C. Law School.

Deborah is the daughter of

Arthur Greenfield of Albuquerque, N.M. and Bea Greenfield of New York City. She graduated Phi Beta Kappa and with high honors from Swarthmore College in 1976 with a B.A. degree. She earned her M.A. in English Literature at the University of Sussex in Brighton, England, in 1977. She received her J.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania, graduating with honors in 1981.

Both Deborah and Joseph have been practicing law in Washington D.C. and will continue to make their home there.

CHARLOTTE B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN

by Lisa Teitelzweig

MEET AND EAT

Ha Lailah Chapter of B'nai B'rith Women will hold its first "Meet and Eat" Dinner Meeting on Tuesday, August 28 at 6:30 p.m. at the Armstrong House (921 Jefferson).

This promises to be an exciting evening open to the entire membership of Ha Lailah. It will serve as an opportunity for each and every member to become familiar with the upcoming year's programs and projects.

CHILD FIND, LATCHKEY CHILD, PERSONAL GIVING, THE RELATIVES, CHILDREN'S LIBRARY, MINORITY CHILD WORKSHOP.

These are only a few of a variety of programs, special events and projects planned by Ha Lailah for

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the coming year. Board members and chairpersons of the various committees will be leading many of the discussions. Members will be sharing excitement and enthusiasm as the discussions and activities held at the "Meet and Eat" will open the doors to personal involvement.

A box dinner will be served at a cost of \$4.00 per person. Please R.S.V.P. to Sara Schreiber (542-6594 or 366-5007) or Penny Eisenberg (366-0680) by **Friday, August 24.**

"COME FLY WITH US"

Was the theme for Ha Lailah Chapter B'nai B'rith Women's membership tea which was held at the home of Wendy Rosen on Tuesday, June 12.

Perspective new members were able to discuss with the Board members of Ha Lailah, projects and functions for the coming year, gaining insight as to how they might become involved.

It being a beautiful Spring evening, the night's activities were held outside on the deck of Wendy's home. The setting lent itself to getting acquainted personally as well as with the Chapter. Towards the end of the evening, ice cream and an array of toppings were served which added the finishing touches to an already pleasurable event.

FOR MAUVENS AND OTHER MOTHERS

Nicki Levins and Jeanie Katz are organizing a **new** special interest group for members and potential members of Ha Lailah.

For "MOMS" is for women who are expecting or have had a baby within the last year. This program will offer to its participants, the opportunity to learn helpful hints on handling special problems, sharing tips on child care and provide for adult company during a portion of the day. This will not be a mothers morning out as the children will attend and the program will be a "casual coffee

klatch."

Come share ideas, thoughts, feelings and possibly concerns with someone who can definitely relate to a mother with a small child or a mother-to-be.

The group will meet the second Thursday of each month from 10-11:30 a.m. at different homes. For more information call Nicki (364-6498) or Jeanie (847-7669).

POOL PARTY

Our August meeting for Ha Lailah Chapter will be a pool party to be held on Sunday, August 12 from 2-4 p.m. at the home of Penny Eisenberg.

The special feature of the afternoon will be lessons, from not just one but TWO bartenders, on exotic drinks. We will not only be shown how to make these drinks, but we will sample each and every one. (In case of rain, this meeting will be held indoors at Penny's home.)

Come enjoy this bubbling afternoon at a minimal cost of \$1.50 per person.



Mr. Burnie J. Levy came to Greensboro, North Carolina, in 1942 from New York City. He operated B. J. Levy Painting Co. at 1112 N. Elm St. in Greensboro,

SOUTHEAST REGION UNITED SYNAGOGUE OF AMERICA ANNOUNCE BIENNIAL CONVENTION

- Franklin D. Kreutzer, President Southeast Region, United Synagogue of America, and Harold Wishna, Executive Director announced the Southeast Region Biennial Convention will be held at the Hyatt Regency in Savannah, Georgia, November 30 through December 3, 1984.

The Biennial Convention will bring together delegates from eight southeastern states and Puerto Rico for a multi-faceted program which will include workshop sessions geared toward the convention theme, "Conservative Agenda for Survival in the 21st Century."

Leon Polstein, Vice President Southeast Region, United Synagogue of America, Congregation Ahavath Achim, Atlanta, Georgia, is the convention chairman. Richard P. Jaffe, President, Temple Israel, Daytona Beach, Florida, and Dr. Sanford Benjamin, Temple Israel, Charlotte, North Carolina, are the co-chairmen, and Linda Tilling, Member-at-Large, Executive Committee, Southeast Region, United Synagogue of America, Congregation Agudath Achim, Savannah, Georgia, is the secretary.

Further information can be obtained by contacting the office of the Southeast Region, United Synagogue of America, Plantation, Florida, (305) 474-4600 or (305) 947-6094.

whose site is now a parking lot for Farbis & Dick Funeral Home. Mr. Levy was a sign painter. He retired and moved to Knoxville, Tennessee, where he has been playing music. Now at age 66 he plans to get on the air soon from Nashville.

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BETH MEYER SYNAGOGUE
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by Selma Schoen

Mazel Tov and good wishes to the newly elected president of Beth Meyer Synagogue, Stanley Gantman, and a Mazel Tov to the Raleigh Chapter of Hadassah's new co-presidents, Vivian Bagatelle and Lenora Richman.

A beautiful party was hosted by Dr. & Mrs. Morton Pizer and held at the North Ridge Club. The honorees were Mr. & Mrs. Edward Pizer and son Wayne who are making Aliyah in a few weeks. Also honoring Debora and Ed, The Beth Meyer Synagogue gave a beautiful Oneg Shabbat. Rabbi Schoen, Dr. Abram Kanof, and Ed himself spoke most eloquently. Ed Pizer was born and reared in Raleigh and both he and Debora have been active and cherished members of the Community. We all wish the Pizers much "Mazel" in their new home in the land of Israel. We will surely miss them.

A safe and happy trip to Norma and David Zendels and to Muriel and Stan Gantman, who have left on trips to the West Coast for the summer.

Hearty Mazel Tavs to Muriel and Sid Rubin on the birth of granddaughter Sandra Ann. The proud parents are Dr. & Mrs. Howard Rubin of Summit, New Jersey.

To Risa and Ira Botvinick on the birth of a son, Marshall Aaron. The happy grandparents are Doris Dworsky and Mr. & Mrs. Charles Botvinick of Brooklyn, New York.

To Dr. & Mrs. Dennis Becker on the birth of their daughter, Julia. And to Linda & Dan Brinkley on the birth of a son, Stuart Elliot.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Raymond Shapiro, Mitzi Shor, Sophie Friedlander, Jerome Fox, Paula Horwitz and Sanford Rose, all of whom have been recently hospitalized.

Condolences to Dr. Harvey Gold on the passing of his father, Rev. George Goldberg of Miami Beach, Florida.

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KITTNER-WARSHAW WEDDING

Kim Elaine Warshaw and Benjamin Robert Kittner were married at Temple De Hirsch Sinai in Seattle, Washington. Dr. Earl S. Starr officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Harry Levinson of Seattle, Washington and the late Mr. Norman Warshaw. Parents of the bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kittner of Weldon.

Following the wedding ceremony, a reception was hosted by Mr. and Mrs. Harry Levinson at the Mirabeau, located on the 46th floor of the Seattle National Bank Building. The couple left for a wedding trip to Lake Louise and Banff, Alberta, Canada. They will live in Raleigh.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Washington and the University of Southern California. She was employed as a Research Associate at The Urban Institute in Washington, D.C.

The groom is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and the University of Pennsylvania. He is Director of Production and Administration for the North Carolina Agency for Public Telecommunications in Raleigh.

Mr. & Mrs. Benjamin Kittner



MUSIC OLD AND NEW
FILLS AIR AT CANTORS
ASSEMBLY CONVENTION

Grossinger, New York

The Catskills were alive with the sound of music last month—37 cantors lifting their voices in song in adapting the prayers and melodies of their ancient faith to the mood and tempo of modern times.

The occasion was the 37th annual convention of the Cantors' Assembly, the world's largest association of **hazzanim**—Jewish clergymen who chant the prayers that are at the heart of synagogue worship and who deeply involved in the pastoral and educational work of their congregations as well.

Instead of the typical convention bill of fare—speeches, reports, plenary sessions—this meeting featured round-the-clock music from 8 a.m. morning prayer services to impromptu midnightsing-alongs.

There was a full-fledged concert by a choir composed of cantors (who almost always sing alone) musically illustrated talk on Jewish roots of American popular music, and "Music for The Jewish Wedding"—songs and processions from traditional and contemporary sources.

GCAR INTERFAITH INSTITUTE AT WILDACRES AUGUST 13-16, 1984

The second Greater Carolinas Association of Rabbis Interfaith Institute at Wildacres, sponsored by the North Carolina Humanities Committee and the Blumenthal Foundation, will be a dialogue on Jewish and Christian relations, extending the 1983 dialogue, which was well received.

This year's general subject will be "Religion Faces the Changing World." Participants will be rabbis, priests, and ministers of various Protestant denominations from the Carolinas. Their spouses are also invited to attend and to participate.

Principal speakers this year will be the Rev. John T. Pawlikowski, OSM, Ph.D., of Chicago. He is a Servite Priest, Professor of Social Ethics at the Catholic Theological Union, a constituent school of the Chicago Cluster of Theological Schools at the University of Chicago. He is the author of six books including *Catechetics & Prejudice*, *Sinai and Calvary*, *What Are They saying About Christian-Jewish Relations*, and a major new volume on Christology and Christian-Jewish Relations entitled *Christ In Light Of The Christian-Jewish Dialogue*. He is contributor to twelve edited volumes including "Judaism in Christian Education and Liturgy," in Eva Fleischner's (ed.) *Auschwitz: Beginning of a New Era?* He was appointed by President Carter to the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council in April 1980.

Father Pawlikowski has visited Israel and the Middle East on four occasions, and was lecturer at the Ecumenical Institute for Advanced Theological Research in Jerusalem in summers of 1973 and 1974. He has been active in interfaith affairs and has appeared frequently on radio and TV on programs about Christian-Jewish relations and social issues.

Dr. Michael Cook, another speaker for the Wildacres Institute,

is Professor of Intertestamental and Early Christian Literatures at the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion in Cincinnati. He specialized in classical history and the literature and history of the early church at Haverford College, and was graduated magna cum laude. He earned an MA in Hebrew Literature and ordination from the New York branch of Hebrew Union College in 1970, after study at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

His publications include his book on *Mark's Treatment of the Jewish Leaders*, articles on "Judaism, Early Rabbinic," and "Judaism, Hellenistic," in *Interpreter's Dictionary of the Bible* Supplementary Volume; "Jesus and the Pharisees: the Problem as It Stands Today," *Journal of Ecumenical Studies* 15 (1978), "Interpreting 'Pro-Jewish' Passages in Matthew," "Anti-Judaism in the New Testament," *Union Seminary Quarterly Review*, and "Josephus," "Pharisees," "Philo of Alexandria," *Encyclopedia Americana*.

Rabbi Cook travels widely, addressing Jewish and Christian audiences, including academicians and clergy, throughout the U.S. and Canada. He has had close association with Ph.D. students from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in Louisville and has addressed the leadership of the Southern Baptist Convention. He has served as a textbook consultant for the Archdiocese of Louisville and as Visiting Professor at the Lexington Theological Seminary and at Xavier University. He works with Jewish youth in summer at the Union of American Hebrew Congregations camp in Zionsville, IN.

Also speaking at the Wildacres Interfaith Institute is Helen Lee Turner of the Department of Religion at Furman University, Greenville, SC. Besides her position of Instructor there, she is Pastor of Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Barboursville, VA, on weekends. She has been working

for her Ph.D. in Religious Studies since 1979, in the area of Christian Studies, specializing in American Religion, and in Jewish Studies as her minor area. Her Dissertation is to be on "The Involvement of Southern Baptist Women Missionaries in the Nineteenth Century Ecumenical Woman's Work In Chinese, Indian, and African Publications and Programs."

Helen Lee Turner received her Doctor of Ministry degree from Vanderbilt Divinity School. Her ordination was from First (Southern) Baptist Church in Spartanburg, SC in 1975. She has served as Visiting Assistant Professor of Religion at Averett College in Danville, VA; Visiting Instructor of Religion at Furman University; and Chaplain, Director of Counseling Services, Professor of Religion at Virginia Intermont College in Bristol, VA. Her teaching experience was done in several colleges.

Moderators of the sessions will be Father Jerome Dollard, Dr. Carl Evans, Dr. John Fogarty, Rabbi Israel Gerber, Rabbi Harold Krantzler, Rabbi Leo L. Hoffman, Maurice Weinstein, and Dr. Loy Witherspoon.

**Both teachers and learners go
to sleep at their post, as soon
as there is no enemy in the
field.**

John Stuart Mill

6TH ANNUAL YIDDISH INSTITUTE AT WILDACRES

by Baila Pransky

The sixth annual Charlotte Yiddish Institute opened Wildacres' 1984 season with a spirited, sold-out session devoted to Yiddish, its language and culture. As the publicity stated, the Institute is for women and men interested in increasing their knowledge of Yiddish and in enriching their cultural ties with a language that is warm and inventive, distinctive and intriguing.

Scheduled throughout the four day Institute were lectures, workshops, theatre, and daily and Shabbat services. A well stocked gift shop carried a large selection of Yiddish publications and gift items.

The featured speakers-in-residence were Chayela Ash, actress, lecturer and performer; Abraham Fuhrman, cantor, folk singer and performer; and David Goldberg, lecturer, scholar and secular shule director.

Providing the skills for implementing the smooth operation of the Yiddish Institute was the Yiddish Institute Committee comprised of: Sarah Ackerman—hospitality; Gedalia Ackerman—religious services and workshops; Moishe Bienstock—workshops; Sarah Goldman—gift shop; Yedudah Goldman—religious services; Raizel Luski—gift shop; Avram Luski—Keynote and workshops; Lyba Pollard—reservations and transportation; Baila Pransky—coordinator; and Yayneh Pransky—religious services. These members of the CYI Committee have, over the past six years, created a vibrant Yiddish environment at Wildacres through their dedicated and devoted efforts. The following guest participants also enhanced the Institute's programming: Reuven Freedman—workshops; Sherry Greenspan—musical accompanist; Rabbi Lazar Hoffman—

religious services; Avram Holtzman—workshops; and Sheva Zucker—workshops.

This year's Institute attracted Yiddishists from North and South Carolina, Georgia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Florida. Their responses to the CYI were heartwarming and worthy of sharing with *Times Outlook* readers. Following are a few excerpts from some of the letters received: from Miriam and Mordechai Teicher, Chapel Hill, NC. "The ruach was superb! A spirit of warmth, exuberance, friendliness and pleasure permeated every aspect of the Institute, making it one of the most wonderful experiences we have enjoyed. Your planners are to be congratulated for creating this fine atmosphere. We certainly hope to return next year. The overall format and time-span were just right . . . long enough to learn and short enough to avoid boredom. The composition of the group was sufficiently diversified to be interesting and yet united in its devotion to Yiddish . . . In general, we are most enthusiastic about the experience and we eagerly look forward to the next one."

From Elaine and Lee Dushoff, Phila. PA. "Once again our thanks for a very special experience and one which, this time, gave us the opportunity to provide our parents, as well as ourselves, the joy of sharing in your inimitable Yiddish Institute. Your work is obviously blessed for so many reasons, not the least of which is your ability to light up the lives of many people for whom the number of precious moments and priceless experiences are, unfortunately, waning. We are already looking forward eagerly to next year and to being with you again."

From Elsa and Bob Travis, Atlanta, GA. "Just as we did last year, we returned home elated. Attending the Yiddish Institute was a treat for us and we are looking forward to next year. The organizers of the Institute deserve

a compliment and the appreciation of all those who are privileged to attend."

From Malke and Reuve Freedman, Phila. PA. "We have been reflecting on the highlights of our Yiddish Institute experience and enjoying it over and over again as we share it with friends and family. Trying to decide which of the high spots was the best was almost impossible. Was it the discovery that Chayele Ash and Avram Fuhrman had been here in Philadelphia with their wonderful repertoire, but that we had to go the way to North Carolina to get to know them? . . . A memory that remains very special was being with (friends) singing along in Yiddish and dancing a "sher" at midnight, knowing that they had been house bound and incapacitated for many months. All the medical therapies weren't able to do for them what the Yiddish Institute at Wildacres accomplished . . ."

The CYI offers a scholarship program designed to encourage the participation of "under 40" Yiddishists. Inquiries for the 1985 CYI at Wildacres should be directed to:

The Charlotte Yiddish Institute
Charlotte Jewish
Community Center
Box 220188
Charlotte, NC 28222

HOLOCAUST N.C. Perspective given in 13-minute slide-and-sound production

by Terry Mattingly, Religion Writer

Dr. Susan Cernyak-Spatz was waiting in the lobby of television station WTVI one night and overheard a conversation that made her blood boil.

Another woman asked a man in the lobby if there was anything interesting going on at the station that night. A multi-media program on the Holocaust was being premiered in one of the studios, she was told.

"A Holocaust show? Who wants to go see that? I don't give a hoot about all that, and I'm tired of hearing about it," the woman replied.

Dr. Cernyak-Spatz, a survivor of 2½ years in the infamous Auschwitz concentration camp, said nothing.

She didn't cross the room, point at the number 34,000 tattooed on her arm—the Auschwitz identification numbers would top 500,000—and tell the woman there are people that would be offended by her remark.

Dr. Cernyak-Spatz has heard it all before. She works out her anger by telling other people why the Holocaust should be studied and remembered.

On the TV show events proceed in familiar sequence, accompanied by military music. Hitler comes to power. German Jews begin to lose their civil rights and property. The slaughter begins. There is a slide of a routine shipping list for industrial products made from the bodies of slaughtered Jews.

Then there is color slide of the Greensboro skyline and the music switches to an unaccompanied, lonely-sounding flute. Survivors tell their stories and plead for future generations to remember.

The cycle is repeated through-

out the short program. Whenever the stream of photos of open-pit graves, gas chambers and stacks of human bodies begins to numb the viewer, the program cuts away to another short commentary by a survivor or a liberator. Stereotypes are either shattered, redefined or enlarged.

Celia Scher of Charlotte, a member of the governor's Council on the Holocaust, spoke briefly before and after the multi-media program. Dr. Cernyak-Spatz also spoke, along with W.H. "Skeet" Eskridge, a Charlottean who was among United States troops that liberated the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp in northern Germany.

Mrs. Scher stressed the council considers the 13-minute program only a first step in its work. Future projects will include multi-media programs about the survivors and liberators in each major city in the state and the creation of an archives of Holocaust and photos and mementos from throughout the state.

When complete, the new archives will be housed in the Charlotte Jewish Community Center, which is currently under construction, announced Mrs. Scher.

"Our purpose in doing this is education—pure and simple," she said. "(The Holocaust) is not something that happened thousands of miles away. . . This is about people who may live next door to us now—yet, they were hit by this horror."

Schools are in need of a concise program of the Holocaust, all of the speakers stressed. A history teacher at Sedgwick Junior High, Ken Townsend, said most of the junior high and high school textbooks he has seen contain little or no information on the Holocaust—in many cases one or two paragraphs.

The 32-year-old teacher, who was raised a Lutheran, said he spends up to a month on the Holocaust in his classes—despite calls from a few parents, ministers and "people in power" asking him to "cool it a little."

"One parent said he thought the Holocaust is the kind of thing that should just be forgotten," said Mr. Townsend. "That scares me. I think education is the only way to oppose that kind of attitude."

Mr. Eskridge, 69, can understand the urge to forget. Whenever he sees a Holocaust program his own memories become vivid again. He will always remember the "living skeletons" who survived Bergen-Belsen. One man crawled to thank him, kissing him repeatedly on the feet.

"How do you forget that? . . . How do you tell someone what that much death smells like and looks like," said Mr. Eskridge. "I'm not sure we can tell people—but we have to try."

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by Ira Gissen, Director
North Carolina/Virginia Region
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of B'nai B'rith

Hatred that speaks in the name of religion continues to afflict and pollute our communities. One of the most bizarre examples of such prejudicial passions appeared in a variety of locations around the Richmond area including: The Medical College of Virginia parking facility and The Chesterfield County Court House parking lot. Titled "The Pope's Secrets" and published by the "Tony & Susan Alamo Christian Foundation" of Alma, Arizona, it proclaimed a variety of slanders against the Catholic Church. Here is one example of how it strains to disparage the Vatican: "The Vatican wants to move from Rome to Jerusalem. In 1975 the Houston Chronicle reported that the politically power-hungry Henry Kissinger helps this super-cult (the Vatican) by proposing 'that Jerusalem become an international city with the control of holy places and the religious administration being given to the Pope'."

It is a compliment to the good people of Richmond that the ADL receives so many complaints about the pamphlet from Jewish and Protestant people who had found the pamphlet on their automobiles. Our Catholic friends quite properly called it "obscene." In order to deal effectively with this problem, the Regional ADL office has been in contact with the Richmond Diocese as well as the National Headquarters of the Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights.

A contingent of some three hundred "Black Hebrews" belonging to the Miami, Florida-based sect called "Hebrew Israelites" recently held major rallies in Richmond, Virginia and Raleigh, North Carolina. They are not affiliated with any American or

foreign Jewish religious organization nor are they recognized as members of the Jewish faith by any rabbinic authority. Their literature espouses religious and racial hate.

Among pamphlets distributed in their recent meetings is one which carries the headline "Yahweh: The Great, Good, Terrible and Black God." It declares: "The White European people in our land Israel are imposters and liars." Another one of their leaflets carries the title "Jesus and Jehovah Do Not Exist." It proclaims: "We are the sons and daughters of Yahweh, the true nation of Israel, the tribe of Judah, chosen to be chief ruler forever."

They traveled to our cities from the Miami, Florida area in a conveyance of trailer trucks and buses, all painted white and with the word "Yahweh" emblazoned on the side. Their activities are being monitored by the ADL.

The commercial exploitation of religion surfaced with the reappearance of "The Shepherd's Guide" which describes itself as the "Christian Business Directory for Greater Richmond and Tri-City 1984." It carries advertisements for businesses and services ranging, alphabetically, from "accounting" to "wooden toys."

"The Shepherd's Guide" is but one example of a proliferating number of "Christian yellow pages" which have appeared in various cities in the United States from coast to coast. They introduce the element of religious divisiveness into commercial transactions. Recognizing that in fact, the publisher has made an inadequate attempt to hide the discrimination that his publication promotes. In his printed policy, he states, "We have been legally advised that it would be discriminatory to exclude those from advertising in the Shepherd's Guide who do not know the Lord Jesus Christ. Our policy is that such business persons would be permitted to advertise provided their business is morally good and reputable. The advertisement

would not bear the Shepherd's Guide trademark." ADL recognizes that religious identification of a professional service or business can be appropriate when the supplies or services are required for religious observance. By contrast, use of the Shepherd's Guide trademark simply requires the advertiser to sign a "statement of faith." This development is of the most serious concern to the ADL as well as to Christian leaders who deplore the commercial exploitation of their religion.

Within twenty-four hours of one another, two remarkably similar incidents came to our attention which called for action by ADL. One was at the University of Virginia, which prompted ADL to write a letter to the President of the University which read in part as follows: "... at the recent and memorable graduation program, prayer was offered by Father Thomas Seitz, the pastor of St. John's Episcopal Church in Huntington, West Virginia. The prayer, I am told, concluded with specific and discrete denominational reference. Understandably, the university of the status of UV which attracts faculty, students and their parents at graduation from all over the world will have present at this auspicious ceremony adherents of most of the faiths to be found in human society." UVA President Hereford replied to ADL: "I certainly will see to it that in the future, clergymen invited to participate in academic exercises at the University are asked to offer non-denominational prayers." By remarkable coincidence, a similar incident occurred within hours at the Richmond Braves baseball game. After consulting with the ADL, an offended fan sent a letter to the Brave's General Manager. The response read as follows: "All invocations done before a Braves game are intended to be Non-Denominational and for the first time to my knowledge, that was not. We of course, do not ask

clergy person exactly what he will say. We assume that they will deliver a Non-Denominational prayer. In the future, we will have to stress this concept a little more."

WORLD-WIDE CAMPAIGN TO COLLECT MATERIAL ON HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS 1945-50

1985 will mark the 40th anniversary of the liberation of Europe from the Nazi nightmare. To commemorate this occasion, Beth Hatefutsoth, the Nahum Goldmann Museum of the Jewish Diaspora in Tel Aviv, is planning a comprehensive exhibition on the Holocaust survivors, recalling the story of the hundreds of thousands of Jewish refugees who survived the war—in camps, in resistance movements or in hiding.

In preparation for this exhibition, Beth Hatafutsoth has announced a world-wide campaign to collect photographs and films that have any bearing on the subject of Holocaust survivors.

Beth Hatefutsoth would like all those—especially Holocaust survivors, their families and descendants—who have any films or photographs on this subject to send them to the Beth Hatefutsoth archives. The material will be used for the historical research of the period, as well as for the preparation of an exhibition.

Daily, we learn of the loss of priceless photographs kept in private houses that could have made a significant contribution to one of the most important and dramatic periods in Jewish history. Beth Hatefutsoth urgently requests survivors and their descendants to send material in their possession to the Museum.

Photographs and films are being sought relating to the period from the liberation from the Nazis (1944-45) to the final rehabilitation of the Holocaust survivors—whether in

Israel, Europe, or elsewhere (1948-1950).

The following are the major subjects for which visual documentation is needed: European Jewry immediately following the liberation; Repatriation; the return of Jewish children hidden by Christians; the Bricha; life in the Displaced Persons camps in Germany; the rehabilitation of Jewish communities in Eastern and Western Europe; illegal immigration; emigration to and rehabilitation in countries outside Europe; the Israel War of Independence; and mass immigration to the State of Israel.

To simplify the identification of the visual material, senders are requested to stick a label on the back of each photograph with the name of the sender, his exact address (including telephone number); year the photograph was taken (exact date, if possible); place where the photograph was taken; and description (20 words)

of the subject matter.

All the photographs will be kept in the Beth Hatefutsoth archives.

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WSPA APPEALS TO THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY TO ASSIST ANIMAL WELFARE EFFORTS IN ISRAEL

The World Society for the Protection of Animals (WSPA), an international non-profit animal protection organization, has launched a campaign in the U.S. to raise funds to assist Israel in working to prevent animal suffering in that country. WSPA is seeking funds from the American Jewish community to improve and modernize the existing animal shelters in Israel, to build shelters where there are none, to provide needed medical equipment and supplies, and to initiate a humane education campaign in the schools.

Despite the great economic and security difficulties that have placed a tremendous drain on Israel's resources during her first 35 years, dedicated individuals concerned with animal welfare in Israel have established one shelter each in the cities of Jerusalem, Haifa, and Beer Sheeva, and three shelters in the Tel Aviv area. Unfortunately, these facilities are too small and too few in number to meet the growing needs of the country. Resources have been stretched to the limit and it is now necessary to request help from the American Jewish community. Funds and technical assistance are urgently required to prevent suffering caused by overpopulation of stray cats and dogs, to ensure that sick, injured or unwanted animals can be euthanized in a humane manner, and to permit the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in Israel (ISPCA) to hire personnel to routinely inspect the condition of the many horses, donkeys and mules used by food vendors. Israel's population includes many people from countries with no tradition of animal welfare. Humane education in the schools is a necessity to promote positive attitudes towards animals in Israeli children and to encourage them to

actively take part in animal protection efforts.

Nina Natelson, Coordinator of "Project Israel", has recently returned from Israel. She explained that "It is a credit to the Jewish religion that strong emphasis is placed on 'tsa'ar ba'alei chayim', compassion for animals, that it is a human duty to relieve the pain of any creature though it be ownerless or belonging to a non-Jew. Working with the Israeli government and concerned individuals in Israel, WSPA hopes to help make that principle and ethic an integral part of daily life in Israel. WSPA Regional Director John Walsh, who initiated "Project Israel" in response to requests from Israelis and Americans returning from visits to Israel, adds that "Humane treatment of animals elevates the quality of life for humans as well as animals. A humane ethic is vital to ensure the moral development of our youth." Hilda Friedstein, who heads the Jaffa-Tel Aviv ISPCA, agrees: "... for me it is the difference of living like a human being or like a savage. It has a very definite connection to the quality of life. A country that has museums, a symphony orchestra, ballet, etc., attributes of civilized living, cannot be without humane facilities for animal protection . . . I think it ("Project Israel") is a most worthy project, and very much appreciated by us." And Joan Comay, Honorary President of the ISPCA in Jerusalem states: "I welcome your initiative with "Project Israel," and hope it will help us to continue and expand our humanitarian efforts."

WSPA, with over 250 member humane societies in 60 countries, is experienced in establishing assistance programs such as this in developing countries. WSPA is asking the American Jewish community to help Israel become a "light unto nations" in the area of treatment of animals, as she has become in many other areas, by sending tax-deductible contributions to the Society for the Pro-

tection of Animals, 29 Perkins Street, P.O. Box 190, Boston, MA 02130. Checks should be made payable to the World Society for the Protection of Animals and marked "Project Israel."

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Nineteen rabbis were ordained and seven cantors were invested by Dr. Alfred Gottschalk, President of Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, at ceremonies at Temple Emanu-El in New York on May 27. The College also conferred four Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degrees at ceremonies marking the end of its 109th academic year.

Eleven of the newly ordained rabbis are women, bringing to 7 the number of women who have been ordained by the college since 1972. Three of the newly invested cantors are women bring to 28 the number of women invested as cantors. Hebrew Union College affiliated with the Reform Movement, is the only one of the three major Jewish institutions higher learning admitting women to the rabbinate and cantorate.

Recipients of honorary degrees included the award-winning author Cynthia Ozick, the renowned artist Chaim Gross former Chairman of the Board of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, Donald Day, and the late Dr. Jules Backman economist and civic leader.

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REFLECTIONS ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL

by David Ben-Gurion

When I went in 1948 to inspect the damage done by the Egyptian bombing which marked the opening of the Arab war on the new State, I remember thinking that if we were now responsible for our destiny, the rational question will be whether in a few days or a few weeks we would have a destiny to shape. For we had no planes to match their planes, no artillery, no tanks. Yet none of us at the time had any doubt about the outcome.

A few days earlier, I had received an urgent message from General George Marshall. He was United States Secretary of State at the time, and he urged me desperately not to go ahead on May 14, 1948 with my declared intention of proclaiming independence. I had similar messages from several other governments and distinguished individuals, some friends, some not so friendly. Marshall was a friend, and he tried to discourage me not because he was opposed to a Jewish State but because he thought we would be quickly destroyed by the overwhelmingly superior forces of the Arab States. He begged me to wait for a more favorable political climate.

Yet Marshall could not know what we knew—what we felt in our very bones: **that this was our historic hour.** If we did not live up to it, through fear or weakness of spirit, it might be generations or even centuries before our people were given another historic opportunity—if indeed we would be alive as a national group. However grave might be the repercussions of the decision to declare our independence, I knew that the future would be infinitely worse for my people if we did not do so. We decided to go ahead and proclaim our independence as planned. Let me add that there was absolute unanimity among all my

colleagues in the 13-member National Administration (the body which became the Provisional Government of Israel the moment the Proclamation had been read and signed).

I remember that these thoughts were in my mind, when on my way home from the late afternoon Independence Day ceremony, I watched the people dancing in the streets, celebrating the historic act to which we had all put our hand. I did not dance with them, though I felt with them the emotion of the moment. It was something to see—the sheer joy on their faces, the light in their eyes, the exuberance of their movements, all caught in a surge of ecstasy. They were right to dance, I thought, even though I was all too aware—as many of the dancers must have been aware—of the dangers that faced us and the sacrifice we would suffer in defending the statehood we had just gained.

It had been the same, I reflected, some five and a half months earlier when on November 29th, 1947, the United Nations passed their Partition resolution calling for the end of the Mandate over Palestine and the establishment of independent Arab and Jewish States. I returned to Jerusalem to find the streets alive with rejoicing and celebration. I rejoiced, too, but I was much concerned with the morrow; the attacks did in fact come the next day.

I was persuaded to make an Independence broadcast to the world—it was about four o'clock in the morning, so that with the time difference it reached New York listeners in the evening. While I was broadcasting, listeners heard the crump of a bomb landing near the improvised Tel-Aviv studio from an Egyptian bomber.

As soon as I finished my broadcast, I went to inspect the bomb damage, knowing in my heart that no one outside Israel could possibly feel as we did, that **we had to seize the historic moment and that despite the odds**

we would win. It is probably Clausewitz who talked of the conflict of wills in warfare: the stronger of the two wills wins. I knew, with Marshall, that we would be vastly outnumbered, and that we would face an enormous superiority of arms. But I also knew, what Marshall did not know, that **our will would prove stronger**—not because we were more militaristic than the Arabs but because we would be fighting for a cause and also because defeat for us would mean national destruction. For the armies of the neighboring Arab States, it was largely a battle for spoils. Failure for them would not mean the loss of their countries, nor an end to their existence as national entities.

It is also true, as Marshall indicated, that we had only a partisan force to fling against the regular armies of the Arab states. These armies, fully-fledged military machines, had been trained for the kind of warfare that would soon be upon us. They were equipped with the standard weapons appropriate to a regular army, and were organized in the standard formations suitable for large-scale warfare—corps, divisions, brigades. We had the Haganah, an underground defense force with all the limitations of a force that had to train and operate in secrecy and conceal its weapons from the Mandatory authorities. We had no heavy weapons, small formations, an emphasis on local defense, much of it static. As a matter of fact it was only two months earlier, in March 1948, that for the first time we had undertaken operations in which we committed a force as large as a brigade—an army very small at that.

But I had read my Washington Post as Marshall had also certainly done, though no doubt with different eyes. What struck me deeply was the nature of the Washington's Army—they were underfed, under-armed, with no proper clothing and meager transport. They could have been

called a rabble. Yet they had the stronger will—and they were victorious. I don't say there is not a limit to the odds that can be faced and overcome. I do say, however, that the will of a people and the spirit and morale of its army are immeasurably powerful factors in war and can be decisive. I knew they would be decisive in our war of independence.

In the event, General Marshall proved to be right in his reading of his intelligence reports: the Arab armies did attack soon after I had finished reading the Declaration of Independence; they did march across our frontiers; and they did outnumber us very heavily in men and arms. He was wrong in his prediction of the outcome (so were many other military experts, including Britain's Field-marshal Montgomery). I do not blame Marshall for being mistaken—he was pleased, by the way, to have been proved wrong—for he could not have not known our people as we know ourselves. He could not have known of what our people would be capable when roused to a supreme effort—as they were by the threat of destruction.

A GANTZEH TSIMMIS!

This is not a recipe for anyone who is not fond of spending time in the kitchen, nor is it appropriate for a small family, but it does freeze well, and several quarts in the freezer come in handy repeatedly when a substantial side-dish is desired. It is great for a large dinner party and for a buffet table, when one complicated dish can take the

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place of several others. If your digestive system can handle it, this tsimmis is a meichel.

Begin by trimming the fat from some short ribs of beef. The quantity is optional and may be a pound or two. Salt and pepper them and brown them slowly in a very large, heavy skillet or dutch oven. When almost brown, add a diced large onion and continue to saute until the onion is golden. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ cup water and stir well.

Now add 1 cup of dried lima beans which have been soaked for several hours, and cook for $\frac{1}{2}$ hour or until you feel they are half-done. You will need to add water as needed throughout the cooking of this tsimmis.

Now add 1 lb. of carrots, peeled and cut into 1-inch chunks, without using thin tips, since they dissolve. Add 1 lb. or more of white potatoes and the same amount of sweet potatoes, all peeled and cut into large cubes. Add water as needed—don't forget. Cover and cook until everything is tender but still firm. Add 1 lb. of pitted prunes, either honey or brown sugar to suit your taste, salt* and pepper. At this point, be gentle in stirring, as the tsimmis is more palatable if it doesn't become mushy, unless you

prefer it that way. Simmer for a few minutes. For the final gourmet touch, add chopped green parsley. Remove from burner so that it stops cooking quickly. Remove meat before serving.

If you have mountain honey or wildflower honey to use in this recipe, it will smell like a bouquet of flowers. A few dashes of mace are good, too.

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Book Reviews

VIEWS AND REVIEWS

by Joseph Cohen

SEING AMERICAN JEWRY WHOLE

Reading Stephen J. Whitfield's *Voices of Jacob, Hands of Esau: Jews in American Life and Thought* (Archon Books, \$25.00), I was reminded, curiously, of W.B. Yeat's commentary on the origins of his famous poem "Sailing to Byzantium." In part, it reads, "I think if I could be given a month of antiquity and leave to spend it where I chose, I would spend it in Byzantium a little before Justinian opened St. Sophia and closed the Academy of Plato. I think I could find in some little wine-shop some philosophical worker in mosaic who would answer all my questions . . . for the pride of his delicate skill . . . would show as a lovely flexible presence like that of a perfect human body. I think that in early Byzantium, maybe never before or since in recorded human history, religious, aesthetic and practical life were one, that . . . the painter, the mosaic worker, the worker in gold and silver, the illuminator of sacred books were . . . absorbed in their subject matter (which was) the vision of a whole people."

In his fashion, Whitfield is a "Philosophical worker" in "the mosaic" of American Jewish life, with answers to more questions than most of us know to ask. The text and texture of his thought and commentary are "a lovely flexible presence" bringing together the "religious, aesthetic and practical life" of the American Jewish community, giving us a "vision of a

whole people," byzantine in its own rich sumptuousness. How "whole" it is, I think, we often fail to perceive in our preoccupations of the moment. It seems not unlikely that some distant poet-scholar in time will one day look back at the past century and one-half of Jewish history and see it as a New Golden Age, entertaining wistfully, as Yeats did, reveries of spending a month in so hallowed an antiquity. Because it is our recent past and present we are too close to it to get the same perspective.

It is elaborate reference to Yeat's nostalgic search for an organically sound community sufficient to his religious, aesthetic and practical needs intended as high praise for Whitfield's illuminating survey of contemporary American Jewish life? You might as well ask if Columbus discovered America in 1942! Why such high praise? Because *Voices of Jacob, Hands of Esau* in its thoughtful and far-ranging explication of the American Jewish experience is itself an example of the achievement of that experience. Like David G. Roskies' recently published *Against the Apocalypse*, Whitfield's new book will be a strongly competitive contender for this year's most prestigious Jewish book awards. Both of these enormously bright, young talented, energetic academicians share the same qualities: they are serious, positive, clever and lyrical all in the same breath. And their writing is easily understandable to the scholar and the lay person alike.

Whitfield is a specialist at being generalist. As a professor of American Studies at Brandeis University, he is adept at gleaning the meaning out of the combined history, sociology, philosophy and literature of the American Jewish community, observed in its internal workings and its external setting in the larger American and world communities.

Not the least of Whitfield's virtues is his sheer capacity to write. His lyricism apart, he has a gift for the aphoristic, a encyclopedic memory, and knack for the **bon mot**. He's quick and he's subtle, and you can be half a line further along before something clicks in your head and you realize you've just been treated to a fresh glimpse of some venerable verity one would have thought impervious to a new twist. The people named are legion and the networking around and through them is superb. It may not be news that Bronco Billy, the first of the cowboy stars, was Mike Aronson from Little Rock but do you know that Shimon Peres and Lauren Bacall are close cousins. In a long listing of American Jewish comedians, we don't get an ordinary alphabetical catalogue; we get alliterative and metaphorical pairings that are rhythmically ticked off to our delight: Zep Marx and Zero Mostel, Elaine May and Danny Kaye, Mike Nichols and Don Rickles, Shecky Greene and Ben Blue, George Burns and David Frye and enough already!

Divided into four sections, *Voices of Jacob, Hands of Esau* devotes three opening chapters to the American Jewish intellectual response to twentieth century totalitarianism, the tragic and delayed American realization of the extent Holocaust, and the impact of Hannah Arendt's theories on our political responses—Whitfield is the author of a highly regarded study of Ardent published in 1980—the chapters to the American Jewish political experience, concentrating

attention on the legacy of radicalism and the persistence of liberalism; three chapters to Jews in the popular arts, particularly comedy, with an in-depth study of Jules Feiffer, one chapter, long overdue but unduly brief, to the literary importance of baseball to Jewish writers including Cahan, Malamud, Philip Roth, Mark Harris, Isaac Rosenfeld, Potok and Heller; two chapters to Jews in journalism with a penetrating analysis of Walter Lippman; concluding with three first-rate chapters on being Jewish in the South, a subject only now beginning to attract the attention it deserves. Southern Jews may well be the most exotic creatures in this century!

Merely to outline Whitfield's subject matter, however, is as inadequate as touching a dangling skelton in the dark is traumatizing. It makes a lasting impression but it neglects to convey the sense of what Yeats called "the perfect human body." What's important is that there is a perfect human body here, well, nearly so, charmingly fleshed out, a pleasure to behold. Part of that pleasure is in Whitfield's conclusion with its sensible evaluation of the tensions central American Jewish life, which, though vexing, tend to confirm and reinforce his optimistic expectations of a strong Jewish future in America.

If you're looking for the right book to read right now, or if you expect to be marooned on an island, whether it is Martha's Vineyard or Oahu, or anyplace in between, the book to have in your knapsack is this one. From where I sit, it's required reading not just for American Judaism 101, but for all of us.

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THE REAL JEWISH WORLD by Stuart E. Rosenberg. Philosophical Library. 420 pages. \$19.95

Reviewed by G. E. Ackerman

Here is a book of which the cynical, Biblical Ecclesiastes could not have said, "Of the writing and making of many books, there is no end." This book by Rabbi Rosenberg is a **must** for any Jew seeking enlightenment of the modern period and the ability to put it all together. It's an answer to many questions most Jews have already asked themselves about many milestones in their lives, and in Temples of grand and oft-times ridiculous style. When one considers the range of subjects that Rabbi Rosenberg tackles; denominations, the Pope, Bar Mitzvahs, weddings, funerals, the corporate synagogues, and when he concludes brilliantly with the essence of all his "Second Thoughts," we have a real Jewish treat.

A distinguished and outspoken Jewish leader, Rabbi Rosenberg surveys the contemporary North American Jewish community, drawing on a half-century of impressions, memories, and active personal involvement in communal affairs. He presents "everything you've always wanted to know about Jews and Judaism but were afraid to ask."

In 1976 Rabbi Rosenberg was singularly honored by his Alma Mater, the Jewish Theological Seminary of America, with a life-appointment as its Sabato Morais Honorary Fellow for distinguished contributions to Jewish life.

One must find praise for the range of research and for the brilliance of insight of this experienced and talented Jewish leader. In summary of the emotions that run through these chapters, Stuart Rosenberg casts new lights on things that we have always taken for granted. But in view of his silent cynicism and a sort of battle of wits, discouragement, mockery of the things he is discussing, and

by virtue of personal experiences, one rightfully suspects that Rabbi Rosenberg suffered some bitter defeats in his life as a rabbi. Having served one congregation for twenty years or more, then after a peak period of long service, being moved to another congregation in the same city of Toronto, some things must have befallen him that inspired certain of these "Second Thoughts." The reviewer must conclude in fairness and in just and proper evaluation that had Stuart Rosenberg given himself a chance with some "Third Thoughts," then his "Second Thoughts" might never have been spoken, and he would have done well to remain with his youthful and very impressive "First Thoughts." But who can deny that we have here a rabbi and a leader and a brilliant scholar who gave his best years in the name of his people, but surely his own dear life!?



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FIELD GUIDE TO MEDICINAL PLANTS by Arnold & Connie Krochmal. Times Books, 3 Park Ave., N.Y. 10016. 274 pages. \$7.95

This is a well printed, fine quality paperback book with more than 375 illustrations which make plant identification easy. A bibliography, appendices, index of plant names, and index of human ailments are included.

The fascinating introduction includes information on folklore and science, historical background, sources, and botanical and medicinal items. Although this is a definitive work on medicinal plants, the authors repeatedly warn readers not to practice self-treatment.

The Krochmals live in Asheville, North Carolina, and this is a new edition of the original book published in 1973. Both Arnold and Connie have written a number of books and articles on a variety of interesting subjects, and their experience ranges widely throughout the world, with an obviously profound background of study. Recently received from them are two pamphlets on *Aging: The Facts & The Myths*, and *Acid Rain, The Controversy*, published by P.P.I. Publishing of Dayton, Ohio. Among books written by Arnold Krochmal are *The Complete Illustrated Guide to Dyes from Natural Sources*, *Useful Plants of the Blue Ridge*, *Gardening in the Carolinas*, and *Indoor Gardening Green Thumb Guide*. Connie Krochmal has written *A Guide to Natural Cosmetics*, *A Naturalist's Guide to Cooking with Wild Plants*, *The Art of Wood Burning*, *A Walker's Guide to Nature*, *Making It—How To Do It For Less*, and others. They have written together some cook books, including *Cooking With Honey*, from which recipes have been printed in our *Times Outlook*.

The authors have lectured in foreign countries on subjects such as herbal medicine and native American healing. Although their knowledge is internationally

based, their specialty seems to be based in the Appalachian region.

They are on an OAS Mission in the Dominican Republic, a multi-national, employment generating project, concerned with non-traditional agricultural production and marketing. This is their third trip to that country.

They have worked for the U.S. Government for 26 years in capacities always helpful to society and our environment. This summer we shall meet personally, and our readers will learn more about these remarkable citizens of North Carolina. Meanwhile, we urge you to order *A Field Guide To Medicinal Plants*, either from your book store or from the publisher in New York, because it is a perfect addition to the collection of anyone interested in wildlife, medicinal plants and trees and their identification.

Estelle Hoffman

CONSERVATIVE JUDAISM: A CONTEMPORARY HISTORY By Herbert Rosenblum. United Synagogue Book Service, 155 Fifth Ave., New York 10010. Paperback. 136 pages plus index. \$4.95

Dr Herbert Rosenblum is a Conservative rabbi and historian of American Jewish life. This book presents a chronological account of the movement from its origins in mid-19th Century Germany as well as an assessment of Conservative Judaism's ideological development. It tells where the Conservative Movement is headed and how it can be described by seemingly contradictory adjectives, "modern" and "traditional."

The book also analyzes Conservative ideological motifs and puts into perspective such timely issues as the role of women in synagogue life. There are sections on leading theologians in the Movement, on the struggle to preserve the Talmudic tradition in Jewish life and to keep it

meaningful in every generation.

To order the book, send \$.95 plus \$1.50 to the publisher.

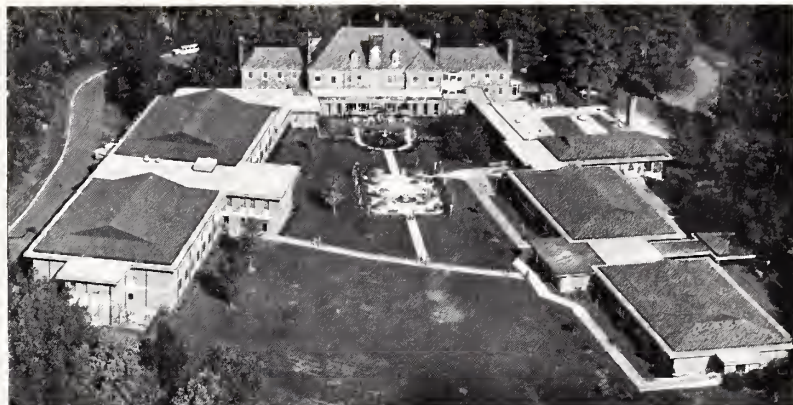
LAURA Z: A Life, by Laura Z Hobson, Arbor House. 410 pages. \$17.95

Laura Z. Hobson is the daughter of the first editor of the *Jewish Daily Forward*. Her mother wrote a column for the Yiddish newspaper *The Day*.

Her father came to America from Russia, where he had been tortured in a Russian prison camp before the 20th century. Laura was a typical college educated Jewish American who inherited her stance against injustice and tyranny as she emerged into the middle class. When she became a highly paid writer for *Time* and *Life* magazine she moved into a circle of famous and powerful Americans who were agents, publishers, author-journalists. She felt an outsider even as she became friend and sometimes lover. She was a strong feminist, and with the help of psychoanalysis she gained strength and security. She adopted one child though she was single and later gave birth to a son whose father she never married. It was courageous to live that way in those days.

This book contains many interesting details of her writing career and stories of people in the literary world in the '30's and '40's. The book ends at the peak of her career, with the success of her "Gentleman's Agreement," published in 1949. She promises a sequel, eagerly awaited by readers of "LAURA Z: A Life."

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BJH RESIDENTS GIVE THEIR BEST TO CELEBRATE!

The second annual CELEBRATE! long-term care olympics day arrived on May 17 — warm, breezy and sunny. BJH residents had long been practicing and refining their skills in the various events in which they were competing. Rose Seid had honed her mathematics abilities to razor edge (no pencils were allowed in this activity.) Selma Caston was prepared for the spelling bee. John Stemper could wheel his chair 20 yards in 18 seconds flat. Alice Fruh and Claire Bernstein had pared down the time it took to complete the egg-and-spoon relay.

Zeno Sink was ready for the watermelon seed spitting contest. He and Sol Greenberg, with staff members LaQuietta Davis and Lauren Jones, had worked out the kinks in the walk relay and were ready for the competition. Roy Ray was the Home's representative in the psbee throw. Willie Reynolds didn't need much practice for the ice



BJH's CELEBRATE! team: Sitting (l-r) Willie Reynolds, Rose Spire, John Stemper, Kate Pliner, Rose Seid, Selma Caston. Standing (l-r) Dolly Wolf, Claire Bernstein, Sol Greenberg, Zeno Sink and Sharon Roever. Not pictured is Roy Ray.

cream eating contest. Dolly Wolf and Kate Pliner had practiced for their events of ball toss and bean bag accuracy throw.

Nearly 30 residents, joined by almost that many staff members and family supporters, made the trek to

the Dixie Classic Fairgrounds in Winston-Salem for CELEBRATE! Sporting blue and white visors, and wearing Israeli blue bibs (handmade in the Craft Shop by Fay Moss and Rose Halpern), the contestants worked their ways through the

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various competitions. Placing in the events were: Rose Seid, 1st in math; Sol Greenberg and Zeno Sink, 2nd in the walk relay; Roy Ray, 3rd in the frisbee throw; Zeno Sink, 2nd in the watermelon seed spitting contest. Overall the residents earned BJH a respectable 4th place among the 11 nursing homes which entered this year's CELEBRATE! (We mention this because all the other homes were out to dethrone BJH from its 1st place standing last year!)

A crowd of 500 people, cheering, laughing, and enjoying the spring weather, attended CELEBRATE! Television and radio personalities helped host the competitions, and lunch-time entertainment was provided by a local high school band.

This year's competition showed the results of many months' planning on the part of the participating homes' activity directors. Sharon Roever, Recreation Therapist on A Wing at BJH, served as Coordinator of the whole event. She provided the original concept for CELEBRATE! last year, and as a result of her enthusiastic direction and planning, CELEBRATE! has now become a firmly established activity in the year's cycle of events.

A congratulatory meeting of the Residents Council was held on Monday, May 21, to honor those residents who participated in this year's CELEBRATE! The excitement and energy sparked by these games make CELEBRATE! a highly positive and rewarding experience, regardless of ribbons or trophies. For it is in the opportunity to prove one's own ability that CELEBRATE! makes its mark on those individuals who compete. And each contestant is definitely a winner!



Rose Spire (Roanoke Rapids) lights the Olympic torch.



In the process of eliminating the spelling bee competition — Selma Casto (Winston-Salem).



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Familiar faces — Mary Chizik (Asheville), Dolly Wolf (Montreal, Canada), Alice Fruh (Greensboro), and Louis Cole (Greensboro).



Willie Reynolds (fourth from right), needs little encouragement in the ice cream eating contest.



She's off! Lauren Jones, BJH Social Worker, dashes away in the relay race.



Racing against time, John Stemper (Clemmons) displays the determination of a true competitor!



Maintenance Supervisor Jimmy Merrell puts his weight into the staff tug-of-war.



A moment of great pride — Rose Seid (Charlotte) receives her 1st place medallion.

YOUNG SALEM SYMPHONY PERFORMS AT ANNUAL VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Over 35 youth, community and student volunteers were recognized in a special ceremony on May 27, 1984. Executive Director Al. A. Mendlovitz welcomed the crowd of 150 residents, volunteers and guests who attended the event. Thanking volunteers for the many services they perform — from assisting with wheelchair transportation to friendly visiting to clerical work — he emphasized the importance of their participation in the life of the Home. Without volunteer services the Home's ability to provide its current quality of life and care to residents would be diminished.

Jan Sawyer, Director of Community Programming and supervisor of the volunteer program, thanked each of the Home's volunteers individually and commended them on their dedication and commitment to the residents of the Home through their various volunteer assignments. She noted that collectively they had worked over 1500 hours.

Special recognition was given to Anne Towle, who joined the volunteer corps in January, 1984. Her work with transportation and recreation, three times weekly, has enhanced resident life and lessened staff loads to a significant degree. She was presented with a walnut plaque in honor of her 200 hours of service.

Edna Temples, who has volunteered at the Home for nearly three years, was recognized as the Volunteer of the Year. Her weekly involvement in Friendship Circle, both as pianist and as a friendly visitor, and her assistance with meal-times on B-2, have filled an important need for both residents and staff. She was awarded a plaque to commemorate this achievement.

Residents of the Home also were cited for their many volunteer commitments, from committee participation to regular jobs performed for the benefit of other residents.



Director of Community Programming, Jan Sawyer, presents Anne Towle with a plaque for special recognition of volunteer services.

Each resident volunteer was presented with a certificate acknowledging their work during the 1983-84 year.

To conclude the program, the 65-member Young Salem Symphony Orchestra thrilled the audience with selections by Mozart, Corelli, Tchaikovsky and Brahms. This group of high school musicians, conducted by Lynn Peters and Peggy Wheeler, is composed of the finest performers in the Winston-Salem area. Their music provided an exciting and moving finale to the day's events.



*Volunteer of the Year
Edna Temples*



Peggy Wheeler conducts members of the Young Salem Symphony.

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS!

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

Alice Allred
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 Louise Dickinson
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 Luisa Klein
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 George Spransy
 Anna Temples
 Gene Towle
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Ben Berlin
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 Bettie Doss
 Edward Dwiell
 Benjamin Eldridge
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 Ruth Folkner
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 Zeno Sink
 Rose Spire
 John Stemper
 Lillian Sutton
 Jean Tager
 Dolly Wolf
 Leah Zimmerman

Calendar for July and August

July 1
 *Music At Sunset, leave at 6:15 for Tanglewood

July 2
 Children's program, 10 am

July 4
 Independence Day. Costumes and special program, 2 pm

July 6
 Outreach Movie, 10 am

July 8
 *Music At Sunset, leave at 6:15 for Tanglewood

July 10
 *Leave for Clemmons Senior Citizens' luncheon, 9:45 am
 Northwest Ministries Day School visits, 10 am

July 13
 *Men's Outing, 2:30 pm

July 24
 *Out to lunch, 11:15 am

July 25
 Birthday parties on each Unit, 2:30 pm

August 3
 Outreach Movie, 10 am

August 7
 *Out to Breakfast, 8 am

August 10
 *Men's Outing, 2:30 pm

August 14
 *Leave for Clemmons Senior Citizen's luncheon, 9:45 am

August 28
 *Out to lunch, 11:15 am

August 29
 Birthday parties on each Unit, 2:30 pm

We invite families and friends to join us for these special events in July and August.

*off campus activity

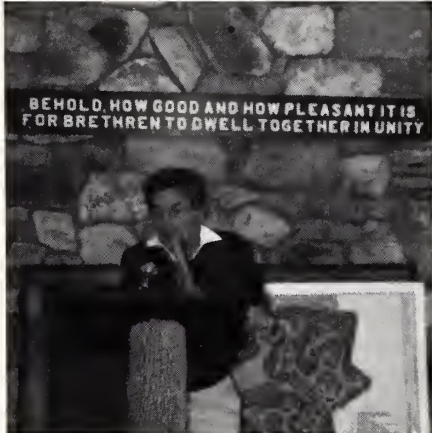
WANT ADS

Window air conditioners
 Card Tables
 Dacron fill for pillows
 Children's books and pictures
 Zigzag sewing machine
 Polyester cotton for sewing projects

FOCUS ON THE BOARD

LEWIS EISENSTADT

Chairman of the Board's Planning Committee is Lewis Eisenstadt, from Greenville, SC. An architect with the firm of Odell Associates, Lewis has been associated with the Home as a Board member for the past three years. He represents the Greenville Jewish Federation in this capacity.



Lewis Eisenstadt leads a session at the Board retreat.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

May your name be inscribed in the Book of Life with Health and Happiness:

Sophie Isley
Geneva Neal
Sadie Parmet
Sarah Pecker
Ida Polashuk
Elizabeth Sowers
Evelyn Small
Anna White
Edwin Williamson
Edna Westerberg
Velva Yokley
Clara Genovese

WELCOME

May you have a long, happy and healthy life:

Ruth Menins,
Gastonia, North Carolina

Lewis' oldest son, Art, a reporter with the Winston-Salem Journal, portrayed his father as "hard-working, quiet and effective — devoted to his work and to the Jewish Home." Organizational ability and creative approaches to problem-solving are other talents which make Lewis a valuable leader of this Board committee.

Born in the Bronx, Lewis attended the Bronx High School of Science. He later graduated from Cornell University with a degree in architecture. After serving two years in the Army, he joined the architectural firm of Kling Partnership in Philadelphia, of which he later became a partner. He is currently the Director of Operations of the Greenville branch of Odell Associates.

He is a member of the Beth Israel Synagogue in Greenville. He's also a member of the Greenville Symphony Orchestra Board, the Greenville Council of Architects, the South Carolina Chapter of the American Institute of Architects, and serves as director of the Greenville chapter of the Construction Specifications Institute.

His wife, Rosa, is a librarian with the Greenville County library system. She is a native of Fayetteville, NC. His youngest son, Richard, is the manager of a textile plant in Lexington, Virginia. Both Richard and Art are graduates of UNC-Chapel Hill.

Lewis' involvement with the Planning Committee is sure to increase over the coming months, because this group is considering implementation of plans to expand the focus of the Home to become a continuing care retirement community. As such, his skills and his experience with planning and design will be critical to the success of this venture.

IN MEMORY

We mourn the loss of Bessie Fagan. May her memory bring comfort to her loved ones.

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the month of May.

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

1 YEAR

Robert Johnson, Orderly, B-1
Ruby Redd, Nursing Asst., B-2

2 YEARS

Don Colbert, Orderly, B-2
Penny Pierce,
Nursing Asst., A Wing

4 YEARS

Judy Crews, Dietitian I

6 YEARS

Becky Haley,
Nursing Asst., A Wing

8 YEARS

Lena Wall, Laundry

9 YEARS

Mary Rice, RN,
Charge Nurse, B-1

CONGRATULATIONS

The following employees are winners in the Perfect Attendance Program:

Lonna Hendrix,
Nursing Asst., B-1
Melvorine Holton,
Nursing Asst., B-2
Rosarhea Karppinen, Dietary
Pearl Spellman, Dietary
Dee Dee Webber, Dietary

WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING?



Liz Moore (Dietary) and her family were among the 100+ people at the world's best staff picnic party!



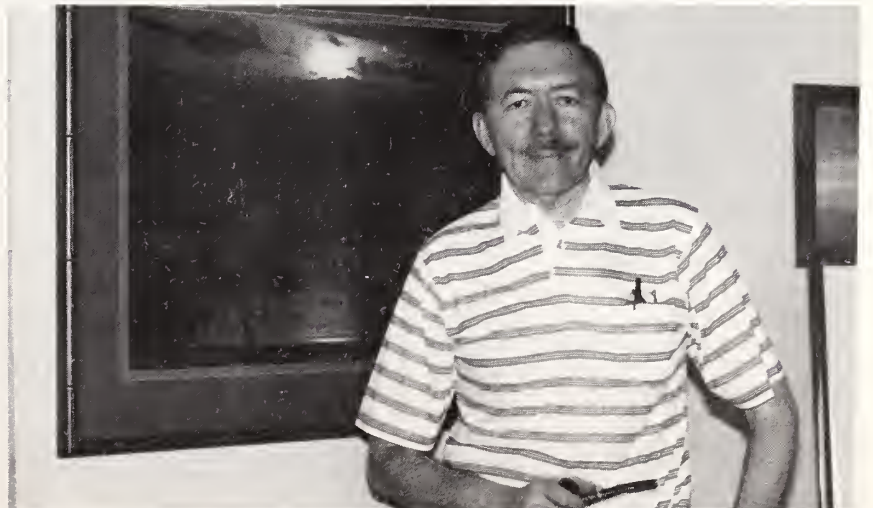
Liz Mason, beloved volunteer, was given a "Going Away Party" before moving to Florida. Kate Pliner (Albuquerque, NM) presents her with a gift while Claire Bernstein (Greensboro) and Sol Greenberg (Charlotte) look on.



The Razz-Ma-Tazz Musical Review performed "Sing, Sing, Sing-A Swing Era Revue" to a packed house. This yearly treat is given in memory of Jack Pearlman and Sol Levin by their families.



Children always love visits from children. The Stepping Stones Day School children entertained at the May birthday party.



A special talent: Jack Levin from Greensboro, shared his gifts with residents and visitors by exhibiting some of his favorite photographs. The show, entitled "The U.S. as Jack Sees It," was a collection of color photographs taken throughout the country.

Gifts

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Mrs. Mary Ershler

MRS. ANNA YANOFF

By: Dr. & Mrs. Harry Yanoff

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

MR. & MRS. ERNEST FRIEDMAN—45th

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MR. & MRS. ROBERT SILVER

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MR. & MRS. GEORGE STUHL

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

MRS. SYLVIA COOPER

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Bootsie & Harold Gutterman

CONGRATULATIONS:

RABBI & MRS. ARNOLD TASK, IN HONOR OF YOUR DAUGHTER, SUSAN'S MARRIAGE
By: Sarah & Al Mendlovitz

CONGRATULATIONS TO PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS & GREAT GRANDPARENTS OF STACY FIELDS, DAUGHTER OF MR. & MRS. ANDREW FIELDS
By: Bob Skolnik & Family

IN HONOR OF:

1984 CONFIRMATION CLASS OF BETH DAVID SYNAGOGUE, GREENSBORO
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MS. SYLVIA MARGOLIS ON RECEIVING STATE OF N. C. HUMAN SERVICE AWARD FROM N.C.A.J.W.

By: Mrs. Jennie Novey

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By: Mrs. Yvette Pearlman

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William & Rose Berkelhammer

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By: Mr. & Mrs. Louis Klaff

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

DR. & MRS. J. A. GOODHART—58th
By: Mr. & Mrs. Elbert E. Levy

AGING: The Facts & The Myths by Arnold & Connie Krochmal

Arnold and Connie Brite Krochmal have dedicated this work to Claude Pepper, "humanist, whose devotion and dedication to the people of the United States glows brighter with each passing year. His concern for the rights of older Americans is heart warming.

"We are told by the Talmud that in each generation there are no fewer than thirty-six righteous men and women who are privileged to view the Divine Presence and who, by their deeds and example, justify the continued existence of humanity. Claude Pepper is one of that blessed group."

The Krochmals are also deeply concerned with our "older" Americans, as is clearly understood in reading this pamphlet published by P.P.I., P.O. Box 335, Dayton, Ohio 45459.

In its introduction, contrary to society's view that we automatically begin to break down at age 65, they offer the sensible attitude that we need to look back to achievements "and smile within" (What a heart-warming suggestion!), and above all to look forward to contributing to society as long as we are able. That is what the Krochmals continue to do, with activities ranging far from their home base in Asheville.

I found it difficult to realize that life expectancy in the U.S. in 1900 was slightly over 46 years. At the risk of being tiresome, I quote from statistics cited on current expectations: a 65 year old man can expect to live to 78 and a woman to 82. In the past 80 years, the number of people over 65 years of age increased seven times while our population increased 2.5 times. People over 65 constitute about 10% of our population now. The projection for the year 2000 is 15%. That is a proportion worthy of consideration.

Dr. Robert N. Butler, Chairman of the Department of Geriatrics and Adult Development at Mt. Sinai School of Medicine and Director of the department of that name at Mt. Sinai Hospital, wrote that studies show medical students have negative attitudes towards older people. (That must be reflected in a doctor's "What can you expect at your age?" attitude, which is sometimes felt rather than heard spoken.

In this pamphlet its authors show keen understanding of many of the problems of the aging, observations on accomplishments in foreign countries, and valuable suggestions to people in the category, including suggestions on nutrition and health both mental and physical. I found extremely perceptive the suggestion that drug dosages appropriate to the young may be unsuitable or dangerous to an older patient. This is the explanation given: "With aging the concentration of serum albumin, a blood protein, decreases. Because the within-body distribution of many drugs is tied to bonding to albumins, there are alterations in distribution of drugs in the body with aging as the serum albumins are reduced." They go on to remark on the lessened capacity of body's organs to assimilate and detoxify, allowing for accumulations of a drug within the older body. There are portions dealing with diseases which affect the elderly, safety suggestions, and others.

We look forward to learning more from the Krochmals and thank them for remembering that the *Times-Outlook* is interested in their pursuits of knowledge and their efforts to improve the quality of life in our area and on our planet.

---Estelle Hoffman

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JUDEAN HILLS, ISRAEL:- As the train winds its way through the Judean Hills enroute from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem, Biblical vistas unfold before travelers' eyes; especially as the railway line, takes its circuitous route well away from "civilization".

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Our Hope For 5695

ON THE threshold of a new year, the very existence of *Jewry* is challenged by *Hitlerism*. Not since the days of the Spanish Inquisition or the building of *Soloman's Temple* have there been such calculated attempts to extirpate the *Jews* from society. But with the faith which has buoyed up the *Children of Israel* through centuries of trial and tribulation, and which has enabled them to survive their enemies, this new menace, too, will be conquered. When *Hitler* and his kind are long forgotten by man, the *Jew* will continue to carry on.

It is our hope that before the year has run its allotted course the *Light of Wisdom* will illuminate the darkened mind of the leaders of *Germany's intolerance*, and show them the error of their ways.

September 10th 5695 ♦ Greetings 1934



P R E F A C E



THE AMERICAN JEWISH TIMES will consecrate itself to promoting a better understanding between peoples of all religious beliefs. To level the barriers of misunderstandings, to interpret to those who have come from foreign shores the highest ideals of Americanism, to urge upon all its readers to live in accordance with the finest standards of American citizenship, to appeal for that manner of living that would emphasize the Doctrine of the common Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man, to remove prejudices, to champion justice and righteousness—these will be some of the purposes to which The American Jewish Times dedicates itself on its inception. And in this number we will use this opportunity to emphasize those principles of Justice, Equality Liberty and Fraternity, which are the foundation stone upon which this Great Republic has been established



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CORRECTION

In my Editorial in our June issue, I attributed a quotation to Abraham Lincoln, or rather, I posed the question, "Didn't Abraham Lincoln say that . . . ?" Well, the answer is emphatically, "NO!" We received one anonymous letter from someone in Raleigh (Readers, please sign your letters to us.) and a friendly direct correction from a Charlottean at Wildacres to the effect that it was Shakespeare, not Lincoln. I apologize, because I try to be perfect, as you who know me are aware. As a matter of fact, although I dislike emphasizing my age continuously, I am sure I heard Abraham Lincoln say it . . . He must have been quoting William Shakespeare. Rick and I are delighted that some of you are as critical as we are. We welcome your corrections, comments, and suggestions.

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Kibbitzing-Community News



Ingrid Rauch

RAUCH-STURM ENGAGEMENT

Senator and Mrs. Marshall A. Rauch of Gastonia announce the engagement of their daughter, Ingrid Helene, to Mr. Lawrence Martin Sturm of Pompano Beach, Florida. Mr. Sturm is the son of Mrs. Dorothy Sturm and the late Mr. Hyman Sturm of Lake Worth, Florida. The couple plans to be married on January 19, 1985.

FEIGON-GOLDMAN ENGAGEMENT

Rabbi and Mrs. Louis Feigon of Houston, formerly of Galveston, Texas, announced the engagement of their daughter, Dr. Judith Tova Feigon to Professor Nathan Carliner Goldman, the son of Mrs. Hilda Goldman of Dillion, South Carolina and the late Mr. Reuben Goldman.

Dr. Feigon is the grand-daughter of the late Rabbi and Mrs. Moses H.

Goldberg of New Orleans, LA. and the late Reverend and Mrs. Joshua Feigon of St. Louis, Missouri. After graduating from Barnard College in New York City, Dr. Feigon received her M. D. degree from The University of Texas Medical School at San Antonio, Texas. She then interned at The Mount Auburn Hospital in Cambridge, Mass. before completing her ophthalmology residency and retinal surgery fellowship at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Texas. She is in private practice in Houston and also is an Assistant Professor part time at The University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston.

Professor Goldman is the grandson of Mrs. Bertha F. Carliner Berry of Dillon, South Carolina and the late Nathan Carliner and of the late Gordol and Cina Goldman of Charleston, South Carolina. After graduating from the University of South Carolina, Dr. Goldman received his law degree from Duke University and his Ph.D in political science from John Hopkins University in Baltimore, Md. He is an assistant professor of government at The University of Texas in Austin. His book **Space Commerce: Free Enterprise on the High Frontier** will appear in the fall.

An October wedding is planned in Houston, Texas.

HENNES-MARX WEDDING

Susan Beth Hennes and Peter Joel Marx were united in marriage at Temple Beth El in Charlotte. Rabbi Harold I. Krantzeler officiated the candlelit ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Hennes of Charlotte. She graduated from the University of Georgia in 1982 with a



Mrs. Peter Marx

Bachelor of Arts in Journalism.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Marx of Charlotte. He graduated from the University of Tampa in 1977 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. He is employed as salesman/purchasing buyer for R & G Lieberman Company Charlotte.

Two soloists, a vocalist and flutist, presented classical and traditional Jewish music prior to the ceremony. The traditional Sephardic bridal march, **Scaleni de Oro**, was played as the bride and parents walked her down the aisle.

Miss Karen Kronovet of Charlotte was the maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Fay Lefkoff of Savannah, Georgia; Miss Jody Bregman of Atlanta, Georgia and Miss Lisa Kronovet of Charlotte. Miss Suzanne LaBelle of Orlando, Florida presided at the guest register.

Mr. Robert Marx of Boulder, Colorado, brother of the groom, served as best man. Groomsmen were Mr. Eugene Marx

Charlotte, the groom's brother; Mr. Neil Hennes and Mr. Michael Hennes both of Charlotte, brother's of the bride.

After the ceremony a reception was held at The Charlotte Marriott followed by dinner and dancing.

The newlyweds honeymooned in the Hawaiian Islands and San Francisco, and have made their home in Charlotte.

HIGH POINT

MAZEL TOV!!!

To Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Taylor on the birth of their grandson, Micha Sage. The proud parents are Ron and Judy Taylor.

To Drs. Laura and Bernard Wolfberg on the birth of their daughter, Devorah Rachel.

To Mr. and Mrs. Steve Shavitz on the birth of their son, Marc Evan. Also to the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Shavitz and Mr. and Mrs. Larry Cohen of Atlanta, Ga. also great grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Shavitz and Mrs. Tillie Polon of Richmond, Va.

To Mr. and Mrs. Barry Breibart on the Bat Mitzvah of their daughter, Heather Lynn.

Mrs. Lillie Switzer Silver, 86, died Monday, July 2, at High Point Memorial Hospital. She had been in declining health for several months. She was a native of Spartanburg, SC and the wife of Milton Silver, founder of Silver Knit Industries, who died in 1957. A resident of High Point for 62 years, she was a member of the Musical Arts Club, the Council of Jewish Women, a member of B'nai Israel Synagogue and was the first president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the synagogue.

Graveside rites were Tuesday in Hebrew Cemetery, Rabbis Arnold S. Task and Robert Sandman officiated.

Surviving are two sons, Edward and Donald Silver, both of High Point; one sister, Mrs. Anna Myer of Durham; one brother, George

Switzer of Wilson; and seven grandchildren.



Janice Friedman Fischer

Janice Elaine Friedman and Jonathan Reed Fischer were united in marriage July 22 in the courtyard of the Marriott Downtown Hotel, Atlanta, Ga.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Friedman of High Point, N.C. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Fischer of Scarsdale, N.Y.

Given in marriage by her parents, Rabbi Arnold Goodman of Abavath Achim Synagogue officiated at the 3 p.m. ceremony. The Dave Rifkin Orchestra presented a program of wedding music.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held in the courtyard. A dinner and dance followed in the Marriott's ballroom. Earlier in the day, Mrs. Max Friedman of High Point, grandmother of the bride, and Mrs. Paul Friedman of Fullerton, California hosted a wedding breakfast.

On the eve of the wedding, the parents of the bridegroom entertained with a rehearsal dinner.

The new Mrs. Friedman-Fischer is a graduate of the Henry W. Grady School of Journalism at the University of Georgia. She was an honor graduate of T. Wingate

Andrews High School in High Point. She is employed with the Atlanta Market Center.

Mr. Fischer attended the State University of New York at Farmingdale and was an honor graduate of the University of Georgia with a B.S. degree in agriculture. He also is a quality control lab manager with Harrison Foods in Bethlehem.

Following a wedding trip to Cancun, Mexico, the couple will reside in the Atlanta area.

Mazel Tov to Gertude Levine, grandmother of Rachel Jennifer, born Aug. 17, 1984. Mazel Tov, also to the proud parents, Caryn and Jeff Plaine of Baltimore, Md.

TEMPLE ISRAEL, CHARLOTTE, NC

The Couples Club of Temple Israel enjoyed an outing at the Frushticks' home at Lake Norman on Sunday, July 22. Lenny and Phyllis were gracious hosts, providing swimming and boating facilities. Couples Club provided the lunch. Everyone present enjoyed the day.

Bonderama winners in July were Lina Levine, Gerald Schapiro, Beatrice Pransky, and Evelyn Berger, all of whom won \$50 U. S. Bonds. Pauline Lavitt and Florence Jaffa won \$100 U. S. Bonds and Linda Goldsmith won a \$900 Israel Bond.

Mr. Morris Speizman announced that a cassette relating some of Nettie Smith's early experience in growing up in the mountains of Georgia was gratefully accepted by the Library of The American Jewish Historical Society. The Society is located on the campus of Brandeis University in Waltham, Massachusetts.

Nettie relates how her mother spent literally months in preparation for the Passover Holidays—white washing the walls and making sure there wasn't a crumb of "chometz" present on the eve of the Holiday. She also tells how an

itinerant orthodox rabbi would visit the mountain home, and, at least for a brief period, relieve the monotony and the loneliness. Her mother, before she passed away, reminded her of her heritage—never to forget that she is a Hebrew and always believe in the Torah.

Billy Ashendorf is making a copy of the cassette.

Congratulations to Warren Binnick who graduated with an MBA from Queens College, to Debra Goozner who passed her registry in Electrophysiological Technology, now working in EEG and EKG Technology at Duke Medical Center; to Mr. & Mrs. Hyman Polk on the marriage of their son Larry to Audrey Steg of Villanova, PA; to the Jaffa family on the birth of a son, Kevin Elloit Bauer to Sheryl and Michael Bauer, who are daughter and son-in-law of Janet and Sol Jaffa and grandchildren of Blanche and Ben Jaffa Sr; and to Ena and Fred Stern on the birth of their fifth grandchild, Rifka Minna Stern, daughter of Dina and Robbie Stern. Condolences to Frances Jackson on the loss of her mother, Dora Messing, and to Susan Kaye for the loss of her grandmother, Hanna Rosenthal.

Temple Israel Men's Club held a Newcomers' Picnic for members who joined Temple Israel during the past year and for prospective new members on Sunday, August 26. It was held at Temple Israel and Dr. David Somerstein was in charge.

Congratulations to M/M Ed Mottzman on the engagement of their daughter, Harriet Beth, to Michael Glassman of Des Moines, Iowa. They will be married on October 28 at Temple Israel.

New arrivals are Gregory Scott Levy, son of Susan and Rick Levy of Houston. Susan is the daughter of Lee and Fred Lewin of Hendersonville, NC, and a granddaughter, Joy Francis Glass to Betty and Karl Boxer of Charlotte. The baby is the daughter of Leslie and Paul Glass

of Lexington, KY.

Temple Israel Young Couples Club held a Swim Party on August 11 at McClintock Woods Racquet & Swim Club.

The Bat Mitzvah of Rachel Klein, daughter of Richard & Paula Klein, was held Friday evening, August 24.

Couples Club of Temple Israel held its annual Theatre Party on Saturday, August 18 at Pease Auditorium at Central Piedmont Community College, where the performance was "Kiss Me Kate," the perennial favorite. There were snacks after the musical.

Sisterhood will hold its Attic Sale on September 7 and 9 at the Temple in the I. D. Blumenthal Hall. Bondarama is starting its new year, chaired by Ilse Bergen, 7039 Burlwood Rd., Charlotte 28211. A check for \$25 sent to her will make you eligible for drawings of U.S. Bonds and Israel Bonds throughout the year, in denominations ranging from \$50 to \$900. Drawings will be held at Sisterhood meetings, starting in October. This fund-raising project enables Sisterhood to provide extras for Temple efforts not included in the usual budget. The earlier your check arrives, the better your chances, as all names are in the drawing, even winners, whose names are returned to the lot.

Back to Temple Israel Couples Club—there will be a weekend at Osceola Lake Inn at Hendersonville FOR MEMBERS ONLY, Friday, Sept. 14 through lunch on Sunday, the 16th. Contact Douglas Mann, 137 N Canterbury Rd., Charlotte, immediately.

WILLIAMSTON, NC

Dr. Richard Myron Margolis, native of Williamston, died Monday, June 25, at his residence in Creve Coeur, Missouri.

Dr. Margolis was born on December 4, 1926, the son of Frank J. Margolis and Gertrude Bloom Margolis. His father died in

October, 1982.

Dr. Margolis graduated from Williamston High School. He continued his education at the College of William and Mary Williamsburg, VA. Before entering medical school, he completed a tour of duty in the Navy. After two years at the University of North Carolina School of Medicine at Chapel Hill, he transferred to Western Reserve, Cleveland, Ohio where he received his medical degree. He specialized in pediatrics at Bowman Gray, Winston-Salem. He practiced a short time in Charleston, S.C. before locating in St. Louis.

Dr. Margolis was a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and a member of the American Medical Association, the Missouri State Medical Association, the St. Louis Metropolitan Medical Society and the St. Louis Pediatric Association.

He was on the staff of and past chairman of the Department of Pediatrics at Christian N.E. Hospital, St. Louis. He was also on the staff of De Paul Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital and St. Louis Children's Hospital.

He was associate professor of Clinical Pediatrics at Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis.

Surviving, in addition to his mother, are his wife, Sheryl Krawcheck Margolis; two sons, Kerry Margolis and Alan Margolis, both of St. Louis; two daughters, Rachel M. Boss and Beverly Marbolis, both of St. Louis; a sister, Barbara M. Meyers, of Midlothian, VA; and one grandchild.

Funeral services were held at Beth Elohim Cemetery, Charleston, South Carolina Wednesday, June 27th. Memorial services were conducted Sunday, July 1st, at Temple Israel, Creve Coeur.

HENDERSONVILLE

The Jewish community of Hendersonville, NC can be proud of the collection of Judaica books in the Henderson County Public Library.

The bibliography of Judaica books recently compiled lists more than 500 books. This does not include fiction by Jewish authors or books of Jewish nature or content.

The bibliography was recently compiled by Mrs. Toby Heller, wife of Dr. Louis Heller, DDS. Mrs. Heller is a retired librarian. The Hellers moved to Hendersonville upon retirement and are members of Agudas Israel Synagogue.

A recent addition to the Judaica book collection, a five volume set "Ramban Commentary on the Torah", translated into English by the noted authority Dr. Charles B. Chavel, Ph.B, M.A., LL. B., D.H.L., D.D., was featured in an article in "The Times News" of Hendersonville, NC.

Ramban (Rabbi Moshe Ben Nachman 1195-1270) was born in Gerona, Spain. Ramban was the authoritative talmudist of his time. "His interpretations have served as the basic classical commentaries of Holy Writ through the generations."

A noted Halachist, cabalish philosopher, poet and practicing physician, Ramban's opinions were accepted as authority throughout the Jewish communities of Spain.

As a result of his eminently successful public disputation with an apostate in which he defended the Jewish faith in the presence of the King of Aragon, he was banished from Spain. Ramban set out for Palestine in 1267 where he completed his commentaries on the Bible and helped revive the Jewish community in Jerusalem after the Holy City had been destroyed by the Mongols.

The acquisition of "Ramban" and other Judaica books was made possible by the Judaica Book fund provided by Dr. & Mrs. Sidney R.

Michael, residents of Tampa, Florida and summer residents of Hendersonville.

The Henderson County Public Library has one of the highest circulation rates in the state. A feasibility study compiled by the NC State University Center for Urban Affairs and Urban Development in conjunction with the State Library recommended that the Henderson County Library purchase a micro-computer system to automate its circulations records.

KINSTON

Welcome home to Rabbi Shafran and his wife, Julianne. They have

returned from their vacation in New Hampshire. We are looking forward to the August Family Night on the 24th. Families bring their children to the Temple on that night for a special program, prepared for their Jewish education and enjoyment. The children just love it.

Congratulations to Dr. Joe Goldwasser who was awarded a fellowship in the Academy of Dentists at their meeting in San Francisco on July 28th. His wife, Esther, and his children, Lynn and Michael Schiffan, and Dr. Michael Goldwasser and his wife, Laurie, were there to witness the ceremonies.

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in Kinston this summer: Mrs. Dora Behrman visiting her sister and brother-in-law Ida and Morris Heilig; Mrs. Irving Kaler, Jonathan and Michael Kaler visiting their mother and grandmother, Mrs. Sidney Kanter; The Martin Mays and Irving Friedmans visiting their brother and sister-in-law Sol and Pearl Schechter.

The Sisterhood and Hadassah are making plans for the fall season and will start with a brunch at the Temple in September. They are looking forward to a successful year.

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Evan Shore

RALEIGH, NC

Rabbi Evan Shore has assumed the pulpit of the four-year-old Congregation Shaarei Israel of Raleigh, becoming the only Orthodox rabbi in the State of North Carolina.

Rabbi Shore moved to Raleigh with his family from Queens, N. Y. Shaarei Israel was established in 1979. Some 45 families belong to the congregation. Many have young children who attend Shaarei Israel's early childhood day school. Rabbi Shore, who has been

youth director of Young Israel of New Hyde Park, Long Island, for six years, will earn a master's degree in elementary Jewish education at Yeshiva University's Ferkauf Graduate School in June. "The addition of a kindergarten to the existing day school is high on the congregation's agenda," Rabbi Shore said. He is a 1978 graduate of Yeshiva College, the University's undergraduate school of liberal arts and sciences for men, and of its James Striar School of General Jewish Studies.

Neither Rabbi nor Mrs. Shore had ever been in the South, but when they went to Raleigh for the first time, they found it a beautiful place and its people warm and friendly. They have twin sons born in October of 1983 and a 3-year-old daughter.

"I see great potential for the Raleigh synagogue's growth," Rabbi Shore said. "There is now the nucleus of a community which needs the stimulation a spiritual leader can provide. I hope I'll be a catalyst, to bring together a strong synagogue."

CHAPEL HILL, NC

Like the song of long ago, "Mary, Mary", she was a Grand Ole Dame. Coming to this area many years ago, Mary Berman and her husband Sam, owned and operated Berman's Department Store in Chapel Hill, where everyone was welcomed and credit extended to those who needed it. Mary was an unusual woman. Her lovely home was always open, her table set with beautiful china and silver, and guests always enjoyed her "home baked goodies". When asked for a recipe, her answer was, "I throw in a little of this and that and they turn out good—yes." This was said with a twinkle in her eyes and smile on her face. She loved to have guests drop in on Sundays and her home was always full.

It wasn't unusual for her to inform the bank cashier to add a

sum of money to one's account when she heard that this person was contemplating a visit to a out-of-town clinic—this was always without the knowledge of the recipient.

Mary is gone now. She died several weeks ago—after a extended illness. Everyone who miss her—she was truly remarkable woman. Mary was member of Beth El Synagogue of Durham, a Lifetime member of Hadassah, a member of the Friendship Circle and a friend to all.

Mary—we miss you.

May you rest in peace.

Her many friends are contributing to a Memorial in Mary memory. This will be given to the Blumenthal Jewish Home after all the contributions are received.

MOUNTAIN SYNAGOGUE

Mountain Synagogue meets St. Cyprian's Church, Roller Mill Rd., Franklin, NC. Mailing Address is P O Box 504, Franklin, NC 28733. Its Bulletin Editor is Constance Head.

For information on activities call any of the following: In Cullowhee Ada Sails 586-5941 or Pea Fegarsky 586-6991; in Franklin call Rose Temkin 369-6871 Gloria Bass 369-6834; in Bryson City and Murphy, call Pauline Tenenbaum 837-2228; in Rabun Gap GA, call Dorothy Marks 74 5822.

Mountain Synagogue is the oldest Jewish congregation southwest Asheville.

David Goldhagen is making a N. Tamid, using his skill as glass artist. At this writing, there is great anticipation of the Torah Dedication Service. A Torah has been acquired which came from Brno, Czechoslovakia. The Torah was rescued from the Holocaust and the Mountain Synagogue is awaiting information about the Torah from Frank Steiner of Miami

Beach, who is expert on history and location of Holocaust Torahs.

Mountain Synagogue grew out of an interested group in the area, and it continues to grow. Its treasurer is Dr. Fred Berger, to whom dues and donations may be addressed at the Synagogue.

GREENSBORO, NC

Rabbi Edward H. Feldheim, spiritual leader of Beth David Synagogue and Rabbi Arnold S. Task, spiritual leader of Temple Emanuel received the coveted Negev Award at a gala celebration dinner marking the 36th year of independence of the State of Israel held at Temple Emanuel on June 3rd.

Ambassador Benjamin Varon was the guest speaker; Robert C. Cone, Chairman of the Dinner.

Rabbi Edward H. Feldheim studied at Hebrew University, Hayim Greenberg Institute, Neve Schechter and worked as a volunteer in Israel during the Six Day War. In January, marking his fourth trip to Israel, he participated in the U.J.A. Chazon Mission representing Greensboro Jewish Federation.

Since 1972, he has served as a member of the Board of Directors and the Education Committee of B'nai Sholom Synagogue School, and also presently serves on the Convention Resolutions Committee of the Rabbinical Assembly.

In his civic activities, Rabbi Feldheim is a member of Kiwanis and has served on its International Relations and Support Aims Committee.

He was recently honored by the Greater Carolinas Association Board of Rabbis for 10 years of service as Rabbi of Beth David Synagogue and to the Jewish Community of Greensboro.

Rabbi Arnold S. Task, a native of Chicago, was ordained at the Hebrew Union College in Cincinnati where he received his Masters of Arts Degree and Doctor

of Divinity.

In addition to his many years of service to the Israel Bonds Campaign, he has served as Co-Chairman of Federation-U.J.A. Drive: Executive Board and President, Mid-Atlantic Region, Central Conference of American Rabbis; President, Greater Carolinas Association of Rabbis; Board of Governors of Blumenthal Jewish Home; Board Member, Mid-Atlantic Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and Greensboro Jewish Federation. He is a Life Member of National Federation of Temple Youth and the Jewish Chautauqua Society, and currently serves as a member of the North Carolina Council on the Holocaust and as adjunct Professor at Greensboro College, Department of Religion and Philosophy.

YIDDISH GROUP

The Yiddish Film "Yiddle with the Fiddle" was a great success. The interest in a Yiddish Group is equally as great. This is just to let you know that you have not been forgotten. But due to the time element with summer coming up, we will have our first meeting in early September.

Morris Kiel

1984 ISRAEL SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Congratulations to Erika Skolnik, daughter of Robert Skolnik and to Rob Kistenberg, son of Ira and Ronni Kistenberg, upon receiving the 1984 Israel Scholarships.

Congratulations to Kenny Wallach, son of M/M Fred Wallach, who attended the leadership camp sponsored by the Rotary Club, representing Page High School; to Mrs. Morleen Berlin on being named to the Dean's list at Guilford Technical Community College for the spring semester; to Sigmund Davidson who was named to the Board of Advisors at Elon College.

The Friendship Circle met at noon Thursday, July 26 in the Social Hall. Arnold S. Task is Rabbi of Temple Emanuel.

A Young Leadership program chaired by Jeff and Laure Katz held the first meeting of the new group Sunday, September 9 at the home of Kathy and Eric Kraus. The goal is to provide trained and motivated individuals to assume decision-making positions within the organized Jewish community. This is the fourth Young Leadership group in the past 15 years sponsored by the Greensboro Jewish Federation.

Sherman Harris is Executive Director of the Federation.

BENNETT COLLEGE TO OFFER JCS COURSE

Bennett College in Greensboro will offer a Judaism course in the fall under the sponsorship of the Jewish Chautauqua Society (JCS). The course will be taught by Greensboro Rabbi Arnold Task.

Task is Rabbi of Temple Emanuel, a position he has held since 1968. He will teach "Biblical Foundation of Judaism" in this new program.

He is on the boards of the General Greene Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Goodwill Industries, the Fisher Park Community Program, the Greensboro chapter of the American Red Cross and the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and the Greensboro Rotary Club. He also serves on the Greensboro Human Relations Commission and the North Carolina Council on the Holocaust.

Task is the JCS Resident Lecturer at Greensboro College, teaching there as Adjunct Professor for 12 years.

Rabbi Task was ordained at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, earning a Master of Hebrew Letters degree while in attendance.

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COLUMBIA, SC

Columbia Jewish Community Center's Camp Chaverim opened June 18 with more than 60 youngsters between the ages of 3 to 12. They enjoy the swim program under the leadership of Wes Watts. Ken Leslie is helping campers develop skills in a variety of sports. Gwen Sasiene heads arts and crafts, and a drama class is directed by Stephanie Nankin. Curt Williams is teaching skills on Texas Instrument Home Computers. Alice Weber comes on Fridays for Israeli song and dance programs and other Israeli arts and crafts. There will also be field trips for the campers. For information call the Center at 787-2023.

Dr. Ralph T. Mirse, President of Columbai College, announced a series of workshops, seminars, and community observances to be conducted on the theme of the Nazi Holocaust during the next four years. A two-day workshop on "Faith and the Holocaust" is scheduled for July 23-24. Dr. Selden K. Smith, Professor of History at Columbia College, is coordinator of this workshop, funded by a grant from the Blumenthal Foundation of Charlotte, NC. Members of Jewry in Columbia helped in the development of the entire program with the Columbia College Faculty and Staff. For more information contact Alexander Grossberg, Federation Executive Director at 787-2023.

Jerry Emanuel, advisor to the Columbia Chapter of A.Z.A., recently presented Hank Rabinowitz and Adam Lourie with the Shield of David Award for outstanding individual achievement and leadership.

Rabbi Howard Kosovske of Tree of Life Congregation has been appointed to a joint CCAR-UAHC—HUC Research Task Force on Mixed Marriage.

Tree of Life Sisterhood held its annual covered dish supper and white elephant auction on Saturday, July 14. Ruth Bazerman,

Selma Dickman and Ida Weisberg were in charge. Ruth Bazerman is Membership Chairperson and the one to be contacted for new arrivals in Columbia or nearby communities.

Jack Bass received the College of Journalism USC first Distinguished Alumni Award. Lynn Milman won an afghan made by Catherine Weiner, raffled at the Congregational Meeting. Mrs. Lilyan R. Klein has been elected President of the Nursing Alumni Association of the College of Nursing at USC.

August 6, 7, and 8 are the dates for the "Next to New Sale" at the Temple.

Brian Sean Buebel, son of Maxine and Alan Rosenfeld, celebrated his Bar Mitzvah on June 29 at the Temple.

The Columbia United Jewish Welfare Federation is one of the several southeastern Jewish communities "twinned" with a community in Israel. Columbia and some others are "twinned" with the Shalom neighborhood at the Nazareth Illit, a town in the Galilee region. Chairman for Project Renewal is Fred Fields for Columbia, who says residents of Columbia SC have pledged over \$150,000 towards this project. Besides assistance where there is need in Israel, the program seems to help people become self-supporting and has good political influence.

Federation's Leadership Development Program had Dr.

Arieh Plotkin speak at its August 26 session on "Jewish Connection: Routes and Roots" at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Pierre Jaffee. Membership of the Program consists of more than twenty selected couples and is chaired by Dr. & Mrs. Stephen Servin.

Columbia's Israel Bond Dinner will be held September 16 at the Marriott Hotel, with Edward Poliakoff chairman. State Senators Isadore Lourie and Hyman Rubin will be honored.

Columbia Jewish Singles 1984 (CJS'84) just announced its new committee chairpeople. They are Bruce Lipsitz (food), Neal Sutker (telephone), Andy Dlinn (Speakers & Education), Leland Barry (Social) and Stacey Moed (Coordinator).

Beth Shalom Religious School held registration August 22 and 26. Classes cover grades 1 and 2 through Post Bar Mitzvah class, and there will be a Confirmation class this year. For information call Myra Gabel.

Major General Robert B. Solomon, new commandant of the U. S. Army Training Center at Fort Jackson, will be guest of honor at the Jewish Community Reception Sunday, September 9, at 8 PM at the Jewish Community Center. Eleanor Niestat, Chairman of the Federation's Community Relations Council, is in charge of arrangements.

Notes from August newsletter of Tree of Life Congregation: Lillian Herman is chairperson of the

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Social Action Committee. Members have been asked to contribute to Love Fund to assist rebuilding churches of Blacks in Lancaster, which were burned by two white men. The Love Fund is c/o Security Federal Savings & Loan, P.O. Box 969, Lancaster, SC 29720.

Tree of Life Congregation will sponsor a performance of **Fiddler on the Roof** at the Workshop Theatre in November. For information contact Sandy Hertz 788-6603 or Zach Bazerman 788-5763.

Zach Bazerman is Religious School Administrator for the coming year. A graduate of the Machzike Talmud Torah of Boro Park, Brooklyn, NY, he has been a Hebrew and Religious School teacher at Tree of Life for three years and is First Vice President of the Board of Trustees and serves on the Executive Committee.

The officers of the Sisterhood for the current year are as follows: Ethel S. Brody, President; Libby Paul, Exec. Vice President; Leona Sobel, V.P. Membership; Diane Kall, V.P. Program; Sue Mandell, Corresp. Secretary; Arline Polinsky, Rec. Secretary; Henrietta Block, Treasurer.

Mike Kronenfeld is Brotherhood's new President. This season's first event—Columbia-Mets Baseball Game August 21 with dinner before the game.

Temple Youth Group elected Scott Rast as President. Members attended "leadership" SEFTY Camp Coleman in Cleveland, GA August 12-19.



Dr. Walter Thomas Schmid (right), Associate Professor of Philosophy and Religion at the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, consults with Yeshiva University Professor Dr. Arthur Hyman. Dr. Schmid is one of twelve scholars participating in Dr. Hyman's seminar, "Virtues State and Law in Medieval Philosophy," sponsored by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Dr. Hyman is a world-renowned authority on medieval and Jewish philosophy and the author of numerous scholarly works on the subject.

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On the following pages are excerpts from the first issue of the T-O. They are reproduced here as they first appeared in September of 1934.

We want to thank our readers some of whom have been with us from the start. Without you, we couldn't have made it!

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Bridging the Gulf Between Jew and Christian



The Synagogue and the Church would profit if there were more Moses in the Christian churches, it was suggested at a recent luncheon conference of the Clergy Club of New York which The Jewish Tribune and The Hebrew Standard (New York) says, "should prove historic." and which it welcomes as an "expression of Christian sentiment that may be the inspiration of many thousands who read or hear of it." And those who "prate" about the peril of anti-Semitism, at least in New York, says the correspondent of The Living Church (Episcopal) "might also have seen some significance in the fact that one Jewish rabbi made the invocation, and another gave the final blessing." The problem under discussion was "The Need of an Entente Cordiale between Protestant and Jewish Clergy in New York," the speakers at this meeting presenting the Christian idea of a rapprochement, while the Jewish idea is to be presented later.

The Church should welcome the Jew, and the Synagogue the Christian, says Philip Whitwell Wilson, as his address before the conference is quoted in press reports. Mr. Wilson, who is a former member of the British Parliament, author of "The Christ We Forget," and a writer well known to readers of American periodicals and newspapers, believes that discrimination in clubs and universities is a subversion of the best ideals in the Christian world. The fault is not always with the majority, he suggests, because much depends upon the attitude of the minority. As to the ground work for a religious rapprochement between Jew and Christian, he thinks that the "world needs not so much increase of power or knowledge as it does faith, love and charity, and only as these are made real may we expect anything for the future of Church or Synagogue."

ardless of their intellectual qualifications .

We must dedicate ourselves to the determination to help our unfortunate co-religionists in every way possible; that is a duty and a privilege we must recognize and assume.

We are indeed fortunate to live in a land which guarantees religious and political equality to all of its citizens. These opportunities carry with them corresponding responsibilities which we will fulfill in the future as we always have in the past. In these days of stress let us resolve again to do our duty as Americans and continue to carry on our traditions of fine American citizenship. .

My best wishes to all.

(Signed) HERBERT H. LEHMAN.

NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE AND GREETINGS OF GOVERNOR LEHMAN

STATE OF NEW YORK

Executive Chamber—Albany

I am happy to extend New Years Greetings to the Jews of America.

Ordinarily, this would be a holiday season, one for rejoicing. The situation, however, in Germany, where six hundred thousand people of our Faith have been singled out for destruction economically, socially and politically, brings us deep sadness and grief. Hun-

dreds of thousands of men and women in all walks of life have been ruthlessly and without pity deprived of their means of livelihood and of the primary rights of citizenship. Loyalty, patriotism, service, have all counted for naught. Even the right of an education is now being denied many of the Jewish children and youths, re-

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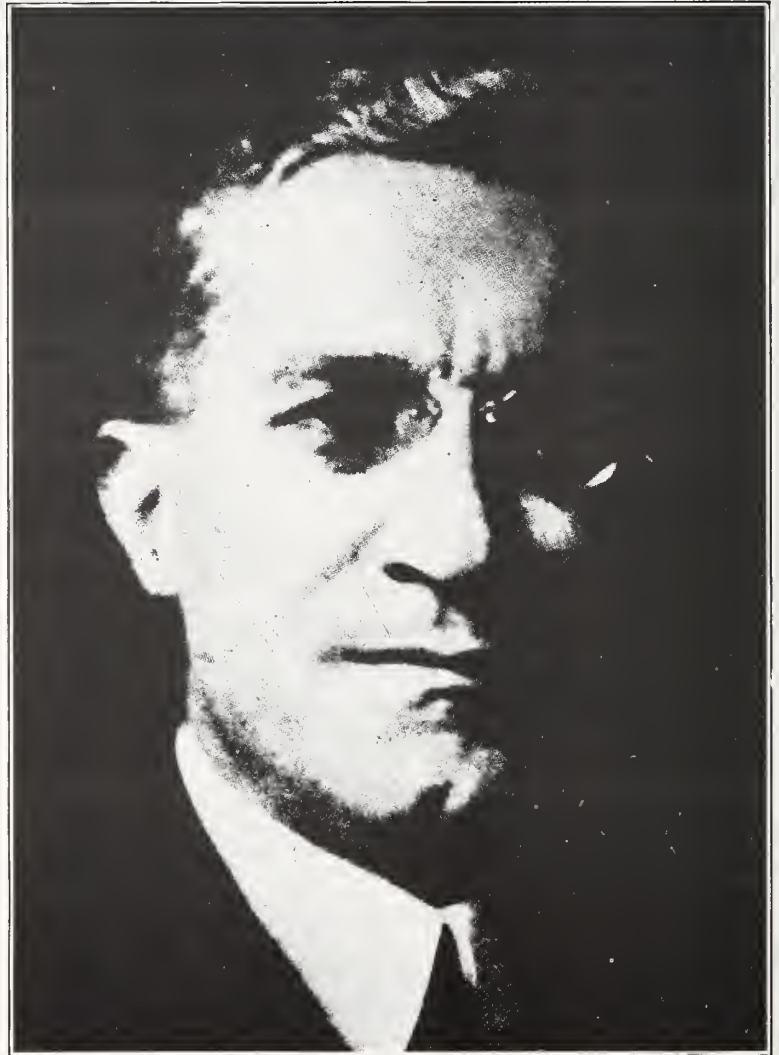
“If I Were A Jew”

**The Problem of the Young Jew Starting
Out Into Life**

By Dr. John Haynes Holmes

In entering upon the discussion of this rather personal question of what I would do if I were a Jew, it may be well for me to explain at the outset what kind of a Jew I have in mind. For there are two kinds of Jews in the modern world. In the first place, there are Jews who are born Jews, who are members of the tribe of Israel by blood and inheritance and who are thus destined to be Jews to the end of their time upon the earth, whether they want to be or not. On the other hand, there are Jews who have become Jews by process of conversion or assimilation. For Judaism, like Christianity, is an open faith and we may enter the synagogue from without exactly as we may enter the Roman Catholic church or any Protestant denomination. A conspicuous example of such a converted Jew is the distinguished M. Aime Palliere of France who has written an account of his spiritual experience in his famous book, “The Unknown Sanctuary.”

Now it might be supposed from the fact that I am a pure-blooded Anglo Saxon, born and reared on the extreme left of the English Protestant tradition, that I am thinking of the Jew of the second, or artificial type. Perhaps I am thinking myself of becoming a Jew, like M. Palliere, and raising the question of what I shall do in my regenerated state! As a matter of fact, however I am not considering this side of the question at all. I have never been much interested in conversions—as little interested in converting Christians to Judaism as I am in converting Jews to Christianity. I have certainly never thought of myself as stepping into the synagogue, and have not the slightest interest in the question of what I would do if I should suddenly become a son of Abraham. What does



concern me is the problem of the real Jew—the man who is born a member of the household of Israel, who has behind him the noblest spiritual tradition in the history of mankind, yet finds himself living in an unfriendly world and thus forced to adapt himself to a hostile environment. The problem of the Jew cast into the life of our western civilization, with his destiny all entangled with the un-

happy traditions of the dominant religion of Christianity, presents, to my mind, one of the most difficult ethical problems of our time. Some Jews meet it in one way, other Jews in another. How should it be met on the highest plane of personal character and racial integrity? How would I meet it if I were a Jew born in the synagogue and reared in the traditions of my people?

THE MILLS OF GOD

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Will the Evil Influences Threatening the World Lead Inevitable to Disaster?

By PIERRE VAN PAASSEN

The unprecedented spiritual conflict through which mankind is passing in our day—a conflict that through its ramifications and repercussions, so deeply involves the fate of the Jewish people—must inevitably cause the question to arise in our minds, whether there is such a thing as a moral world-order, that is to say whether the laws of God, of which we have hitherto believed that they formed the granite foundation-stone of the world, whether these laws still apply or not. If they do apply, if there is a moral world-order in this sense, then we also may be quite confident that certain powers now exercising a formidable influence in this world are doomed in spite of all momentary appearances to the contrary. If that moral world-order has not ceased to function then we may also know for a certainty that the great formentors of violence in our time are moving inexorably towards a day of judgment. Then there can be no doubt either that the states whose self deification and whose thirst for power and might now reach out to the heavens, are destined to meet with a new and even more frightful catastrophe. Then also will the whole idol-worshipping business of our time especially that which disguises itself in a garb of piety, crash down in a tremendous disaster. If that is so, if God's laws still prevail, all sin against God and against man, the sins against love, against justice and against humanity, will be revenged. Then also will the abomination of military armament, which covers itself with the garb of a special patriotic sentiment and acts as if any other mode of thought is criminal—as if there never were a world war and the earth were not still smoking with rivers of brother-blood—that abomination will be shattered by the lightning

of divine wrath. And then also will an official Christianity and an official Judaism who in spite of grave warnings again ally themselves with "the powers of the world," and triumph and glory in that alliance, be cast aside as salt is cast away that has become tasteless.

But the little band of those who in this time of what seems an unchaining of all the powers of evil, and, what is even more difficult to bear, the triumph of mediocrity of flatulent and odious subjection, of compromise and surrender, that the little band of Jews and Christians alike will remain loyal to the downtrodden truth and await with the more certainty the day of righteousness. Therefore we may, in spite of the mobilization of the powers of evil, which must at times frighten even the strongest hearts, be consoled and be happy. For beyond these powers we see their judgment, and in their very triumph lies their fall.

That is the way things stand if the laws of God still apply in our time, if there still exists in this sense a moral world-order. But is there one? Are these laws in force? Let us be frank: often it appears as if it is no longer the case, as if through the devastating upheavals of our time, even the granite foundations of that world-order have been shattered. The pressure exercised by the powers of evil in our day is so tremendous that our hearts often draw together in apprehension and we fear even the values which we considered eternal, are going to be dragged down into the abyss. When we look for one thing upon the nameless sufferings, upon the anguish of the Jewish people and on the other hand see the opportunistic silence of many of the leaders in the Christian world, their apathy and indifference in the face of the insults and humiliation

heaped upon "a wholly innocent people" as the Archbishop of Canterbury said and a people quite helpless, we may add, against the monstrous terror that has arisen against them yes, then we begin to doubt. But that in fact is the most difficult part of the struggle namely not to be swept away by doubt. Around that point the struggle indeed concentrates itself.

If we look on attentively and see that which is palpably bad, according to the concepts of the Bible and the dictates of our own conscience, when we see evil apparently favored by fortune, yes even spoiled by constant good fortune, and reversely, everything that is good, everything that must be good if there is any knowledge of good and evil at all, when this is overtaken by the one disaster after the other, when we see that evil things mediocrity, the flat, the mean, the dishonorable come forward, being raised to a position of eminence, and go on living and growing, while so many great and noble things are cast aside and despised, yes then we may indeed doubt that there still is a supreme tribunal of retributive justice and wonder whether the mills of God have not ceased to function altogether.—Jewish Times

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New Year's Message

from

Stephen S. Wise, Ph. D, LL. D.

Rabbi of Free Synagogue, New York; President of the
Jewish Institute of Religion



The year is overshadowed, grievously overshadowed, by the events of its closing days. Rare is the year in Jewish annals that includes no chronicle of things painful and embittering. Once again we looked for light and, behold, there is warkness!

I would not utter my New Year's message in the form of threnody, but tears are in our hearts.—tears of deep, compassionate sorrow, tears of high exultant pride! Howsoever blame is, after a time, to be apportioned, at the New Year's season it is for us proudly to recall that once again our people has proven equal to the martyr-task of its history. However terrible the guilt of others, guilt of omission or guilt of commission, our brothers have borne themselves blamelessly even to the end. So that we are denied only the feeling of contrition, for every other solace is left to us.

One holy place we craved for worship, and, even there, in violation of every tradition of the centuries, we were denied. And the tragedy of it, the guardians of the city were asleep, awaking only to disarm the thrice-wronged defenders of their people's life! We thank God for the heroism of our youth; we praise God for the

nobleness of those to whom fell the immortal portion of Kiddush ha-Shem in the highest.

England will yet assure security, lest national honor become a bauble of dress. The Open Door and security were promised and the promise has been doubly violated. And, indeed, reparation, however large and ungrudging, will not be enough,—not even the exaction of decent neighborliness on the part of those against whom the deep damnation of the taking off of our brothers pleads trumpet-tongued. England must at least obey the law of its own covenant of peace and honor with the Jewish people, including sternest warning to those whom we have immeasurably benefited, that plotting and uprising, if ever again attempted, will be met with swift and awful punishment.

But we must do more. We must now stand at the side of our pioneers as never before. For they are the advance-guard of our loftiest hope. England and Europe and all the world must come to understand that the Jewish re-builders of Palestine are not isolated and unsupported adventurers, but the ambassadors of their people humble in themselves and yet charged with all our hopes and dreams

and strength,—inviolable hostages in the safekeeping of the great Confederate Nation that must now strive to wipe out the stain of blood, which weakness rather than guilt has brought upon its escutcheon of honor.

But physical security is not enough, and to this end physical reinforcement alone will not suffice. We owe our heroic pioneers something more, and that something more is a new devotion to their and our cause. We, too, may be the guardians of our people's spiritual fortune. We, too, are exposed to grievous peril, the peril of disloyalty to the highest we know, of desertion of an infinitely precious heritage of foreswearing in truth and life the historic task of Israel as witness to the divine outreaching and upreaching of man, the peril of bartering loftiest ideals for meaneast standards. A finer, nobler World Israel will be at one and the same time the surest security and the richest fruition of our people's life in our people's land.

So may the New Year be blessed to Israel and mankind. Then shall our light break forth as the morning and our healing spring forth speedily.—
From Jewish Times.



Tradition in the Kitchen



DELICIOUS WAYS TO SAY HAPPY NEW YEAR. Sweeten the year ahead by serving Peter Heering and using it to create special desserts like the Tzimmes Squares, Fruit Compote, and Chocolate Cherry Sponge Cake pictured here.

SENSATIONAL DESSERTS TO SWEETEN THE YEAR AHEAD

This year, you can delight your family with new variations of some old holiday favorites developed by Peter Heering especially for Rosh Hashonah. The recipes featured here—Tzimmes Squares, Fruit Compote, and Chocolate Cherry Sponge Cake—continue the tradition of eating sweet, succulent dishes on Rosh Hashonah to symbolize our wish for a happy and prosperous New Year.

In addition, the recipes combine the favorite foods of the season with another holiday favorite of Jewish families, Peter Heering. The distinctive cherry flavor of the liqueur from Denmark enhances the taste of these traditional desserts. "The result is delicious," says Elizabeth Schwartz, home economist and consultant to Peter

Heering, who developed the recipes.

For example, Tzimmes Squares, made from sweet potatoes, prunes, raisins, carrots, apples, and Peter Heering, has a rich color and succulent taste that is sure to please your family.

As the Prophet Nehemiah, who is said to have introduced the tradition of eating sweets on New Year's Day, declared, "Eat the fat and drink the sweet."

Happy New Year!

TZIMMES SQUARE

Serves 6 to 8

- ½ cup solid shortening or softened margarine
- ¼ cup granulated sugar
- 6 tablespoons PETER HEERING
- 1 cup grated, peeled apple (1 medium apple)
- 1 cup grated carrots (2 medium carrots)
- 1 cup grated sweet potato

- (½ medium sweet potato)
- ¾ cup matzoh meal
- ½ cup pitted prunes, chopped
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- ½ teaspoon grated cinnamon
- ½ teaspoon salt

Preheat oven to 350° F. In a large bowl, cream shortening and sugar. Add remaining ingredients and stir until well blended. Spoon into a greased 9x9-inch baking pan.

Bake 45 minutes or until firm and lightly browned. Cool slightly on wire rack before cutting into squares.

FRUIT COMPOTE

Serve 8 (one half-cup per serving)

- ½ cup PETER HEERING
- 2 12-ounce packages (or 4 cups) mixed dried fruit, such as prunes, apricots, dried apple, dried pears
- 3 cups water
- 1 cup apple juice
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon rind
- 2 cinnamon sticks

In a large saucepan, combine all ingredients. Bring to a boil on high heat. Reduce heat; cover and simmer 30 minutes, stirring occasionally, until fruit is tender. With a slotted spoon, remove fruit to a serving bowl; discard cinnamon sticks.

Increase heat to high; cook juices until thick and syrupy. Pour over fruit and allow to cool. Serve warm, chilled or at room temperature.

CHOCOLATE CHERRY SPONGE CAKE

Serves 10 to 12

- 2 cups cake flour
- ½ cup cocoa powder
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tablespoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 6 egg yolks, at room temperature
- ½ cup PETER HEERING
- ¼ cup water
- ½ cup oil
- 6 egg whites, at room temperature
- ½ teaspoon cream of tartar

Preheat oven to 350° F. Combine flour, cocoa, 1 cup sugar, baking

powder and salt. Stir until combined. Add egg yolks, Peter Heering, water, and oil to flour mixture; beat until smooth.

Beat egg whites with cream of tartar until soft peaks form. Beat on high speed adding $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time. Continue beating until stiff peaks form and sugar is completely dissolved. Do not scrape sides of bowl. Fold flour mixture into egg whites. Turn into ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Bake 1 hour or until cake springs back when touched lightly on top. Invert cake pan on neck of a bottle. Cool completely. Run a knife around edge of pan to remove cake. Dust with confectioner's sugar.

These two recipes are from the book *COOKING WITH HONEY* by Arnold and Connie Brite Krochmal

FRUIT NUT KUGEL

2 large tart apples
 $\frac{1}{2}$ pound shelled walnuts, finely chopped
 $\frac{1}{4}$ cup honey
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons sugar
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 tablespoon lemon rind
5 eggs, separated

Pare, core, and quarter the apples; cut into slices $\frac{1}{8}$ -inch thick. Line the bottom of the greased 9-inch square pan with the apple slices. Add the chopped walnuts, honey, salt, sugar, lemon juice and rind, egg yolks; blend well. Beat the egg whites until stiff but not dry. Gently fold them into the egg yolk mixture. Pour the mixture over the apples. Bake the kugel in a moderate oven over 350° F. for 30 minutes. Serve hot or cold. Serves 10.

ANN ZELIN'S HONEY CAKE

5 eggs
3 to $3\frac{1}{2}$ cups flour
Pinch of salt
 $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups honey
3 teaspoons baking powder
3 teaspoons vegetable oil
1 cup sugar
Nuts, fruits, and raisins

Mix honey and sugar. Add to eggs, cream well. Blend in oil. Mix the flour, salt, and baking powder. Blend into egg mixture. Last of all, add nuts, raisins, and fruits. Bake in slow oven at 350° F. for about 1 hour.

ISRAEL'S LAW OF RETURN

The leader of American Reform Judaism today called on both Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Shimon Peres, Opposition leader, to reject "pressure from the Orthodox parties" to amend Israel's Law of Return as the price of their support in forming a coalition government.

"Jewish unity must never become a bargaining chip on the table of political power," said Rabbi Schindler.

The present Law of Return which gives every Jew the right to enter Israel and receive automatic citizenship, was adopted shortly after Israel declared its independence in 1948. It applies to born Jews and converted Jews, but does not establish criteria for such conversions.

According to recent news reports from Jerusalem, Orthodox political leaders in Israel are seeking to compel Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Labor Party chief Shimon Peres to support change in the Law of Return as the price of their support in forming a new government. Such a change would hold invalid all conversions to the Jewish faith performed by non-Orthodox rabbis.

"The self-serving demand of a tiny group of Orthodox spokesmen in Israel that they be recognized as the sole interpreters of Jewish religion, and specifically that the authority to determine the legitimacy of conversions performed outside Israel be spelled out in the secular law of Israel, is morally and religiously offensive," Rabbi Schindler said, adding: "And it is contrary to the interests and welfare of world Jewry."

"The change in the Law of Return would do violence to the principle of Jewish unity and jeopardize the sense of solidarity that binds the Jewish people everywhere to the State of Israel."

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Rosenzweig, who has been at Shaw for five years, is Rabbi Emeritus of Judea Reform

Congregation of Durham, which he founded. He is the Commissioner of the Durham Human Relations Commission and a Board member of the Durham Family Counseling Service. He served as the JCS Resident Lecturer at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary before coming to Shaw.

Rabbi Rosenzweig was ordained in 1928 at Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, where he received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree.

JCS, in addition to endowing courses, assigns rabbinic lecturers to campuses, donates books of Judaica to libraries, distributes a large film collection, and sponsors Institutes for Christian Clergy in its goal of improved interfaith relations.

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New Year's Message

Al. A. Mendlovitz
Executive Director



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It hardly seems possible that it is once again time to wish you L'shana Tova. The year has been a busy one here at the Home. Our major emphases this year have been to improve our understanding and service to residents with Alzheimer's disease, and to explore expansion of our services to meet the needs of other aging adults. We have been investigating the concepts of sheltered living as well as independent living here on the campus of the Home. Our ideal is to provide the necessary services so that older adults in each stage of life can find the correct support system that will allow them to maintain maximum independence and autonomy. It is our hope that here on the campus in Clemmons, as well as around the state, we will be creative in responding to these varied needs.

As I have met with colleagues around the country I have been struck by the increasing emphasis

on helping elderly remain in the community. Not only does this often make fiscal sense but it has important psychological components as well. For too long, entrance into a nursing home has signalled the end of living connectedly, of being a part of the "real world."

A second trend has also appeared in the Jewish Home for the Aged field. When I first entered the field we were taking care of "them" but certainly not planning for our own

futures. Today leaders in the field are realizing the necessity of planning and building for our own retirement years. It is important that we design and staff facilities that will be acceptable to us, with those amenities and lifestyles that we will demand when we make plans for ourselves.

For Jews, of course, this would mean including Jewish activity, input, entertainment, worship, and learning. In a state such as North Carolina we are accustomed to travelling great distances to maintain a network of Jewish affiliations. But should that connection be denied us when we are less able to travel? I think not.

This is the point at which the extended Jewish community of the Carolinas can meet very real needs at the Blumenthal Jewish Home. We have a dedicated Board, and a very real commitment from the Associations of Jewish Women and Jewish

Men. What we don't have — and need badly — are many Jewish volunteers who involve themselves at the Home. We need visitors. We need programs. We need you — each of you, from the youngest to the oldest.

One way of participating is for you to videotape Jewish activities in your communities and then bring them to share with our residents. Another way is for you to arrange with us for performances or lectures by Jewish speakers who may be coming to your community to also visit the Home. A third way is to invite residents who are able to attend events in the community and in your homes. A fourth is to find out who among us is far from home and could be "adopted" as a Bubbe or Zeyde. A fifth would be to take a resident out for lunch, a concert, or a ride. Last but not least, of course, is just come and visit. Your physical

presence will mean a great deal to the residents.

If each of these things were done we would accomplish an immeasurable task of keeping our relatively small Jewish community vital and interdependent. If we maintain our ties with our elders, keep alive the continuity of generations, we enrich our lives as well as those of our dependents.

It is our custom as the High Holidays approach to examine our lives and do "t'shivah" — to turn again to doing the mitzvah and reexamine our priorities. On behalf of that part of Klal Yesrael that now is at home at BJH, I invite you to join us in whatever ways you can so that 5745 will truly be a year of blessing for us all.

My dear wife Sarah joins me in wishing you a New Year of peace, prosperity and blessing for you and your families.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES HIGH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Sept. 26

Evening Service, Rosh Hashanah, 6:30 pm

Thursday, Sept. 27

First Day, Rosh Hashanah
Morning Service, 9:30 am
Evening Service, 6:30 pm

Friday, Sept. 28

Second Day, Rosh Hashanah
Morning Service, 9:30 am
Evening Service, 6:30 pm

Friday, Oct. 5

Evening Service, Yom Kippur, 6:30 PM

Saturday, Oct. 6

Day of Atonement, Yom Kippur, 9:30 am

A New Year's Letter from the President

**Norman S. Pliner,
President
Board of Directors**



On September 30 we will be completing eighteen years of dedicated service to the Jewish communities of North and South Carolina. During this period the Blumenthal Jewish Home has provided a place for our elders to live in peace and dignity and, through loyal and continuous efforts and support, the secure knowledge that regardless of the circumstance they would be cared for. As an organization we

have achieved the goals established in 1965 to "serve the elderly and to make a home for them." And we have also matured in the process.

After years of deliberation and debate on how best to serve the total Jewish elderly population (which includes the sick and infirm and also the independent and energetic,) the Board of Governors has concluded that we have reached the point in our development that demands the implementation of plans to broaden our service to "the whole elderly population." I believe the time is right and I do believe that this time we will begin.

As has been our practice we will be electing new members to the Board of Governors this fall. Hopefully we will be able to continue to identify more new qualified and interested persons to assume some of the responsibilities currently held by Governors who have served for many years and deserve to retire. I will shortly be appointing a nominating committee whose job it will be to recommend qualified persons to fill at least ten governor vacancies for the rotating three year terms. The

chairperson, whose name will be announced shortly, will welcome I'm certain, any suggestions or persons to be considered.

As I write this New Years message I am pleased to report that work has begun on a new wastewater treatment plant, which will be large enough to treat the sanitary effluent from all the growth contemplated through the year 2000; that plans for the development of new personal care units, apartments and low density (single family dwelling) units are progressing; that marketing financing and public relations implications are being carefully evaluated; that population and Home occupancy levels have never been higher; that operating revenue for the first nine months of this fiscal year is considerably ahead of budget and that operations oversight procedures are in place which guarantee the control some in the past have claimed didn't exist.

Those who have served are aware of the progress and achievement we have made and it is to the several committees, members of the executive committee and the Board

MAY YOU BE INSCRIBED IN THE BOOK OF LIFE

May your New Year be filled with the blessings of health, happiness, prosperity and all of life's good things.

From the residents of BJH

Happy New Year to Margaret and Jim Haley!
Julia Kennette

New Year's Greetings to Idrienne. Love, Mother
Gertrude Levy

Happy New Year to all of my family.
Love, Clara
Clara Genovese

Rosh Hashana greetings to my children, Leah
and Rae.
Ethel Iseman

I send Happy New Year's wishes to all my
family. Love, Jennie
Jennie Samet

Best wishes for the New Year to my sister Gertie
and my nephews Guy, Miles and Bobby. Love,
Ella
Ella Grosser

To my dear Silvia Maya, Mae Yanowitz and
Virginia Richmond — Happy New Year!
David Merrell

To all my beloved family — Happy New Year.
Rose Leibowitz

Happy New Year to my daughter, Lee.
Anna White

My wishes to everyone for a Happy New Year.
Abe Fine

New Year's Greetings to my family. Love, Ruth.
Ruth James

To all my friends and family — New Year's
Greetings! Love, Sylvia
Sylvia Silbert

New Year's Greetings to my granddaughter,
Miriam. Love, Grandmother
Rose Kent

Happy New Year to my family.
Sadie Parmet

New Year's Greetings and the best to you! May
it be a good year for you. To my children,
Love, Rose
Rose Germain

Happy Years to come to all!
Fay Moss

To David, Nancy, Frank and Baby — Happy
New Year!
Molly Feldman

Happy New Year to the Residents and staff
at BJH!
Keith Travis

Happy New Year!
Helen Holcomb

Happy New Year to all my friends. Love, Rose
Rose Halpern

May all the staff and residents at BJH have a
happy and healthy New Year!
Sharon Roever

New Year's Greetings to all my loved ones!
Lea Israel

Love and best wishes to all of my friends.
Sylvia Sadorf

Happy New Year to all in Greenville, SC!
Rena and Charles Rosenfeld

Good wishes to everybody!
Claire Bernstein

Happy New Year to the Congregation of
Temple Emanuel, Weldon, NC. Love, Rose
Rose Spire

Happy New Year to my loved ones.
Rose Seid

New Year's Greetings to my family!
Jean Tager

Best wishes for a healthy year to all!
Eleanor Altshuller

Happy New Year to my loved ones!
Evelyn Small

Happy New Year to my family! Love, Mary
Mary Chizik

Best Wishes for the New Year to my daughter,
Eleanor.
Dolly Wolf

New Year's Greetings to all my friends!
Rose Wagger

Happy New Year to our Jewish friends.
John and Anna Stemper

Happy New Year to all!
Anna Passman

Happy New Year to our children.
Mr. and Mrs. Usher Zimmerman

Rosh Hashana Greetings to my friends.
Alice Fruh

Rosh Hashana Greetings to my friends.
Louis Cole

To all, a Happy New Year!
Delia Sonnenshein

Happy New Year to my family.
Ann Spear

Happy Rosh Hashana!
Sol Greenberg

A happy, prosperous, and health New Year to
all my friends and relatives!
Rose Block

Wishing a happy and healthy New Year to
each of you at BJH!
Jan Sawyer

Happy New Year to my children, Pauline
Grifenhagen, Doris Edelstein and Melvin
Gross. Love, Mother
Beth Gross

To my children a Happy Rosh Hashana —
Victor, Janice and Lee!
Gertrude Ornstein

Greetings to one and all!
Hortense Andron

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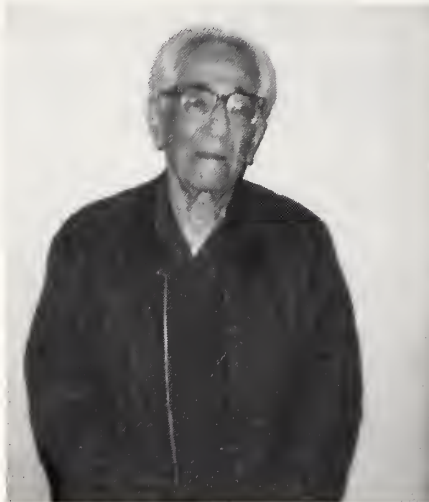
The Blumenthal Jewish Home

by David Merrell

"My, oh my! What scenery! What beautiful, hypnotizing scenery!" This was my feeling when I stared fascinated at the sky-line of countless numbers of very beautiful ancient trees of all sizes, in perfect health, showing deep, full foliage, standing close and huddled, as if for protection or love.

This delightful display stood on acres upon acres of rolling hills with faultless carpeted lawns. When I had my fill of scenery I called out in a whisper, "Dear God, if you're around, THIS is a nursing home! Let us have more of **this** kind and none of the other."

Leisurely exploring this Garden of Eden I came face to face with a structure of many rooms that have been added shamelessly to an old mansion whose gracious drawing-



room with its rich contents still stands protesting the change.

I moved on to a corridor whose many rooms were as sparkling clean as if in a hospital. Then called to lunch, I was served food as good as ever I ate in first class hotels.

Can you ask for more? Don't!

ESSAY

by Lea Israel

June 25, 1984

Today I'm here exactly two months — and I never had to or did I learn so much in two months. There are names to learn, directions to learn, and to learn what to expect and what one cannot expect.

For about a month I was lost, but gradually something seemed to happen to me. I sat down and talked to myself. Lea, you are your own boss now. Make up your mind now how you are going to manage it. It's all up to you. Instead of feeling sorry for yourself, do **something**.

And there are many somethings to do. There's the craft shop where one can use up a couple of hours of the day doing something useful and comforting to you. The empty hours you can fill with reading and

watching the **news** and just plain resting. Set your time clock.

The home provides a variety of activities, but it is up to you to choose the right ones for you. In the meantime you must not forget why you are at the home — you came to live here — to improve your health — and lastly, but most importantly, to learn to live by yourself. Close your door!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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Rose Wagger

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Isabelle Schulz, Winston-Salem,
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Sarah Lindsay

Suburbanite Editor

Many people in the area are following the results of the U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials, being held in Los Angeles this week, with interest, but none are probably watching it as closely as Louis Cole, a resident of the Blumenthal Jewish Home.

Cole attended his first Olympic trials in 1932 (which, incidentally, were also held in Los Angeles) and was in the stands at many other trials throughout the years. When he wasn't in attendance, he followed the action in any possible way, by television, newspapers and magazines.

A native of New York City, Cole, 66, graduated from Brooklyn Boys High School and New York University. He still remembers the first track and field event he attended. The Public School Athletic League meet was being held on a Saturday in 1932. Cole found himself sitting next to the family of Frank Hussey, an 18-year-old sprinter.

"Hussey ran the 100 yard dash that day and tied the world's record," Cole remembered. "He made the Olympic team that year, won a gold medal on the 400 yard relay team, and went on to Boston College. But he never lived up to his abilities."

Cole was a Certified Public Accountant in New York before moving to Bay Harbor, Florida in 1952 where he was active in many civic organizations. He was president of the Chamber of Commerce and served as lieutenant governor of Optimist International for the state of Florida.

Cole has lived at the Jewish Home for about six months. His comfortable room is decorated with pictures of his two sons and three



grandchildren, and his interest in track and field is apparent by several copies of Track and Field magazine on the table. He has been a subscriber for years.

He remembers all the great track stars who won medals at the Olympics through the years, from Jesse Owens in 1936 to Harrison Dillard in 1948 to Bobby Morrow in 1956. "The greatest track team of all time was the 1936 team with Jesse Owens," he said. "Every event had a world champion."

But this year's Olympic track and field team should also be one of the great teams, according to Cole. "In the sprints we could win 9 or 12 times over, but only 3 can qualify," he said. "Anybody who makes the team should be in the forefront."

Cole does not hesitate when asked who he feels is the greatest track star of all time. "Edwin Moses is the greatest runner in history," he said.

Although he enjoys all areas of track and field competition, Cole especially likes to watch the sprints. "They're over before you can say boo," he said, "but they are so thrilling because of the speed."

He regrets that the Soviet Union team will not be at the Olympic Games in Los Angeles and feels that the boycott "diminishes the value of

the Games." He recalls with fondness the dual track meets between the U.S. and the Soviets, one of which he attended in 1958. "There was a lot of good will in those meets," he remembered, "before the Soviets began to ruin it."

Cole used to look upon track and field as "a true amateur sport." However he feels that is not true any longer because of the Soviet Union and the U.S. boycott in 1980.

When the Olympic Games open on July 31, Louis Cole will be cheering on the U.S. team. And even without the Soviets, it should be a good meet. "I predict the U.S. team will win gold medals in the 100 meters, the 200 meters, the 400 meters, the 800 meters, the 1600 meter relay and the 400 meter relay," he said without any hesitation.

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CORRECTION

We inadvertently omitted Rose Clein from our list of Volunteers who were recognized in the July/August issue of Times Outlook. Mrs. Clein and her family have given much to the Home over the years, and we appreciate their support. Many thanks to Mrs. Clein for her work in the Gift Shop.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

1 YEAR

Joe Beeson, Dietary

2 YEARS

Millie Dexter, Nursing Asst., B-1

3 YEARS

Robin Beard, Nursing Asst.,
A Wing

4 YEARS

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5 YEARS

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7 YEARS

Betty Johnson, Nursing Asst., B-1

8 YEARS

Verna Howell, Housekeeping
Pearl Speelman, Cook

9 YEARS

Dorothy Bryant, RN, B-2

CONGRATULATIONS

The following employees are winners in the Perfect Attendance Program:

- **Pauline Allen, Nursing, B-1
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- **Lena Wall, Laundry

*two-time winner

**three-time winner

FALL SEMESTER BEGINS SECCA ART COURSE NEW ADDITION TO CURRICULUM AT BJH

The Southeastern Center for Contemporary Art (SECCA), which is located in Winston-Salem, will conduct a semester-long art course for residents of the Home. Pam Lee, Assistant Education Coordinator at SECCA, will be leading the sessions. Topics will cover a broad field, from "modern art" to experiential art techniques. The paintings, sculptures, and other resource materials available at SECCA will be included in our residents' learning experience.

Residents will have the opportunity to experiment with different artistic concepts and will exhibit their work at the end of the course.

We are excited about this new adult continuing education course and SECCA's involvement in our fall curriculum. Other courses being offered this fall include Contemporary Issues, taught by Jeff McMillan, Flower Arranging, taught by Pearl Dukes (both of which are offered through Forsyth Technical Institute), and Yoga, taught by Louisa Klein.



Winter scene, by Rose Spire, is one of the oil paintings completed in the craft shop.

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER

Sept. 3

Labor Day

Sept. 4

*Out to breakfast, leave at 8 am

Sept. 7

Outreach movie, 10 am
A Wing Ice Cream Party,
2:30 pm

Sept. 10

SECCA Art Program, 3:30 pm

Sept. 11-12

National Perspectives on
Alzheimer's Disease
Conference, sponsored by BJH

Sept. 11

*Clemmons Senior Citizens
lunch, leave at 10:00 am

Sept. 16

Brenner Concert:
THE WACHOVIA LITTLE
SYMPHONY 3 pm in the
courtyard

Sept. 18

Out to lunch, leave at 11:15 am

Sept. 19

Birthday parties on each Unit,
2:30 pm

Sept. 26-28

Rosh Hashana services

* off-campus activities

Families and friends are invited to join us for these special occasions during the month of September.

A New Year's Letter, cont'd.

Governors and to the professional and other staff that we all owe a debt of gratitude for a job well done.

On the occasion of these most solemn days and of the beginning of the year 5755, Rosalyn and our three daughters Patricia, Judith and Janice and our two grandchildren Kate and Andrew want to express our warmest greetings to you and join with you in your prayers for the New Year and for a satisfactory and peaceful solution to the problems facing our brethren in Israel.

We express great appreciation to the following friends of the Home who made donations during the months of June and July.

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Often the residents of the Home can use items contributed by our readership. Please review the current "needs" list and consider donating either these items or money to purchase them.

Polyester/cotton material for sewing projects

Three adjustable wall-mount lamps for the craft shop

Cosmetics and perfumes

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Studio piano for the auditorium

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Music — Refreshments

Sunday — November 18th
Brunch
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*The Blumenthal Jewish Home Gift Shop: staffed by
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All proceeds go to the Home.*

Summer Scenes



Four generations — Mary Chizik (Asheville), with her daughter, granddaughter and great-granddaughter at Springfest.



Annie Dixon (Winston-Salem) sells tickets and balloons to Bonnie Ayers (Personnel Coordinator) and Anne Towle (Volunteer).



Ida Aronowitz (Bronx, NY) and her daughter meet Jeff Hale and his miniature horse "Arab."



A highlight of Springfest for children — wagon rides with Jimmy Merrell!



Jennie Samet (North Bay Village, Fla.) and her family take in the sights and sounds of the day.



Pauline Bobrow (Elizabeth City), Faith Rowland and Lillian Wasserman (Spartanburg, SC) visit with artist Sandra Smith and her dog.



The Tanglewood picnic — always a delight! Sylvia Silbert (Charlotte) and some of her family enjoy the outing.



Hot dogs and hamburgers taste better outdoors! Helen Holcomb (Mt. Airy) and Rose Leibowitz (Greensboro) agree.



Residents enjoyed a visit by children from a developmental day school. Here, Alice Fruh (Greensboro) and Eleanor Altshuller (Chapel Hill) talk with the youngsters.



Do you know these people? L-R: Martha Whitaker (Charge Nurse, B-1), Walt Sidden (Maint.), Ellen White (Exec. Secretary), Ruth Wharton (Admissions Coordinator) and Edna Blevins (Dir. of Social Services) at the Employees' Picnic.



Enjoying Ladies' Coffee Club: Rena Rosenfeld (Hendersonville), Anna Stemper (Clemmons), Wendy Robertson (Rec. Therapist), and Lillian Sutton (Greenville).



Nursing Assistants were saluted in a special recognition ceremony in July. Here are Steve Gainey, Ruby Redd, Becky Bonner, Margaret Reid, Dennis Haynes, Sandy Smith, Celeste Martin of B-2 staff.

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