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David Friedman, JTA Joseph Polakoff * Wolfe Blitzer Eric Rosenman* Anthony Korenstein*

Henry Srebrenick said he will not attend and will not send anyone because they had an emergency editorial meeting come up. They will take it off JTA.

Anthony Korenstein couldn't think of anyone else who should be invited but would call if he did.

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Natan Shcharansky and his wife Avital with their newborn daughter Rahel. Jerusalem, November 17, 1986.

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News Commentary

Israel's Iran Role Explained

While the ongoing inquiries here in Washington over U.S. arms sales to Iran seem to revolve around such questions as who authorized sending what to whom, where did it go, for how much, and who benefited - Israel's role in this matter can best be understood by

HOLD SAME INTERESTS

Foremost is that Israeli and American interests in the Middle East invariably (if not always precisely) coincide, making Israel our nation's most valuable and trusted ally in the region. While Arabists in our foreign policy establishment bemoan the damage to our relationships with the so-called "moderate" Arab states - it is fair to ask, what have Saudi Arabia, Jordan, or, for that matter, Egypt - done for us lately?

Israel, on the other hand, shares intelligence with the United States, co-produces modern weapon systems, supports our country at the U.N. and consistently does all the things a true and constant friend is expected to do -

should not have been surprising that Israel would cooperate with the United States if a National Security Council official sought its cooperation.

Beyond demonstrating friendship for the United States, Israel's own secret dealings with Iran also reveal a measure of prudence and foresight. It was prudent for Israel to seek to protect the 60,000 Jews still remaining in Iran. While their situation may not be as precarious as that of the five American hostages now being beld - it certainly offered a compelling rationale for maintaining. contacts with elements within the Khomeini regime. The foresight shown was in acknowledging the reality of the mortality of the 84-year-old Ayatollah and preparing for the post-Khomeini era. The Iranian revolution will undoubtedly undergo significant changes and turmoil offering opportunities for changes in relationships.

FORCES VYING FOR POWER

In Iran today there are three major forces with (Continued on Page 3)

U.S. Israel Free Trade **Agreement Completes** Its 1st Successful Year

WASHINGTON - U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter has returned from a week's stay in Israel full of en-thusiasm about that little country and its people and with a positive view of the success of the American-Israel Free Trade Agreement that he sees as a model for the U.S.-Canada pact that is being negotiated and other international ac-

Meeting with reporters at his office here, Yeutter, who is a member of President Reagan's Cabinet, explained that he and his wife in arranging their first visit to Israel went there several days early to see the country before engaging in the Israeli-American Trade Week in Tel Aviv in mid-November and consultations in Jerusalem about the FTA's first year with Israeli officials. They included Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir. Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon, Tourism Minister Avram Sharir and Technology Minister Gideon Patt.

"It was a tremendous trip," Yeutter said. "We really enjoyed it. We have to bring our children there." While noting Israel needs more capital investment to advance economic growth, Yeutter said "Israel's economic performance in such a short time is just remarkable when you consider the country began with people from 82 countries and 100 languages." He said "the people of Israel can be justly proud of what they've done. Americans aren't aware of it. We are very favorably impressed. Tel Aviv is a hustling com-

mercial city." 150 U.S. COMPANIES AT FAIR

Yeutter expressed surprise that so many American conmpanies, about 150, had representatives at the fair designed to stimulate U.S.-Israeli trade and mark the FTA's first anniversary. About as many Israeli concerns were represented.

"FTA is a very positive factor for both countries in trade and will be so in the future. That's inevitable: When trade bar-riers go trade will grow. While Israel will be the greater beneficiary," he said, that is "typical" in arrangements between a small and large country. "I have no objection to that. We're both winners.'

Some differences arose in the Jerusalem discussions, he noted. Americans had concern about Israeli fees imposed on Israelis going abroad. James Murphy, the assistant trade representative, noted that such fees discourage tourism. Regarding the U.S. tariff on textiles that are an exception in the FTA, Yeutter said that is an unique element that will continue for some years in the future. We all have to live with this arrangement." Another difference is Israeli opposition to a surcharge of 0.22 per cent — less than one-quarter of one per cent — on U.S. imports from Israel. It was explained that the charge is essentially a tariff designed to pay for custom service. Israelis noted that Caribbean countries are exempt from that surcharge. A Yeutter aide said later that "we won't seek an exemption for Israel but possibly lift it" for the Caribbean countries. "It should apply equally to all countries," he said.

FUTURE TRADE EXPANSION

Israel has sufficient production capacity for exports to the U.S., Europe, Japan or anywhere else, Yeutter said. It can increase exports by breaking into the world trade process by finding niches for itself. "Korea and Taiwan are doing itself. "Korea and Taiwan are doing that," he said, noting the aggressiveness of those Asian nations. "The potential is there in Israel," he added, with its skilled labor force, educated people and motivation. It is a matter of putting the human (Continued on Page 3)

General Haig To Speak At 'Super Spectacular'

General Alexander M. Haig, former U.S. Secretary of State, will key-note the Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey's first annual "Super Spectacular," a full day of activities for the area's Jewish community.

The event, scheduled for Sunday, Jan. 11, will feature a press conference for the electronic and print media from 4 p.m. - 5 p.m.; the annual Jewish Federation's Pacesetters Division Dinner from 5 p.m.-7:30 p.m.; and a dialogue open to the entire Jewish community at no cost from 8 p.m. - 10 p.m.

The press conference and dinner will be held at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield and the open dialogue is slated for West-field High School. All persons attending Haig's address at the high school, Rahway Ave. and Dorian Rd., will be asked to make a commitment to the 1987 United Jewish Campaign of the Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey.

"We are privileged to have General Haig visit our community," said TOBY GOLDBERGER, co-chairman for the event. "He is a man who has been at the forefront of political, economic, and military affairs for 25 years."

Added co-chairman DAVID KOPELMAN, "General Haig's insights into such issues as 'Terrorism,'
'U.S./Israel Relations,' 'The Soviet Influence,' and 'Iranian Arms' should be extremely interesting and thought-provoking." Seating for the open dialogue will be on

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Israel's Importance to the U.S.

As "The Jewish Horizon" goes to press, Washington appears in an uproar with new allegations concerning the arms deal with Iran and the funneling of funds to the contras surfacing each day. As we write this, Sen. Dole has called for a special session of Congress, President Reagan has returned from his Thanksgiving vacation and the situation may or may not be clarified by the time this is printed.

What IS clear right now is how important Israel has been throughout the whole affair. Here is proof of what we have been repeating for years: The U.S. needs Israel. A free, strong and independent Israel is in the best interests of the U.S. Israel, as the only democracy in the Mid East, is crucial to the defense of the U.S. And these truths have become even more apparent in the last week.

Rightly or wrongly, the U.S. asked Israel for help

and she gave it. "Our aim was seriously, honestly and innocently to aid a country which has helped us on a matter which I understand was to save human noted Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres last week.

Israel handled the arms deal to help a friend just as the U.S. has aided Israel in the past.

Israel earned no profit for herself and even may have damaged her own security since the weapons may ultimately find their way to Iranian backed militias in S. Lebanon fighting Israel.

Whatever the ultimate denouement of this affair, the strong ties between the U.S. and Israel will remain mutually beneficial for both countries. As Sen. Christopher Dodd (D. Conn.) noted at the Israel Bonds International Holocaust Survivors Tribute Dinner in N.Y. last week, "Israel is the United States' best ally not only in the Middle East but anywhere in the world."

PINION

Wertheimer - Impractical Eccentric Or Creative Entrepreneur?

BY CARL ALPERT

HAIFA - Stef Wertheimer, of Nahariya, is regarded by some as an impractical, utopian eccentric, and by others as an advocate of sensible, though unorthodox practices that could revolutionize the economy of Israel if adopted.

First of all, what is the background of this con-troversial figure? He was born in Germany in 1926, came to Israel at the age of 11, and by 131/2 was out of school and already at work to help support the family, For a while he was a life saver on the Tel Aviv beach, served in the British army, was a civilian mechanic with the RAF, and at the end of the war joined the Palmach, where he took an underground flying course and emerged as a pilot. He spent four months in British Jails in Latrun and Rafiah after the famous Black Sabbath of 1946, but returned to his Zionist activity, becoming director of the Palmach technical program.

In 1952 he built a small but at the edge of an orange grove in Nahariya, bought an inexpensive grinding ma-chine (he could not afford a lathe) and set himself up in the machine tool business. That is the historical background, in brief.

BASIC DEMAND
What are his views? Wertheimer's basic demand is to get the politicians (meaning the government) out of business, and to let businessmen and industrialists run their own affairs. There is too much government, he maintains - it gets in the way of progress. The government and the Knesset do not represent the interests of the public; to the contrary, they stifle initiative. They take heavy taxes largely to maintain an army of 400,000 civil servants (Stef's figure) and the bureaucrats fight to keep the power in their bands. He is for completely free

American economic aid (as distinct from defense aid) should not be funnelled through the government, where what is left after "overhead" is subject to political controls. Instead, the American funds should be loaned directly to industries which can produce for export.

He spoke quietly, forcefully, and became indignant only when he addressed himself to taxes. Local industry is stifled by confiscatory taxes, he stressed, and then the politicians come around with huge doses of government aid which is not always properly distributed. Leave industry alone, let it grow; don't stifle it with taxes and don't smother it with government largesse. Government policies today almost automatically create economic stagnation, he asserted.

NOT ONE SHEKEL

Does his own plant receive government aid? He has never asked for and has never received one shekel more than he is entitled to by law, and even that comes back to him from his own taxes which the government levied against him, he said.

Excessive government intervention hinders develop ment, he claims, causing a frustration of Israeli talent, initiative and motivation all the way down the line. He points to all the Israelis who have gone to the U.S. and have made a success there; they could have done the same at home had they not been handicapped by the government's policies

To prove his point that taxes discourage productivity,



The Iscar complex in Nahariya.

he tried an interesting experiment in his own firm. For three months the company paid the employees' income tax from its own treasury, and the workers received their gross wages. During that period absenteeism dropped almost to zero, productivity rose markedly, and even when the three month period was up, the good work habits that had been practiced were continued for a long time. He repeated the experiment again, not long ago, and the results were the same.

If he were in power, he would slash unemployment relief payments well below minimum wages, so people would not be tempted, as they are now, to refuse jobs in favor of the dole.

PROVIDE INCENTIVES

He urges that the government provide every possible incentive, including the slashing of taxes to industries which show that they export and produce hard currency to reverse Israel's unfavorable trade balance. This kind of enlightened policy could change Israel's economic situation in a relatively short period of time, he maintains - but how to convince the politicians? The government which the civil converte to a politician parties. ment ministers, the civil servants, the political parties - all of them - use their dosing out of funds to build power bases for themselves.

What are Stef Wertheimer's credentials to preach this kind of policy? Within the constraints of bureaucratic controls he tries to practice his own economic theories in his Iscar plant and affiliated companies, 90% of whose production is exported. The major part of his production (65%) is cutting tools, ranging all the way from dental drills to large industrial saws. Another 30% is in production of turbine blades, and he is now starting up a new ceramic-electronic line, practically all for export.

ISCAR GROWING

The Iscar complex has 1500 employees, and has been growing steadily at the rate of 20% per year, this year reaching a turnover of \$100,000,000. Outlook for next year - another 20% increase. Iscar is not dependent on government loans or aid. Wertheimer is further proud that he is not dependent on the stock market, either. The company has never assumed burdensome loans, nor has it raised capital from the public. Its annual profits were back into the company, thus providing the resources for expansion, without dependency on the govern-

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ment - a fatal habit of too many Israel firms, he says

Stef Wertheimer has many more ideas for economic rejuvenation of Israel, but he is not popular in Jerusalem, in the Ministry of Finance or in political circles generally. Is he indeed an impractical eccentric, or a creative entrepreneur, proud to call himself a capitalist? Many consider his ideas "radical" in the sense that they get to the roots of the problems.



An Iscar employee turns out a high tech tool.

Israel's Role in Iran Is Explained

sufficient cohesion which will be able to compete for power. There are Khomeini's religious followers foremost, the mullahs and Revolutionary Guards, who themselves are divided internally but whose brand of expansionist Moslem fundamentalism represents a longterm threat to Israel. The second grouping is the Iranian Communists with Soviet backing - aided by Iran's 500 mile northern border with Russia. A disciplined cadre, they will invariably seek to take advantage of the expected chaos and confusion.

The third force - and the one Israel sought to maintain links with - is what is left of Iran's professional officer corps. While they cannot be expected to embrace Israel,

preferable from Israel's standpoint - and that of the

Another basic factor here is that almost every arms producing nation has been selling arms to Iran openly or clandestinely. In fact, two nations, France and the Soviet Union, have been doing a brisk business with both Iraq and Iran. Even Saudi Arabia, in keeping with its longstanding practice of paying protection money to everyone has been shipping oil circuitously to Iran - ostensibly its hated enemy

ISRAEL'S INTERESTS SERVED

With a resolution of the Iran-Iraq war not in sight.

Israel's short term interests are still served by a con-

tinuation of this stalemate. But by now, Iraq's combat experience, and in particular the significant improve ment of the performance of its air force, could constitute a grave threat to Israel in a future conflict. On the other hand, some analysts contend an Iranian victory could lead to the spread of Moslem fundamentalism across the Persia Gulf - not a pleasant prospect, either. But what is a more immediate danger to Israel would be any weak-ening of the close U.S.-Israel ties as a result of the current imbroglio. It is still too early to know what the storm of protest here in Washington will produce. But hopefully, the basic strengths of the U.S.-Israel relationship will overcome any of the negative fallout.

U.S. Israel Free Trade Agreement Completes Year

services together in an effective package." With Israelis' wages much higher than in Eastern Asia, he suggested Israel will have to do better in coordination as an international competitor." He emphasized the market isn't going to go to Israel; Israelis will have to knock on

Yeutter suggested that a "general anfor Israel to expand trade rests on "relatively high technology" and "relatively sophisticated products where capital and technology are greater factors than labor. It needs to tilt towards prod-ucts that are not terribly labor intensive (because of Israel's higher wages). It will not compete with the U.S. and Japan in the upper reaches of high technology. Somewhere in the relative technology Israel could do quite well."

TRADE STATISTICS

Noting that Israel is enjoying a surplus in trade with the U.S. for the first time,

Yeutter provided figures that showed in 1985 the U.S. imported \$2,200 millions from Israel while exporting \$1,867 millions. For the first six months of 1986, U.S. exports were \$896 millions while imports totaled \$1,226 millions. In 1982, U.S. exports totaled \$1,628 millions and imports \$1,208 millions; in 1963, exports were \$1,768 millions and imports \$1,299 millions; in 1984 trade was almost even with exports at \$1,976 millions to Israel and imports from Israel rising to \$1,809 mil-

The Financial Times of London has noted that although there has been no dramatic leap in U.S.-Israel trade since the FTA agreement came into force in September 1985 and which gradually abolishes all barriers by 1995, the U.S. has now overtaken the European Community as Israel's largest market. "Last year," The British daily said, "The U.S. took 34 per cent of Israel's exports compared with 82 per cent which went to the EEC.

Despite the weakening of the U.S. dollar, in the first nine months of 1986, Israeli exports to the U.S. climbed by over 25 per ent to \$1.9 billion commpared with \$1.5 billion in the same period last year.'

Sharon called on the U.S. Government to help facilitate greater private American investment in Israel through the provision of long-term credit and other types of support," The Financial Times re-ported. "New foreign investment in Israel had dwindled to insignificant levels in recent years," it said. "But now that the inflation of the past has been curbed and the economy has been stabilized, renewed efforts are being made to attract foreign capital."

Yeutter foresaw a drastic change in international trade in the coming decades.

ing increasingly important," he said. He felt trade in services — legal, communicainformation transfer, computer processes, transportation, tourism - may exceed trade in goods by the end of this century. "Some of this is being done with Israel now." he said. An aide to Yeutter later said (to this reporter) that the U.S. and Israel have a general umbrella agreement on trade both in goods and services. "Beginnings have been made in services, particularly tourism and tele-communications," he said. The service agreement with Israel is being used in the negotiations with Canada which, he hoped. would be a model for multilateral systems "for the whole world.

Two Supreme Court Views On First Amendment Cases

WASHINGTON (WNS) -The Supreme Court has declined to review a federal appellate court decision barring the city of St. Charles, Ill., from displaying a large lighted Christian cross on the roof of its fire department as part of

an annual Christmas dis-

The Supreme Court also ruled that the Ansonia. Conn., school system need not accept a teacher's proposed alternative to unpaid leave for religious purposes as long as it makes a reasonable proposal of its own to accommodate his religious needs. The suit, brought by Ronald Philbrook, a mem-ber of the Worldwide Church of God, was sent back to lower federal

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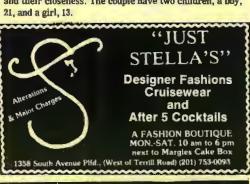
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Terms Set for Ending Search

NEW YORK (JTA) — Beate Klarsfeld said she will stop searching for Nazi war ciminals if Kurt Waldheim will resign as President of Austria. Klarsfeld made that offer of reciprocity Monday night at a meeting of the World Jewish Congress homoring her for her long-time work of pursuing Nazis around the world who have gone unpunished, and following the debut Sunday night of the television film about her.

Klarsfeld gave full credit to the WJCongress for its research into Waldheim's past and its exposure of the former United Nations Secretary General's lies to both the world and to the American people. She said she is basing her work on Waldheim "on the files of the World Jewish Congress. But the admission of his guilt, and his removal from office has to come from the Austrians themselves."

The world-renowned Nazi-hunter, a Protestant who was born in Germany and married Serge Klarsfeld, a Jewish lawyer from Paris, said her family life would be enough to sustain her without her constant pursuit of Nazis. "I never sacrificed my personal life," she said of her years of campaigning and locating war criminals. "A happy family life gives us the power to go out and act. Serge is acting as a Jewish lawyer, I as a German and a non-Jew." She spoke lovingly and proudly of her family and their closeness. The couple have two children, a boy,











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Leaders Scrutinize Petitions for Soviet Jewry



Representatives of Jewish organizations in Central New Jersey examine over 2,500 signatures on petitions sent to President Reagan on behalf of Freedom for Soviet Jews. The petition was mailed with thousands of others from all over the nation in the continuing attempt to bring the plight of Soviet Jews to the attention of national and

Standing, from left, are: SYLVIA BLECHNER, Hillside Hadassah; SANDY PANZER, National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), Elizabeth Section; ANN KAPLAN, Linden Hadassah; JUDI KRONICK, JCRC chair; TRUDI ROCKETT, Soviet Jewry Action Committee, Telegram Bank chalr; HAROLD PRESSER, Rahway Hadassah, Temple Beth Torah, Rahway; RABBI SAMUEL ROSENBERG, Elmora Hehrew Center, Elizabeth. Seated, PHŸLLIS BROCINER, chair, Community

Seated, PHYLLIS BROCINER, chair, Community Plea for Soviet Jews; SUZANNE BROOKS, NCJW, Watchang Section; SELMA WASSERMAN, chair, Soviet Jewry Action Committee; MARLENE EISENSTEIN, Temple Sholom, Plainfield; LAUREN SHUB, NCJW, Westfield Section; MIRIAM CHARME, Westfield Hadassab.

The Soviet Jewry Action Committee of the Jewish Community Relations Council will sponsor a bus trip to Trenton on December 11 to hear MORRIS ABRAM, President of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, address the New Jersey Legislature on the Soviet Jewry issue. Concerned community members who wish to demonstrate their support for human rights and for oppressed Jews are urged to join the hus at 11 a.m. from the Jewish Federation office at the YM-YWHA, Green Lane, Union.

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BETTY SEIDEL (Mountainside) has en appointed chairman of the program, hich will reach out to area firms, corpotions and businesses in an effort to efray operating costs of Super Sunday, od free funds raised for the support of tal humanitarian services.

Costs are \$500 dollars for corporate onsorship and \$100 dollars for an indidual sponsorship.

want to area firms to ansv all on Super Sunday," said Mrs. Seidel. By sponsoring a phone, businesses will e reaching out and touching the lives of ersons in need throughout the world."

Mrs. Seidel indicated phone sponsors so will benefit from the program. "Su-er Sunday can work for you," she stressed, noting that incentives include: the company logo and/or name being displayed in the Super Sunday phone room which will be filled with more than 600 volunteers; the business' card being displayed on each phone purchased; the business' name being featured in a pre-event advertisement in the "Jewish Horizon;" and the company receiving special mention in a thank-you advertisement following the event.

Super "Star" Sunday is the annual

United Jewish Campaign phone-a-thon of the Jewish Federation, Hundreds of volunteers, area political dignitaries and other celebrities gather at the YM-YWHA of Union County for the community-wide fundraising effort. This year's gala is scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 1, 9:15 a.m. to

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Women's League Elects Elaine Ravich National VP

KIAMESHA LAKE, N.Y. — ELAINE RAVICH, Clark, has been installed as a National Vice President of Women's League for Conservative Judaism, representing 800 affiliated Sisterhoods in servative synagogues in the United States. Canada, Mexico, Puerto Rico and Israel, with a membership of 200,000. Con-servative Judaism in the United States and Canada comprises Judaism's largest branch, with a membership of 1.5 million.

Mrs. Ravich was elected at the organization's November 16-20 Biennial Convention at The Concord Hotel, which was attended by 2,000 delegates.
She also chairs Women's League's

Reading and Editorial Committee, which selects and edits material for publication, and has been National Publicity Chairman and a member of the board. A former President of the Central New Jersey Jewish Federation Women's Division and is



ELAINE RAVICH Active in community

active in other communal programs She and her family are members of Temple Beth O'r, where she served as Sisterhood President.

President Herzog Slates Visit To West Germany

BY DAVID LANDAU JERUSALEM (JTA) haim Herzog announced Nov. 25 that he ill make a State visit to West Germany arly next year. It is intended to re procate the visit to Israel last year by

West German President Richard von Weiszacker.

According to the announcemnt by Herzog's office, he will "imbue the visit with the symbolic and educational content (Continued on Page 8)

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Burg Proposes Need for U.S. Jewish PAC in Israel

WESTFIELD—Though there is a con nection between the two leading Jewish centers in the world — American Jewry and the State of Israel — in many ways it is not a good one. "We do not know or understand each other," maintained AVRAHAM BURG, Israel's advisor for Diaspora Affairs at a recent lecture at Temple Emanu-El sponsored by the temple and the Jewish Community Relations Council (JCRC) of the Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey. Although the two centers have diverse political entities and ideologies, yet what happens in Israel has a direct effect on the American Jewish community, whether you are Zionistic or not, Burg said.
THREAT TO ISRAEL

At the same time, the U.S. center of Jews represents a threat to Israel in that it is always there should an Israeli wish'to change locations, he added.

The Holocaust forever changed the complexion of the State of Israel, Burg said. Before the Holocaust Israel was the 'land of choice.' Hitler turned it into the 'land of refugees.'

Burg noted that AIPAC is the lobby for Israel in Washington and proposed that U.S. Jews have never used their power for persuasion in Israel as they have in the U.S. capital. "I think it is time for a Jewish Israeli PAC (in Jerusalem)," Burg indicated.

When questioned about how he foresees the success of religious pluralism in Israel, he presented a rather bleak picture asserting that it is a spiritual challenge.
"Jews brought the idea of monotheism (one God) to the world. This holds that there is one source of truth. Yet democracy holds that there are plural sources for the same truth — my truth, your truth, etc." Burg explained. "How do you make a system which combines monotheistic source for truth with plural-istic sources for truth?" Burg asked al-lowing that he didn't know the answer and that this would be a thorny problem for

He felt that some of Reform's latest decisions (among them patrilineal descent) can never be accepted by the Orthodox in Israel. "Even those who fight against Orthodoxy would not embrace Reform with its latest decisions," he predicted. "You must keep in mind how the Israeli society works," he added using a joke about a non-religious Jew to make his point. The non-religious Jew in Israel says, "The synagogue I don't go to is an Orthodox one." This is the prevailing attitude in Israel, Burg explained.

NEW ATTENTION

On the prospect of a change in the Law of Return, Burg indicated that every six months this question comes up in Israel. He used as a good example of the new passed at the November General As-sembly of the Council of Jewish Feder-

out against any change in the Law a

Leaders Told To Stress Closer Ties at Synagogue Federation Special Dinner



Thrilled with the large turnout to the recent dialogue with Avraham Burg at Temp Emanu El are: from left, CHARLES WINETSKY, RABBI CHARLES KROLOFI RABBI STEVEN DWORKEN, President Union County Board of Rabbis, AVRAHAL BURG and ZELDA KAHN, host chairman.

Members of the boards of 10 Central New Jersey synagogues recently attended a special dinner and dialogue with

Avraham Burg, the Advisor on Diaspo Affairs to Israel's Prime Minister.



Expands Saudi Ties

BONN (JTA)—West Germany is expanding its military cooperation with Saudi Arabia by appointing a Military Attache at its Embassy in Riyadh where no such post previously existed. It is also sending a counterterrorist expert to the Saudi capital; and the scheduled departure for Riyadh Nov. 30 of Franz-Josef Strauss, leader of Bavaria's conservative Christian Social Union (CSU) is widely interpreted here as a new West German bid to sell arms to Saudi Arabia.

Sources here said government policy with respect to arms sales to the Saudis has not changed since Bonn offered them highly sophisticated weapons several years ago. Excluded "for the time being" was the advanced Leopard-2 tank, which is manufactured in Bavaria.

The Saudis took offense and refused to buy any arms from West Germany unless restrictions on certain weapons were removed. Strauss has strongly supported arms sales to Saudi Arabia. He is a member of the boards of several Bavarian-based companies which have offered weapons systems to that country. His party is closely linked with the ruling Christian Democratic Union (CDU) of Chancellor Helmut Kohl.

Israeli's Arrest Cleric

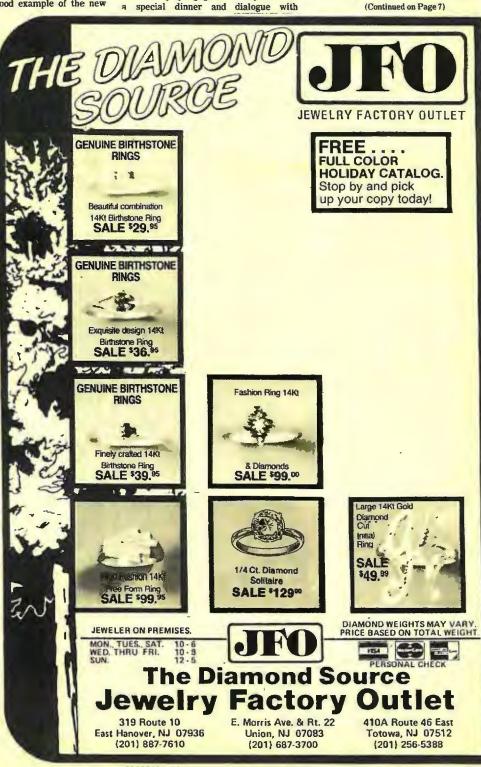
JERUSALEM, (JTA)—A clergyman arrested earlier this month in connection with a Jerusalem bribery scandal was identified as Shahe Ajamian, 60, former Armenian Archbishop of Jerusalem. He was remanded in custody for an additional four days while police continue their inquiry into the affair.

Ajamian was arrested along with Jerusalem District Commissioner Rafael Levy and several Arab businessmen from the Jerusalem area. Levy, a top Interior Ministry official who is chairman of the District Planning Committee, is suspected of receiving bribes in return for favors to Ajamian and the Arabs. The favors allegedly involved identification cards, land deals and inside in-

formation on planned future projects.

Ajamian, whose identity was withheld by the court until now, is reportedly being questioned about several weapons found in his home and about the theft of valuable treasures from the Armenian Patriarchate in Jerusalem.

His arrest has been criticized privately by people in various government and municipal agencies who saw it as a "wrong signal" to other clerics in Jerusalem, given Ajamian's known sympathy for Israel. Media reports said he was arrested on orders of the police fraud squad without the knowledge of the Premier, the Vice Premier or Mayor Teddy Kollek of Jerusalem.



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Brunch Sparks Memories of Traditions

BY BRUCE BORBINS

This is the story of LILLIAN TTINGER'S mother-in-law, BERTHA "the very embodiment of mitzvah."

And, this also is the story of ADELINE LANDAU'S daughter, HAN-Y— at 13 years, already a "true lensch."

The two will never meet - Bertha ttinger having passed away — but their ves are linked through the spirit of menschlikeit."

During an emotion-filled "Generation Generation" brunch sponsored by the Jomen's Division of The Jewish Federtion of Central New Jersey, Lillian Etnger and Hanny shared insights into

In a moving tribute, Lillian Ettinger recalled the values instilled in her by her mother-in-law. "She stressed the importance of six mitzvot: Tzedakah — Acts of giving; Hachnasat Orchim — Receiving guests in home; Bikur Holim — Visitation to the sick; Lahadlik Ner Shel Shabbat — Kindling the Sabbath candles; Shalom Bayit — Peace in the home; and Archei Yachdut — Jewish values," Lillian recounted. "Through the practice of these six, one develops the essence of Jewish tradition."

Tzedakah also holds special meaning to Hanny Landau. With the memory of her Bat Mitzvah from one week prior vividly in her mind, Hanny told those in attendance that "Now that I'm a Jewish adult I must begin to take responsibility for myself. I must perform the mitzvot and live my life Jewishly. Giving to a worthy cause is the first step.

The brunch was attended by some 75 women and featured award-winning author GLORIA GOLDREICH. The theme permeating her books, "Leah's Journey" and "Leah's Children" — passing tradition from generation to generation brought the theme of the event to life.

According to ELAINE GERMINSKY, who shared the day with four generations of her family, including her mother, daughter, granddaughter and daughter-in-law, "The speaker's experiences reflected on my life. I know how important it is to I on my life. I know how important it is to

Added INA FOX: "I was fascinated listening to the guest speaker. She really brought the importance of Judaism to light. And, I encourage my children to be

Serving as co-chairmen for the Mitzvot

Division are LILLIAN ETTINGER and JOANNE SOLODAR.

Included on the committee are: ELLIE AMADA, SUE GAMZA, SANDY GLASSMAN, GLORIA KUCHINSKY, CYNTHIA MINTZ, MILLIE POLLACK, CHARLOTTE SHAK and SYNGONIA CHARLOTTE SHAK and SUE SUSSMAN.

To Stress Closer Ties at Special Dinner Leaders Told

(Continued from Page 6) rogram, entitled, "The Role of the Syngogue in Promoting Closer srael/Diaspora Relations," was co-sponored by the Synagogue-Federation Comnittee of the Jewish Federation of Cenral New Jersey and the Union County Board of Rabbis

CHARLES WINETSKY (Linden) and RABBI CHARLES KROLOFF (Temple Emanu-El, Westfield) presided over the evening, attended by more than 80 per-

Discussing the importance of the event, Rabbi Kroloff said, "We are, indeed, 21 separate communities (in the Federated area) with many synagogues and streams of Judaism. Therefore, this gathering is especially significant in that we've come ogether as synagogue leaders.

"I hope this is the beginning of close relations between the synagogues and with the Jewish Federation."

Added Winetsky: "There is an ongoing need for dialogue regarding effective synagogue/Federation relations in that both organizations have common concerns which bring them together in the goal of strengthening the quality of Jewish life, meeting Jewish needs and reaching out to involve larger numbers of people in Jew-ish concerns."

Federations, he continued, have an "affirmative interest in a broader identification and affiliation by all members of the Jewish community, and synagogues have a stake in an effective Federation that can constructively meet Jewish communal responsibilities.

Area synagogues with board members represented were B'nai Israel, Elizabeth; Congregation Anshe Chesed, Linden; Elmora Hebrew Center, Elizabeth; Tem-ple Beth El, Cranford; Temple Beth El, Elizabeth; Temple Beth El, Plainfield; Temple Beth Or, Clark; Temple Beth Torah, Rahway; Temple Emanu-El, Westfield; and Temple Israel, Scotch Plains.

Burg also spoke to the entire Jewish Community at a lecture which followed the dinner.

Beth O'r's Sisterhood Reports Record Growth

ELYSE SPIALTER, membership vice president of the Sisterhood of Temple Beth O'r, Clark has reported that it has been a record year for the sisterhood. 150 women, out of a total membership of 250 women, attended the recent paid up membership meeting held on Nov. 24. The focus of the evening was greeting the more than 20 new members who

have joined the sisterhood during the past year.

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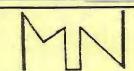
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Herzog

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of yizkor (remembrance) in order to strengthen world awareness of the Holo-



CHAIM HERZOG Plans State Visit

caust which has been fading."

Herzog's military aide, Col. Ami Gluska, said the focal point of the trip would be a gathering at the site of the Bergen-Belsen concentration camp, which will give the President's visit its historical context

THROUGH A

JEWISH

LOOKING GLASS"

By Herb Ross-

Fast repartee! Query to blonde: What book is your favorite? Answer: "Well, I like the "check book" best!...I can't believe you said that department: "The Difference between genius and stupidity is that genius has its limits!", How about this one? "I refuse to have a battle of wits with an unarmed person."

son." Here's

collection:

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"It's better
to remain silent and be HERB ROSS
suspected of being a fool
than to SPEAK and remove
all doubts!" This one is my
favorite: LEAD ME NOT
INTO TEMPTATION, I
CAN FIND IT ALL BY MYSELF!

CAN FIND IT ALL BY MY-SELF!

Do you know how to cure water on the knee? Answer: "Just hand the baby back to the mother!" The difference between gossip and news is simply whether you're listening or telling! If you remember the "Bintele Brief" in the Jewish Forward, there is this wonderful letter to the Editor "Mine duble-spased tiplng is svell, Mine storys and pomes is strong, Yet notting I'm riting don't sell. Nu, tell me, what can be rong!

MIXED REACTIONS

The announcement produced mixed reactions. Some public figures questioned the propriety of Israel's chief of state visiting the country where the Holocaust was conceived. The President's office said Herzog had consulted with senior ministers and the trip was approved unanimously by the Cabinet.

Vice Premier and Foreign Minister Shimon Peres vigorously defended Herzog's plans. He said Israel's relationship with Germany had to be forward looking while never forgetful of the past. "If we want to have normal relations with a country, there have to be reciprocal visits at various levels," Peres said.

Premier Yitzhak Shamir, meanwhile, came to the defense of Herzog's two-week tour of Australia, New Zealand, Southeast Asia and Sri Lanka which ended last week amid controversy. Shamir said critics of that trip spoke from ignorance. The President, he said, succeeded in bringing Israel's message to an important part of the world where it had not been heard.

Shamir's remarks were an indirect swipe at Likud Liberal MK Pinhas Goldstein, who charged that Herzog's trip was poorly planned and that the President was inadequately briefed by his aides and the government. He was referring to political embarrassments encountered by Herzog in Australia and New Zealand and anti-Israel demonstrations that greeted him in Singapore.

Israeli Wins Tennis Game

NEW YORK (JTA)—Amos Mansdorf became the first

Israeli to win a major international tennis tournament

when he defeated American Matt Anger in the South

African Open in Johannesburg. The rising young Israeli

star overcame the defending champion 6-3, 3-6, 6-2, 7-5 to

win \$43,000, his biggest single check. In the quarterfinals,

Mansdorf beat the tournament's top seed and world's

10th-ranked player, Andres Gomez of Ecuador, 6-4, 6-4. In the semifinals, he defeated South African Eddie Edwards, 6-0, 7-5. Earlier this month, Mansdorf beat the world's fifth-ranked player, Henri LeConte of France,

WASHINGTON (JTA)-James Ingo Freed, of I.M. Pei

and Partner, has been selected as the design architect for the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, it was

announced here by Arthur Rosenblatt, the museum's

newly completed Jacob Javits Exposition and Convention Center in New York City. Born in Essen, Germany, he

art, yet both must be used to tell the tale, the tale that must be told," Elie Wiesel, chairman of the U.S. Holo-

caust Memorial Council, said. "In James Freed we have

found an architect who can master this unique challenge,"

fundraising campaign for the museum which will be

located on government property adjoining the National

Mall. The museum will house a Hall of Witness, telling the story of the Holocaust; a memorial Hall of Remem-

brance, exhibition halls, a Holocaust library and archives, a Learning Center and two theaters. Rosenblatt

said that plans now call for the museum to be completed

The Memorial Council is conducting a \$100 million

Freed, 56, was the principal design architect for the

The Holocaust in its enormity defies language and

who had beaten him at the U.S. Open here in August.

Architect Chosen

and his family came to the U.S. in 1940.

director.

Susan Coen Named JCRC Vice Chairman

SUSAN COEN (Elizabeth), the chairman of the Jewish Community Relations Council Local and National Concerns Task Force. has been appointed JCRC vice chairman, announced JUDI KRONICK, chairman.

A member of the National Jewish Community Relations Advisory Council, Coen is a board member of the Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey, the sponsor-ing organization of JCRC. She also is a member of the National Council of Jewish Women and the National Affairs/Community Services organiza-

Mrs. Coen is a past president and past chairman of the Community Plea for Soviet Jewry and a former board member of the YM-YWHA of Union County and the Jewish Association of Centers and Y's.

The JCRC will benefit from Susan's comprehensive knowledge of local and national political affairs, her involvement with the Soviet Jewry movement, and her interest in and dedication to Israel and its people," Kronick said.

Coen noted that she accepts ber new



SUSAN COEN

position with pride, adding: "There a issues of concern to all Jews which ne continual monitoring. I will strive ensure that these issues remain high the Jewish agenda."

Comprehensive Knowledge

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ings.

In the St. Charles case. the court let stand the de-cision by Federal Appellate Judge Richard Posner that a prominent display by the city of such an 'unmistakeable symbol of Christianity' violated the First Amendment ban against the establishment of religion because it "dramatically conveys a message of governmental support for Christianity."

lar symbols of Christmas.

The case of Ansonia turned on the Court's in-terpretation of Title VII of 1964 Civil Rights Act which specifically requires an employer to "reasonably accommodate" an employe's "religious observance or practice without undue hardship on the conduct of the employer's business."
Philbrook sued because

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Posner drew a distinction between the cross and the less conspicuous nativiscene in Pawtucket, R.L. that the Supreme Court upheld in a 1984 case. In that decision, the court noted that the holiday display included a Christmas tree and other more secu-

he was docked for some of

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Hanukkah Takes on New Meaning Each Year

(WZPS)-Hanukkah is ot all it seems. It is not quite the festival of liberation that we think it is, at least not liberation from the Greeks. Nor is it simply a festival of lights that commemorates a miracle that occurred with a jar of oil. It has become a festival of dedication in a way that our ancestors never thought of, because they thought in different terms than we do.

Not that this is unusual in Judaism, which has such a long and complex history that almost every instance of belief, behavior, custom and festival celebration has several levels of meaning.

While the Hallel festival prayer is included in the synagogue service, no abstention from work is associated with Hanukkah, and there are not tradi-tional public observances, there a special prayer book.

The engaging nature of the Hanukkah lights to-gether with their placement in a position where

their private light may be publicly, excites all who have grown up to the annual lighting of the ninebranched Hanukkah candelabrum. These lights have made this relatively minor festival into one of the most beloved of all Jewish holidays. National Revival

During the past cen-tury, Hanukkah has undergone a revival, because the Zionist movement seized upon it as a symbol and historical precedent of national revival for our generation. The Maccabi Zionist sports organization was named after the Mac-cabees who instituted Hanukkah, as was the Maccabiad, the four-yearly international Jewish sports

In a story entitled "The Wheel Makes a Turn," Sholem Aleichem depicted Hanukkah warmly and sympathetically. In the first section, Hanukkah lights are dignifiedly lit by a well-to-do Jew. In the second part, the same Jew, now elderly, is barely suf-fered to light the Hanukkah



Judah Maccabee portrayed on a French 16th century enamel plaque, Paris, Musee de Cluny.

candles by his assimilated son, while the grandson is not allowed even to witness the ceremony. In the final section of the story, the grandson, now a young adult, and his student friends celebrate Hanukkah, to the chagrin and dismay of the assimilated parents, who cannot understand how their son could have become a Zionist. They cannot understand

that, inspired by the Maccabean fight for Jewish freedom, the young son has rejected his parents' assimilationism as shameful.
However, it is not cer-

tain that Sbolem Aleichem or his young hero knew exactly who the Jews were fighting against in Macca-bean times, nor what their idea of freedom was.

Standardizing Religion

The division of Alex-

ander the Great's empire had left the Land of Israel as a border region between the Seleucid empire with its center in Syria and the Ptolemaic Empire in Egypt. At the time of the Maccabean revolt, the Seleucids had been in control of Judea for several years. These so-called Greeks were really Hellenized Syrians, as dif-Greeks ferent from the original Greeks as the USA is from Elizabethan England. Their culture was a slightly Hellenized version of Eastern Middle polytheism.

Antiochus, the Syrian king who had just been forced to withdraw from Egypt by an ultimatum from the Romans, was endeavoring to strengthen his empire ideologically by standardizing the religion throughout his dominions. He was not particularly anti-Jewish but would stand no opposition.

But a segment of the Jews, under the Maccabees, refused to abandon their customs and ancient

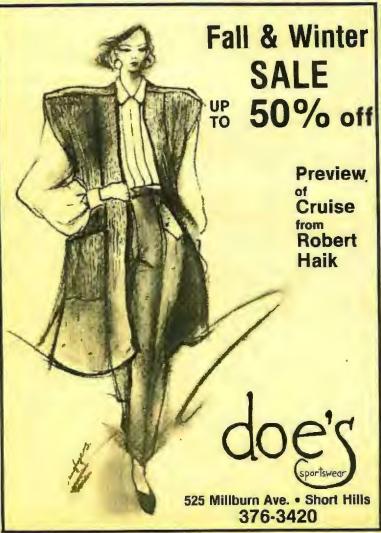
The story of Hanukkah is the story of the revolt against the Greek-speaking upper crust of the Seleucid empire and their collaborators among the Jews. The Maccabees not fighting for individual liberty as we understand it.

Defense of Rights

We think in terms of a modern pluralistic society with civil rights, in which differing, even an-tagonistic, points of view anhave legitimate standing. Our views are colored by the situations and laws of the countries where we live, such as the USA or Australia, and colored by the struggles going on around us, as in Argentina or South Africa. The Maccabees did not think pluralistically at all.

The First Book of Maccabees tells us that the lucident which sparked the Maccabean Jewish revolt was the slaying by Judah Maccabee's father, Mattathias, of a Jew in his

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Boots Add Flexibility, Style To Every Woman's Wardrobe

Each Hanukkah the scene is replayed time and time again. Hours are spent in big, overcrowded stores searching for a perfect gift.

Care is taken when purchasing the item, and additional time and effort are spent elaborately wrapping the gift.

But many times the recipient, after initially expressing glee over receiving the present, puts it in the back of her closet, nev-er to be seen again. The offering turns out be just another useless gift.

Those looking to reverse that trend can purchase a pair of versatile fashion boots. The



FASHION BOOTS provide versatility and add style to a woman's wardrobe

all-leather boots, with cutout designs, can be worn with a number of different outfits any time of the year. Colored hosiery can also be seen through the boot's design.
WORN ALL YEAR

These fashion boots can be worn in any of the four seasons — winter, spring, summer or fall. Women who live in all climates are wearing them. And they're being worn for many different occasions

Tips for gift giving

BY LILLIAN VERNON

Hanukkah shopping can, and should be, a pleasant and gratifying experience. Just approach it as a way of showing family and friends you think they're special, and try to find gifts that express how you feel about them.

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I've traveled the world, selecting gifts that I think you would be proud to give (and pleased to receive!). I'd like to share some of the ideas I've used for my family over the years.

KEEP A LIST

Think carefully all year long about what people really want, and jot down ideas as they come to mind. Keep a list and, when you come across something on the list, shop early—even if it's not near Hanukkah.

Start a gift hideaway and buy a little at a time. . .this will save you from having to do all your shopping at the last minute. You can even start wrapping gifts as you get them so you won't have to fuss with them all at once
— and you'll have more time to enjoy the holidays!

Something else you might consider is the type of gift you choose for someone. Out-of-the-ordinary ideas are often appreciated more because they require a little extra thought. Buy decorative baskets or tins and fill them with soaps, potpourri, candles or homemade cookies.

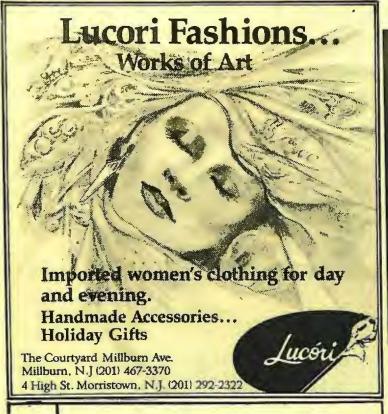
MEMORABLE PRESENTS

Sentimental gifts can be very meaningful and lots of fun, too. Frame old photos or write a family history in a bound book-they're sure to be treasured for generations

If you've having trouble buying a gift, think about creating an event—a luncheon, dinner, theatre outing or special day spent together-a gift of yourself.

The presentation of gifts can be just as important as the gifts them-selves. Select pretty gift wrap and ribbons to enhance what's inside. For extra flair, use ornaments as gift tie-ons, especially personalized ones-they'll delight everyone!

And for a large gift like a bicycle, paste a picture of it into a card or box. This way, there's something there for everyone.





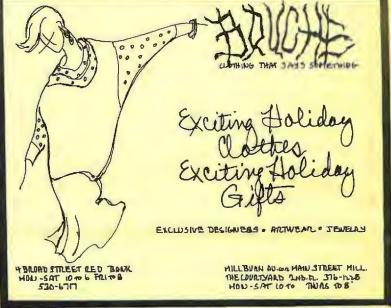
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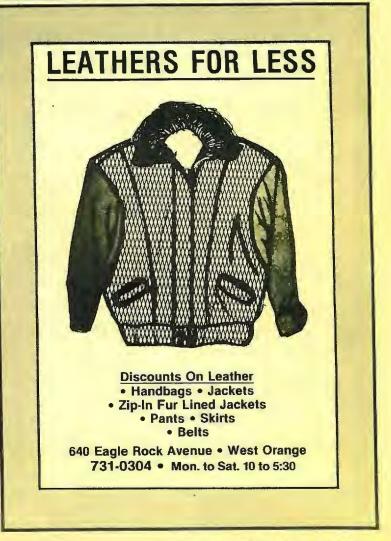


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To enhance the season's

rich fabrics and body-con scious fashions, gold jew elry acts as second skin, illuminating it with a golden glow. For casual get-togethers, a simple and understated look is preferable. An oversized chain link necklace with alternating stations of pink, green and white gold provides the ultimate complement to a sporty turtleneck.

An armful of bangles and link bracelets in a variety of rope, buckle and woven styles also carries an informal flavor, revealing a woman's up-to-the-minute fashion sense and an individual flair.

For some, a whimsical pair of gold earrings projects just the right image. These come in a variety of graphic loop, hoop



To dazzle at night, real gold jewelry adds polish and pizzazz to any clothing ensemble or occasion. The variety of gold jewelry styles available is as endless as the ways a woman can express her individual flair. Always appropriate, real gold jewelry can be mixed or matched to complement any mood.

and curlicue shapes in close-to-the-ear or dangling styles, each striking alone or as part of an ensemble.

On occasions calling for all-out glamour, the drama and subtlety of gold cannot be matched. One focal piece of gold jewelry can make all the difference bebe matched. tween pretty and positively smashing!

For evening, the look is minimal, yet sensational, with figure-flaunting fashions, slicked-back hair and bold gold accents. A slinky gooseneck or a strand of modeled gold beads brings polish and pizzazz to any midnight ensemble.

Worn with elbow length gloves, a large gold ring in a classic ribbed or modern skyscraper motif can be subtle, if not outright sexy. when worn with a simple slip of a dress.

One of the season's most talked about items is the "statement" gold pin, versatile enough to embellish the lapel of a satiny duster coat, a wrapped sarong skirt or an evening headwrap. Pins add the finishing touch to make an outfit look pulled together in a way that is sophisticated and suggests chic couture.

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Hanukkah Takes on New Meaning Each Year

village who was about to

offer sacrifice publicly at the heathen altar, as required by the king's of-ficers. After that, Mattathias and his five sons fled to the hills.

In their opposition to Antiochus' standardization of religious cults, they were defending the established rights of the Jews in the Seleucid empire to follow their customs and opposing the arbitrary abrogation of these rights. But since the continued observance of these customs maintained the Jews as a

distinct nation, they were also fighting for Jewish national survival.

In their fight for the continuation of Jewish customs, they had no scruples about coercing, per-secuting and even killing other Jews who did not conform to their version of Judaism — no pluralism for the Maccabee

DOUBLE EDGED

The Maccabean revolt was at first a minority movement. The official Jewish spokesmen and many of the Jewish population were hostile to it. The Maccabeans carried

on a double edged campaign - against foreign oppression and internal disintegration, suffering terrible losses on the way. Hanukkah is the earliest occasion upon which martyrs of conscience appear persons who are willing to die rather than forsake their religious precepts, celebrates the first attempt to demand the principal of religious and cultural diversity within the state, at that time the Seleucid empire. Here, Hanukkah has universal implications for the rights groups to be different while equal. However, this is a modern understanding of the struggle. The Maccabeans themselves probably had no such intentions.

Hanukkah also shows

that the only effective answer to repression of ideas is a positive affirmation of the threatened principles and values.

After attaining power, the descendants of the Maccabees became estranged from the masses of the Jewish people and later their rule became extremely oppressive. The rabbis disliked them so much that they reduced reference to them in the Mishnah and the Gemarah to the unavoidable minimum. That is also why they curtailed the importance of Hanukkah. This also seems to be the reason that the Books of Maccabees were excluded from the Bible when the canonization process was completed in the second Ега.

In addition to its ancient historical associations. Hanukkah, in Israel, has taken on a new meaning. As well as being a school holiday, many celebrate the festival outdoors, with torch and lantern parades village, often culminating in the public kindling of Hanukkah lights. It is a festival which unites religious and non-religious Jews, and is a symbol of the Jewish people's struggle for national life and the evolution of the principles

HANUKKAH CELEBRATION — METUCHEN-EDISON HADASSAH invites the public to their Hanukkah celebra-tion to be held on Tuesday, December 16, at 8 p.m. at Temple Neve Shalom, 150 Grove Ave., Metuchen. We will have a special candle-lighting ceremony in honor of Hadassah's 75th Anniversary as well as a presentation by members of Our Metuchen-Edison Young Judea, the youth-sponsored organization of Hadassah.

For those who would like to participate in the Hanukkah Grab Bag, bring a wrapped gift valued at \$4 to \$5.

SHOP A RAMA — THE WOMEN'S AMERICAN ORT CHAPTER OF SPRINGFIELD will hold a Hanukkah party featuring a Shop a Rama on December 17 at 8 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, Springfield.

There will be many vendors with unique gift items. If anyone has something interesting to sell, contact HAR-RIET NAGGAR, 376-5982.

Exchange of gifts will take place. Bring a wrapped gift

HANAKKAH LIGHTS TALK — B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN TOV CHAPTER will hold a meeting December 11 at 8 p.m. at the Clark library.

Shirah Zell, wife of Rabbi Shawn Zell, will speak on the significance of the Hanukkah lights and the blessing of



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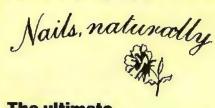
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Light Up Hanukkah With Traditional Foods

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Traditional Hanukkah foods are prepared in oil in remembrance of the miracle of the oil in the Temple of Jerusalem liberated by the Maccabees. While ap parently only sufficient for one day, the oil burned for eight days.

There is somewhat of a "cultural gap" between the Diaspora on the matter of what is the traditional Hanukkah treat. Israelis opt for "sufganiot," or jelly doughnuts, while Jews in the Western world have always regarded potato pan-cakes, popularly known as "latkes," as the quintessential Hanukkah food. Here are recipes for both:

Gift Ideas for Men

Instead of wandering through the stores hoping to come upon the right gifts for the men in your life (always the most difficult), do some advance planning by thinking in categories.

Once you decide on a category, you'll be better able to think of an item or at least limit yourself to certain stores or departments.

Here are some examples to start you think-

• KEEPSAKES: Coins and stamps are a possi-bility (flea markets are a good place to look). A family or individual portrait traditional or humorous -

is uniquely personal. Museum reproductions (from mugs to sculptures) make exciting alternatives

• STEP-UP: Lightweight silk long underwear provides more warmth without bulk for outdoor winter activites. A better razor that charges in less than an hour for 2-3 weeks of use, will give pleasure all year long. An electric blanket with dual control setting can keep you both comfortable.

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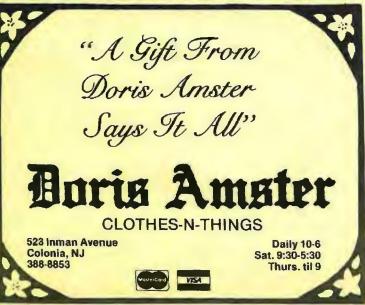
SPECIAL IN-TERESTS: Many men have a favorite sport or hobby; whether he's a participant or spectator, clothing or other items with team names and logos is an idea. Accessories for sport and hobbies will also be enjoyed. How about an electronic hand-held game such as backgammon, chess or football.

Books about his in-terests are a good bet. Or you might buy a subscription to a special interest magazine, journal or newsletter to keep happy reminders of Hanukkah and you arriving regularly throughout the year.

UPCOMING TRIAL

AMSTERDAM (WNS) David Hill, the retired Dutch Consul in Los Angeles, will be tried in a Hague District Court for allegedly authorizing payments to several former Dutch na-tionals in the Los Angeles area who were not entitled to compensation for persecution by the Nazis during the German occupation the Netherlands in World War II.





ISRAELI SUFGANIOT

1 egg 3 Tblsps. sugar

1 cup self-rising flour 5 Thisps, sour cream

1 tsp. vanilla

1/2 tsp. grated lemon rind

oil for deep frying (4-8 cups)

confectioners sugar

Beat egg and sugar. Add remaining ingredients. Mix until smooth. Heat oil in deep fryer or deep pot until very hot. Drop tablespoons of dough in pot and cook on medium heat until brown — about four at a time. Sprinkle with confectioners sugar. Makes 10-12 doughnuts.

TRADITIONAL LATKES

2-1/2 lbs. potatoes (white)

3 large eggs

1 tsp. salt

¼ tsp. black pepper

14 tsp. black pepper
4 Tblsps. flour
1/4 tsp. baking soda
Shred potatoes and onions in food procsor together to prevent potatoes from essor together to prevent potatoes from turning black. Remove and blend remaining ingredients in the processor. Mix with potato-onion mixture.

Let stand a few minutes to thicken. Add a little more flour if mixture seems too liquidy. In a large frying pan, heat about 1/6-inch thickness of oil until hot. Drop mixture with a wooden spoon into pan and flatten with back of spoon

Fry until brown on both sides. Drain on paper toweling. Serve with sour cream, apple sauce or cinnamon and sugar. Makes about 30 pancakes.



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Israeli Festival Sets 2nd Annual Concert

The Israeli Festival of Union is holding its second annual "Pre-Chanukah Concert" on Saturday, De-Scember 13 at 8 pm. It will be held in the Burnet Jun-ior High School Auditorium, Morris and ior High School
Auditorium, Morris and
Caldwell Avenues in Union. Featuring Cantor Paul Zim, accompanied by a Klezmer band, and come-L dian Terry McGrath, the tickets are \$5.00 each and may be purchased in advance by calling (201) 687-4124 or by mail, Israeli Festival of Union, P.O. Box 274, Union, N.J. 07083. Checks are payable to the Israeli Festival of Union.

Cantor Paul Zim is a graduate of the Jewish Theological Seminary, New York City; New York University; and attended the Julliard School of Music, New York City. At age 21, he was chosen to follow the great Moshe Koussevitsky as Chazan at Temple Beth-El in Brooklyn, New York. He later succeeded the late Richard Tucker at the prestigious Park Synagogue in Chicago, presently, he is the cantor of Hillcrest Jewish Center in Forrest Hills, N.Y.

Terry McGrath has performed extensively throughout the New York/New Jersey Metropolitan area.

For ten years, he appeared with Joe Smith of "Smile and Dale" as Doctor Kronkheit and together they played Lincoln Center, the Lambs and the Friars, and they were heard for a month on Dial-A-Joke.

Terry McGrath is a graduate of Columbia University with a major in musical composition and conducting and a minor in

anthropology. He is a resi-



CANTOR PAUL ZIM

dent of Leonia, where his wife is a member of Congregation Sons of Israel.

The Israeli Festival of Union is an independent organization composed of residents of Union who want to unite the Jewish community at various times during the year. With the help of corporate sponsors, this concert is offered at a minimum charge to patrons.

For further information about the Israeli Festival of Union, or to order tickets, contact Co-Chairman Max Feldman at (201) 687-4124

Y Slates Skiing, Skating For Teens Dec. Vacation

There'll be no cries of "Nothing to do!" among teens who hear about the winter vacation outings slated by the YM-YWHA. Skiing, skating, and sightseeing are on the Y's agenda for junior high and high school

Teenagers, both Y members and nonmembers, are invited to pack their winter sports gear for a three day, two night Hunter Mountain ski trip. Apres ski should be as much fun as the time on the slopes because teen groups from the Jewish community centers of MetroWest Passaic-Clifton and the Palisades are part of this ski trip, too. The timing allows for two full days of skiing with evenings to enjoy the swimming pool, jacuzzi, and game room at the Kingston, New York Holiday Inn. The YM-YWHA of Union County Teen Department is providing charter bus, kosher meals, ski rentals and lift ticket for one all inclusive price. The trip will run from December 23 to the 25th and registrations and payments must be completed by December 8. The price of the trip is \$220, with a member's special price of \$180.

South Street Seaport, with its museum and a walking tour of the tallships anchored there, is the destination for Sun-

mittee will mobilize local Bond volunteers

day, December 28. Time for browsing in the shops, both the high style and the unusual, is included in this all day outing. A dinner stop at the Jerusalem II Restaurant, dutch treat, will cap the day. Reservations for this special trip must be made with Teen Director Terri Ampel prior to December 24. Ms. Ampel can be reached at 289-8112.

Skating, both on ice and at a roller rink, are on the bill for December 29 and 30. It's whirring wheels on Monday, followed by a popular movie showing. Tuesday's outing will be on the ice at Warinaco Park followed by relaxation at the Y's Teen Lounge or a swim in the Y pool. Video games, pool games and privacy make the Teen Lounge the getaway place every teen wishes for.

Skiing at Vernon Valley/Great Gorge is the Y's vacation finale on January 4 Departing at seven a.m. and returning at 7 p.m., the Y ski trip includes lift ticket and round trip transportation from the Y. Ski rentals is \$12 beyond the cost of the trip, which is \$35 with a special price to memers of \$27. Reservations are a must; call Teen Director Terri Ampel at 289-8112 to make the arrangements and inquire about

Drive Slated To Collect Israel Bond Proceeds

An intensive community-wide drive will be conducted by the Eastern Union County Israel Bond Campaign throughout the month of December to convert unpaid Bond commitments into cash for Israel's economic development.

MURRAY PANTIRER, Cash Mobilization Chairman, announced the drive. Specific dates for collection are Dec. 1-5. Dec. 8-12, Dec. 15-19 and Dec. 22 and 23.

The effort is part of a coast-to-coast campaign covering communities throughout the United States and Canada

"Israel urgently needs Bond proceeds

now to carry forward the remarkable improvement flowing from the government's 1985 austerity program to expand its economic growth," said Pan-

"These measures stabilized the economy and slashed the inflation rate. The challenge now is to develop those industries that hold the most promise for Israel's future," he said, adding that "friends of Israel have responded in 1986 with unprecedented Bond support. Heartening as it is, the nation needs the actual proceeds that provide Israel with the means to make available more jobs and squads and organize special Israel Bond expand economic opportunities."

The Eastern Union County cash com-

teen and family memberships.

cash events during December.

Individuals who wish to make their Israel Bond payments are invited to call 354-5400.

to make personal visits, set up telephone Y Slates Pre Nursery for 2's

A pre-nursery program for two year olds at the YM-YWHA on Green Lane, Union, has been announced by their Early Childhood Chairman, AARON COHEN of Cranford. "This program offers the advantages of early childhood education in a time frame suited to the quick moving interests of two year olds," said Mr. Cohen, in announcing the new program.

Meeting twice a week for ninety minute sessions, the "Two for Two's" program includes arts and crafts and experience with manipulative toys for fine motor coordination. The toddlers will enjoy gym experiences using equipment and exercise designed to develop their coordination and balance.

Two of the highly regarded early childhood educators from the YM-YWHA nursery school, EVELYN HERMAN and KAREN HOLROYD, will lead the group. Children who are two years old by January, whether wearing diapers or not, are invited to participate in "Two for Two's." Parents do not attend these sessions, which are limited to a registration of eight boys and girls. Advance registration with YM-YWHA Early Childhood Director BARBARA SHAW is required for the 17 session, nine week course. The fee is \$150 with a special price of \$110 for Y members. The YM-YWHA of Union County is located near Kean College. Their phone number is

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Home Expands Programs Staff for Residents

The social services department of the Central New Jersey Jewish Home for the Aged is expanding in several ways, and has increased both in size and scope. In addition to Director of Social Services, ELLEN GOMER, the department now includes a part-time social worker and a social work intern. Also, many new programs have been developed for residents and their families.

Ms. Gomer explains that several therapeutic groups have been formed for residents. "We are holding therapeutic groups to help our residents deal with their aging process. We try to help them better adapt and make a positive adjustment to a longterm care setting, and hope to provide a format where residents can share their feelings, strengthen their coping mechanisms and problem solve."

Recently Ms. Gomer implimented a cooking group with residents. Although the original intention was to encourage residents to share a recipe that evoke memories and positive feelings from the past, Ms. Gomer says, "Our format has changed. We are focusing more on interaction among the residents. Each resident gets a chance to talk, and to add their special ingredient to the recipe. We plan to compile the most popular recipes, such as chicken soup, matzo balls, blintzes, brisket and chopped liver, and begin to test them in the resident kitchen in recreation.

"We have a very active Resident Council," she adds. "Recently we elected new officers. Each position is jointly-held so as to get more people involved and enable an individual to take charge if the person he shares the position with is ill. As one of our projects, we have been writing to our 'pen pals'' in Kadima, a town which is participating in Project Renewal through the Jewish Federation of Central New Jersey. More than 80 residents have already written to people in Kadima, and we are anxiously awaiting responses.

She adds, "It has been delightful workng with our new part-time social worker KAREN BLIVAISS and social work intern, DEBBIE HOCKSTEIN. the residents enjoy both ladies very much."



In & Around Central New Jersey

CHAPTER OF HADASSAH will hold a Paid Up Membership Party and Hanukkah celebration at its regular meeting on Tuesday, December 9, at noon, at the YMHA, Union.

Luncheon hostess will be CLARA GRUEN in ho

her birthday.

The Hillside Hadassah Choral Group, under the direction of GERDA MILLS, will entertain with a medley of songs. New members will be introduced.

JENNY FORLANDER will be honored, as Woman of the Year at the Myrtle Wreath Luncheon on December 14.

REGULAR MEETING — of THE HILDA GOULD CHAPTER OF DEBORAH will be beld on Tuesday, December 9, at noon, at Congregation Anshe Chesed, Orchard Terrace & St. Georges Ave., Linden. The "Madrigal Singers" of Linden High School, under

the direction of TOM PEDAS will entertain us for our boliday program.

Refreshments will be served before the meeting.

BRUNCH MEETING - THE WORKMEN'S CIRCLE BRANCH NO. 47 will have their regular monthly Brunch meeting at the Workmen's Circle Center; in the large auditorium at 225 West Jersey Street, Elizabeth on Sunday, December 7, at 10:30 a.m.

The special program to commemorate the Hanukkah Festival will consist of vocalist Jack Kamin, who will be accompanied by Pianist Murray Temkin.

CRADLE ROLL PROGRAM-Temple Emanu-El of Westfield, located at 756 East Broad St., will hold its' second "Cradle Roll" session on Saturday, Dec. 20, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

The "Cradle Roll" program, sponsored by the Sisterhood and Nursery School is designed for preschoolers and their parents. Each session throughout the year focuses on a different holidays and its' traditions.

The current session will focus on Hanukkah. For information and reservations, call 232-4728.

SENIORS: BETH O'R SENIORS OF CLARK WILL SETHORS: BETH O'R SENIORS OF CLARK will hold a meeting on Thursday Dec. 4, at noon, at the temple. SIDNEY GOLDSTEIN will preside. SELMA WEISS, will present GEORGE MEADE, helicopter pilot for station WOR, he will show slides on MISS LIBERTY. The next meeting will take place on Thursday Dec. 18. The McCuster dance group will entertain. Lunch will be served by MINNIE GOLDSTEIN and the hospitality committee. committee.

THE SENIOR CITIZEN COMMUNITY CLUB OF ELIZ-ABETH will meet at the 3rd.-Westminster Presbyterian Church on Monday December 8 at 11 a.m. Max Lippman will be presiding. "Bingo" has been planned.

MJCC To Install Rabbi at Services

Members and guests of the Mountain Jewish Community Center, 104 Mt. Horeb Road, Warren, will hold a special evening of worship and celebration at their Friday Night Service on December 5, at 7:30 p.m., to officially welcome RABBI ELIZABETH ROLLE to their congregation as their new spiritual

In honor of this notable occasion, the Temple will present Rabbi Eugene Lipman, Rabbi Emeritus of Temple Sinai in Washington, D.C. as their guest

An Informal Oneg Shabbat with coffee and cake will follow the service.

Volunteers Needed To Help Home Dec. 25

A special program, "Operation Snowflake, was introduced last year, at the Central New Jersey Jewish Home for the Aged last year, and gives volunteers the opportunity to perform the jobs of non-professional staff on Christmas Day, so that Christian employees can observe their holiday with their families. Community participation in last year's 'Operation Snowflake" was overwhelming, and we to be equally successful this year. This year the program will encompass the Somerset Residence Senior Citizen's apartment complex, lo-cated at the site of the CNJJHA.

Because many families are away during the week between Christmas - and New Year's, a short friendly visit with a lonely tenant or resident would be appreciated at this time.

Volunteers will be

asked to work a two hour shift. Duties assigned will be based upon personal preference, and the hours which one can be available. Last year "Operation Snowflake" provided over 300 hours of volunteer ser-

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SINGLES:

A GROUP OF JEWISH SINGLES, ages 30's, is having a Shabbat Service and Oneg Shabbat on Friday, December 5, at 8:30 p.m. at Congregation B'nai Jeshurun (1025 South Orange Avenue, Short Hills). RABBI BARRY GREENE, RABBI SUSAN WARSHELL and CANTOR NORMAN SUMMERS will officiate at the service which will be combined with the host congregation. PRO-FESSOR MICHAEL COOK of Hebrew Union College, an expert on Judaism and Christianity, will be the guest speaker at the service.

A GROUP OF JEWISH SINGLES, ages 35-55, is having Special Tours and a Reception at 32nd Annual NCJW Art exhibition and Sale on Sunday, December 7, at 7 p.m., at the YM-YWHA of Metropolitan New Jersey (760 Northfield Avenue, West Orange). The Art Show is entitled "Focus on Art" and will include hundreds of works of art of different styles and sources. A special feature will be "Art From Remote Corners of the World." Admission is \$6 and includes the admission to the Art Show as well as the special tour and reception.

A GROUP OF JEWISH SINGLES, ages 50-69, is having a Shabbat service and Oneg Shabbat on Friday, December 5, at 8:15 p.m. at Congregation B'nai Israel (160 Millburn Avenue, Millburn), RABBI VICTOR MIRELMAN and CANTOR CHARLES OSBORNE will officiate at the service which will be combined with the host congrega-

For further information about any of the five age groups, call 353-7877 or write to 910 Salem Avenue, Hillside, NJ 07205.

SCHOLAR-IN-RESIDENCE—CONGREGATION IS-RAEL OF SPRINGFIELD will host Menahem Persoff as "scholar-in-residence" at its Adult Shabbaton, Friday and Saturday, December 12 and 13.

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In & Around

COMEDY HOUR — The JEWISH CIVIL SERVICE FEL-LOWSHIP OF NEW JERSEY will hold a regular meeting on Sat. evening, Dec. 13, at 8:30 p.m., at Temple Shomrei Torah, 910 Salem Ave. Hillside, with Mr. Martin Horwitz presiding.

The annual Comedy Hour will be held, featuring LILLIAN MUSTER, BERNIE BLECKNER, SAM EHRLICH AND MILTON LEVENBAUM.

HUMANE RIGHTS DAY — HILLSIDE HADASSAH will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, December 9, at Temple Shomrei Torah, at 8 p.m. The Choral Group, Temple Shomrer Toran, at 8 p.in. the Chorar Group, under the direction of Gerda Mills, will present a program commenorating "Humane Rights Day" which will take place on December 10, and Hanukkah. A Hanukkah Sing for all, will follow the program.

"MENTAL AEROBICS;" or how to keep your memory skills sharp, will be the joint program for B'NAI B'RITH WOMEN, TABOR CHAPTER, AND SUBURBAN SIS-TERHOOD OF LINDEN, on Wednesday, December 17 at 8 p.m. at Suburban Temple, Deerfield and Academy Terrace, Linden. TOBY MARX, Coordinator of Gerontology at Union County College, Cranford, will present program. Marx is a graduate of the University of Rochester with a Masters in Communal Services from Hebrew Union College. Husbands and friends are welcome. Refreshments will be served,

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Library Gets Judaica Set



A group of friends from Temple Beth O'r, Clark presented a set of The Encyclopedia Judaica to the Clark Public Library. The presentation was made during the

celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Clark Library.
Shown are Mrs. Sandra Jones, Director of the Clark Library, Rabbi Shawn Zell, spiritual leader of Temple Beth O'r, and Mrs. Thelma Purdy, Library Chairman of

BAZAAR AND CHINESE AUCTION — HILLSIDE CHAPTER OF HADASSAH will hold its annual Bazaar and Chinese Auction on Sunday, December 7, at the War Memorial Building. Liberty Avenue, Hillside, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free and the public is welcome. There is free parking in the rear of the build-

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Y Offers 4 Boutiques For Hanukkah Dec. 21

Four unusual shopping opportunities will be cluded as part of the YM-YWHA's Hanukkah Jamboree on Sunday, December 21: a fine Judaica shop, a gift shop reserved for little shoppers, an art photography sale, and Y Shop. "Only for Kids" will be

a gift boutique where children can purchase af-fordable gifts for their friends, parents, grandparents, sisters, and brothers. "Only for Kids" will even offer gift wrap service to its young customers.

A fine Judaica shop will make available beautiful objets d'art. Kiddush cups and menorahs will be among the items of exceptional quality to be offered on the twenty-first, which is the Sunday just before

the Chanukah holiday.
Art photographs will be for sale as part of the "Images of Jewish Life" exhibit which opens on December 21. Seven photographers have contributed to this juried group show; each one viewing current Jewish life from his own particular angle. As a result, the framed and matted photographs, which are available for gift buyers, will portray aspects of current Jewish life as diverse as Hasidic fabrengen and the Jews of Ethiopia.

The hard to please and the athletes will have a wide selection at "Y Shop" on December 21. Goggles. paddles, and other athletic paraphernalia of use to swimmers, joggers, paddleball players will be for sale there. Y gift certificates for messages, courses, and memberships will give scope to creative gift giving at the "Y Shop" as well.

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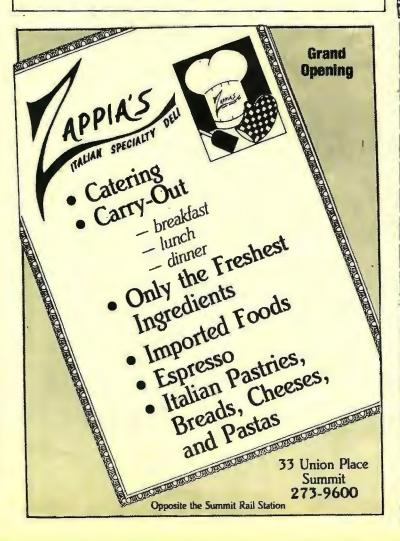
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NEWSMAKERS on the Jewish Scene

B'NAI B'NOT MITZVAH: DAVID MC-COLLOUGH, son of MR. AND MRS. STEVEN Mc-COLLOUGH will celebrate his bar mitzvah on December 6 at Temple Israel, Union

JOSHUA ANDREW POLAK, son of MR. AND MRS. FREDERICK JOSHUA POLAK will be called to the torah on the occasion of his bar mitzvah on Decem-ber 6 at Temple Emanu-El, Westfield.

RENAY SUSSMAN, daughter of MR. AND MRS. STUART SUSSMAN will celebrate her bat mitzvah on December 6 at Temple Beth El, Cranford.

Elected

WILLIAM HAUSLER AND SEBLEY HAUSLER of Rahway were elected as vice presidents of the New Jersey Region, United Synagogue of America at their recent biennial convention.

Local Leaders Head Dinner



The Rabbinical College of America of Morristown celebrated its 38th anniversary at the Marriott Marquis Hotel, New York City with a dinner chaired by RICHARD AND LARRY GOLDBERGER of Scotch Plains, Former Secretary of State GENERAL ALEXANDER M. HAIG delivered the keynote address and received an honorary degree.

Shown at the dinner are, left, DAVID T. CHASE, Chairman, Board of Trustees, Rabbinical College of America, LARRY GOLDBERGER, GENERAL ALEX-ANDER M. HAIG, keynote speaker, RICHARD GOLD-BERGER, and RABBI MOSHE HERSON, dean.

BIRTHS:

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A daughter, JORDANA
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DEBBIE AND LOU ORNSTEIN of Elizabeth on
November 24 at St. November 24 at St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

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Maternal grandparents are LILLIAN AND LOU BLUM of Union.

The paternal grand-mother is DOROTHY OR-NSTEIN of Miami.

This is the couple's first child.

Mrs. Ornstein was formerly assistant director of the nursery school at the YM-YWHA of Union and was director of the nursery school of Cong. Israel, Springfield. Mr. Ornstein is a former campaign di-rector of the Jewish Federation of Central New Jer-sey. He is director of

Legacies and Endowments and a member of the cam-paign staff of the Ameri-can ORT Federation in New York City.

A baby girl, GILLIAN ELISE LEVINSON, was born to MARK A., AND TERI SOLOMON LEVIN-SON, of Old Bridge. The baby was born November 3, at the Somerset Medical Center, Somerville.

Center, Somerville.

The maternal grandparents are MR. AND
MRS. ELIOTT SOLOMON
of Old Bridge.
Paternal grandparents
are ESTELLE LEVINSON
and the late GEORGE
LEVINSON of Woodbridge. Maternal greatgrandparents (on the
mother's side) are MR.
AND MRS. EMANUEL
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and MR. AND MRS. ROBERT JAFFE of Hollywood, Florida. wood, Florida.

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the year include breakfast to forums, monthly general meetings, a women's ritual awareness program, rummage sales, fashion shows and theatre trips. President of the sisterhood is PAT STOLACK.

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Hadassah To Hear Israeli Speaker

ARI MAROM will speak at the Westfield Hadassah meeting on Monday, December 15, at noon, at the Jewish Community Center on Martine Avenue, Scotch Plains. He will discuss Israeli Society: Life-styles. Mr. Marom is presently Shaliach/Educational Advisor to the New Jersey Region o f Hashachar/Young/Judea.

Before coming to the United States. Marom worked for the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the World Zionist Organization as coordinator

of long-term programs in colleges and in Englishspeaking-high schools.

A native of Kingston, Canada (where he was born in 1952,) he graduated from Tel Aviv University with a degree in Political Science. He became a founding member of Kibbutz Ketura in the Araya Desert near Eilat and served with the paratroopers during the 1973 Yom Kippur War. Later he was an information officer for new immigrants and is now a reserve officer.



ORT To Hold Bazaar

Women's American ORT's annual new merchandise holiday Bazaar, will be held on Sunday, December 7 at the YM-YWHA of Raritan Valley, at the corners of So. Adelaide and Raritan Avenues, 'Route 27', Highland Park, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

From left are Phyllis Klein, Union chapter chairman and Sharon Buchsbaum, Region Chairman.

Book Fair Coming

The Conservative Religious School of Union County is sponsoring a holi-day book fair at Temple Beth-El, 338 Walnut Avenue, Cranford, on Sunday December 21 from 9:30 a.m. to noon. There will be

a large selection of new paperback and hard cover books for both children and adults covering a wide variety of subjects. The sale is open to the public and all are invited to attend.

JCC Offers Course

"How To Cope with Stress" will be the topic of discussion at the JCC of Central N.J. in a seminar to be presented on Thursday, December 4 from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. The discussion will focus on what stress is, how you feel it, identify signs and symptoms, and how to look for situations that are stressful to you.

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OBITUARIES

SENBERG, 74, of Elizabeth, died on November 22, at the Alexian Brothers Hospital in Elizabeth.

Born in New Jersey, he resided in Elizabeth for the last 11 years.

Mr. Rosenberg was an attorney for the state At-General's Office torney Trenton, New Jersey for 12 years before retiring 4 years ago. He was graduated from the Rutgers Law School in 1934.

He was a member of the Union County Bar Association, Elizabeth, and the B'nai B'rith and the Knights of Pythias, both of Hillside.

He is survived by his wife, Anne, a daughter, Susan Wilde, of Pennsylvania and a sister, Dorothy Eisen, of Trenton.

Services were held at the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, Union.

PAULINE MALORATSKY, 92, of Elizabeth, died on November 22, 1986 in Elizabeth

Born in Russia, she re-sided in Newark before moving to Elizabeth over 20 years ago.

She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Maloratsky was a member of the Voliner Ladies, the Felix Fuld Ladies and the Hebrew Sheltering Home, all in Newark.

She is survived by a daughter, Bessie Hodes, of Elizabeth and a son, Irving, of Springfield and six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Services were held at the Memoral Chapels at Millburn, Union.

BENJAMIN SCHUMAN 84, of Elizabeth, died on November 22, at the St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Elizabeth.

Born in Austria, he resided in Mexico and Newark before moving to Elizabeth 15 years ago.

He was the owner and operator of Ben's Tavern in Newark for 25 years before retiring 20 years

Mr. Schuman is survived by a son, Alan, of New York City and a grandson.

Services were held at the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, Union.

SAM BARANIK, 75, of Kenilworth, retired as a tax accountant and formerly an accountant with the Internal Revenue, died Nov. 27 in his home.

Services were held at "Kreitzman's Memorial Home," Elizabeth.

Mr. Baranik had been a private tax accountant in Kenilworth for several years before retiring in 1975. Before that, he worked for the Internal Revenue Service in New York City for many years.

Mr. Baranik was graduated from City College of New York. He served in the Army during World War II and was a member of the American Legion Post of New York City. Mr. Baranik was also a member of the National Society of Public Accountants and the Young Men of Zion in Linden.

Born in the Bronx, he lived in Kenilworth since 1948.

Surviving are his wife, Blanche; a daughter, Miss Ilene, and a son, Paul, both of Kenilworth.

LOUIS WOLLMAN, 89. of Scotch Plains, died on November 27, in Scotch Plains.

Born in Austria, he re sided in Newark, Miami, Florida and Clark before moving to Scotch Plains,

over 2 years ago. He was a buyer for Hausman Shoes, Newark for 35 years before retiring 35 years ago.

Mr. Wollman was an Army veteran of World War I.

He is survived by a son, Robert, of West Orange and a daughter, Janice Hertz, of Scotch Plains, and seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Services were held with arrangements by the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, Union.

ANN J. MAGZEN, 65, of Edison, died on November 26 at the Beth Israel Medical Center in Newark.

She is survived by her husband, Sidney, and 2 sons: Dr. Thomas H., of Texas and Gary A. of California and 2 grandchildren.

Services were held at the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, Union.

EMIL BLEEMER, 86, of Irvington, died on November 23 at the Elizabeth Medical Center in Elizabeth

Mr. Bleemer is survived by his wife, Helen and a son, Melvin, of Cranford, and 3 brothers and a sister: Alfred, of Miami Beach, David, of Bradley Beach, Samuel of Union and Helen Feld, of South Orange and two grandchildren.

Services were held at the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, Union.

Frankenstein or Foster?

everything from others is combined with an uncanny ability to synthesize all that he has heard, seen or read. These traits have given him an image that, however famous, is essentially synthetic. It is this "talent" for synthesizing that misleads Shelton into thinking that Dylan ranks with the great poets. The truth is that if you asked the real Bob Dylan to stand up, he couldn't, because there isn't one.

I wonder what would have happened to Dylan if he had accepted himself and his Jewish origins from the start. Many famous stars did and many of them have been widely respected for being

"menschen." If Dylan had chosen to live as a "mensch" instead of a confused and harried chameleon it's just possible he could have become both famous and real. Stardom is ephermeral and fame fades away. While some of Dylan's songs will be around for a long time, and, indeed they should be, he remains for me something of a freak, a Shabbatei Zevi, a Frankenstein golem who a century hence, I suspect, will have become as dated as Stephen Foster.

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the six days a year he took off for religious ob-servance. He had proposed that he be allowed to supplement the three days of religious leave to which he entitled in his union contract with three additional days under the contract provision for "neces-sary personal business." But the contract barred use of "personal business" leave for religious for religious purposes.
Chief Justice William

Rehnquist, joined by six other Justices, held that there is "no basis in either the statute (of the Civil Rights Act) or its legisla-

MOTION REJECTED JERUSALEM (WNS) -The Knesset on November 25 overwhelmingly rejected a non-confidence motion introduced by four leftist parties accusing the government of failure to deal effectively with Jewish-Arab violence in Jerusalem two weeks ago. No Cabinet Ministers were present during the four-

hour debate.

tive history for requiring an employer to choose any particular reasonable accommodation" cept any of the employe's alternative proposals even if they do not involve "undue hardship."

Justice Thurgood Marshall dissented in part, arguing that the employer should be required to accept any reasonable proposal of the employe that does not cause the em-ployer "undue hardship."



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TREE FOR PEACE

GENEVA (WNS) — Jewish, Christian and Moslem representatives planted a "tree for peace" at ceremonies here under the auspices of the UN Environmental Protection Service (UNEPS). Bjoern Ekblom, European Regional Director of UNEPS, observed that on fundamental issues such as environment and peace "we are all more united than divided."

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Dylan: From Frankenstein to Stephen Foster

BY JOSEPH COHEN

Once while Bob Dylan was in high school, his biographer Robert Shelton tells us, he "donned a Frankenstein monster mask" in a lover's lane, "and scared several couples." There are those among us who, despite Dylan's triumphs as a pop culture hero and a folk-rock genius, still regard him as an adolescent masquerading as a monster - and vice-versa.

Certainly Shelton, in his flip, hip, showbiz cum serious, overwritten cotton candy book - it's a very large puff in the mouth No Direction Home: The Life and Music of Bob Dylan" (Beech Tree Books/William Morrow; \$17.95) is not among these detractors. He worships Dylan, and consequently this massive biography, though highly readable, is in trou-ble from the start. That is to say that while Shelton writes well and has done his homework in ingesting and regurgitating Dylan's chronology and musical progres in its reliance on oral histories this book is the epitome of vomitry — and in demonstrating his (Shelton's) familiarity with the serious poets, writers and thinkers of the Western World, the author's need to thrust the pop-star into their midst and justify his presence there turns his book

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into a ludicrous, absurd, and at times, a hypocritically reckless venture.

One of Shelton's techniques is to take Dylan's comments, many of them inane and sprinkle them lavishly among a copious collection of epigraphs from ancient and contemporary sources which introduce each of the chapters. Chapter Three, for example, is introduced thus: "Know thyself" — Delphic Oracle, 6th Century, B.C. "Dig yuhself" — Dylan, A.D. 1961. This would be funny if you didn't know that Shelton was deadly serious about it.

ELEVATES DYLAN

Far more sinister are Shelton's persistent efforts to elevate Dylan into the company of William Blake, Rimbaud, Robert Graves, T.S. Eliot, Burber, Camus, Sartre, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Homer, Virgil, Shakespeare, Swedenborg, Coleridge and Yeats. Failing to make a distinction between mere versifiers and true poets, Shelton decribes Dylan as "the brilliant singing poet-laureate of young America," declaring on one occasion that four lines from Dylan's "11 Outlined Epitaphs" ("if it rhymes, it rhymes,/if it don't, it don't/if it comes, it comes/if it won't, it won't" "can hold its own" next to a ''jazz-infused section'' of Eliot's "Sweeney Agonistes." Another time, Shelton says that Dylan's song "Desola-tion Row" "belongs beside Eliot's "The Waste Land' and Ginsberg's 'Howl' as one



Self aggrandizing

strongest expressions apocalypse." Perhaps he's right about the comparison with "Howl," but as for "The Waste Land," well, that's ridiculous.

Still worse is Shelton's concomitant attempt to foist off on us the view of Dylan as messiah. Surely, no one, besides Shab-batei Zevi, could be more lacking in messianic requisites. Like Shabbatei Ževi, Dylan is short on comparison and long on aggrandizement, charismatic ploitation, dissembling and on courting

If Dylan doesn't remotely resemble the mythic image Shelton wants to impose on us, who is he and what is he? He was a nice Jewish boy from Hibbing, Minnesota. who while growing up came to hate his origins. Ashamed of his parents and his middle-class existence in Hibbing, the former Bob Zimmerman cut his ties to the past, changed his name and left a vacuum where his identity was supposed to be.

Though Shelton doesn't say so, I am convinced that the identity vacuum is the reat secret to Dylan's success. He could fill it temporarily with any pose he chose, and after milking it for its topical value, easily discard it. Though his most frequently assumed mask has been anonymi- the vacuum given a faceless persona his vaunted attractions to the counterculture, the Peace Movement, existentialism, Israel, the Lubavitchers, and his widely publicized conversion to Christianity were just so many masks, nothing more. For with Dylan, the masks, they are a-changin (constantly))

WORK DERIVATIVE

Consequently, his work has always been derivative. For all his influence, I doubt that he has ever found his own authentic voice, a discovery that is absolutely necessary to the making of a true poet. Dylan's capacity for taking (Continued on Page 19)

To Lead Discussion

DR. MADELYN HEA-KAPLOWITZ of Kean College, Union, will appear at CONGREGATION BETH SHALOM, Union, on Friday evening, December 5, at an Oneg Shabbat following regular Friday night services. Their program entitled "Listening with the Third Ear" will involve participants in a discussion of counseling case studies. Discussants will match their insight with those of a professional.

Dr. Madelyn Healy is a special assistant to the vice president for Graduate Program Development at Kean College where she is also a professor of Counselor Education.

Dr. Hank Kaplowitz is a

Professor of Psychology, Coordinator of the Graduate Program in Human Behavior and Organizational Psychology and Special Assistant to the President of Kean College. His Doc-torate is in Social Psychology from Yeshiva University, Dr. Kaplowitz is Vice President of CON-GREGATION BETH SHALOM and is a member of the Board of Governors of the Solomon Schechter Day School.

The Service and Oneg Shabbat discussion will be preceded by a Congrega-tional Shabbat meal at 6:30. Services led by RAB-BI ELVIN KOSE and CAN-TOR GOTTESMAN will follow at 8:30; the Oneg Shabbat discussion at 9:15.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN, GREATER ELIZABETH SECTION will present SANDY BROWN, in a program, "Architecture and Historic Preservation: Focus on Union County"

on Wednesday, December 10 at the YM-YWHA of Union County, Green Lane, Union, at 8:00 p.m.

Ms. Brown is a teacher and lecturer on American architecture and decorative arts. She is currently vicepresident of Preservation New Jersey and of the Summit Historical Society. She has served as a consultant to many private and governmental agencies including the Smithsonian Institution and the New Jersey Historical Society. She is the author of many articles and booklets including the well-known "Gateways to Architecture in Union County."

The Greater Elizabeth Section will also acknowledge that December 10 is Human Rights Day by presenting a tribute honoring the strength and courage of Soviet Jews. PHYLLIS BROCINER, NCJW Chair of the Community Plea for Soviet Jews will lead the Tribute.

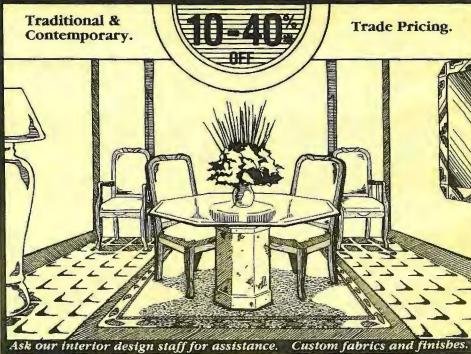
There is no charge for this meeting which is open to the whole community as well as to members and their guests. Refreshments will be served. For further in-formation and directions to the YM-YWHA, call CLAIRE METZGER, Membership Vice-President, at 527-8547.

DESSERT PARTY THE BCM CHAPTER OF DE-BORAH HOSPITAL will hold its annual paid up membership dessert party on Wed., Dec. 10 at 8 p.m. in Temple Israel, 2372 Morris Ave., Union.

Entertainment will feature KURT BRANDEN, member of the International Society for Professional Hypnosis, who will give a lecture and demonstration. Branden has a practice in Springfield.

For information call Art at 964-0642."

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U.S. Israel Free Trade Agreement Completes_ Its 1st Successful Year

BY JOSEPH POLAKOFF

WASHINGTON — U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter has returned from a week's stay in Israel full of enthusiasm about that little country and its people and with a positive view of the success of the American-Israel Free Trade Agreement that he sees as a model for the U.S. Canada pact that is being negotiated and other international accords.

Meeting with reporters at his office here. Yeutter, who is a member of President Reagan's Cabinet, explained that he and his wife in arranging their first visit to Israel went there several days early to see the country before engaging in the Israeli-American Trade Week in Tel Aviv in mid-November and consultations, in Jerusalem about the FTA's first year with Israeli officials. They included Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres, Industry and Trade Minister Ariel Sharon, Tourism Minister Avram Sharir and Technology Minister Gideon Patt.

"It was a tremendous trip." Yeutter said. "We really enjoyed it. We have to bring our children there." While noting Israel needs more capital investment to advance economic growth, Yeutter said "Israel's economic performance in such a short time is just remarkable when you consider the country began with people from 82 countries and 100 languages." He said "the people of Israel can be justly proud of what they've done. Americans aren't aware of it. We are very favorably impressed. Tel Aviv is a hustling commercial city."

5- 8-√ 150 U.S. COMPANIES AT FAIR

Yeutter expressed surprise that so many American commpanies, about 150, had representatives at the fair designed to stimulate U.S.-Israeli trade and mark the FTA's first anniversary. About as many Israeli concerns were represented.

"There is no question," Yeutter said, "FTA is a very positive factor for both countries in trade and will be so in the future. That's inevitable! When trade barriers go trade will grow. While Israel will be the greater beneficiary," he said, that is "typical" in arrangements between a small and large country. "I have no objection to that. We're both winners."

Some differences arose in the Jerusalem discussions, he noted. Americans had concern about Israeli fees imposed on -Israelis going abroad. James Murphy, the assistant trade representative, noted that . such fees discourage tourism. Regarding the U.S. tariff on textiles that are an exception in the FTA, Yeutter said that is "an unique element that will continue for ... some years in the future. We all have to live with this arrangement." Another difference is Israeli opposition to a surcharge of 0.22 per cent - less than onequarter of one per cent — on U.S. imports from Israel. It was explained that the charge is essentially a tariff designed to pay for custom service. Israelis noted that Caribbean countries are exempt from that surcharge. A Yeutter aide said later that "we won't seek an exemption for Israel but possibly lift it" for the Caribbean countries. "It should apply equally to all countries," he said.

FUTURE TRADE EXPANSION

Israel has sufficient production capacity for exports to the U.S., Europe, Japan or anywhere else, Yeutter said. It can increase exports by breaking into the world trade process by finding niches for itself. "Korea and Taiwan are doing that," he said, noting the aggressiveness of those Asian nations. "The potential is there in Israel," he added, with its skilled labor force, educated people and motivation. It is a matter of putting the human (Continued on Page 3)

U.S. Israel Free Trade Agreement Completes Year

services together in an effective package." With Israelis' wages much higher than in Eastern Asia, he suggested Israel "will have to do better in coordination as an international competitor." He emphasized the market isn't going to go to Israel; Israelis will have to knock on doors."

Yeutter suggested that a "general answer" for Israel to expand trade rests on "relatively high technology" and "relatively sophisticated products where capital and technology are greater factors than labor. It needs to tilt towards products that are not terribly labor intensive (because of Israel's higher wages). It will not compete with the U.S. and Japan in the upper reaches of high technology. Somewhere in the relative technology Israel could do quite well."

TRADE STATISTICS

Noting that Israel is enjoying a surplus in trade with the U.S. for the first time, Yeutter provided figures that showed in 1985 the U.S. imported \$2,200 millions from Israel while exporting \$1,867 millions. For the first six months of 1986, U.S. exports were \$896 millions while imports totaled \$1,226 millions. In 1982, U.S. exports totaled \$1,628 millions and imports \$1,208 millions; in 1963, exports were \$1,768 millions and imports \$1,299 millions; in 1984 trade was almost even with exports at \$1,976 millions to Israel and imports from Israel rising to \$1,809 millions.

The Financial Times of London has noted that although there has been no dramatic leap in U.S.-Israel trade since the FTA agreement came into force in September 1985 and which gradually abolishes all barriers by 1995, the U.S. has now overtaken the European Community as Israel's largest market. "Last year," The British daily said, "The U.S. took 34 per cent of Israel's exports compared with 82 per cent which went to the EEC.

Despite the weakening of the U.S. dollar, in the first nine months of 1986, Israeli exports to the U.S. climbed by over 25 per cent to \$1.9 billion commpared with \$1.5 billion in the same period last year."

Sharon called on the U.S. Government to help facilitate greater private American investment in Israel through the provision of long-term credit and other types of support," The Financial Times reported. "New foreign investment in Israel had dwindled to insignificant levels in recent years," it said. "But now that the raging inflation of the past has been curbed and the economy has been stabilized, renewed efforts are being made to attract foreign capital."

Yeutter foresaw a drastic change in international trade in the coming decades.

"International trade in services is becoming increasingly important," he said. He felt trade in services - legal, communications, information transfer, computer processes, transportation, tourism - may exceed trade in goods by the end of this century. "Some of this is being done with Israel now," he said. An aide to Yeutter later said (to this reporter) that the U.S. and Israel have a general umbrella agreement on trade both in goods and services. "Beginnings have been made in services. particularly tourism and telecommunications," he said. The service agreement with Israel is being used in the negotiations with Canada which, he hoped, would be a model for multilateral systems "for the whole world."

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EDITORIAL

The Lebanese Question

News from Lebanon too often is overlooked if not completely ignored. That has been the case again in recent weeks, even though events in that shattered country have ramifications for its neighbors and the United States as well.

By last Wednesday, ten days of renewed fighting had left 374 people dead and 734 wounded. These clashes were not between Israelis and Arabs, nor even between Moslems and Christians, but between Lebanese Shi'ite Moslems and Palestinian Arabs, the latter mostly Sunni Moslems.

Behind the statistics were scenes of Shi'ite militiamen keeping a rescue convoy from going into a Palestinian Arab neighborhood. Police reported that 12 children in the area died as a result of poor medical care. Students headed for school and shoppers who mistook a lull in the fighting for the end of a battle died in Beirut's traffic-choked streets when mortar shells, apparently fired by Palestinians, exploded among them.

The Shi'ite Amal militia has besieged Palestinian districts in Beirut and near the southern cities of Sidon and Tyre intermittently for the past 18 months. Amal leader Nabi Berri, ironically also Lebanon's Minister of Justice, and Druze leader Walid Jumblatt, Lebanon's Minister of Tourism, have been attempting—at the urging of their Syrian patrons—to prevent PLO forces loyal to Yasir Arafat from strengthening their hold on Palestinian camps. Syria's Hafez Assad wants to crush Arafat and play "the Palestinian card"

himself. Berri and Jumblatt hope to bar a revival of Arafat's pre-1982 "state-within-a-state" which drew repeated Israeli attacks on Lebanese soil.

In some of the fighting, members of the radical pro-Iranian Hezbollah joined with the "mainstream" Amal. Pro- and anti-Arafat PLO factions—the latter backed by Syria—have fought alongside each other against the Shi'ites. As fighting intensified in Beirut and southern Lebanon, each side accused the other of using chemical weapons.

A clandestine Christian radio station said the fighting showed that Amal was too weak to attack more than one Palestinian strongpoint at a time and marked the beginning of the end of Berri's power. This, and the joint action of proand anti-Arafat PLO groups, marked a setback for Syria as well. But none of it represents a gain for Lebanon or regional peace.

During the past 11 years of civil war and foreign interventions, Lebanon has proved to be a quagmire for both Lebanese and foreigners. It continues to be a question without an answer. But because Lebanon in its misery has become a spawning ground for international terrorism, because the PLO hopes to restore it as a direct front against Israel, and because it has become an indirect front between Syria and Israel, the question must be asked and—somehow—answered.

VIEWING THE NEWS

German Visits

An understanding in principle has been reached between the Israeli and the West German defense ministries for a visit next year by Israel's Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin. No date has been set but the trip would come "after a very fruitful period of bilateral military ties" (Kol Yisrael, Nov. 26).

The radio noted that "some military observers in Bonn, particularly on the German side, are saying that the Federal Republic of Germany has assumed the role held by France in the late 1950's vis-a-vis Israel and its relations with Europe. The military industry has found new avenues here and deals are signed daily." Another announced visit to Germany—that of Israel's President Chaim Herzog—has caused controversy in Israel. Some observers fear

it might be seen in Europe as a gesture of "forgiveness."

Oil Field Attacked

Saudi Arabia's King Fahd and the Amir of Bahrain "expressed their condemnation and denunciation" of an attack—apparently by Iran—on the Abu al-Bukush oilfield in the United Arab Emirates (Riyadh Radio, Nov. 26). The two rulers pledged their "full support" for the UAE and warned that a repetition would shake security in the Persian Gulf. However, the broadcast did not mention Iran by name.

Meanwhile, an Iraqi newspaper claimed that the "destruction of Larak port in the Hormuz Straits has proved once again there is no target...too deep in Iran to be safe from Iraqi blows" (Iraqi News Agency, Nov. 26). Iraqi planes were reported to have refueled in Saudi Arabia on the return from Larak, and Iran warned Arab coun-

tries in the Gulf that it would deal with those who helped Iraq.

Argentine Threat

A prize-winning Argentine Jewish author fled the country for Israel after receiving telephoned death threats (Associated Press, Dec. 2). Isidoro Blastein said the calls came from an unknown group, Argentine Nazi Force. Blastein charged that neo-Nazi groups "proselytize" on Buenos Aires' main pedestrian mall and that anti-Semitic posters line the capital's central Avenida de Mayo.

David Goldberg, head of the Delegation of Israelite Associations in Argentina, called "the anti-Semitic climate" in the country "alarming." Interior Secretary Facundo Suarez Lastra said detectives would determine whether "a group of kooks" or a potentially dangerous organization threatened Blastein.

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PERSPECTIVE

Ethiopian Jewry Update

"The current condition of the Jews of Ethiopia is no better or worse than that of their neighbors," a high-level State Department official told NER. "We see no signs that Ethiopian Jews are being discriminated against."

But according to one expert, while Ethiopian Jews are not targets of violence, they are closely watched: "The government is suspicious of any large-scale Jewish activity."

For centuries Ethiopian Jewry was subject to discrimination, slavery and missionary activity. In 1984, Israel and the U.S. cooperated in transporting approximately 8,000 Ethiopian Jews from Sudanese refugee camps to Israel before the operation

was exposed and prematurely cancelled. A follow-up mission run by the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency brought the remaining 600 Jewish refugees in the Sudan to Israel.

The historic rescue mission siphoned off a large portion of the community's most able-bodied men and women. Today the majority of the 6,000 to 10,000 Jews remaining in Ethiopia are either very old or very young. Although the country has been racked by famine and insurgency, the Jews of the Gondar province have largely been unaffected.

The Marxist government of Ethiopian leader Mengistu Haile-Mariam registered its displeasure with the exodus of its Jewish community, calling the evacuation "cultur-

al genocide." Although the Jewish community comprises a tiny fraction of Ethiopia's 40 million population, it is the most visible minority, said one source. Mengistu promotes a vision of Ethiopia which is egalitarian and pluralistic. The Jews' desire to leave their homes for their Israeli homeland contradicts that vision. "In this regard, Ethiopia is similar to the U.S.S.R.," the source added.

Mengistu has steadfastly resisted improving relations with the U.S. despite millions of dollars in humanitarian aid which flooded the country from public and private sources in the U.S. during the Ethiopian famine. "The country is run by a small

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HEARD IN NEW YORK

U.N. Outlook Brightening

(First of two articles.)

srael's position at the United Nations is improving—and progress toward rescinding the infamous Zionism equals racism resolution can be expected "sooner rather than later."

These observations, from a member of the Israeli U.N. mission, emerged this week following the General Assembly commemoration of "Palestine Day" and the debate on the Middle East.

The major feature of that debate focused on a Soviet proposal that the five permanent members of the Security Council meet as a subcommittee to prepare an international Middle East peace conference. The idea came out of the Gorbachev-Mitterand summit last April and was sold to both the Arab League and the Egyptians by a high-ranking traveling Soviet diplomat in June. (The French deny any role in creating the idea.)

The proposal was designed to circumvent Israeli opposition to any international framework including states which do not maintain diplomatic relations with Jerusalem. Paradoxically, that Israeli objection was endorsed by moderate Arab regimes who implored Moscow to re-establish diplomatic ties with Jerusalem. According to the Soviet logic, as a U.N. member-state Israel should not object to Security Council involvement. But that logic failed to convince the United States and the United Kingdom, who combined to kill the Soviet initiative.

The Israeli position remains that the key to a Middle East peace is direct negotiations between the parties involved. Foreign

Minister Shimon Peres described the Soviet proposal as a "wedding with the in-laws but without the participation of the bride and groom."

Following Camp David and the Israel-Egypt peace treaty, Israel opposes any retreat from the direct negotiations route. "Should an international framework to support direct negotiations be required, Israel will weigh it."

In the General Assembly this year, the Arab states (excluding Egypt), fearful of getting outflanked by Iran reversed their announced position and once more voted to bar Israel's credentials. Their move was soundly defeated by a two-to-one majority of the member-states. This defeat reflects growing Arab weakness in the international arena. They have failed in every move they have made in the past two years in the U.N. (other than in condemning the Israeli raid on PLO headquarters in Tunisia).

Israel's Strategy

They failed to obtain a U.N. invitation for Yasir Arafat last year. They failed to insert a Middle East paragraph in the proposed U.N. declaration on world affairs which should have been released during the 40th anniversary year, succeeding only in aborting the declaration altogether. It is also important to note that the anti-Israel coalition's automatic majority has declined from 80% to 70%.

In the Security Council they failed to pass resolutions on Lebanon, Jerusalem, or the Libyan plane forced to land in Israel. Significantly, in the Security Council votes, the U.S. was almost always joined by at least one other state in opposing anti-Israel moves. In the General Assembly votes, where formerly the U.S. would stand alone with Israel, a small but growing group, including a number of African and Central American states, is now lining up on their side.

Nor does the election of Italy, Japan, West Germany and Argentina to the Security Council bode well for the future success of the anti-Israel coalition. "The Arabs are very weak; they can't pull their act together," the Israeli source told NER.

One reason for the slow but steady improvement of Israel's position at the U.N. is a diplomatic strategy to exploit the inherent weaknesses of the "grand coalition" of radicals and neutrals which has dominated the U.N. in recent years. The Israeli source counted some 50 nations in the radical camp, including the Soviet bloc and most of the anti-Western Arab regimes. There are about 50 nations in the Western and democratic bloc. That leaves those 50 states, largely African and Asian, who in the past decade tended to side with the radicals against the West.

This coalition is anything but permanent. "Votes on our credentials show that we received the support of two-thirds of the General Assembly—85 to 41. That proves that this middle group can be weaned away from the radicals who, no matter what, will always be hostile to Israel."

(Next: Black Africa and South Africa.)

—David Twersky

Ethiopian Jewry . . . Continued

oligarchy that shows no signs of interest in improving relations with the U.S.," said a State Department official.

But there are other elements of the government which harbor "undisguised nostalgia" for the technical and economic assistance provided by the U.S. and Israel in the past. Israeli officials took note that Ethiopia recently refrained from voting to expel Israel from the U.N. "The Soviets have provided them with billions of dollars in military equipment," said one expert, "but down deep there is a recognition that the West and not the East responded to the famine with economic and technical wherewithal."

By contrast, U.S.-Sudanese relations have improved of late. Last week the State Department announced that it would re-

scind the "evacuation status" imposed on U.S. Embassy personnel in Khartoum and return several hundred diplomats and dependents to Sudan. State Department spokesman Charles Redman stated that "mutual confidence has grown and bilateral ties are now very good." Redman also announced that U.S. aid programs which have been reduced due to the "evacuation status" would now return to normal.

The rapprochement comes after Sudan reduced the presence of Libyan troops in the country and agreed to U.S.-supported economic reforms. Sudanese Prime Minister Sadiq al-Mahdi has advocated a non-aligned posture for his country, soliciting political and economic support from the West, the Eastern bloc and the third world.

Earlier this year Mahdi told NER that he

would be willing to discuss the evacuation of Ethiopian Jewish refugees "along with the political aspect" of the issue. Mahdi's deposed predecessor, Gaafar Nimiery, was found guilty of treason in absentia for his cooperation in the exodus of Ethiopian Jewry. Mahdi admitted that Ethiopian Jewry was still an explosive issue in his predominantly Moslem country two years after the rescue mission.

Can the Jewish community survive in Ethiopia? "I am guardedly optimistic," said one expert. "There is some truth to the slow demise of the community, but that would be to deny the remarkable historic staying power of this community. They have an absolute and profound commitment to their Jewish identity. They will survive and replenish."

BACK PAGE

Damage Control

By the fall of 1973 an American adminis-tration had itself knotted in a major political scandal. Hearings by a special Congressional investigating committee drew fascinated television audiences. Newsmagazine covers displayed pictures of the principals. Little else seemed worthy of national attention-definitely not foreign policy.

Perhaps that relentless introspection helped convince some of America's enemies that it was a good time to settle accounts with one of America's allies. Certainly it did nothing to deter them. On Oct. 6, Egypt and Syria, backed by the Soviet Union, launched the Yom Kippur War with

surprise attacks on Israel. The Reagan Administration's shipment of arms to Iran-via Israel-and the diversion of Iranian payments through Swiss bank accounts to contras fighting the Sandinistas in Nicaragua is no Watergate. After a few weeks of hesitation-not months of stonewalling-the Administration has called for an independent counsel to investigate whether laws were broken. The President has appointed a special panel to review National Security Council (NSC) operations and named Ambassador Frank Carlucci, previously a top official in both the CIA and Defense Department, to head the NSC staff. He also has suggested that Congress consolidate the potentially numerous and overlapping committee and subcommittee probes.

These steps respond to urgings by Republicans and Democrats, liberals and conservatives alike. They recognized that what is at stake is not only a President's standing in public opinion polls, but also his Administration's ability to govern in its final two years.

It is not only for Ronald Reagan's sake but for the institution of the presidency, for the country and for its allies that the Iranian affair be dealt with thoroughly and soberly. This is especially plain as it affects the Middle East.

Leonid Brezhnev's enfeebled last years and the short, ineffectual terms of Andropov and Chernenko gave the Administration a relative holiday from Soviet adventurism. But the more vigorous regime of Mikhail Gorbachev is trying to reunite the PLO, is more openly involved in Lebanon, and continues pouring advanced weaponry into Syria. Last week Moscow blasted Iran for cooperating with American and Israeli "forces of imperialism" by aiding anti-Communist fighters in Afghanistan.

A weakened presidency is not in our national interest in such circumstances. Under Reagan the office had begun to recover from a series of setbacks. In 1968 the Vietnam War claimed Lyndon Johnson's presidency as one of its most noteworthy casual-

ties. In 1974 Watergate led to President Nixon's resignation, less than two years after a landslide reelection. In 1976 the voters rejected Gerald Ford, an unelected Chief Executive who served only two years. Jimmy Carter's presidency soured with the prolongation of the Iranian hostage affair in 1980.

Presidential excesses in Vietnam and Watergate led to Congressional excesses which hobbled the President's conduct of foreign policy, weakened the Central Intelligence Agency and put America at a disadvantage throughout the remainder of the 1970's. The fall of the Shah and rise of Khomeini in Iran were, in part, one result. Enhanced stature for the PLO-including Arafat's U.N. appearance-and an emboldened international campaign to delegitimize Israel were other indirect consequences.

As the present drama unfolds, all parties-the White House, Congress, the media and the public-need to keep in mind the goal of restoring, not eroding, the ability of the executive branch of the United States government to conduct an intelligent, assertive foreign policy in a dangerous world. Otherwise, America and its allies, Israel among them, might pay the price.

By the Way

An article by editor Norman Podhoretz in the November issue of Commentary examined the now well-publicized simultaneous use and denial of anti-Semitic themes by author Gore Vidal on the left and columnist Joseph Sobran on the right. It also noted essays by others, such as writer Allan Brownfeld, unable to distinguish where legitimate criticism of Israel becomes illegitimate and slips easily from anti-Zionism to anti-Semitism. The detailed account, however, omitted NER's early whistle-blowing in all three cases.

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SUBJECT:

Press from Yeutter Interview, November 26

Attached is the press coverage received from Ambassador Yeutter's November 26th interview with the Jewish press.

Thank you again for all your help.