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# KADIMA CAMP LOWN



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## HAGANAH RESCUES ARABIAN JEWS IN DARING NIGHT ATTACK

### EDITORIAL

### "OPERATION SMUGGLE" SMASHING SUCCESS IN FACE OF HEAVY ARAB FIRE

The Haganah was successful in-- a group of Arabian Jews was saved. We at Camp Lown saw for ourselves the tremendous preparation and fort takes to rescue only handful of Jews. In real life "Operation Smuggle" is much more difficult. In Israel Haganah boys do not play for fun; they play for keeps because their lives and the lives of many Jews depend upon their success.

The chalutzim at Camp Lown were filled for three days; in fact the training lasts for months. In Camp Lown the "Arabian Jews" were imprisoned for a very short hours; in the countries of the Arab world some Jews have been beaten and starved all their lives. They know of nothing but destruction and persecution. In Camp Lown it is not only the flimsiest idea of life and death mean, what freedom and liberty stand for.

Yet we have learned a lot. Three weeks ago many of us did not even know that there were thousands of Jews enslaved in Arab countries begging for our help.

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ISRAEL HEADQUARTERS--ARABIAN FRONT--JULY 20--  
(special report to Kadima)

Determined Haganah forces ripped through powerful Arab defenses in the dead of night to rescue a colony of helpless Jews. Correspondents on the scene described the blow as one of the "boldest invasions of history" as fighters from Israel snatched their Chaverim from the hands of certain death.

Days of strenuous preparation preceded the attack. Haganah forces drilled secretly for long hours in the fields, bushes, and mud of Israel learning the technique to liberate the Arabian Jews. The emphasis was on speed and silence. It was only when the Israelis encountered Arab defenses did the savage fighting begin.

General Yosef Yahr, commander of "Operation Smuggle", summed it up exactly when he told Kadima reporters, "Our object was to save Jew, not to kill Arabs. But the Haganah was trained to fight to the death if need be. You know the rest: Our boys battled like true heroes. They were modern Maccabees. They did their people proud."

Mufti Norm Cohen, Arab leader, set up a tight defensive detachment of his men around the Arabian camp. General Yahr had to crack this defence, and to do it meant

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### Herzl-Bialik Day Program

The Herzl-Bialik Day Program was the second of the season programs. It was put on by Bunks twelve and two. Bunk two put on a very interesting play about Herzl and everyone played his part well. Bunk twelve sang and danced. Nancy Ashmon did the solo performance. As a finale, Denise Striar read Bialik's famous poem, "City of Slaughter."

Denise Striar

### Ghosts By Moonshine

The curtain was drawn, were we ready?? Of course not! What do you expect?? We had received our parts five days before the night of the play. Did we study? No!!! We started learning our parts third period, rest hour, fourth period, during that exciting Hoppalong Cassidy movie, and during free play. There were certain slips as there are in every play. Davy Adelman said "It's a faint light like fried flies on a crocodile." He was supposed to say, "It's a faint light like fireflies--like the glow on the clock dial. The cast sure got a laugh out of that. Larry Lewis certainly needs lessons on lighting matches or else he ought to have a windproof lighter. It was a wonderful play all in all though, and lets give the cast a hand.

The members of the cast were:

- Jack--Steve Schneider
- Fredie--Larry Lewis
- Tom--Billy Small
- Ralph--Barry Traister
- Harriet--Babbsie Goodman
- Lola--Janet Levine
- Muriel--Rene Shapiro
- Susan--Ruth Flock
- Babs Goodman
- Ruth Flock

### Golding New Camp President

Stevie Golding, the Giants' presidential candidate will lead the Campers' Council during this season thanks to a 61-50 triumph over the Yankee Doodles candidate, Irwin Cohen.

When asked during his press conference for a comment on his recent election, Golding replied, "Gee."

The office of vice-president will be filled by Larry Lewis, the most popular of the six candidates. His 62 votes were tops over his popular little opponent, Sharon Lee Cohen.

Ruth Flock, Yankee Doodle secretarial candidate, was beaten by Mike Striar. Mike is the brother of last years' vice-president, Denise Striar. The Anakim Party took two out of three officers to end a four year reign of the Yankee Doodle Party. Flash! Stevie Golding was unanimously elected president of tsrif 7.

Sandy Podolsky

### Movies

Two movies, "Song of the Negev" and "Homecoming" were shown on Tuesday, July 18.

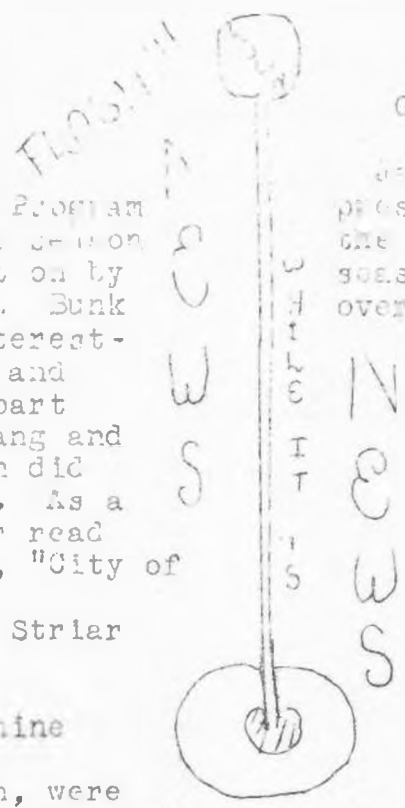
"The Song of the Negev" was about the fight for freedom in Israel. This movie seemed very real and the audience liked it.

The second movie "Homecoming" was very good too. It concerned the need for emptying the D.P. camps and taking the Jews in them to Israel.

"In winter I get up by night  
And dress by yellow candle-light.

In summer, quite the other way,  
I have to go to bed by day."

R. L. Stevenson



Why is it that lately we've heard so much about our brothers in Yemen, Iraq, Morocco, Algeria, and other far-off countries about which most of us know very little? For what reason are we so concerned with these Oriental Jews? The answer is very simple. If one traces the history of the Jewish people, he will find that this group, although scattered and wandering all over the globe for centuries has always faced their problems together and with courage. History has again repeated itself, and we Jews join hands with one another once again to help our people who are in need.

For hundreds of years, Jews have inhabited the Orient, but we see that within the last fifty years or so, they have been persecuted and each year, the injustice and intolerance has grown.

In some of these countries, the Jewish boys and girls like you and me are not allowed in public schools to acquire an education. However, there are some Hebrew schools in certain sections but Jewish and Hebrew history cannot be taught. There is a purpose behind this method. The non-Jewish population which is composed largely of Arabs, knows that over a period of time, assimilation will take place. We know that is bound to happen if Hebrew and Yiddish are forgotten and if our Jewish cultured interests fade out. This must be prevented. But that is not the only problem that confronts us.

Let us look at other aspects of the situations. How often do we stop to think about the conditions in which these 800,000 Jews live?

They live in constant fear of pogroms. During these massacres, a mob might attack their families and friends and injure or perhaps kill them. Their homes might be raided and robbed of all valuable possessions.

Do you think that the younger people there go to a beautiful camp like this in the summertime?

No, they are grateful if they get enough to eat. Many of them are bound within the walls of the ghettos and are fearful of being shot if they are seen outside these limits at night.

A large number of the Jews in the Middle East had established their own businesses and owned some property. Thus, heavy taxes were inflicted upon them which many were unable to pay within the given time. If this occurred, they were sent to labor camps with a dismal future confronting them.

Being falsely accused and convicted is another great injustice that our people must cope with. A Jew may be imprisoned for sending letters to his relatives and friends in Palestine or for trying to smuggle other Jews into Eretz Yisroel. The same conditions that are prevalent in our jails are not in theirs. The small amount of food that they do receive is unfit for humans. The prisons themselves are unbearably filthy and unhealthy. Contagious diseases and deaths have resulted.

These are but a few of the many ways that anti-semitism is brought to the surface. The intolerance and degradation of the Jews has grown and spread so that Oriental Jews are considered untouchables.

Yes, it is a gruesome picture, but those are the facts. It is hard to believe that people can lead such completely wretched lives and that these conditions actually exist among modern civilized people.

Every problem has a solution, however, which can be reached if there is a great enough need. When we learn to understand the plight that our Oriental brothers face, we realize that the need for a solution is very strong.

It is the desire of Jews the world over to live in Zion. Our people unable to endure such a miserable life, are driven to Israel by a longing for freedom and a home of their own.

Men, women and children packed their scant be- (cont. on page 6



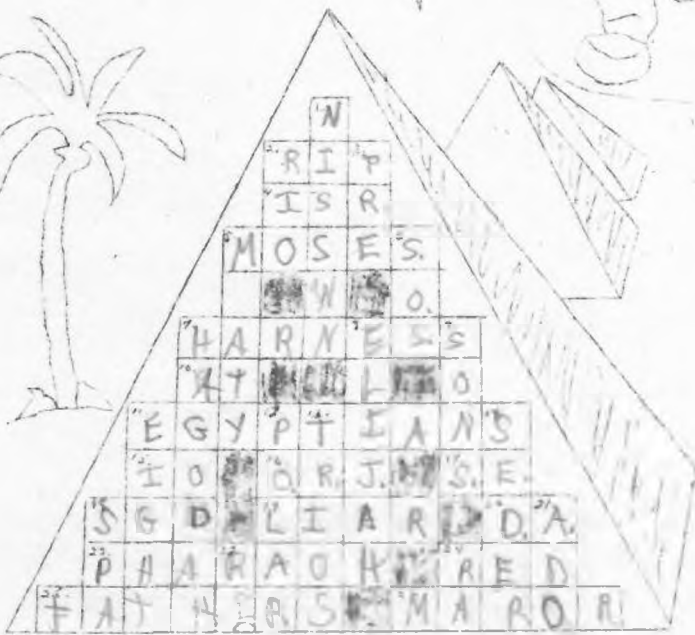
# FUN PAGE



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(solution on page 2)

### ACROSS

- 2. to tear
- 4. Israel (abbrev.)
- 5. led Jews from Egypt
- 7. equipment for horse
- 10. near
- 11. victims of 10 plagues
- 15. Iowa (abbrev.)
- 16. Office of Rumanian Jews (abbrev.)
- 17. southeast (abbrev.)
- 18. signed (abbrev.)
- 19. teller of fibs
- 20. district attorney (abbrev.)
- 22. Egyptian ruler
- 24. Jews crossed ---- Sea
- 25. male parents
- 26. Hebrew for "bitter herb"

### DOWN

- 1. Hebrew month
- 2. ---Grande river
- 3. ---sent a gift
- 5. fleshy
- 6. distress signal
- 7. Passover story
- 8. cup of prophet
- 9. opposite of daughters
- 11. nos. of days in Passover
- 12. the----bear is large and white
- 13. sets of three
- 14. Passover feast and serv-ice
- 18. a mineral spring
- 21. "Much---About Nothing"
- 23. musical note
- 24. radium (abbrev.)

### RIDDLES - ANSWERS

- 1. What can you hold in your left hand but not in your right hand?
  - 2. What has 18 legs and catches flies?
  - 3. What rooms can't you enter?
  - 4. What has four legs and one foot?
  - 5. What do you lose every time you stand up?
- (solution on page 2)

### JOKE

Son-I got 100 in school today.  
 Mother-Really, in what?  
 Son-60 in math and 40 in spelling.



# GAMES MORE FUN

## THE MYSTERY

### CAMPER ???

The first big clue concerning our mystery camper is that the person in question is in either bunks 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12. She has attended Camp Lown in several previous seasons and is known to be an outstanding camper. Although she excels in dramatics it's no act when she drags herself out of bed five minutes before line-up every morning. She has blonde hair and blue eyes. If you ever see her sitting quietly, rush her to the infirmary immediately!!!!!!!

Who is she??? If you don't know by now, turn to page 8 for the solution.

## POPPING QUESTIONS

### WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE EVENING ACTIVITY?????

- Susan Adelman-"I like movies."
- Harvey Sterns-"Cromwell Fcffeinstein."
- Susan Kolsky-"Oh, I like relay races."
- Larry Lewis-"I like at home nite best."
- Fancy Ashmon-"Movies are my favorite evening activity."
- Irwin Cohen-"They are all good but movies are the best."

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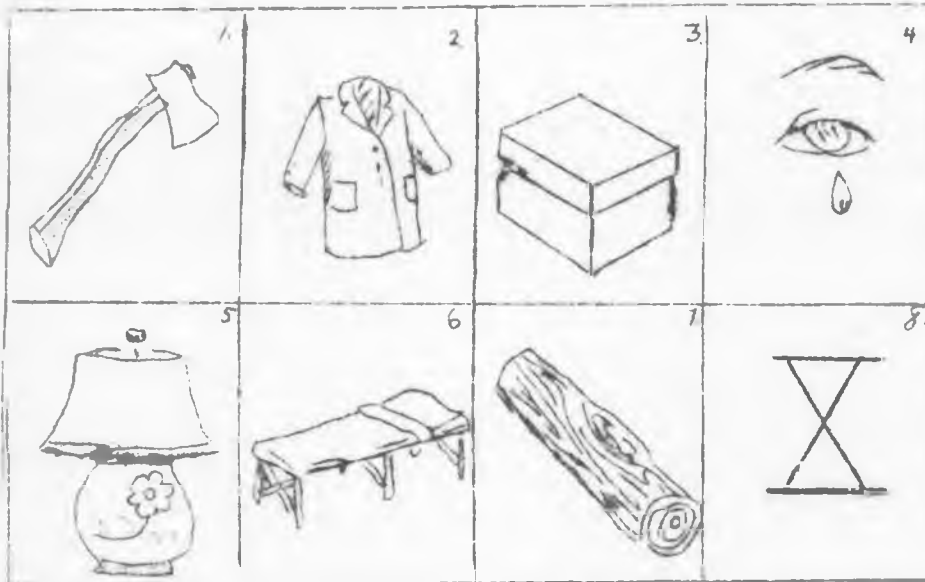
### JOKE

- Mike-"Do you like Matzah ball?"
- John-"I don't know, I never want to one."

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## ANIMAL HUNT

Name the word in each picture. Then change one letter in each word to make the name of a well-known animal.



Solution on page 8



Guide: And that, madam, is a skyscraper.  
 Lady: Oh, I'd love to see it while its working!



OPERATION SUGGLE (continued)  
the lives of both Jews and Arabs.  
Some of the highlights and fiercest skirmishes of "Operation Suggle" occurred away from the Arab territory. Three Arabs who had crawled to the rear of the Infantry overtook the Haganah guard Milton Dletetsky and were about to attack Israel. Before they reached their destination, three Haganah soldiers charged out of the woods, and after a furious battle only one figure remained alive.

In another sector two advance squadrons of the Jewish Army had placed themselves in a position to strike at the Arabs. Lt. Morton Ross circled the Arabs while his squadron and another led Lt. Michael Ross drew the Arab fire. Morton then wiped out a defensive battallion of Arabs and the two squadrons joined behind Azrif 13 and proceeded toward the Chadar Ochel. Suddenly more Arabs advanced and the Haganah men split up rapidly, but most of them were killed by the surprise enemy assault. Some of the Arabs were wounded but both Haganah squadrons were demolished with the exception of four soldiers who safely dashed to cover from the Arab bullets. Being in a dangerous position, the small surviving group of soldiers selected a representative to crawl through the Arab lines and bring reinforcements. No sooner had she crawled away when a staunch armed Arab heaved a grenade at the remaining trio and disposed of them. All was silent again until a group of Haganah men made an all out attack upon the remaining Arab forces. The combat was savage.

When another platoon of Haganah soldiers arrived ten minutes later, there was deadly silence. After many minutes of cautious waiting, they advanced, and disposed of the remaining Arab defenders, and liberated the Arabian Jews. As they returned joyfully to the land of Israel, they were greeted by bursts of cheering and shouting from their fellow Jews in Israel.

Phil Weiner

ORIENTAL JEWRY (continued) 6.  
longings and set out on foot to the "land of hope". On the long, hard journey they had to travel across the desert and on the sea. These Jewish families trekked across the hot desert sands for weeks and were stopped by the Egyptians. As a result of the blockade, a system called the Magic Carpet originated. Under this plan Jews are smuggled in special planes by American pilots into Israel. Thousands of families have made this trip and there are still more who wish to do so. It is an extremely expensive proposition BUT, I wonder, can we compare money with hopes and fears of these poor people?

When they realize that there is a chance for them to escape their completely unhappy lives and find hope in Eretz Ysrael they are driven by a force so strong that nothing can hold them back. And we must pray for their safe delivery to the Promised Land.  
Ruth Jacobson

EDITORIAL (continued)  
help. Today we realize the huge sacrifices that we and the Jews of Israel must make to give our fellow Jews a chance to live like human beings. Three weeks ago, we knew nothing, now we feel with all our hearts that we must help them.

There are other Jews who also need our help desperately. We must learn about these fellow Jews so that we can intelligently choose a means of helping them. That's the job of our cultural program, the first part of which dealt with the Jews in Arab countries. Then we must prepare ourselves to help them with money and other aid. We've very little, and when the time comes for us to give our help we should give it- and give it wholeheartedly.



by  
MORTY ROSS  
and  
TIMMY GOLDMAN

The famous women athletes of Camp Lown have really started their sea son with a bang.

The Izobot and Donot have been practicing softball and volleyball and are ready for some competition.

On July 17, the C.I.T.'s played the counselors in a three game match of volley-ball. The counselors won the first game in a shut-out, 11-0. The C.I.T.'s came back with a 15-0 win, but in the third and deciding game the counselors took over, and won 15-10.

The contests were refereed by Sol Sherman.

WATERFRONT

Since camp opened there has been a great deal of activity on the waterfront. This year it is under the able direction of Howie Berg, who is assisted by Marty Plavin and Barbara Stamen. At the time of this writing twenty threepople have passed the deep water test.

They are:

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|---------------|-------------------|
| RUTH FLOCK    | AUDREY SAPERSTEIN |
| DON GORDON    | LARRY LEWIS       |
| DOT WOLMAN    | DAVE LIEBERMAN    |
| MIKE ROSS     | ELIZABETH LUBELL  |
| MORTY ROSS    | SUE MERSKY        |
| JACK GOULDING | TIMMY GOLDMAN     |
| STAN GOULDING | FLAINE GOLDMAN    |
| BAR GOODMAN   | LEILA STEIN       |
| RUTH JACOBSON | ELSA STEIN        |
| DONNA LEVINE  | SARA STEIN        |
| ZETA LEVINE   | ARTHUR GINSBURG   |
| DEWISE STRIAR |                   |

SOFTBALL

Well, campers, here we are, ready for another season of fun and thrills. It looks like we'll be in for a full season of athletics. Already the C.I.T.-waiter softball team has played the counselors three games. Although the C.I.T. waiter pitching staff is very weak, they have good batters. Among the strong hitters on the counselors team are Jack Stahl, Sol Sherman and Barney Bloom. The C.I.T.-Waiter team has lost two out of three games to the counselors losing 24-3; 18-10 and winning 6-4.

On July 21st Camp Lown ballplayers fell beneath the hammer blows of Camp Manitou. The score of the softball game was 10-2.

Pitching for Camp Lown was Morty Ross. Camp Lown committed seven errors and even Sandy Podolsky's triple failed to bring up the score. The two runs for Lown were made by Mike Ross and Milton Silver.

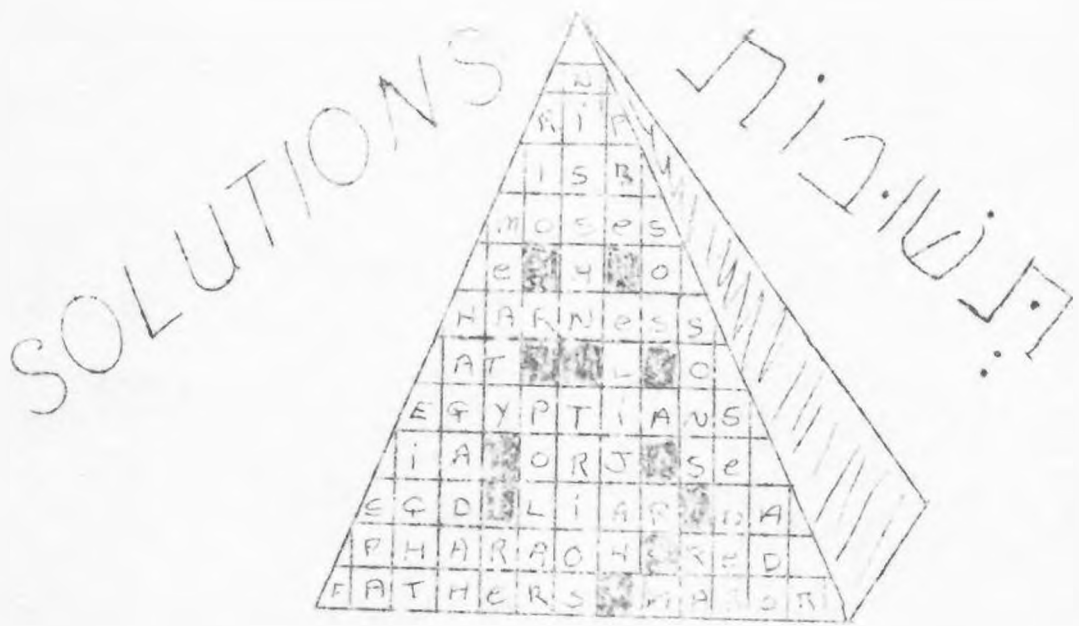
Henry Grossman

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While our boys were visiting Manitou for the softball game they were challenged to a game of basketball.

Although the results of the softball game were unfavorable we came back at them by winning 19-18 in basketball. Morty Ross, the star of the game, dropped in 13 points. Mike Ross and Dave Lieberman also scored.





RIDDLES

1. your right elbow
2. a baseball team
3. mushrooms
4. a bed
5. your lap

ANIMAL HUNTS

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|--------------|--------------|
| 1. ax-cx     | 5. lamp-lamb |
| 2. coat-goat | 6. cot-cow   |
| 3. box-fox   | 7. log-hog   |
| 4. tear-bear | 8. ten-hen   |

MYSTERY CAMPER  
ELLEN GREEN

Borne on Wings  
By Henry  
Grossman

LYRICS TO CAMP SONG

Come on and give a cheer for  
our Camp Town  
To which the kids all come from  
near and far.  
Come Tzofim, Halutzim gather  
round,  
And up to heaven we'll raise a  
rippling, roaring sound.  
We are the C-A-M-P-E-R-S,  
Are we a peppy crowd? Why yes,  
I guess.  
We are the same that put the  
air in fame  
Always sing  
Our Camp Town!

On the evening of July 19th Camp  
Lown witnessed a play by the "A"  
group.

The play was written, produced,  
directed and casted by Norm Cohen,  
Judy Cohen assisting.

The play opens as four flyers  
are playing cards. Their conver-  
sation reveals that "Mr. Levin"  
is trying to get gas to fly the  
human cargo back to Israel. Gas  
is finally secured and "Operation  
Magic Carpet" is a success.

The Cast in Order of Appearance.  
Joe.....Stewart Cope  
Marty.....Morton Ross  
Pat.....Michael Ross  
Eli.....Steve Podulsky  
David.....Sanford Podulsky  
Dr. Jacobson...Audrey Saperstein  
hannah.....Dorothy Wolman  
Nachmad.....Irwin Cohen  
Mr. Levin.....Henry Grossman

Scenery by Sylvia Gerstein.

# SHREDDER



## WIT

by - The Sweeper

To Steve P. : Your tall s wit like birds in the wilderness...  
What's this mad rush to Old Orchard on days off, boys???,... (gold)  
Dotty W. thinks Howie B. has a one track mind. All he talks  
about is \_\_\_\_\_

Paul I., you're quite a base ball player. The only trouble  
is you spend more time looking for the ball than playing.  
What certain Yosef helps Sol Sherman look for lost soft  
balls?????

Flash! It has been rumored that the madrichot (girl counselors)  
are afraid of the C.I.T.'s Is it true? You're rating for a  
basket ball game.

Larry L. is a second hand store. Are you going to Hollywood,  
Larry????

Shirley R. is going to charge \$2.00 per haircut. She has  
quite a classy clientele!!

Morty R. wishes Dinny S. a Happy Birthday, and it isn't  
belated. Remember, the early bird always catches the worm!!!  
The afternoon of the storm when the lights went out was  
a catastrophe in tzif 13, wasn't it Carmi???? These card  
sharks!!!

Burt R., isn't Charon C. just a little too young for you?  
What happened to the older girls? If at first you don't  
succeed try, try a gun!!!

Arthur, we think we know what happened to your Ginsey Report,  
garter snakes are rather discreet!!!

Sol S. Do you have trouble with your boys? If so, send them  
to Carmi, she has that certain charm that calms the boys.

Paul G. Do you have enough aspirins in canteen to cure the  
headache you get from canteen?

A warning to all bonim and chalutzim. There are some tzofim  
and tzofot who may beat you in swimming... Keep your eyes  
on Charon C.

Allen S., Barbara C. and Barbara T., who was that beautiful  
Bat-Sheva in tzif 2's Bible story??? She is very popular  
with the boys!!!

A hint to those in Yosef's Hebrew class, he loves chocolate  
and toothpaste.

Donny G. where did you get that girlish figure???

Tzrifim 8, 9, and 10 are all going batty!!!

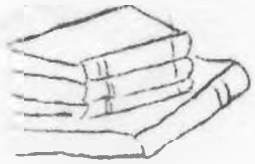
We have a nightingale in camp, Bena S.!!

Denise S., is it A.R. 1 or A.R. 2???

Sandra C., what happened when your shoe fell into the water?

It looks just about right for Ellen now,

The main question in tzrif 7 is "who will win the captain's  
badge?"



THE



# WRITTEN WORD

## AN INTERVIEW WITH THE GOVERNOR

We all know Marv Karp, the J.C. in tzrif 6, who has been coming to Down for the past three years. To all of us he is considered one of the most outstanding fellows in camp and we were all proud of him when he was elected governor of Birigo Boys' State.

From Marv's own words we found out what happened.

He was sent to Boys' State by the Milo Board of Trade, as all boys who are sent are sponsored by some kind of service organization within their own communities. When the boys arrived there they were divided into four groups and met to nominate candidates for the governorship. As soon as Marv was nominated his campaign began. The only method that they had to gain votes was by their campaign speeches, so you can easily see why Marv won.

Marv says that although the main purpose of Boys' State is to teach about state government and that most of the time was spent on this, they had some time for sports and other activities.

He said that his greatest thrill of the whole week was when he met governor Frederick G. Payne.

It is indeed a tribute to our ideals of democracy that a Jewish boy from a small town should be elected governor of Boys' State, for it is very likely that if we had been living in another country this may not

## "THE FIRE EATER"

by Henry J. Berkowitz

The Fire Eater is the story of a Jewish boy and of his trials and tribulations. Set against a Philadelphia background in the opening years of the nineteenth century. The reader is introduced to Adam Levy, a sturdy, ambitious boy. Adam had to fight twice as hard for whatever he wanted. This is well illustrated by an incident on the football field in which the hero exposed a foul play by tricking the runner. The runner got very angry for he was known to be untouchable because of his swiftness, and he called Adam a greasy Jew. The runner was forced to apologize to Adam after the game. This story also tells about Adam's school life, army life, as well as his adventures on the football field.

Buck Taylor, Adam's friend sometimes stole small articles to outdo the other fellows by doing brave daring things. Adam helped him change his ways.

This book is filled with everything a boy or girl would like to read and I recommend it highly.

Ruth Flock

## INTERVIEW WITH THE GOVERNOR (continued)

have been one of our privileges.

Audrey Saperstein.

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עורכי הספורט

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## For Freedom

July 4th, the anniversary of our country was observed by the play "For Freedom." The play written by Norm also marked the anniversary of the State of Israel.

The play included six different settings.

In the first the early American Colonists were protesting the British taxation.

The second showed Haym Solomon, Jewish Philanthropist, during the Revolutionary war, raising money for Washington's army.

The next dealt with the bravery of Washington and his dying men at Valley Forge.

In the fourth, an Israel representative is protesting the White Paper to a British high official.

The fifth shows the Nazi oppression to the Jews during World War II.

In the last scene the British are denying entry to the Jewish immigration ship, Star of David.

The parts were taken by Jack Golding, Donna Levine, Mike Ross, Henry Grossman, Irvin Cohen, Sandy Podolsky, Mort Ross and Arthur Ginsberg.

Those in the chorus were: Ruth Jacobson, Timmie Goldman, Leila Stein, Dorothy Wolman, Elaine Goldman, and Audrey Saperstein.

The play, ending with Hatikvah, was a fine exhibition of the American and Jewish fight for freedom.

Sandy Podolsky

## The Yemenite Campfire

Monday, July 19, was Yemen night at Camp Lown, and everyone dressed in Yemenite costumes. We went to the "rec" hall and sat on the floor in front of the fireplace. We sang some songs, and watched a dance by Ruth Jacobson, Donna Levine, and Denise Striar. Norm Cohen told a story of a Yemenite family that went to Israel. Between the different parts of the program we heard Yemenite records. The program was very different and enjoyable.

Judy Singal