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## JFCS Plans Conference on 'Family Life'

An historian, a psychiatrist and a social worker will bring their disciplines to bear upon the "Stress and Change in Family Life" at an all-day conference sponsored by the Jewish Family and Community Service (JFCS) at the Sheraton Blackstone beginning at 9 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 15.

THE JFCS, an agency of the Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Chicago, helps about 20,000 people in some 5,000 families each year through professional guidance, legal aid and specific assistance which enable them to find their own answers to personal and family problems.

The historian is Prof. Daniel J. Boorstin of the University of Chicago, author of the controversial trilogy "The Americans." He will speak on "Where Does the Family End?"

THE PSYCHIATRIST is Prof. Theodore Lidz of Yale university whose topic will be "Parent Interaction — A Changing Force in the Rearing of Children."

Mrs. Frances H. Scherz, director of casework for the JFCS will speak on "The Crisis of Adolescence in Family Life."

## Dinner Party Planned for Meir Sherman

Avraham Avidar, Consul General of Israel to Chicago and the Midwest, will host a dinner party at 6 p.m., Monday, Nov. 14 in the Covenant Club, 10 N. Dearborn, to introduce Meir Sherman to the Chicago community.

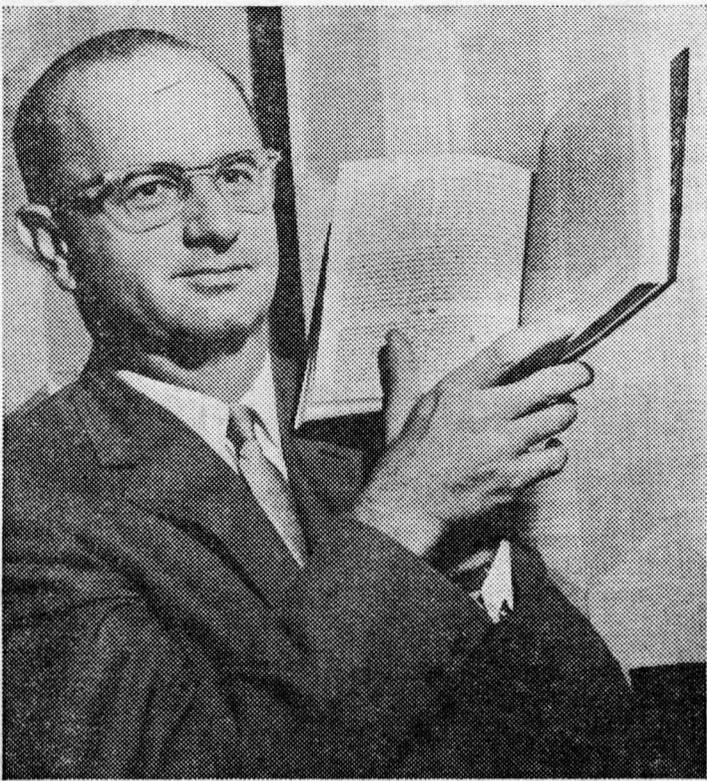
SHERMAN, former economic minister of Israel in the U.S. is managing director of the Paz Oil Co., the oldest and largest petroleum firm in Israel.

He is currently visiting the U.S. in behalf of "Capital for Israel," a program recently introduced by Israel to promote investments in government-approved projects.

CAPITAL FOR ISRAEL was launched in Chicago Sept. 25 when Pinhas Sapir, Israel's Minister of Finance, visited this city to install Harry Zaidenberg, 934 Carmen, as chairman of the program.

"Capital for Israel, Inc.," Zaidenberg said, "is marketing shares of Israeli enterprises which are vital to the future of the country."

THE FIRST shares CFI is handling are those of the Industrial Development Bank of Israel Limited, which plays a key role in granting long-term loans for industrial development."



## Founded Maimonides Award

Shown with a 1791 edition of Maimonides' "Guide for the Perplexed" hidden from the Nazis during their World War II occupation of Poland is Dr. Robert Mendelsohn, who conceived the Maimonides Award given each year to a physician who has made an outstanding contribution to medicine and Jewish learning. This year's award will be presented to Dr. Meir Yoeli Sunday, Nov. 13 at Michael Reese hospital.

## 500 Teachers Expected At Conference Nov. 20

More than 500 religious school teachers are expected to attend the Board of Jewish Education's Teacher's Conference, Sunday, Nov. 20, at 1:30 p.m. in the Jewish Education Building, 72 E. 11th St.

THE THEME of this year's conference is "Our Concern for the Future of Jewish Existence."

Rabbi David I. Cedarbaum, of the supervisory staff of the Board of Jewish Education, announced that four seminars will be held during the day in addition to two workshop sessions.

DR. NORMAN GOLB, department of Oriental languages and civilizations, University of Chicago, will lead the seminar on "Lessons from Jewish History."

Conducting a seminar on the

## Judge Nelson Honored

Circuit Court Judge Benjamin Nelson, 421 Melrose Ave., will be the guest of honor when the Covenant Club of Illinois holds its annual Israel Bond dinner at 6 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 17, in the club, 10 N. Dearborn. Justice Kenneth Keating of the New York Court of Appeal will be the guest speaker. Keating is a former U.S. Senator and Representative.

state of Jewish communities in Israel and America will be Aviv Ekrony, cultural attache' to the Israeli consulate in Chicago, and Judith Herschopf, assistant director, department of interreligious affairs, American Jewish Committee.

TWO RABBIS, David Shapiro, Congregation Anshe Sfard, Milwaukee, and Herman F. Schaalman, Temple Emanuel, Chicago, will lead a discussion on the state of Jewish belief, based on a symposium in the August issue of "Commentary" magazine.

Two reports will be delivered to the conference on missions to Germany and Russia. These reports, by Rabbi Ernst M. Lorge, Temple Beth Israel, and Rabbi Joseph L. Ginsberg, Lakeside Congregation, Highland Pk., will discuss the state of the Jewish communities in the two countries.

A WORKSHOP for primary grade teachers will be conducted by Dr. Nathaniel Stampfer, supervision department, Board of Jewish Education, and Roslyn Ebstein, music consultant of the Board of Jewish Education.

Conducting a workshop for teachers of upper grades will be Dr. Jerome R. Reich, principal, K.A.M. Temple, and Dr. Robert I. Cohen, department of education, Roosevelt university.

# Dr. Meir Yoeli Wins Maimonides Award For 1966

Dr. Meir Yoeli, a former soldier in the Haganah and now conducting research in preventive medicine at New York University, has been named winner of this year's Maimonides Award.

THE AWARD, sponsored annually by Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center and the College of Jewish Studies, is given to a physician who has made outstanding contributions to medicine and Jewish learning.

The presentation will take place at 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13 in Michael Reese Hospital's Rothschild auditorium. Dr. Morris Fishbein, medical philosopher and a member of the Maimonides Committee, will present the award.

DR. YOELI has written 82 scientific papers in five of the 10 languages he speaks. Recently he was honored at the Pasteur Institute and the British Royal Society of Medicine for a major breakthrough in basic research in parasitology.

The 54-year-old physician-scholar has served with medical missions in Greece and the Congo. He has taught or advised nations on five continents on preventive medicine.

AT THE PRESENTATION, Dr. Yoeli will deliver an address on "The Physician as a Guide to the Perplexed."

Dr. Yoeli attributes his outlook on life and science to the "spiritual environment of Jewish Lithuania."

"ITS HEBREW tradition, its noble and enlightened education formed me," he said.

Dr. Yoeli's first poem, "Winter Evening," was published in Kaunas, Lithuania in 1926.

Among his other works are "La Dor," seven short novels for young people, and an essay on the poet Saul Tschernichowsky.

THE MAIMONIDES Award was conceived by Dr. Robert Mendelsohn on the Michael Reese Hospital Staff and an alumnus of the College of Jewish Studies.

While attending the University of Chicago, Dr. Mendelsohn studied at the College of Jewish Studies.

He was also studying at the College when he was stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Station during World War II, commuting to class by the old North Shore trains.

AND HE ALSO attended the college of Jewish Studies before he graduated Roosevelt high school.

His sensitivity to scholarship was evident three years ago when he was asked by Rabbi Jacob M. Weinstein to appear as a panelist at a K.A.M. Temple discussion of Judaism and medicine.

AS HE PREPARED for his appearance, Dr. Mendelsohn became impressed with the centuries of Jewish literature that had been created on medico-moral issues to which modern medicine is now starting to concern itself.

Should a doctor perform an abortion on a mother who has had German measles during her pregnancy?

Shall artificial insemination be administered to women to bear children if their husbands are impotent?

Shall a physician speed the death of a patient suffering from incurable pain?

REASONING further, Dr. Mendelsohn grew more absorbed with the gap between the humanities and the sciences. Out of this wonder, he hit upon the idea of an award — to be given each year to the doctor who would best symbolize the unity of science and the humanities.

And he would name the award after Maimonides, the physician and Jewish scholar who was eight centuries ahead of his time in converging the two disciplines.

AFTER CONSULTING with Dr. David Weinstein, president of the College of Jewish Studies, Dr. Mendelsohn approached the Michael Reese Hospital and Medical Center's administrative board. Unlike the usual frustrations that accompany the introduction of a new idea, the administration was electrified with the concept.

It was decided to invite the College of Jewish Studies to co-sponsor the award and assure a proper evaluation of the physician's credentials for Jewish learning.

A COMMITTEE was created under the chairmanship of Dr. Mendelsohn. For the better part of a year, the committee searches the country for candidates.

Gathered around a long table, reminiscent of the "rebbe" holding council among his disciples, the committee intensely examines and discusses the works of each candidate.



## Life Tenure

Rabbi Moses Mescheloff, spiritual leader of Congregation K.I.N.S. of West Rogers Park, will be honored by the Synagogue at its 10th annual Israel Bond dinner at 5 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 13, in the Edgewater Beach Hotel. The occasion will witness the presentation of life tenure of office to Rabbi Mescheloff.

## Joint Installation

The Park View Home, Rose Eisenberg Memorial of the Daughters of Zion and Daughters of Jacob will hold a joint installation of officers of Beth Tefillah synagogue and the Resident's organization at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13 at the home, 1401 N. California.