

## SHIP - A - BOX

On September 30th, ten cartons of toys were sent to needy, Jewish children in Israel, some homeless -- others, maladjusted or physically handicapped.

These cartons included 4 metal wagons, 14 skeins of yarn, knitting needles, assorted leather pieces, 8 knitting kits, 1 Tonka truck, 12 boxes-64's- of crayons, 6 tubes of paste, 12 scissors, 5 magic marking sets, several educational and guidance toys, 200 pencils, 3 paint by number sets, 300 sheets of colored paper, 1,000 sheets of lined paper, several doodle pads, 80 balloons, 6 easel peg sets, 3 toy pianos, 4 metal tea sets, and 3 pound a peg sets.

It is our sincere wish that these packages arrived in time for the Chunukah Season, giving these deprived children a little happiness and hope for the future.

## FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Meetings are being held every two weeks with an average attendance of about 24 to 28 men and women. The interest is increasing. Mr. Victor Taylor showed slides of Israel for the first meeting. On October 26th, Rabbi Bekritsky was the guest speaker. The November 9th meeting featured Jules Krems and a Medicare discussion. The annual Latke Party was prepared by the group for the Center Board Members in a joint meeting on November 30th. Due to inclement weather, the December 14th meeting scheduled at the Jewish Home for the Aged was postponed. Hopefully it will be rescheduled for January.

## BEACON CLUB \* ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Beacon Club members were entertained by NCJW at their annual Christmas dinner party at Valle's. Hostesses were Mrs. Bernice Heifitz, Mrs. Edith Diamon, Mrs. Gertrude Resnick, Mrs. Carolyn Glassman, Mrs. Marion Judelsohn, and Mrs. Alice Slosberg.

Following dinner, an informal entertainment was held. Several members sang Christmas Carols and Mrs. Slosberg read several old Christmas legends. The hostes were presented with corsages by the club members.

## BIRTHDAY CARDS

Do you know a youngster who is having a birthday soon? Contact Elaine Lewis, 773-7803 for Council Birthday Cards at \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00. The proceeds are used for the ship-a-box project.

# The Councillor



PORTLAND SECTION NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

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PAID-UP MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON

Tuesday - 12:30 P.M. - January 31, 1967

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

THE MULTIPLE FACES OF EVE

Politics

Volunteer

Medicine

Art

Education

Social Work



An Exciting Panel Discussion

Chairman of the Day

Petite Luncheon - 12:30 P.M.

Mrs. Alvan Mersky

Meeting - 1:00 P.M.

## STUDY GROUPS

Mrs. Louis Black, Federal Projects Coordinator for the Public Schools of Portland, was the speaker at the study group which met at the home of Mrs. David Lewis on November 10, 1966.

Mrs. Black characterized federal aid to education as "the most exciting thing that has happened to education in my life time". She reminded Council that the group had for many years worked for this, and its efforts had in the past been defeated primarily by the problems of separation of church and state. Mrs. Black explained that the Elementary and Secondary Education Act handled this problem well and equitably; that under this Act, unlike previous Acts, the public schools institute the programs for the parochial schools; i.e., remedial teachers are assigned by the public schools for part of the time, to the parochial schools; two science teachers have been hired by the Portland School but paid by federal funds, and they also do some work in the parochial schools, a science supervisor supervises both public and parochial schools and gives "in service" training to all science teachers. Mrs. Black stated most of the programs were directed toward the disadvantaged child. However, she advised that one exciting development made possible through federal funds was the housing of all audiovisual materials and extra supplementary materials under one roof. With a staff of three professors, so that a teacher can contact them and say she is doing "social study class on Russia at the 5th grade level" and ask that they furnish her with all materials they have on it. The staff will put it together so that it can be picked up and used the next day. This is used by colleges and all school systems in and around Portland.

Mrs. Black explained Operation Safety as a summer activity program for education of about two hundred slow learners, under achievers, and those with attendance problems at school --- the potential school drop-outs. These children were identified by guidance people. It was a flexible program so structured as to allow the student to take courses he liked. There were a lot of field trips related to what was being studied; swimming, physical education, plus trying to get afternoon jobs for them. Breakfast and lunch was furnished. The ration was fifteen students for every one teacher. Throughout the summer there were absolutely no behavior problems. The students learned for the first time that they could achieve and could succeed. The program was rated as "outstanding, well conceived, and well executed, and could well be a model for the rest of the country."

Mrs. Black also talked about the Pupil Rehabilitation Educational Program designed for boys and girls returning to Portland from Boys Training School and Stevens Training School for girls. This program will be an attempt to sufficiently rehabilitate these children, not only emotionally, but educationally, as to allow them to successfully integrate into the public school system. We thank Selma Black for a most stimulating and educational study group.

Our next study group will be held on February 9th, at 8:00 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Harold Berk, 135 Craigie Street. The discussion will be on "Mental Health", and our speaker will be Mr. Linwood Brown, Director of the Sweetser Home for Emotionally Disturbed Children.

#### PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Supporters of Stevens, the state wide organization of citizens organized to educate the public as to the needs of Stevens Training School for Girls located at Hallowell, Maine, and to assist in securing the necessary legislation to implement the building and programming at the institution, held a meeting at the Woodford's Congregational Church, December 15, 1966. Mr. Luther Allen, Cumberland County Chairman of the group, introduced Mrs. Harry Glassman, state chairman, Mrs. Alan Levenson, Treasurer, Mrs. Hazel Loveitt, State Publicity Chairman, and Dr. Pauline McCready, Superintendent of Steven's Training School.

The organization has created widespread interest throughout the state, resulting in Christmas gifts for the students at Stevens, and in increasing individual and organizational membership in the organization. This group resulted in a large part from Council's undertaking Steven's Training School as a continuing project of Council's public affairs project. Individual membership dues are \$1.00 a year and should be mailed to Mrs. Alan Levenson. Checks should be made out to "Supporter's of Steven." The funds are being used for mailing costs of literature outlining the legislative proposals for Stevens, and all members of Supporters of Stevens will be advised as to the progress of these proposed bills. It is Council's position that all women in the State should interest themselves in the conditions at Stevens Training School for Girls, and that joining Supporters of Stevens is the most effective and expeditious means by which to assist this institution.

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## NOTES FROM NATIONAL

Council women in communities all over the country joined in community-wide demonstrations to protest the treatment of Soviet Jewry on December 11. The protests were organized by the Jewish Community Relations Councils.

Council Sections and its partners in WICS did an outstanding job in helping to make WICS Day an overwhelming success, according to the WICS national office in Washington, D.C. Sargent Shriver, Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity sent his congratulations to WICS volunteers.

Dore Schary, famed stage and screen writer and leader in Jewish affairs, will write the introduction for Council's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary book, which will be introduced at the 1967 Biennial Convention. It will give a picture story of U. S. women's struggles for social justice, now and during the past 75 years, as seen through Council eyes.

The Regional Conference in Framingham, Massachusetts was attended by Mrs. B. James Cohen, Mrs. Herbert Bennett, Mrs. Joel Abromson, and Mrs. Maurice Davis. The theme "Can We Do Business As Usual" was concerned with the role of the volunteer in these changing times.

"One Woman Can Make A Difference" is the theme for the National Council of Jewish Women 1967 Biennial Convention which will be held in Atlanta, Georgia, April 9-13. The delegates from the Portland Section will be Mrs. Joel Abromson and Mrs. Herbert Bennett.

### WICS

WICS gave a luncheon at the YWCA, Thursday, December 29, 1966, for all local Job Corp girls who were home on Christmas leave from Job Corp Training Centers, and for Maine graduates of Job Corp Training Centers.

### COUNCIL TOURS

Planning a trip to Israel? The Orient? The Mediterranean? Europe? Remember Council's many exciting, money-saving tours. Call Mrs. Maurice Davis, 773-5135 for information.

THE MULTIPLE FACES OF EVE

On Tuesday, January 31st, at 12:30 PM, an exciting and stimulating Paid-up Membership meeting awaits your pleasure. We promise to serve you a tempting lunch, prepared by Mrs. Maurice Cohen, Mrs. Donald Finegold, and Mrs. Herman Hirsch. Helping with the luncheon will be Mrs. Melvin Golding and Mrs. Yoland Potter.

Chairman of the Day, Mrs. Alvan Mersky has arranged an enlightening and provocative program. Mrs. John (Dorothy) Healy, of Westbrook Junior College, will be the Panel Moderator. Our Panelists are:

Mrs. John (Jadine) O'Brien ----- the woman in politics

Mrs. John (Priscilla) Pancoast - the woman in art

Mrs. Merritt (Grace) Dickstein - the woman in social work

Dr. David (Gisela) Davidson ---- the woman in medicine

Mrs. Sumner (Rosalyne) Bernstein the woman volunteer

For an afternoon you won't forget, remember the Paid-up Membership Luncheon.

A THANK YOU NOTE

Dear Council Members,

Because of your devotion and untiring cooperation, once again Council's Scholarship Luncheon was both a social and financial success. Our sincere thanks to our efficient chairmen and vice-chairmen for their conscientious efforts, and to their committees for a job well done.

Most of all, our thanks go to each patroness, donor, and contributor, whose generosity and support made it all possible.

Sincerely,

Marlene Finegold  
Eleanor Merdek  
Co-chairmen

CORRECTION ----- OOPS!

The following names were missing from your Scholarship Luncheon souvenir booklet:

Patron - Mrs. Samuel J. Sacknoff

Donor - Mrs. Sol Sulka

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\* Denotes endowment fund.

We, the members of Portland section, National Council of Jewish Women, mourn the recent death of Mrs. Simon Glaser. Lil was a past president and devoted member of our organization, and she will always be remembered with affection. Our heartfelt sympathy goes to her family at this time.