

CURLER'S COLUMN

by Hersh Doctoroff

Dave Greenberg and his group of sharpshooters from Portage la Prairie captured their second consecutive B'nai B'rith Bonselpiel victory. The Greenberg rink had a relatively easy time in the main event finals against the Lew Miles quartet scoring 7 straight points before allowing Lew Miles to "hit" the scoreboard. Final score was 11 to 1 in six ends. Greenberg gained the finals berth by virtue of an 11 to 9 victory over Bob Robinson while Lew Miles gained his position in the finals with an 8-4 victory over a stubborn, never-say-die, Jack Levin rink.

Martin Buchwald captured the Krupp Memorial with a 12 to 2 six-end victory over Morris Vicker. "Bucky" scored 4 in the first end, one in the second and a big 5 in the third to coast to the easy win. Sid Slonim copped third spot in this event, with the Selkirk barber, Alex Paulley nailing down the fourth prize.

The Freed & Freed Trophy is in the possession of the Twilight League's Dr. Max Minuk for the next 12 months. The Doc nosed out the sentimental favourite Grosh rink in a last rock 8-6 win. Young Josh Grosh, throwing last rock on this rink, gained his spot in the finals by defeating Ralph Hamovich with a brilliant display of shot-making. Sid Cohn captured the fourth prize of this event.

The most popular win with the capacity crowd came in the Community-Chev where the Simkin family stole 3 points in the final end to defeat the Sunrise League's Av Katz by an 11 to 8 tally. With the game tied, playing the last end Av pulled up two feet short with his final stone of the game to allow the Simkins to capture this event. En route to victory, the Simkin rink bombed Ralph Gordon in the semi-finals, while the Katz rink entered the finals with a last rock victory over former champ, Rube Ludwick.

Yale Lerner and Sheldon Pinx tangled in a nip-and-tuck battle for the Maple Leaf Trophy. In a game which saw the lead change hands eight times in ten ends, Lerner emerged victorious with a 10-9 victory. Yale gained the finals with a victory over the Allan Gould rink while Sheldon got his spot with a cold draw to the button to eliminate Larry Morosnick.

BONSPIEL HIGHLIGHTS
Saturday's "Fiesta Nite" proved one point beyond a doubt. The roof at the "Leaf" is well attended. Hoards of curlers and wives packed the clubrooms to participate in one of the finest and well-organized fun-filled evenings ever held. Bob Robinson made his return from Florida an auspicious one by bombing Mel Zenith 20-0 in six ends. Leon Cham now holds a signed document from Ralph Hamovich stating that Ralph would retire if defeated by the Cham rink. Leon easily won the game. . . . Martin

Buchwald, bonspiel chairman, was forced to curl without his capable third, Ron Zimmerman who was sidelined with the flu bug. Martin quickly enlisted the services of Bernie Fratkin's father-in-law, Nate Freedman, to fill the vacant spot. . . . Ben Tregobov maintained his unblemished record against the Ken Jeffries rink. Ben cracked open a tight game with Ken by scoring a big 6 on the 8th end.

Martin Buchwald staged the comeback game of the 'spiel. Trailing the Michael Nozick rink 6-0 after five ends, "Bucky" pecked away to tie the game in the 10th end and win by stealing a point in the 12th and second extra end. . . . Tough luck rink of the 'spiel has to go to the Guttman rink. Faced with the extra series and bonspiel favourite, Bob Robinson, the Guttman's curled magnificently for five



B'NAI B'RITH CHAMPS — Dave Greenberg directed his Portage rink to the 20th annual Western Canadian B'nai B'rith Bonspiel title Monday. On the rink (from left to right): skip Dave Greenberg, third Zenith Glesby, second Len Easton and lead Barry Greenberg.

straight games, winning their first four and bowing to Bob Robinson in a tremendous battle. . . . Is it true that Yale Lerner slept in his curling clothes Sunday night to arrive on time for his Monday morning draw with the Jeffries? Cole Staniloff, curling third for Ralph Hamovich, was confronted with a family problem. Going into the jewellery

of the third event, Cole curled against his son Ian, who was throwing second stone for the Lazar rink. Needless to say, the father took son in hand. The Dave Greenberg-Bob Robinson clash in the main event semi-finals proved to be one of the most interesting in the entire bonspiel. Greenberg, trailing by one point going into the last end, made eight

perfect stones to eliminate the Robinson foursome. Hats off to Nellie Ditlove and her crew of workers who again provided the service "upstairs" in their usual excellent performance. Lou Litman has just completed his 20th consecutive year as host of the 'spiel. This is a golden opportunity for Lou to spin the yarns to a bigger audience.



SECOND EVENT — front (left to right), Martin Buchwald and Frank Spivak. Back, Benson Labinsky and Nate Freedman.



THIRD EVENT — front (left to right), Dr. Max Minuk and Leo Rosenberg. Back — Dr. Bill Karlinsky and Morris Settler.



FOURTH EVENT — front (left to right), Abe Simkin and Gary Simkin. Back, Bernie Simkin and Murray Simkin.



FIFTH EVENT — front (left to right), Yale Lerner and Hersh Doctoroff. Back, Brian Fleishman and Ted Freedman.

Keep on Digging —

'And You Shall Draw Water With Joy'

SAFED (ZINS) — The first Jewish explorer of water resources was Moses. He struck rock and brought forth water. His descendants, however, instead of hitting the hard rocks drill through them and dig deep until they strike water. This is what occurred in Galilee. For the first time, this stony soil, at a depth of 725 meters, displayed a large well gushing sweet water 50 cubic meters each hour. The news evoked great excitement among the residents who converged upon the well, hailing the discovery with loud hurrahs and singing the well-known Israeli Biblical song "V'Shavtem Mayim Beoson and You Shall Draw Water with Joy). In the opinion of geologists, such surprises may be expected even in areas which have been given up as hopeless. All that is needed is to keep on digging.

CZECH-JEWISH COMPOSER HONORED IN PRAGUE

Dr. Karel Reiner, the Jewish composer who was a prisoner in Theresienstadt concentration camp during the Second World War, has been awarded the title "Meritorious Artist" by the Czechoslovak Government.

He wrote the music for the documentary film about the paintings executed by the children at the camp.

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FAST REFRIGERATION SHIP TO TAKE FRUIT TO EUROPE

Haifa, (JCNS)—Agrexco, the farm export company of Tel Aviv, has launched a regular fortnightly shipping service with a fast refrigeration vessel chartered in Scandinavia, in co-operation with the Maritime Fruit Company of Haifa. It will call at West European ports of countries buying Israeli fruit and vegetables.

Haggar Relieved of Post

Toronto, (JTA) — A 32-year-old political science professor who has been an active anti-Israel, pro-Arab protagonist on the campus of Waterloo Lutheran University, is facing dismissal from the faculty, but not because of his political views, it was learned here.

The popular assumption had been that Lebanese-born Dr. George Haggar was informed that his contract with the university would not be renewed next May because of his frequent public denunciation of Israel and of American policy in Vietnam. This won him support among the student body, some 250 of whom submitted a petition for his re-instatement on the grounds of freedom of speech.

It was not Dr. Haggar's Arab propagandizing but his vitriolic personal attacks on the University's administration, particularly the chairman of its board of governors, that brought about his dismissal, the

Toronto Globe and Mail disclosed in an article based on campus interviews. Dr. Haggar, who is president of the 3,000-member Canadian-Arab community organization, characterized the University that employs him as "autocratic, bigoted and unprogressive." He heaped scorn on his fellow members of the faculty whom he called "clerks" who are "obsequious and expect others to be obsequious too." He called the chairman of the board of governors, Harry D. Greb, a local shoe manufacturer, "a cobbler who wants to run the university like a cobbler's shop." These and other remarks were made by Dr. Haggar in the student newspaper, in his classroom lectures and before open student meetings, the Globe and Mail said.

Haggar has filed a complaint against his dismissal with the Canadian Association of University Teachers.

Three Party Merger Complete

Jerusalem, (JTA) — More than 2,200 delegates joined by guests and well-wishers from 22 countries around the world, attended the founding conference here of Israel's new United Labor Party — Mifletet Avodah Yisroel (MAI) — composed of Mapai, the party of Prime Minister Levi Eshkol; Rafi, the dissident labor party established by former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, and Achdut Avodah, another Mapai offshoot.

The contract of union was signed by the secretary general of each of them — Mrs. Golda Meir for Mapai, Shimon Peres for Rafi and Israel Galili for Achdut Avodah. Adding their signatures were the 187 members of the new party's secretariat and the 15 founding members. Among the latter were Mrs. Rachel Ben-Zvi, widow of the late President Yitzhak Ben-Zvi of Israel and

Mrs. Rachel Shazar, wife of incumbent President Zalman Shazar. Absent from the ceremonies and conference was former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion who bitterly opposed the merger of Rafi with the new party. Ben-Gurion stood firm on his refusal to join the new party under its present leadership. A Rafi delegation that visited his home at Sdeh Boker in the Negev was unable to persuade him to attend the merger festivities. Also opposed to the merger was Mrs. Meir, Israel's former Foreign Minister and secretary-general of Mapai who refused an offer by the Mapai central committee to become secretary-general of the merged parties. "I received my mandate from you and on your dissolution I return my mandate to you," she said.

The merged party will have three bodies — a 438 member central committee, a 187 member secretariat and a small body to be established. The merger of the three party factions in the Knesset and within the World Zionist Organization, will also take place next week. The three parties have already merged in several municipalities, including Jerusalem. Dissident factions of Rafi, opposed to the merger, have seceded and declared themselves "independent."

Mr. Ben-Gurion did not attend the final meeting of the Rafi central committee. But his election to the secretariat of the new united party was proposed by Defence Minister Moshe Dayan, who, with Mr. Ben-Gurion, was one of the founders of Rafi. The nomination was greeted by applause.

Be Like Israel, Says MacMillan

New York, (JCNS) — Mr. Harold Macmillan, the former British Prime Minister, who was in New York recently for the launching of his new book, "The Blast of War," was asked by a reporter about Britain's future. Now that she had no colonies and was withdrawing from her former positions of strength East of Suez, did he think his country would become like Sweden? "The future, I hope, for Britain is more like that of Israel," he replied. "Recently, while the world debated, Israel's three millions (the exaggerated by at least half-a-million) imposed their will on their enemies. They did it with what any great people need — resolution, courage, determination, pride. These are the things that count in men and in nations."

Earthquake Area Gets Israeli Aid

Rome, (JTA) — An Israeli military transport plane flew from Israel to the Sicilian earthquake area carrying blankets, medicines and a complete regimental first-aid unit, the gift of Defence Minister Moshe Dayan and Maj. Gen. Chaim Bar-Lev, the Israeli chief of staff, to their Italian counterparts.

The plane also brought three Israeli doctors and two nurses to work among the earthquake victims as long as their services are required. The plane's cargo supplemented previous

shipments of blankets, medical supplies and blood plasma sent from Israel to the Italian Red Cross. The United Hias Service announced here a gift of one million lire to the relief fund for Sicilian earthquake victims, now estimated to number about 100,000. Special contributions were announced by the Rome and Genoa Jewish communities. President Saragat's office announced receipt of a message of sympathy from President Zalman Shazar of Israel.

Judaica Gift to National Library

Montreal, (JTA) — An extensive collection of Judaica has been formally presented to the National Library in Ottawa, as a gift of Canadian Jewry in observance of Canadian Confederation. The gift, received on behalf of the Government of Canada by John J. Connolly, Government leader in the Senate and Minister Without Portfolio, was presented by Lavy M. Becker, chairman of the national executive of Canadian Jewish Congress, who was accompanied by Jacob M. Lowy, chairman of the CJC's special centennial committee, and Dr. Samuel Lewin, secretary of the committee which assembled the collection.

The collection, comprising Jewish classics and creative writings in many languages, particularly in Canada's two official languages — French and English — included also many books in Hebrew and Yiddish. Mr. Becker expressed the hope that "this collection would serve as a beginning for the establishment of a special section of Hebraica along the lines of such sections in other national libraries." Also presented were a complete set of microfilm of all issues of the first Jewish daily newspaper in Canada, "The Jewish Daily Eagle," since its inception, and several copies of a filmstrip of the Pavilion of Judaica at Expo '67, commissioned by the CJC as a centennial project.

Talks With Egypt of Top Priority

Tel Aviv, (JTA) — Defence Minister Moshe Dayan said last weekend that it would be more in Israel's interest to reach an agreement with Egyptian President Nasser than with King Hussein of Jordan.

In an interview with Haaretz, Tel Aviv daily, Gen. Dayan said he would like "an arrangement with Nasser on a secure border line which would ensure us freedom of passage to Elath," the southern port on the Gulf of Akaba, "and an arrangement that would ensure Israeli shipping in the Suez Canal." Israel now occupies the eastern border of the canal. He said that "after all, we are there and we can trade with them: 'You want us to retreat — give us passage for our ships.'" Asserting that the pre-June war

borders were unsafe, he said the Tiran Strait, which controls shipping to Elath, was essential for Israel "and we cannot leave them in the hands of the Egyptians or even of the United Nations."

EMMIGRANTS' CLUB OPENS IN JERUSALEM

Jerusalem, (JCNS) — Moadon Ha'Oleh, a social club for immigrants from Western countries, was opened in Jerusalem recently in the converted premises of the old Touring Club.

The money for converting the premises was mostly contributed by S. Steinberg, a London furniture manufacturer, in memory of his father. Mr. Steinberg was the guest of honor at the reception.

Prime Minister Eshkol Meets With U.S. Leaders



Forty American Zionist Leaders, representing all Branches of the Zionist Movement, met with Prime Minister Levi Eshkol during his American visit. (1 to r.) Prime Minister Eshkol; Mrs. Rose

L. Halprin, chairman, Jewish Agency — American Section, who presided; and Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman, American Zionist Council.