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31st May, 1974.

Rabbi N. Lamm,
The Jewish Center,
131 West 86th Street,
NEW YORK. N.Y. 10024. U.S.A.

My Dear Rabbi Lamm, *(P15)*

You will be pleased to see from the enclosed two pages of the Jewish News that this week for the first time reasonable publicity is being accorded to it.

In case I missed out I enclose the booklet inviting people to come to the Licola extended weekend.

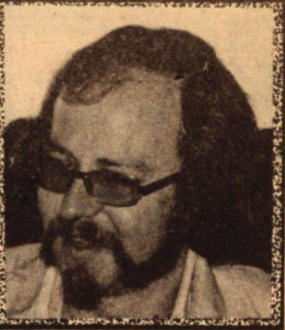
Hope that you are keeping well, Kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

H.A. BACHRACH.

Enc.

Peter Weiniger INTERVIEW



'Shopping' centre for two countries

Melbourne is well on the way to becoming an international centre for trade between Israel and Australia. And a man who is determined to see it happen is the President of the Australia-Israel Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Reuben Sackville.

Around October-November of this year, the Chamber's head office transfers from Sydney to Melbourne for a two-year spell and Mr. Sackville is determined that the move will put Israel-Australian trade relations on the map in this city.

Towards this end, Mr. Sackville and his committee have already fitted out an office at Beth Weizmann and appointed an expert and experienced staff to handle the increase in business inquiries, information and requests, they anticipate coming their way.

Mr. Sackville believes that the move will provide the Jewish community with another focal point — one which can operate on many levels.

In particular it can foster relations between Jewish and non-Jewish communities here as well as cementing deeper understanding between Israel and Australia in general.

"A trading link between the two countries helps bring them closer together by developing a genuine trading partnership for mutual benefit," Mr. Sackville said.

"Now that the Government has reduced tariffs, and placed Israel in the developing nations category, Israeli goods are in a more favourable competitive price category."



● Mr. REUBEN SACKVILLE

In view of the important nature of the Chamber, Mr. Sackville has embarked upon a recruiting drive to boost membership.

CONTACT

The Chamber is looking for people interested in trade becoming members and so utilise the Chamber's facilities.

The Chamber, Mr. Sackville explained, works as a clearing house.

"We don't sell goods for the members, but act as go-betweens, lining up contacts between the interested parties here and their counterparts in Israel."

"We make it easier for the businessman when he goes to Israel, to cut through red tape and government bureaucracy, eliminating all obstacles and allowing him to get on with business."

Mr. Sackville regards Israel as an untapped market in this part of the world. He points out that extensive trade already exists between Israel and the U.S. and Europe in a

wide range of high quality goods.

Opportunities are numerous and cover a wide variety of goods from sportswear to solar energy, including foodstuffs, fashions, fabrics, engineering, cosmetics, diamonds, chemicals, electronics and footwear.

"So far in our dealings with Israel, we have found the goods we've handled to be well up to standard, both in quality and price."

One prestigious client who has gained satisfaction through the efforts of the Chamber is Kenneth Pirie who recently completed a contract for \$200,000 worth of goods from Israel. And, Mr. Sackville added, he will be going back soon for more.

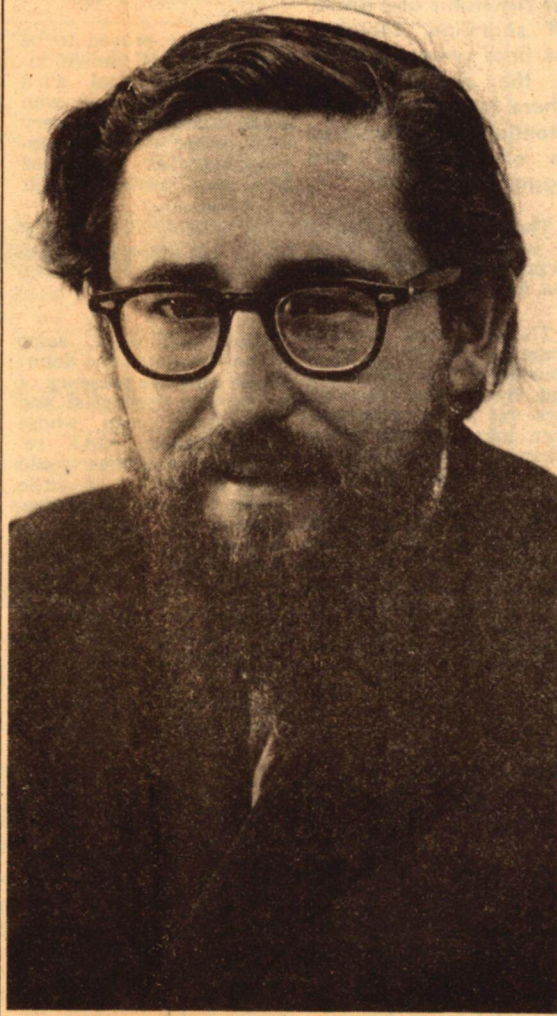
Mr. Sackville hopes to involve more young people in the activities of the Chamber. He sees the Chamber acting as a starting point for them in the world of commerce, and at the same time an avenue through which to express in a practical way their enthusiasm for Israel by promoting trade.

In this way he hopes to foster among young people deeper feelings for Israel that otherwise often remain untapped and give them experience and expertise in communal affairs.

The Chamber, Mr. Sackville emphasises, is a medium for fostering better understanding and building bridges, not just between businessmen with trading interests but also for tourists learning about each others lands and way of life.

Life membership of the Chamber is \$50 which is tax deductible. Anyone interested in further information should contact the Chamber's office at Beth Weizmann 51-6921.

INITIATE COUNTERPOINT



● Rabbi SAUL BERMAN

Rabbi Saul Berman and his wife, Shellee, scheduled to visit Australia mid-June, will be the forerunners of a group of 15 to initiate Counterpoint 5734.

Rabbi Saul Berman has achieved outstanding success in co-ordinating and supervising Jewish studies programmes at Stern College, Manhattan, New York. Previously, he was Rabbi of the Young Israel of Brookline, in Massachusetts, from which pulpit he had great influence on the academics of Harvard University.

Prior to this position he was, during the years of student unrest, at the University of California, Berkeley, where he was active with the campus groups.

During his time on the west coast he was also Chairman of their Northern Committee for Soviet Jewry. He holds a Master Degree in Hebrew Literature, a Doctor's degree from New York University's Law School,

and a Master of Arts in Political Science from the University of California at Berkeley.

His wife, Shellee, is a Master of Social Work and at the moment is a candidate for a Doctorate in this subject. For her outstanding contributions, she received the Children's Bureau Fellowship, Crown Zellerbach Award and N.I.M.H. Fellowship. She was editor of New Perspectives — The Berkeley Journal of Social Welfare.

KIBBUTZ GOOD MEDICINE

The kibbutz has shown a remarkable capacity to find solutions to many problems and maintain the essence of its collective nature.

Speaking at Beth Weizmann on Monday (May 20) Mr. Beni Kaye said that issues such as hired labour, education of children, private property and the inevitable clash between the family unit and the community at large threatened the future development of this form of settlement.

The development of collective settlements in Israel must be viewed with the background of the socio-political scene in Eastern Europe towards the latter part of the 19th century in mind.

The involvement of Jewish youth in the political landscape in Eastern Europe before and at the turn of the century explains much of the conditioning of the groups that went to Eretz Israel from 1905 till the outbreak of the First World War, later to be known as the Second Aliya.

However, modern Jewish agricultural settlement in the territory, which now constitutes the State of Israel, dates back to 1870 when the French Jewish philanthropic organisation, Alliance Israelite Universelle, established the first agricultural school for Jewish boys at Mikua Yisrael, he said.

Today Israel leads the world in all the many forms of collective and co-operative ventures, Mr. Kaye said.

Other settlements soon followed and by the year 1900, they numbered 22 Jewish villages.

Though members of the Second Aliya found these settlements completely dependent on the philanthropic assistance of Baron Edmund de Rothschild and employing large numbers of Arab labourers, it must be remembered that originally some of them started with a semblance of co-operative formation.

The outbreak of World War I found the Kibbutz movement in its infancy. It was during the years of comparative inability caused by World War I that the ideas of co-operative settlement were beginning to evolve and the Moshav based on national soil, self labour, mutual assistance, co-operative purchasing and marketing was born.

At a later stage a new form of co-operative settlement appeared — the Moshav Shitufi, which attempted to incorporate the best of both the kibbutz and the Moshav, he said.

Early Years

TEL AVIV (JTA): Security forces have uncovered more cells of the Jewish-Arab espionage ring, whose members were arrested and tried last year. The espionage ring was based on Haifa, and worked for the Syrian intelligence.

Among those arrested now is Falz Turkey, uncle of Daud Turkey, who was described at the time of his trial as the leader of the gang.

APPEAL THEMES

The United Israel Appeal drawing room meeting arranged by Blaler at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. Wald (May 26) was a warm and heimische occasion.

Guest speaker Mr. Y. Gaulan, touched by the way in which members spontaneously offered donations, spoke in Yiddish.

"Money is not the only necessary thing to give," he said, commending contributions given freely, from the heart.

Mr. Gaulan referred to the hardships and trials, the difficulties Israelis faced in adjusting to conditions in the Jewish State.

The Israelis hoped the Jewry of Australia were behind them; and felt they were, he said.

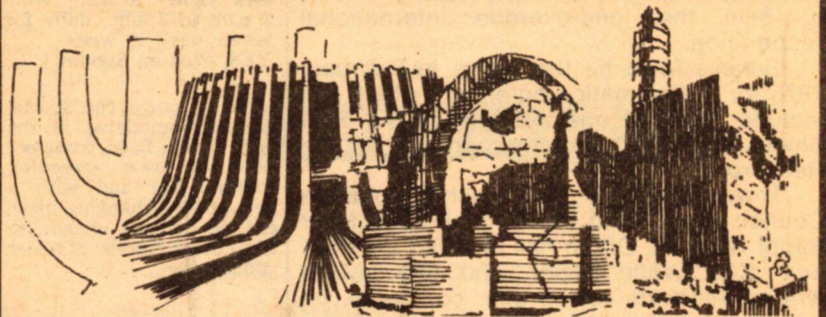
The importance of giving was also stressed by Mr. Z. Zafri, when he addressed the meeting, organised by N.E.J.C. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Szalmuk.

Meet for Appeal



● Friends of the Institute for the Blind group held their United Israel Appeal on May 21. Israel emissary Mr. Y. Gaulan was guest speaker.

YOUR ISRAEL



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And you shall live by them



COUNTERPOINT 5734

c/o Jewish Board of Deputies.
343 Lt Collins Street,
MELBOURNE. 3000.



COUNTERPOINT 5734



Hey
Mister

what is Counterpoint 5734

COUNTERPOINT 5734 will take the form of intensive sessions at a selected site under the direction of fifteen young American academics and rabbis who are geared to today's young people and to the way they think. The project is one of the most ambitious educational challenging programmes ever undertaken by the Australian Jewish community and has been endorsed by the Victorian Board of Deputies.

In 1973 an Australian lecture tour by Rabbi Dr. Lamm, Professor of Philosophy, proved to be an outstanding success and had a remarkable impact on the communities of Melbourne and Sydney. On his recommendation Counterpoint 5734 is now being initiated.

The problems to be discussed include the Jewish attitudes to all the issues of today — from abortion to euthanasia, from the meaning of the family to the problems of Israel. The aim is to provide the students with a moral view of the world arounded in a living approach to being Jewish.

If you are interested in a truly challenging, thought-provoking experience, then Counterpoint 5734 is for Y O U. This encounter is open to all high-school students from Forms III — VI.



COUNTERPOINT 5734

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and mail to
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Chairman Mathematics,
LATROBE UNIVERSITY
BUNDOORA, VIC. 3083.

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ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE CODE PHONE

DATE OF BIRTH MALE ☐ FEMALE ☐

CONGREGATION OR YOUTH ORGANISATION

ROOMMATE PREFERENCES (maximum of 2, please)

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DETAILS OF JEWISH EDUCATION OR INTEREST

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SPECIAL EXPERIENCES and/or Interests and/or hobbies

In registering for the Licola Counterpoint Services for August 1st—5th, 74 I hereby affirm devotion to my heritage and I will to the best of my abilities adhere to the program and requirements set by this Seminar. I will endeavour to conduct myself in a manner reflecting credit on my Community.

Enclose \$5 Deposit ^{cash}_{cheque} or \$24.50 full fees.

PARENT SIGNATURE..... APPLICANTS SIGNATURE

Should this fee present any difficulties, please state how much you can afford to pay for transport 160 miles each way plus 4 wonderful days and nights. \$



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counterpoint 5734

is a forum which will lead you to
a most exciting place YOURSELF

The seminar program is structured to allow for a concentrated encounter with Jewish living on all levels and dimensions — intellectual, emotional, personal and social.

TOGETHER — we shall confront the challenges of this modern age.

TOGETHER — we shall probe our way of life.

TOGETHER — we shall examine new thoughts, adopt them, further develop them or oppose them.

TOGETHER — we shall explore all that is unique about the modern State of Israel — its human and political problems, its spiritual and philosophic aspects.

TOGETHER — we shall go to the roots envisage implications and aim at forseeing likely results.

TOGETHER — we shall examine with you a Jewish Point of View based and developed over 5734 years.

this is counterpoint

A truly intellectual and Jewish experience,
a true challenge to thinking Man.

The Themes

DISCUSSIONS

Selections from but not limited to;
THE JEW RELATES TO THE NON-JEW
COURTSHIP, MARRIAGE AND THE FAMILY
SHOULD WE FORGIVE ; ; SHOULD WE FORGET
CONCEPTS OF REST AND RELAXATION
MYSTICISM & MESSIANISM
CONFORMISM & SOCIAL CHANGE – A DOUBLE STANDARD

LEADERSHIP SKILLS

Israeli Song and Dance
Dramatics,
Journalism

GROUP DYNAMICS

Group organization and programming
Leadership techniques

RECREATION

Sports – squash, tennis, gymnastics
Oneg Shabbat
Games
Films
Talent Show
Outings

GOVERNMENT ENDORSEMENT

IN YOUR REPLY PLEASE REFER TO THE DATE
AND SUBJECT MATTER OF THIS LETTER AND
TO THE FOLLOWING REFERENCE SYMBOLS

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13 March 1974

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15 MAR 1974

Ans'd

Dear Mr Lipski

I refer to your letter of March 5 and to our earlier meeting at which the proposed Youth Seminar Project to be conducted by the Board of Deputies later this year was outlined to me.

I should like to formally state my endorsement of the proposal.

In my view the current and widespread tendency to decry the traditional values of our society, and of groups within our society, merely because they are traditional is greatly to be deplored. There is an obligation on all of us to examine these in detail to ascertain the part they have played in the development of our democracy. Human behaviour is the outcome of many influences which are the product of man's growth in each dimension of his being – intellectual, emotional, spiritual, physical, social, moral and ethical. Currently some dimensions are ignored and it is projects such as the proposed Youth Seminar which may correct the resultant imbalance in growth.

Yours sincerely

A E Schruhm

A E SCHRUHM
Director of Secondary Education

SOME OF THE PEOPLE

SUSAN METZGER

Law student
Interests: English
Literature,
Ed. School Newspaper,
Swimming, Arts.
Participating in DIRSHU
for helping other University
in religious Activities.



RACHAYL ECKSTEIN

Born Ottawa, Canada.
After one year at Machon
Gold now working at
Stern's for B.A. Ed.

HILLEL DAVIS

Past President of Students
Yeshiva University College
All-round athlete
B.A. HON. Math.



JOSEPH TELUSHKIN

Rabbinical Degree
PH.D. Columbia University
Well versed in
Philosophy, Archeology,
Talmud
Recently visited
Tashkent Russia.

SAUL BERMAN

Rabbi, M.A. Hebrew Lit.,
Dr. Jewis, MA. Political
Science. Chairman
Judaic studies Stern's
College for girls.



DAVID RIBNER

M. A. Social Work Rabbi
Well versed in all facets of
Judaism.
Psychiatric Caseworker.
Spearhead protests for
Soviet Jewry.

COUNTERPOINT 5734

invites the Jewish Students

of forms III – VI

for the weekend

THURSDAY evening August 1st – Monday August 5th, 1974

at the

LICOLA LIONS YOUTH VILLAGE

160 miles east of Melbourne in Gippsland



By courtesy of the Lions Clubs

Travel Arrangements: Buses will pick up at
and return to conveniently situated centres.

The Hope



To All My Australian Friends:

My trip to Australia in July-August 1973 was one of the most exhilarating and unforgettable I have ever undertaken. I returned overwhelmed by the friendliness, hospitality, and charm of Australian Jewry.

After assessing my experiences and impressions, and especially after meeting with your most precious treasures — your young people of secondary school and university age — I recommended that Australian Jewry adopt a method that has proven eminently successful in the United States. The seminar system allows for a period of concentrated encounter with Jewish living on all levels and in all dimensions — intellectual and emotional, personal and social. It will, I suggest, fill a need of your young people for an **experience** of Judaism in a multifaceted way.

"To the young people who will participate in Counterpoint 5734 this will afford an unprecedented opportunity for an intensive week of Jewish experience in a happy atmosphere. Melbourne and Sydney students will meet interstate colleagues; together they will meet with young American intellectuals and Rabbis. This will afford them an opportunity of making friends and sharing interests and broadening their horizons".

I know that the young people will attend, participate, and contribute their vitality and energy to this mutual quest for knowing what it really means to be Jewish.

Not only do I approve of COUNTERPOINT 5734, but I wish circumstances permitted me to attend! I know I would enjoy it. May it be the resounding success I know it can be, and may God bless all of you.

Cordially yours,

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Norman Lamm', written over the typed name.

RABBI NORMAN LAMM

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The Place

Licola the most modern youth town in the Southern Hemisphere.



By courtesy of "The Sun"