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Dear Mr. Bronfman,

As a Holocaust survivor, I have read of your Commission's work, in the media, with great interest.

Please find attached, a letter detailing my research work in the Holocaust era which I offer to you, personally, and I also offer to donate to the Commission.

Thank you for your consideration and best wishes for a Happy Passover to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Henry Schloss,
Miami Beach
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April 12, 2000

Mr. Edgar Bronfman, Chairman
C/o Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the USA,
Fax: 202-371-8876

Dear Mr. Bronfman:

I read recently in the Toronto Star about you being the chairman of the above mention Commission, I understand that you are interested in revealing the whole truth about all the wrongdoing to victims of the Holocaust.

I have recently finished my expanded second edition of a hard hitting book "THE CENTURY THAT WAS" (World-Wide Copyrights).
The book is about truth, guilt and injustices to the victims of Holocaust. I do not avoid to denounce any person or nations, for their evil conducts before, during and after the WWII.

Based on previously secret archival documents, I am revealing very important events which are not very well known to most of the people of this country and in the world.
My intent is to educate the new generation about the true facts of the recent history. I also look at the present day world events with a critical eye and tell it like it is.

Having been a Holocaust survivor, of 5 long years and in different concentration camps, who lost his entire family, my book describes how I have been a part of it.
The emphasis is on the life of one human being, in good and bad times during and after WWII. My purpose in writing this book is to reflect on those events, from the dual perspective of being a participant and an interested well-informed observer.

I would like with your kind permission, to send to you, my new concise and to the point manuscript (Second edition: 42,000 words plus Appendix and Photos)
Looking forward to hearing from you soon, please accept my best regards,

Sincerely,

Henry Schloss

P.S.
Second edition is available on a floppy disk Microsoft Windows 3.1, 296 KG.
also the excerpts from the book is available free at www.thecenturythatwas.com

The first edition of my book is now available on the INTERNET, free of charge.
www.books-on-line.com (enter: schloss, or THE CENTURY THAT WAS)
Dear Mr. Schloss,

Please see the attached letter in response to your e-mail to Mr. Bronfman.

Sincerely,

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From: henry schloss [mailto:henryschloss@yahoo.com]
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Subject: Kind Attention: Mr. Edgar Bronfman, Chairman

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June 5, 2000

Henry Schloss

Dear Mr. Schloss:

Thank you for your letter detailing your research on the Holocaust. We would be pleased to accept the donation of your book *The Century That Was* as an addition to our library.

The goals of the Commission on Holocaust Assets are as follows: 1) to study and develop an historical record of the gold, financial and cultural assets of Holocaust victims that came into the possession or control of the Federal Government; 2) to review other research into assets that came into the possession or control of non-Federal entities within the United States; and 3) to recommend further actions, based on our discoveries, to the President. We are committed to finding truth and attaining justice for those affected by the Holocaust.

Thank you for your interest in the Commission's work.

Very truly yours,

Kenneth L. Klothen
Executive Director
Dear Friend,

I am happy to inform you that the printing of the second edition of my book "The Century That Was" (World-Wide Copyrights) was done at our own expense and a limited number of paperback books have just arrived.

The intent of the second edition is to enumerate the true facts of the 20th century and to disclose incredible stories seldom mentioned anywhere.

I am offering the second edition at my cost of $12.00 plus postage of $3.00. Please let me know if you would be interested in receiving it.

Information about the second edition is available free on our web-site: "www.thecenturythatwas.com".

The first edition is still available free on the Internet at "www.books-on-line.com" (enter: "Schloss" for "Author" or enter "The Century That Was" for "Title").

Thank you and best personal regards.

Sincerely,

Henry Schloss,
Miami Beach

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August 16, 2000

Mr. Edgar Bronfman, Chairman  
Fax: 202-371-5678  
c/o Presidential Advisory Commission on Holocaust Assets in the USA.  

Dear Mr. Bronfman:

I am happy to informed you that the printing of the new expanded second edition of my book "THE CENTURY THAT WAS" (World-Wide Copyrights) was done at our own expense and a limited number of the books have just arrived.

The intent of the book is to enumerate the true facts of the 20th Century and to disclose incredible stories seldom mentioned anywhere. This is a most fascinating, hard hitting book about the historical truth, guilt and Injustices. I do not avoid to denounce any person or any nation, including even some Americans, for their evil conducts before, during and after World War II. Having been a Holocaust survivor, my book describes how I have been a part of this century. The emphasis is on the life of one human being, in good and in bad times. I also write about Jewish people in Diaspora, about Israel and about the United States.

You are the first person, I am making this offer to; I would like to sell the book at my own cost of $12. plus postage of $3. total $15. Kindly let me know if you be interested in receiving it.

Please accept my best regards,

Sincerely

Henry Schloss

PS.
The first edition of my book is still available free of charge on the INTERNET, www.books-on-line.com (enter, henry schloss, or THE CENTURY THAT WAS"

Information about the second edition; (140 pages [8.5x11], 43,000 words plus Appendices and Photographs), is available free on my website; www.thecenturythatwas.com
THE CENTURY THAT WAS
A Revealing Look Behind The Scenes

by HENRY SCHLOSS

To the loving memories of:
my mother Mina and my father Moses Schloss,
 Victims of that Century.

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The incredible 20th century started with hopeful anticipation for a bright future. Unfortunately the bad news started already in 1901 when the U.S. President William McKinley was fatally shot by an anarchist, as he started his second term. Theodore Roosevelt was sworn in as his successor and the 26th president of the USA (1902 – 1905).

In 1903; the good news was that the Wright brothers, Orville and Wilbur, flew the first powered and heavier-than-air plane at Kitty Hawk, N.C. In New York City, the first subway was opened. Henry Ford started a motor company, to produce the so called “horseless buggy”. The motor car has drastically changed the way people travel.

San Francisco, experienced a very strong earthquake, which started a three-day fire. In 1905, more than 500 people were killed. Earthquake killed 150,000 people in southern California.

The imperial, territorial and economic rivalries lead to the World War I. On June 2, 1914, Austrian Archduke Francis Ferdinand and his wife were assassinated in Sarajevo by a Serbian nationalist. On July 28, Austria declared war on Serbia, followed by declaring war on Russia and France. Britain declared war on Germany, on August 4. On April 6, 1917, the U.S. declared war on Germany and sent combat troops to France. Germany was defeated and on October 19, 1918, asked for armistice; the hostilities ceased on November 11, 1918. As a consequence, German economy finally collapsed in 1927.

Bolsheviks seized power in armed coup d'état in October 1917, led by Lenin. The Russian czar and his family were executed by the Bolsheviks. After the revolution the Communist Party was formed to rule the Soviet Union. The rule lasted until 1991.

Americans in general have a good time in the so called “Roaring Twenties’; it was very active and joyous life. The business was good and the stock market enjoyed irri
tion exuberance, ending in a crash on October 29, 1929, losing $26 billions in one day.

The first phase of depression and world economic crisis started and lasted until 1 when the U.S. entered the World War II, after Japan’s attack on Pearl Harbor.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt, was elected in 1932 to be the 32nd. President of the U. S. He was reelected in 1936, 1940 and 1944. He adopted the “New Deal” to advance economic recovery and social welfare, as well as new political principles.

The insulin used in treatment of diabetes mellitus, was developed by Canadian physician Fredrick Grant Banting, for which he was awarded Nobel Prize in 1923. Penicillin is an antibiotic to fight previously incurable diseases, was discovered by three English physicians Alexander Fleming, Ernst Boris Chain and Howard Florey. They were awarded the Nobel Prize in 1945.

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The trouble in Europe started in 1933, when Hitler gained dictatorial power in Germany. Adolf Hitler was born in 1889 in Austria. He dropped out of high school and he tw

faced the admission examination to the academy of arts in Vienna.

He was incapable to earn money or to keep a job. He lived on charity. He had no friends. In 1913, he settled in Munich, Germany and joined the army in World War I. He rose higher than corporal. He was very disillusioned that Germany lost the war. He dec
tided to start a small Nazi party. After receiving German citizenship, he ran for president in 1932 election and lost to the war hero Paul von Hindenburg. Amid rising civil unrest caused by the Nazis, on Jan. 30, 1933, Hindenburg was forced to appoint Hitler the chancellor of a coalition cabinet.

Hitler believed in his mission to achieve the German Aryan “master race”.

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His speeches were full of anti-Semitic venom and hatred, his delivery resembled the behavior of a raving lunatic. He had a paranoid fear of plots against him. He ordered his opponents, even if they were his Nazis colleagues, to be murdered.

In 1938, on Hitler's order, the Austrian Chancellor Engelbert Dollfuss was assassinated and Austria was amalgamated with Germany, in the so-called Anschluss. Later in 1938, the "Munich Pact" was signed by Hitler and the Great Britain's prime minister Neville Chamberlain, ceding the Czech Sudetenland to Nazi Germany. Chamberlain on his return to London, held up a piece of paper saying "Peace in our Time". The time run in less than one year. This "Pact" is regarded to this day, as the epitome of appeasement.

Hitler felt invincible at that time, and on September 1, 1939 Nazi Germany attacked Poland, by doing so, Hitler triggered the start of World War II. Step-by-step he conquered most of Europe, only the Great Briton remained free. On June 22, 1941, Germany attacked the Soviet Union.

The lives for Jews after the year 1933, have changed, never to be the same. The genocide against the European Jews began with a vengeance after the start of World War II in 1939.

Hitler assumed personal command of the war, because of his incompetence and fanaticism, Germany finally lost the war, to the Allies. On April 30, 1945, he and Eva Braun, his mistress, committed suicide in his Berlin bunker. His legacy is the most dreadful tyranny, in history.

How was it possible for Hitler, the social misfit, loner, with little education to assume dictatorial power in Germany, a country with a long cultural tradition, who would accept a leader of this kind? It must have been a divine intervention to create a devil of this magnitude to punish the Jewish people with such cruelty. Why did the Almighty let it happen?!

The foundations of theology have been shaken by those events. A lot was written about the war, attempting to reconcile God, civilization, and the gas chambers of Auschwitz.

During World War II, the Nazis and their collaborators were the murderers and the Allies were the insensitive bystanders to those atrocities. Nobody cared then or currently. I do not avoid to denounce any person or any nation, for their evil conducts, in this section, I call "J'ACCUSE". The liberation of European Jews was never a priority for the Allies or the U.S. Government, according to the official U.S. archives.

Some American companies, (i.e. Rockefeller's Standard Oil of New Jersey) had a deal with Nazi Germany I.G. Farben, to supply them with oil, during the World War. They betrayed their country, by giving aid and comfort to the enemy in time of war. I write about how the Swiss ruling financial and industrial elite collaborated with Nazi Germany, by trading with them in looted gold, diamonds and arts. I expose the Vatican and Pope Pius XII, who kept silent on Nazis atrocities during the Holocaust.

My purpose in writing this book is to reflect on those events, from the dual perspective of a participant and an interested well-informed observer.

Having been a child of that Century, my book describes how I have been part of it. The emphasis is on the life of one human being, in good and in bad times. It is full of unusual events. It is the most fascinating personal story, written of that period. This concise and to the point, hard hitting book should be of interest to anyone who would like to learn more about the truth, guilt, injustices before, during and after WWII.

It is still generally accepted that the World War II and the Holocaust were the most important and traumatic events of the 20th Century. I know it first hand, my entire family was murdered in the Holocaust, while the world was passively watching and doing nothing. Nevertheless I should be thankful to the American Troops, for "liberating" me from Gunskirchen, (Austria) death camp on May 5, 1945. A frail survivor with only a prison's uniform on my back, I was still without any help, to start a new life. I write about 6 milestones in my life, there...
will be at least one more.

And yet at the end of this nightmare, on the ashes of the Holocaust, in 1948, the of Israel was created. After 2000 years of waiting in the Diaspora, Jews finally had homeland. Israel is a strong and a free country, celebrating their 50th. anniverss of achievements.

Jewish teachings tell us that the world was founded on the three principles of truth justice and peace. I hope, that in my lifetime, the people of the world who suffer much in the 20th century will find at least an enduring peace, in the 21st. Century.

In the late 1950's Television became the dominant media providing entertainment and news. In the 1980's, as a result of the technological revolution, the computers to over all phases of everyone's life, performing innumerable operations for individua governments and corporations.

In 1990's the Cyber revolution was the next step, with the introduction of the INT World Wide Web, creating interactive communication all over the world.

The outlook for certain aspects, of the new century is cautiously optimistic, howev also pointing out some pitfalls facing mankind, especially at the start of the year

J'ACCUSE by HENRY SCHLOSS

Jews have ample historical reason to be wary of Christians. The Jews suffered murd rampages by the Crusaders. During the Spanish Inquisition, the Jews were executed expelled from Spain. Especially, the centuries of preaching by the Church, of con for the Jews. was the root that bore the Holocaust. Pope Pius XII kept silent wh given reports of the Nazis genocide. After the war Vatican helped war criminals to escape to South America. Many Jewish survivors were murdered when they returned after the war, back to their homes in Poland. Only in 1962, Pope John XXIII issued the Nostra Aetate, which orders the cleansing of anti-Semitism from Church teaching.

HOLOCAUST, an Old Testament sacrificial term, is used now to describe the massacre of 6 million Jews by Nazi Germany during the World War II. Hitler started it all in 1933 Germany, with all kinds of discrimination against Jews, while the world pass looked on. The Nazis atrocities first started against the German Jews. On November 9 they have staged the "Kristallnacht", the anti-Jewish riots. Some 30,000 Jews were arrested, and many were killed, 191 Synagogues destroyed and 7,500 shops looted.

Most of the Jews were trying to get out of Germany at any cost. On May 15, 1939, desperate German Jews left Hamburg on the liner the "ST.LOUIS". They were stripped all of their possessions, by the Nazis. All they had was a precious entrance VISAS. They were distinguished, educated, cultured and well-off, but all were now pennile.

When they reached Havana on May 30, the Cuban Government refused to recognize their entrance VISAS. None of these poor men, women and children were allowed to disembark. Various Jewish organizations started a desperate search to find another country who would receive them. All the Latin American countries rejected the request to let t On June 2, the "ST.Louis" was forced to leave Havana harbor. The last hope was the United States and Canada. When the ship was approaching the port of Miami, the Government refused to let them in. The U.S.Secretary of State Cordell Hull, who unfriendly to Jews, emphatically opposed the admission. The U.S.Secretary of Treas Henry Morgenthau, fought vigorously to let them in, as political refugees, but to n In the meantime, the American Coast Guard had been ordered to make sure that the "ST.Louis" stayed far enough offshore, so that it could not run aground, nor any of its frantic passengers could attempt to swim ashore, to the United Stat

The "ST.Louis" was now sailing north to Canada. On June 7, some prominent Canadian Jews, sent a telegram to the Prime Minister MacKenzie King begging that he show "Christian Charity" and offer the homeless exiles sanctuary in Canada. Mr.King asked members of his Cabinet; Lapointe and Blair (both anti-Semites) to consider this mat Lapointe strongly opposed the admission of the Jewish refugees, while Blair claime that these refugees did not qualify under the immigration laws. Blair added, that
could not take in the hundreds of thousands of Jewish people who wanted to leave Eu
This was a disgraceful episode in the United States, Canadian and world history.

Finally, in spite of protests from American and Canadian Jews, the liner "St.Louis" with 907 desperate Jewish political refugees on board, was forced to sail back to G
Subsequently, most of the 907 innocent people were killed by the Nazis in death

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On Sep.1, 1939, Nazi Germany attacked and in 3 weeks conquered Poland. The genocide against the 3.3 million of Jews began with a vengeance. Poland had always a problem with anti-Semitism. How deep their hatred was, we only realized when the Nazis arri. They decided that Poland was the most suitable country to build the extermination i.e.Auschwitz. Only about 300,000 Polish Jews survived in various death camps by th of the war, in 1945. After Germany attacked the Soviet Union in June 1941, they se "strike squads" (Einsatzgruppe B, mobile squads of the SS, led by Brigade- fuehrer Arthur Nebe). Their aim was to kill all Jews. The worst atrocity occurred at the Ba ravine in Kiev, where 33,771 Jews were machine-gunned on Sept. 29-30,1941.

In January 1942, at Hitler's insistence, the Wannsee Conference decided on the "Fin Solution of the Jewish Question". Millions of Jews were exterminated by the Nazis dreadful camps, by cyanide gas, or carbon monoxide gas and other horrible methods. My dear parents, my entire family and 6 million innocent Jews were murdered by the Nazis, with the help of Ukrainian collaborators in Belzec, Sobibor and Treblinka.

The Warsaw Ghetto revolt started on April 19, 1943; the Nazi General Jurgen Stroop tanks, flame-throwers and bombers against the Jewish ghetto fighters armed only wit rifles, hand grenades and gasoline bottles called "Molotov Cocktails". Only a few thousand Jewish men and women fought the mighty German army for 42 days. That was longer than any other European country fought the Germans, in WWII. Most of the Jewish fighters perished but they killed about 5,000 Nazi soldiers. Only a few thousand Jewish men and women fought the mighty German army. On May 16, the Nazi General Stroop "proudly" reported to Hitler, the Jewish Ghetto in Warsaw no longer exists and all Jewish fighters were killed. Only Jewish fighters escaped from the burning Ghetto, by crawling through a neck-deep se They have joined guerrilla bands, in the nearby forests, to fight the Germans.

In 1941, the British Intelligence broke the German secret code. Therefore they knew what the Germans were doing. They were getting daily reports on how many innocent Jews were being murdered by the Nazis. Unfortunately the British did not pass the information to anyone, they kept the information secret till way after World War I According to the London's Jewish Chronicle; France's Vichy government sent out a message in 1941, saying that they are willing to make arrangements to send 1,000 Jewish children to Great Britain. The offer was cruelly turned down by the British. On July 16,1942, on order by Vichy's Pierre Laval, French policy rounded up 13,000 in Paris, among them 3,000 children. They were locked into the "Velodrome" stadium without food or water, to await deportation to extermination camps in Poland.

In 1942, The United States Government received from their Ambassadors, in neutral European countries, information about the Nazis atrocities. Franklin Delano Rooseve the President of the USA, knowingly allowed the Holocaust to happen. The U.S. Government did not even want to make public, the information that they knew about the Holocaust. When the question was asked why they adopted this policy, the answer was, "we did not want to create the impression that the USA was fighting against Germany, only to save the Jews".

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In 1943, John J. McClay U.S. assistant secretary of war, ordered in writing that no American planes be diverted to bomb the Nazi death camps. A copy of this written order is at Yad Vashem, in Jerusalem, the Holocaust memorial to the six million Jews murdered by the Nazis.
The liberation of European Jews was never a priority of the Allies or the U.S. Government; Arthur D. Morse wrote a book "While Six Millions Died" (which was based on the official U.S. archives and made available under the freedom of information act) It reveals that the Allies and the Americans, fighting Nazi Germany, were not concerned at all with the fate of European Jews. The Americans and the British European, field maps for the Armies made no mention or markings of Nazi concentration camps. The soldiers didn't come to liberate us, they didn't even know that we were there. They just by chance, stumbled upon the camp. They were completely unprepared to help us. Morse is quoting the VITTEL (camp) Diary by distinguished playwright Itza Katznelson, who wrote about the apathy of the world; "The nations did not interfere nor did they protest, nor shake their heads, nor did they warn the murderers, never a murmur. It was as if the leaders of the nations were afraid that the killing might continue."

The Nazis and their collaborators were the murderers and the Allies were the insensitive bystander to these inhuman cruelties, atrocities and genocide of six million innocent Jewish. That was a total moral bankruptcy committed, by the World. The foundations of theology have been shaken by those events. A lot was written after the war, attempting to reconcile God, civilization and the gas chambers of Auschwitz.

The perception of Switzerland as a neutral guard of humanitarian traditions was shattered when it was discovered that the ruling financial and industrial, elite collaborated with Nazi Germany. They traded with them in looted gold, pearls and diamonds, taken from Jews on their way to the death camp, according to German archives, made available after WW II. In 1942, Switzerland's anti-Semitic refuge policy was instrumental in returning back more than 35,000 Jewish refugees to the Nazis, and a certain death. According to the recent British Television Documentary the few thousand Jewish refugees which were allowed to stay, were forced to work in slave-labor camps and were threatened to be handed over to the Nazis if they complained. More than a half-century after the end of the war, the Swiss Banks are still shamefaced and stonewalling the return of money deposited before and during the World War II, by victims of the Holocaust, (The New York Times, Jan. 18, 1997).

As documented by the World Jewish Congress, billions of dollars of Jewish assets, looted by the Nazis, were acquired during World War II by "neutral countries". For example, Switzerland, Sweden, Spain, Portugal, and even France recently admitted that about 2,000 looted works of art are still hanging in its museums. Diamonds worth tens of millions of dollars, were looted by the Nazis from Jewish owners in Belgium. The bulk, of those looted assets have still not been returned to their rightful owners by the U.S.A., Great Britain and France, created Tripartite Gold Commission, in 1946, to deal with 377 tons of gold recaptured from Germany. None of it, was distribute without receiving compensation of any kind. Their archives are closed to the public.

In the 1930's, since Hitler came to power in Germany, the Nations of the World didn't what was happening to the inmates of Nazi death camps. The Jews were murdered in gas chambers and burned in crematories, build by subsidiaries of car makers Mercedes and Volkswagen, ironically with slave workers from some of the same concentration camp. On July 6, 1938, the International Conference on Refugees, took place in Avian-les-B on Lake Geneva, France, attended by representatives of 32 nations, including the U.S. States. Witnesses testified that extermination of the Jews was Hitler's policy and the members to open their doors to emigration. The conference closed, nine days later taking no effective action and the gates of the world stayed closed to Jews of Europe. The conduct of the members will stand as one of the darkest moments of indifference toward the suffering of human beings.

After the "liberation" in May 1945, the Nations of the World didn't care either what happened to the relatively few Holocaust survivors. We had a very hard time to be ad to the USA and Canada. At the same time, many Nazi murderers were welcome to enter the USA and Canada. The Vatican helped other Nazis to escape from Germany to South America. We couldn't get to Israel either, because the British Navy cruelly intercepted all the ships transporting survivors and detained them in repugnant camps, on Cyprus.

Nobody cared then or cares now, to preserve those camp sites as a memorial to the
victims of Holocaust. Some of the death camps, like Belzec in Poland, where most probably my parents were murdered, don't even have a plaque or any kind of signs, identifying it as the Belzec death camp. The Dachau death camp, in Germany, is also commercialized. They built a McDonald's restaurant and other shops, only 20 feet from the camp parking lot. At Auschwitz (Polish name Oswiecim), in Poland right in front of the camp is now a large shopping center. All this was done to shamefully make money from the Holocaust and to diminish the horrors which took place in those death camps. In 1984, outside the Auschwitz camp fence, a Carmelite Nuns convent was established an effort to "de-Judaize" the Holocaust by the still anti-Semitic Polish Catholic Church. Cardinal Karol Wojtyla was born in Poland, in the year 1920, only a few miles away where I was born about 2 years later. On Oct. 16, 1978, he was elected in Rome, to be Pope John Paul II. For the first time, on October 31, 1997, he admitted that certa Christian teachings, based on "wrong and unjust interpretations" of the New Testament had helped contribute to the Holocaust and the persecution of Jews in Europe over centuries. However he stopped short of the direct apology that many Jews still hope to hear from Vatican, both for its lack of protest during the Holocaust and its tol of anti-Semitism in its ranks. (NYT. Nov. 1, 1997).

Shevach Weiss, (born in Poland), the former Speaker of Knesset (Israeli Parliament) wrote about Holocaust; the Germans, Ukrainians, Lithuanians, Latvians, Estonians, Croats, Hungarians and Poles robbed, looted and killed Jews. Not all of them, only of them. Also the Dutch, French, Belgians and Romanians betrayed their Jews and handed them over to the Nazis, to be deported to death camps. Not all of them, but of them. Europe is a frozen lake of Jewish blood. By committing those atrocities at that time was "you killed and you inherited". Western civilization collapsed there. This was the Europe of fifty years ago. The State of Israel, the Jewish everyone with a human heart, ought to cry out and not ignore the issue. (Together 6

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In 1950, the German Government decided to provide compensation to the survivors of the Nazi concentration camps. In order to qualify, one had to submit signed affidavits by two witnesses, stating that they had been in concentration camps. Fin to be approved, one had to be examined by a Doctor designated by the German Government. After my examination, I was told by the Doctor that my health was good. Therefore, I could not be approved to qualify for a pension (called Wiedergutmachung which required a minimum health disability of 25 percent. I have strongly objected to his diagnosis, because he did not consider my mental condition which was caused not only by my own suffering, for more than 5 years in s different concentration camps, but even more by the demise of my entire family.

The German Government also required that a copy of the Canadian Income Tax Return be examined. According to their standard, I was making enough money to support myself. I have also objected to this conclusion on the ground that I would be making much more money, if my mental state would be in good condition.

The Doctor finally agreed and approved my application for a disability pension with a minimum 25 percent. The monthly pension at that time was approximately Can.$ 50. During the following years the pension was increased, and at the present time is about C$ 500 (US$ 350) per month. Once a year, all the recipients of the German Pension (Wiedergutmachung) have to report, in person, to a German Consulate, to identify themselves and sign a form stating that they are still alive.

Germany after the war, was the only country that made a decision to compensate the victims of the previous Nazi regime. In 1952, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer signed an agreement with Nahum Goldman, president of the World Jewish Congress to pay restitution to all the survivors of concentration camps and to the State of Israel.

All other countries that collaborated with the Nazis, had never compensated the victims and did not even return their possessions which were looted during the war. France did not compensate their own citizens, who were deported by the Nazis with the help of collaborating French police.

Austria who enthusiastically supported the March 11, 1938 incorporation into
Germany (it was called "Anschluss"). They gave Adolf Hitler their native born son a tremendous welcome to Vienna. The Austrians, now pretend that they were conquered by the Germans, therefore they are refusing to compensate the Nazi's victims.

Yet, according to the Simon Wiesenthal Center, one million WWII Nazi German war veterans and their widows are still receiving monthly pensions from the German government, three times greater than the reparations paid to the Holocaust victims.

Mr. Simon Wiesenthal is the famous and relentless, Nazi hunter. He has devoted his life to bringing Nazis to justice, since he was liberated from the Mauthausen concentration camp, in May 1945. It so happens, that I was also liberated from the same camp, at the same time. Unfortunately, I didn't know Mr. Wiesenthal.

A few years ago, I visited his fortified, against the Neo-Nazis, home and office. The Belzec Extermination Camp

When my parents, Moses and Mina Schloss, were deported from Krakow on October 27, 1942, I didn't know, where they were sent. All the indications are now, that the Nazis, together with 7,000 innocent Jews from Krakow, to the Belzec death camp. The camp is located about 300 km. east from Krakow. It was located on the north side of the railroad station, with two railroad tracks going directly into the camp, bypassing it. The camp was camouflaged with trees and other foliage. It was surrounded by barbed guard towers equipped with machine guns.

It had 10 barracks and three gas chambers (which resembled ordinary baths and could absorb over 2,000 people at a time). Also living quarters for the SS and Ukrainian guards.

The brutal elite Nazi SS under Odilo Globocknik, and Ukrainian guards, were in charge of the camp. They were selling the possessions looted from the victims, to the local people, whiskey, and on prostitutes.

The "Operation Reinhard" (see page #3) lasted 21 months and has accomplished the extermination of 1.7 million of Jews, in Belzec, Sobibor and Treblinka death camp. The Nazis not only murdered the innocent Jews, but also took away their dignity, by forcing them to undress before they were killed.

Full-scale extermination of Jews began on March 17, 1942. They brought transports of Jews from other European countries. The Nazis put to death in those 3 death camps, Jews from Poland, Austria, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Holland, Germany, Norway, Romania, Hungary and Russia. The majority of the people who perished were families with children. The Nazis did not keep records of the names of their victims

Belzec became one of the largest mass cemeteries of Europe, with 600,000 buried Jews. Among them, most probably my parents. (In spite of all my inquiries for the last 50 years, the Red Cross International Tracing Service, or any other tracing service were until now incapable to confirm where the Nazis murdered my parents).

In 1943, the Nazis tried to burn the bodies and attempted to remove all traces of the camp. One Polish man, who lives near Belzec camp, who still remembers the smell from the carbon monoxide and from the dead bodies thrown into ditches.

This was the first camp for mass extermination of Jews, which eventually led the Nazi's use of crematoriums, in most of the concentration camps.

Now, the camp no longer exists, there are no markings. The display map at the gate shows the layout of the camp. It states in Polish "Operation Map of the Death Camp". A second display, in Polish declares the following: "In fall 1941, the SS Sonder command started to build in Belzec an extermination camp for Jewish population".

There is a neglected, rusted, discolored and vandalized monument, which is falling. It is placed at the site of the gas chambers. It is a sculpture displaying a mother and a child during the gassing.

The camp must be preserved. It is up to us to see to it that the Belzec camp is remembered as a proper and dignified memorial for those who were brutally murdered there. Belzec death camp is still an unknown place to the world and even to most of the world.
THE MAJOR JEWISH HOLIDAYS and FASTS

ROSH HASHANAH;
marks the Jewish New Year, is observed as a most solemn festival.

YOM KIPPUR;
is the day of Atonement, through fasting and prayers for forgiveness for our sins.

SUCCOS;
occurring in the time of the year, after gathering of the harvest. The season of joy.

SIMCHAS TORAH (The rejoicing with Torah);
marks the completion of the reading of the Five Books of Moses.

FESTIVAL OF CHANUKAH;
the dedication of the Temple (165 B.C.E.), marked a milestone in Jewish history. It is celebrated with eight nights of lighting of candles.

FESTIVAL OF PURIM;
the story occurred in the time of Persian king Ahasuerus. His prime minister was Haman, who ordered the massacre of all Jews. Queen Esther, revealed her Jewish nationality to the king, and pleaded on behalf of her people. King ordered hanging of Haman and gave back to the Jews all their rights.

PESACH (Passover);
The Egyptians tormented and laid very hard labor upon the children of Israel. God punished the Egyptians with ten plagues. Then the Jewish people were commanded by Moses to get out of bondage of Egypt. The first great expression of love between God and Israel people, was the miracle of deliverance from Egypt. and later when Israel accepted the Torah at Mount Sinai.

TISHA B'AV;
is known in the Bible, as the fast of the fifth month. It commemorates the destruction of the two Temples in Jerusalem.

All those and also other Holidays and Fasts are important to most of the Jews.

Unfortunately, more than 50 years after the Holocaust, when more than six million of Jewish men, women and children were murdered by the Nazis. We still do not have a special religious YOM HASHOAH, a day of remembrance. A day set aside for a fast and Memorial Service for the victims. I wonder why, the present day great Rabbis did not do anything to rectify this obvious void in our prayers and worship.

A few decent episodes:

Unlike other occupied countries, Denmark was allowed to keep its government, after German troops invaded Denmark in April 1940. There was another notable exception among the countries occupied by Germany in World War II. The Danes have saved nearly all the country's Jews from death at the hands of the Nazis. General Werner of the SS, Hitler's chief in Denmark, received the final order to proceed with deportation of Jews to death camps, on Sept. 28, 1943. The Nazis were prepared to deport the 7,500 Jews, starting at 10 PM. on Oct. 1, 1943. According to the "Resistance Museum" in Copenhagen, Georg F. Duckwitz, a German maritime attaché, leaked out the order to Hans Hedtoft a Danish Social Democrat, who in turn warned C.B. Henriques, the head of the Jewish Community. The word was passed and the Jews hid in gentiles houses and churches. The rescue operation was immediately organized. The Danes took 7,000 Jews to the island of Zealand, where they boarded small boats that ferried them to neutral Sweden over a period of a few days. Some 464 Jews were captured by the Nazis.

http://www.books-on-line.com/BookLink/Century.txt
The escape took place virtually under the eyes of German military and police, who took no steps to block the operation. The Germans had an observation post just north of the point where the boats were going back and forth.

Why did General Werner Best, who organized the deportation of French Jews, and Reinhard Heydrich, the notorious SS General in charge of the Nazis' "final solution to the Jewish question," let the Danish Jews go? One reason that the Nazis hesitated to persecute Danish Jews with the same ruthlessness they had shown in other countries, was a conviction that Danes would not accept such actions with the passivity that prevailed elsewhere. The other reason was, that General Best considered his main mission to assure Denmark's stability, so it continue to produce food which the Germans needed badly. After the war, when the Danish Jews returned, they discovered that their homes, gardens and personal belongings were cared for by their Christian neighbors.

Reinhard Heydrich was assassinated by partisans, in Prague in 1942.

General Best was arrested when Denmark was liberated in 1945, his death sentence was reduced to 12 years in jail, by Denmark's Supreme Court, he died in 1989. Georg Duckwitz, after the war served as Germany's Ambassador to Denmark and was honored by Israel for his part in the rescue of Jews, he died in 1973.

Mr. Hans Hedtoft the Social Democrat served as postwar Prime Minister of Denmark.

West German's first postwar Chancellor Konrad Adenaur, has tried to confront their dark past, by offering restitution for Nazi crimes, to Israel and to the survivors of the Holocaust. In 1971, Chancellor Willy Brandt, who had opposed Hitler from the start, fell on his knees in old Warsaw Ghetto, to apologize for what the Nazis had done.

According to The Jerusalem Post, in recent years, about 150 young Germans, in atonement for the horrors wreaked by their parents and grandparents, are spending 18 months doing volunteer work in Israel to help the sick, handicapped and elderly Holocaust survivors. Part of their daily routine involves bathing and dressing those who are unable to do so themselves. They are taking old people on short trips and to see for what the Nazis had done.

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MISCELLANEOUS POSTSCRIPTS

Shortly after the Nazis gained power in Germany, in 1935 the "Nuremberg Law" was passed which took away citizenship from Jews. Individual Jews were humiliated, beaten and thrown into concentration camps. The state confiscated all Jewish properties.

In 1939, British "white paper" imposed a harsh quota of 75,000 Jews to enter Palestine, over 5 years but accepted only about 50,000 between 1939 and 1945. The British were zealous in their attempts to prevent ships laden with Jewish refugees from entering Palestine. This led to great tragedies, such as that of the ship "Struma" which in February 1942 foundered at sea, killing all of the 768 on board.

In the case of the Exodus 1947, Ernest Bevin, the British foreign secretary, ordered the ship with 4515 Jewish refugees to be sent back to France, which refused to readmit the refugees. Bevin ordered them to Hamburg, Germany, where they were forcibly disembarked and sent back to a camp. Most countries imposed very tight restrictions on immigrants.

There were very few successful escapes from the trains transporting Jews to the death camps. After jumping from moving cattle railroad cars, they were shot by the SS guards. Other were killed and robbed by the Ukrainians peasants.

The Holocaust cost the lives of six million Jews; 65% of the European Jews and 33% the Jewish population in the world were cruelly murdered by the Nazis and their collaborators during World War II. Even after the war, the Jews returning back home to Poland and Ukraine were greeted sometimes with violence. In July 1946, at Kielce, Poland, a mob murdered 46 Jews, elsewhere hundreds more Jews were killed.

There were 3.3 million Jews in Poland before WWII, only 300,000 survived the Holocaust. By 1947, due to persecution by Poles, only 90,000 remained. In 1998, the number of Jews is about 3,000. The Ronald S. Lauder Foundation funds several projects in Poland.
including soup kitchens, religious classes and elementary schools. Being Jewish is very lonely, it is a struggle to find a minyan to pray in a synagogue. The Catholic Church's image of Jews is one of persecution and killing. Poland is for Poles, not for Jews, it is not their national home.

After the World War II, the Allies still did not know what to do with the Jewish survivors. There were a variety of unsuccessful resettlement schemes to establish a "Jewish National Home" in South America, Uganda (Africa) and even the island of Madagascar. It was Zionism alone that succeeded to establish in Israel, a national home for Jews.

On August 1, 1998, AP reported, that under pressure from Congress, the Justice Department may be forced to declassify tens-thousands of top-secret documents describing the U.S. intelligence community's dealing with Nazi war criminals. Some historians suspect the open files could cause "tremendous embarrassments" for the United States. This potential is the biggest series of revelations since Nuremberg war crimes trials. Many Nazis war criminals, escaped following WW II, to South of America with help of U.S. Army counterintelligence corps and the Vatican. Sen. D.P. Moynihan of N.Y. said that the secret documents "have been held far too long."

The American people were told that the World War II was being fought to defeat the Nazi and Fascists tyrannies in Europe. However large corporations were more interested in money by profiteering from the war, by dealings with the Allies and also with the enemies.

The Bank of International Settlements (BIS) in Basle, Switzerland was completely under German control in 1939 and even during the World War II, was still dealing with the Allies.

On May 15, 1939, British Prime Minister Neville Chamberlain denied that the Czech treasury was given to Germany. However, on May 31, Associated Press reported that the transactions were completed between Bank of International Settlements (BIS) and the Bank of England and Czech gold was now firmly in Nazi Germany hands. This was the same Chamberlain who in 1938 handed over Czech's Sudetenland to Hitler in the "Munich Pact".

On June 8, 1939, Khalid Al-Hud Al-Qurqain, Royal counselor of Ibn Saud of Saudi Arabia was received by Ribbentrop in Berlin. Khalid said that the King hates the British and attached the greatest importance to entering into relation with Germany. On June 17 he met Hitler at the Berghof.

Ibn Saud purchased 8,000 rifles, 8 million rounds of ammunition, anti-aircraft guns, armored cars and a special Mercedes, all on credit from German government.

On November 28, 1941, the Grand Mufti of Jerusalem met Hitler in Berlin. He expressed his admiration for the Fuhrer and named the English and the Jews as enemies.

In summer of 1937, according to British MI-6 files Duke of Windsor met with Rudolf and Martin Bormann (highest Nazi officials) at the Hotel Meurice in Paris. Arrangements were made for the Windsors to visit with Hitler and a grand tour of Germany. The Duchesse was seen handing a bagful of money to a Nazi officer on the border of Austria.

On February 18, 1940, according to German foreign office records, the Duke of Windsor actually disclosed to Zach, a German emissary, the details of a secret meeting of the Allied War Council. Had the British Intelligence had the information at that time the Duke would have been arrested and subject to court-martial.

In February 1941, in Bahamas, the Duke and Duchess of Windsor, who were fascinated by Hitler and his New Order in Europe, were in favor of a negotiated peace. He decreed "whatever happens, whatever the outcome, a New Order is going to come into the world."

On May 3, 1941, Edgard Hoover sent a memorandum to Roosevelt which read as follows: "Information has been received in this Bureau.... to the effect that Joseph P. Kennedy, the former Ambassador to England... had a meeting with Goring in Vichy, France and donated a considerable amount of money to the German cause."
On April 12, 1940, Germany demanded that the United States must release its vast holdings of gold of US$ 7.7 billion and US$ 18 billion in coinage to the Nazi government and its conquered territories of Austria, Czechoslovakia, Poland, Denmark and Norway. The payment should be made through the BIS in Basel, Switzerland. United States rejected the German demands.

Henry Ford controlled more than half of the American automobile market by 1940. He admired Hitler and shared his fanatical hatred of Jews. Ford's book "The International Jew" was published in 1927. Hitler admired the book and said that it influenced him deeply. Henry Ford and his son Edsel had one thing in common, they both believed in "business as usual" even in time of war with Germany. Ford company built trucks for the German army in Germany and in the occupied France. Ford sent Hitler on his birthday 50,000 Reichmarks. In 1941, Ford hired Charles Lindbergh as member of his executive staff. Lindbergh had been one of the most vocal supporter of Hitler in America. Even the advent of Pearl Harbor made no difference to his attitude.

General Motors company, under the control of the Du Pont family of Delaware had heavy investments in General Aniline and Film in Germany. Irene du Pont was obsessed with Hitler's principles. Despite the fact that he had Jewish blood in his own veins, his anti-Semitism matched that of Hitler. In 1936, developed and financed the American Liberty League. This Nazi organization was whipping up hatred of blacks and Jews, love of Hitler and loathing Roosevelt. In late 1930s, General Motors was committed to a full-scale production of trucks and tanks in Nazi Germany. General Motors was unpunished after the war and the United States awarded the corporation a total of US$ 33 million tax exemption on profits from "troubles and destruction... to its airplane and motorized vehicle factories in Germany in World War II".

In the Fall of 1942, it became clear that Germany was in a desperate need of oil. In North Africa, General Montgomery had smashed the German and Italian at El Alamein. The Russians had succeeded in their counter-offensive against the German army. Switzerland proved to be more and more valuable to the Nazi Germany, as a neutral country. In fact the Swiss were exchanging raw materials for German precision instruments and tools. The Standard Oil of New Jersey petroleum flew to Germany through Switzerland. Edsel Ford approved the supply of trucks to the enemy, with the help of Swiss authorities.

In 1943, Roosevelt stated "I hereby find the defense of Saudi Arabia is vital to the defense of United States". Meanwhile, the Nazi involvement in Saudi Arabia became more extreme. Ibn Saud, as always, played both ends against the middle, protesting admiration for Roosevelt and Churchill and dealing with the Nazis at the same time.

The ball bearings were essential to the Nazi war machine. The Luftwaffe could not fly without them, the tanks could not roll. Germany would be powerless without them. The Swedish colossal ball bearing factory SKF was Germany main supplier. They even tripled their shipments, after U.S. bombers raided on German's biggest ball bearing factory in Schweinfurt. Sweden was also furnishing Germany with ammunition that killed Allied soldiers. The Norwegians who had suffered from Swedish collusion with Germans, destroyed the entire SKF factory located in Norway, by a huge explosion.

On September 8, 1944, Roosevelt sent a letter to Cordelle Hull the Secretary of State. It included the bold statement: "...the defeat of the Nazi army will have to follow the eradication of those weapons of economic warfare". Morgenthau Plan wanted a total elimination not only of I.G.Farben but all German armaments, chemical and metallurgical industries. When Truman became President in 1945, he disagreed, he was convinced that to render Germany an agrarian country, was to leave an open future...
path for Bolshevism conquest.

Standard Oil of New Jersey sued the U.S. Government for having seized the synthetic rubber patents, during the WWII. On September 22, 1947, Judge Charles Clark delivered final verdict, he said "Standard Oil can be considered a national enemy view of its relationships with I.G. Farben, after the United States and Germany had become active enemies". The U.S. government had been entitled to seize the patents.

Some elements in the U.S., British and French foreign offices had consciously maneuvered to prevent the Allies for being involved in the search for Nazis assets in neutral countries, because that search would lay bare the regimes in Spain, Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland and Argentina.

The Nuremberg trials successfully buried the truth of American business connections with Germans during the World War II. Conveniently for them, Goring and Himmler committed suicide, carrying with them all the secrets to their graves. American corporations were unpunished after the war for dealing with the enemy and in some case they were even awarded compensation for the "troubles and destruction" to their factories in Germany, Austria and France, in World War II.

Documentary Source; "Trading with the Enemy" by Charles Higham, Published in 1983 by Delacorde Press

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THE NEUTRAL COUNTRIES IN WWII

The concept of "neutrality" has served well to deflect attention from the behavior countries that cooperated during WWII with Nazi Germany. Switzerland, Sweden, Spain and Portugal. Those "neutral" countries had close economic ties that significantly to the German war effort. The governments of those four nations have shown little i to scrutinize or acknowledge the problematic nature of their "neutrality" during WWII.

To borrow the title from Donald Waters' book "Hitler's Secret Ally", there is no qu the " neutrals" tried to maintain good relations with Nazi Germany, even after Allie success made it clear that Germany will lose the war. Swedish iron ore exports to G had increased in 1943. Germany was still selling gold to Swedish Notenbank in July

"If the Swedes were stubborn" wrote Dean Acheson in his memoir "Present at the Crea "the Swiss were the cube of stubbornness". Switzerland was, as the Reichsbank Direc Karl Friedrich Wilhelm put it "a clearing house for all German foreign transactions war". By 1944, "Switzerland constituted the principal market for large quantities o Germany spent in financing her war effort...." according to a declassified American The Germans transferred over US$ 378 million in gold to Swiss National Bank, as wel additional gold to Spanish and Portuguese banks. The steady increase in Switzerland with Germany led the British and Americans to threaten postwar retaliation, to bloc assets in U.S. and other Allied banks.

General Franco of Spain, whose ideological sympathies with Nazis, moved from neutra nonbelligerency, was also a repository of German assets. After the war those assets documents overseen by Martin Bormann were sent from Spain to South America.

Antonio Salazar of Portugal was also sympathetic to the Axis powers. Salazar provid shipments of tungsten that were important to the German armaments industry. Portugal was holding 44 tons of German gold, which the U.S. wanted to be surrendered after t

In September 1946, in accordance with the Paris conference, France, Britain and the States constituted themselves as the Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of M The Commission dealt with the gold claimed by European central banks looted by the However, the plundered gold that came primarily from Jewish Holocaust victims never in the Commission agendas.

In the Washington Agreement, which was one of the most bungled agreements in the po era, the Allies settled for A Swiss contribution to the Tripartite of a mere US$68
conservative estimates at that time, placed the value of the plundered Nazi gold so Switzerland during the war at US$ 200 million. Beneath the Federal Reserve Bank in City lies a good part of US$ 68 million of the still existing Tripartite Commission suffering victims of WWII are still waiting for compensation. 53 years after the Tr Commission was constituted. The Swiss were guilty of bad faith, so were the Western The treatment of Holocaust victim claims amounts to complacency at best, complicity

THE SIX: MILESTONES IN MY LIFE

MILESTONE I

Krakow, was the old capital of Poland. It had a relatively high population of Jews in a hostile environment, amongst a mainly Christian population. I was born on Feb 12, 1922 and had a very loving childhood. My parents worked very hard. My father was a very good tailor and my mother was considered the best haute couture in town. My childhood was very happy, my mother took very good care of me. Unfortunately when I was about 5 years old, I was diagnosed with life threatening typhus and ordered to a hospital. My mother implored the doctor to keep me at home and in spite of regulation he agreed to take care of me at home. It took about 2 months to cure me

I started my public school at age of 6 and finished the 7 grades when I was 13 year. In school, I had lots of Christian friends and didn’t come across a lot of anti-S. Of course, I also had a lot of Jewish friends. My best friend was, and still is, my best friend was, and still is, and still is. After school we used to go to a park and play soccer (European football). At the age of 12, my parents hired a tutor to prepare me for my Bar-mitzvah. The tutor did a very good job, I became religious and I had a very nice Bar-mitzvah attended by my parents, grand-parents, uncle, aunt and cousins; all from Krakow. My relatives from Nowy Targ and Nowy Sach, couldn’t afford to attend. My uncle Miki, lived with his parents, my maternal grandparents Susstein were traditionally observant and I often visited them for Friday night dinner. Uncle Miki a salesman, and a very unusual person, his good friend was the biggest Polish soccer star, his name was Kozak. Uncle Miki sometimes took me to important soccer matches

Shortly after I became less observant, my parents enrolled me in a private Commercial College, which was very demanding, school. Besides business, we were taught world history, mathematics, English, German and Hebrew languages. We had classes for 5 hours every weekday and I had lots of home work. I graduated in May 1939, just before Germany started the war on September 1, 1939. In the summer of 1939, I went on vacation to the carpathians mountains, near the town of Nowy Targ, where I visited my uncle and aunt and my 3 girl cousins. One was about my age, her name was Sabina. I liked her, unfortunately, we never saw each other again, because of the war. I also met on this vacation, and became friends with Stefy and Manek, brother and sister from Lwow, which was at that time still in Pola

Early morning on Friday September 1, 1939, we heard and saw from our apartment windows on the third floor, bombs hitting some targets. At that time we didn’t know if this was already the unprovoked, undeclared war by the Third Reich, Nazi Germany on Poland. Unfortunately, it turned out to be the beginning of the World War II, which changed our life tragically, forever, never to be the same. The German blitz-krieg had started, we expected them to occupy Krakow in a few days. The rumor started that they will arrest all the young Jewish men. All of a sudden, thousands of men started to run on foot east toward the town of Lwow, about 320 kilometers from Krakow. My parents have made the most painful decision of their lives, to pack a small valise and let me go on foot to an uncertain destination. For the first time, I was all by myself amongst only strangers, with a bleak future ahead. My parents were devastated, until I was finally able to come back some 7 months la
We were walking about 50 kilometers a day, sleeping in bombed out houses and eating what we could find. The German blitz-krieg was catching up with us and when I arrived near Lwow, 6 days after I started to walk from Krakow, the City was surrounded by the Germans. A local farmer showed me the way to get in by going over a small mountain. When I was on top of this mountain, a German plane was shooting at me. Fortunately they missed, and I finally got in to the deserted City. My friends Stefy and Manek were at their parent’s restaurant in the middle of town. They all stayed in the basement of this closed restaurant. I was invited to stay with them. The basement was full with all kinds of very good food and the police brought in every day fresh bread in exchange for liqueurs, which we had plenty of. We stayed in for about 10 days. The Germans finally withdrew as they had made a deal with Russia and the Russian army moved into the city. The life returned almost to “normal”. The restaurant was re-opened mainly for Russian officers. I was there as a waiter. In the restaurant, I met one Russian Jewish major from Moscow. He offered to take me with him and send me to University. I told him that I will go providing that he can arrange to bring my parents from Krakow to Lwow first. He claimed that the Russian had no normal contacts with Germans and he couldn’t do it. Therefore I didn’t go to Moscow. I couldn’t communicate with my parents, The telephone lines were cut off and their was no regular mail. I lived in Lwow for 6 months. I missed my parents very much and my parents missed me.

With the little money they had, my parents made arrangements with one of the professional smugglers to bring me back home, to Krakow. In middle of February 1940 the smugglers arranged papers for us to travel near the border to Germany as agriculture buyers. We were about 10 people, traveling in horse drawn sled. We were stopped by one Russian border guard. He looked at our papers, and he looked at us, and said angrily in Russian "you shifty Jews, get going", we were lucky. night and we still had to cross a frozen river to the German side. We made it to nearby town Tarnow, where a safe house was arranged for us. Next day, we went by train to Krakow. Since Jews were not allowed to travel by train, we pretended that were Poles. Luckily, I arrived safely in our Krakow apartment. I knocked on the door and it said it was Henek. My father was so excited that he could not even open the door. I was very happy reunion. We were still able to be together for the last 30 months, of the war.

Most of the Polish people were always anti-Semites and harassing Jews. One time, my father was in line to buy bread. Near the front of the line was an elderly Jew. A young Pole came late but wanted to be in front. He started to beat up on the old man. A German patrol stopped the Pole and said, in German "only we have the right to beat Jews, not you".

This was a tragic situation, when the Germans had to protect Jews from Poles. There were shortages of food, and the only way to get extra food supply was to barter; we had to exchange our silver, gold, linen, clothing and other items for food, usually with farmers. All had changed, in March 1941, when the Nazi created the Krakow ghetto. Fortunately for us, our apartment was located in the ghetto area, however our friend the Beck family had to move in with us. It was rather crowded, but still it was home. On April 9,1940, Germany invaded Denmark and Norway and later “goose-step” wit impunity all over Holland, Belgium and part of France (Vichy was the unoccupied par
the best haute couture in town. She was ordered to report to the residence of the German governor general of Poland, located in the famous Wawel Castle in Krakow. His name was Hans Frank. My mother had to go every day to work, to make clothing for his wife and also wives of other high ranking German officers. She received a special identification card allowing her free movement in, and out from the Ghetto. They were reducing the size of the ghetto area and the life was getting from bad to desperate. However my mother had "good" job and she was able to get food for us.

On Oct. 26, 1942 she went to work as usual but came back much later. When we asked her what has happened, she said that the wife of the governor Frank, asked her to stay for the night in their castle, because the next morning they will be the dreaded "The Nazis will start deporting most of the Jews to death camps. They wanted to save her, she refused and decided to come back to the ghetto to be with us. If she would have stayed there, she would have probably survived the Holocaust.

As my mother was told, on October 27, 1942, very early in the morning, German S.S. loud speakers ordered everyone to gather in the main square Plac Zgody. The selection by the S.S. officers started. They have separated older and middle aged Jews from the young. My mother Mina was 38 years old and my father Moses was 47 years old. Obviously too old for 'the Nazi murderer. When I tried to cross the line and join my parents, I was stopped by the S.S. soldiers, holding a rifle with a fixed bayonet to chest and ordered back. I was devastated, I knew then that this was an unbelievable tragedy, which will live in infamy. All of a sudden, I was all alone in the world, I will be with me as long as I live. My parents and thousand others were deported, I out after the war, probably to the Belzec death camp, where they were cruelly murder.

We also lost all our belongings. We were not allowed to go back to our apartments. I didn’t know what to do. I was 20 years old and lost without my parents, I decide move in with a few of my friends. We were about 12 boys and girls in one apartment. All I had was a bed. It was very hard for me to adjust. Of course, I still had to work with the Germans. One night, I came back late from a night shift and I found one of the young prisoners sleeping in my bed. I was still so naive, I asked her to leave and she never spoke again. We stayed there for about 5 months. Finally, in March 13, 1943, they started liquidate the ghetto and sent us to a camp, built on the site of an old Jewish cemetery.

Based on Frank-Himmler agreement, the S.S. troops took responsibility to solve the Jewish problem. They decided to form coercive labor camp for Jews. They built a concentration camp in Plesszow, near Krakow not far from railroad station, handy for deportation of Jews to and from the camp. The camp was set up for four thousand inmates. When the Krakow Ghetto was liquidated, the number of inmates rose to 8,000. After the liquidation of other nearby Ghettos, it reached the level of more than 10,000.

Amon Goeth was appointed commander of the camp. He ruled the camp in very cruel manner. He used to shoot the inmates he had personally picked out. He gave orders to hang inmates in public for the slightest misdemeanor. Standing on the gallows on Appell Platz, facing the S.S. soldiers and thousands of inmates, just before hangin most of Jewish victims cried out aloud in Hebrew: "Sh’mah yisroayl hashem elokaynu hashem echod" (Hear, Israel, the Lord is our God, the Lord is One).

I was assigned to work in a large clothing factory. We were repairing German soldier uniforms. Sometimes we were sent to do other work. At one time, we were called to report to a ditch which was full with corpses, and to pile them up with lumbers between, then pour gasoline and set fire to it. At one point, the S.S. officer asked me to speak German. When I said that I do, he ordered me to run down to the Jewish police station and to tell them to send up men to watch the fire. Of course, I never came to this horrible place. I went back directly to my "regular work" at the clothing

At one time, we were ordered to the old Jewish cemetery to smash tombstones to pieces. About 100 yards from where we were working, they brought about 50 old women. Amongst them I noticed my grandmother Chaye Susstein. The women were ordered to undress and then they were killed with machine-guns by the Nazis soldiers and dumped in an open hole. All I could do is to watch in horror. I will never forget what I saw.
terrible day. When I was a young boy, I was very close to my grandmother. I visited every day.

In May 1943, I was assigned, together with about 30 people, to go on a night shift into the Ghetto, to load up all the items from the Jewish homes on trucks which were to Germany. One morning, when we arrived back in the camp from the night work, we were not allowed to go to the barracks. Instead, we were ordered to surrender all valuables which we had on us, or sewn in our clothing. We were threatened to be shot if they found something on us in the search which would follow. My parents had sewn US dollars in my coat and I decided not to take it out. I was lucky they didn't see

In July 1943, about 100 people from Plaszow camp, were sent to Zakopane in the Carpathians mountains. We had to build there a new riverbed to divert the existing river, in order to create a dam for an electricity plant. I was working there only days. It was very hard work. Fortunately I was chosen, because I spoke German, by the camp commander to clean his house everyday. It was a very good job for me, at that time. After about 3 months, we all were sent back to the hideous Plaszow camp. My best childhood friend Kuba Beck was really lucky. He was included in the Schindl List, he worked for him till liberation in 1945. He and his wife live now in the US. The situation got much worse, when the Nazis started the liquidation of the camp middle of August 1944, by transporting Jews to Auschwitz & Mauthausen death camps. Page: 5

In the middle of August, I was selected with a few thousand others, to be loaded in a cattle railroad car; 95 people in each car, without food or water in the heat of su for 3 days and 3 nights to be transported to the Mauthausen death camp in Austria. When we finally arrived in our car only 5 people were still alive. It was the same cars. The few hundreds who survived the trip, were ordered to walk to the camp, against food or water. We walked through the town of Mauthausen to the camp. The Austrian town people didn't offer us even a glass of water. When we finally arrived camp, we were ordered to undress completely, search bodily, and our heads were shaved. Then, we were sent to the showers and issued prisoner's uniforms. I lost all money and the photos of my parents which I still had on me. Nothing was left but my body and the will to survive; I became just a number 87117. The prisoners who were this camp for a long time, told us that we were lucky, because we arrived after Ja Before this date, all the new arriving prisoners were send directly to the gas cha

Mauthausen was the main receiving camp, and from there inmates were shipped to other camps. We were sent to Gusen II hard labor camp. We had to get up very early, to stand outside on the Appell Platz, dressed in prisoner's uniforms in the winter. We used to place old newspapers under the uniforms, to feel a little warmer. Then, transported, in open railroad cars to a very hard work to build tunnels, where the were making their best fighter planes, the famous "Messerschmitts". The Allied plane never bombed this very important strategic factory. Hundreds of planes were passing overhead, twice daily, dropping bombs near us. Maybe the Allies were afraid that Jewish slave workers might escape? We all were hoping that they will bomb the camp but the Allies were not concerned with saving us. All the inmates were in very poor health and they were dying in great numbers. We were always hungry. Sometimes they gave us 2 cigarettes, since I was a nonsmoker, I could trade them in for bread with nicotine addicted inmates. We were covered with lice, we were sleeping in 3 level Each level was for 3 inmates; terribly crowded to sleep in this condition. Every tw weeks, our heads were shaved with about 4 cm. wide part in middle, which we named "lice promenade". This was done in order to be always recognized as being a prison

We lived and worked, in this terrible condition till April, 1945, when the Nazis d march all the Jewish inmates (there were also non Jewish inmates in Gusen II camp) to a special camp for Jews only; We walked for 2 days and nights. We slept in the floor. We ate raw potatoes. Anyone who couldn't walk anymore was shot on the spot. This camp was located in the god-forsaken forest near the small Austrian town: Gunskirch. This camp had only one purpose, to starve us, until we all died. The barracks didn't have floors and had no bunks. We were sleeping sitting on the floor. People were dead in great numbers. We received a rotten slice of bread and a watered down turnip, so once a day. The inmates talked only about our persistent hunger. We thought that all one needs to be content is to have enough food to eat, and to be free. After th
liberation, we discovered that a person needed more than that in order to be happy. At the end of April the Red Cross came to the camp with small food parcels for children under the age of 15 years. I was at that time 23 years old, however I was so small that they accepted me as being 15 years old (we had no papers to prove our age). I got the parcel which saved my life. The Red Cross officer, I found out after the war was Dr. Johannes Schwarzenberg. I wrote to him, to thank him and to thank the Red Cross.

Finally on May 4, in the afternoon, we heard some shots and all of a sudden the German guards disappeared. We couldn't believe this to be true. Most of the surviving inmates started to run to the warehouse where they kept the food. Sure enough the Germans were gone. We could take the bread and other food items. For the first time in years we were not hungry. It was getting dark, we decided not to leave the camp at night, in the morning we started bonfires and we were waiting for the daylight. Finally in the morning, American troops arrived. They were surprised and stunned by what they have discovered. The soldiers didn't come to liberate us. They didn't even know that we were there. The American field maps for the Armies made no mention of Nazi concentration camps. They, just by chance, stumbled upon the camp. They were unprepared; they brought no food, water or medicine. We received no transportation or any organized help. We were left on our own, without food, clothing or shelter.

We did receive help from individual American soldiers. They were throwing canned food from passing trucks and at one point something unusual happened. A friend and I were walking in the direction of the nearby farm houses and American soldiers were escorting German prisoners of war going the other direction. When we came close to each other, the American officer order them to stop and asked us if we were hungry. We said yes and he ordered a German prisoner of war to give to us the large farmer's bread he was holding in a large scarf, on a stick over his shoulder. The German refused to do it, however he was persuaded to do so by an American soldier with a fixed bayonet to his chest. Now, we had enough food but we needed a place to sleep. We were at the mercy of the nearby Austrian farmers. One farmer let a few of the former inmates to sleep in his barn on hay. He also gave us a little food. We were however very frail. My weight was only 35 kilos, and I couldn't walk very far. Nevertheless, one day a friend and I decided to walk about 3 kilometers to a school where American soldiers were staying.

When we arrived there, we asked the soldier on duty, (I spoke English) if we could to a Jewish soldier. He said that he was Jewish. He knew right away who we were, we had on our heads the "lice promenade". We told him that we had no soap, shaving it, shampoo and little food. He told us to wait, as he was almost off duty and he will get us a few items. In about 30 minutes, he came back with a big duffel bag full of food we asked for, plus biscuits and chocolates; items which we didn't see for the last 3 years. The bag was so heavy, that the two of us could hardly carry it to the farm-house. We shared all those items with the other people, who were in the same barn.

We couldn't stay there much longer. After more than 3 weeks, we were finally rescued by the provisional Israel army and taken to Salzburg, on the way to Israel. At that point I was already exhausted and was taken to a local Austrian hospital for about 10 days. To reach Israel was getting harder because the British Navy cruelly, and shamefully intercepted 47 shiploads with 65,307 of the Jewish survivors of the Holocaust, on their way to Israel and detained them from 1946 to May 1948 in repugnant camps on the island of Cyprus. Facing the possibility to go the a British camp, I decided not to leave and instead applied for a visa to the USA and Canada. I was ready to take the risk which will come first. It was Canada, which was "lucky" to get me.

THE LIFE AFTER THE LIBERATION

In June 1945, I was living in Salzburg, Austria, in a school which was converted to a barracks for us, the so called D.P.'s (Displaced Persons). My own survival was bitter-sweet at best; I still didn't come to terms with the qu
why did I survive and my entire family, friends and millions of other more deserving people were murdered by the Nazis? I was thinking about going back to Krakow. Some of my friends from the district of Podgorze, where we lived before the war, arrived in Salzburg. They have confirmed what I already knew, that no one from my family survived. I was also told that the Jews, which did return, were received with hostility by the Poles. I decided never to go back to Poland. Now, I had to wait for more than two years in Salzburg for a country which was willing to accept me.

The only thing I had at that time was the clothing on my back. I had nothing else. I didn’t have any other possessions. I didn’t have any money at all. I was starting life from scratch. I felt sick and was taken to the Welsh Hospital and released after weeks. Soon after, we have discovered that being a D.P. had some advantages. In July 1945 everyone in Austria was issued monthly ration cards, in order to buy or to eat in a restaurant. One was getting very little food with those cards, we needed more. A few of us D.P.’s decided to travel to nearby small towns and claim that we were there and then they had to issue ration cards for us. Each of us was able to get about rations every month. We didn’t consider this cheating, after all we all were điing years without a pay in their labor camps. We had more than enough food and the we sold and that’s how we made our first money after liberation.

We also started to buy and sell items like cigarettes and liqueurs & also did busin American soldiers, buying from them all kind of items, which they were getting from Post Exchanges. Once, I met two American soldiers and they offered me some items. They asked me to get into their military truck, I was told that they had to drive, place, in order that they could show me what they had to offer. They drove about 10 to wooden area and they pulled out guns and ordered me to give them all my money. I gave them all I had on me. I considered myself lucky that they didn’t killed me. It was an irony, to be killed for a few dollars, by my “liberators” after surviving the N years. They left me and drove away. I had a long walk back to our barracks in Salz...

This incident started me to think that it was high time to have a little better life to have a little fun in life. First, I wanted to get out from the barracks and have my own. Soon I found one, on Lasserstr. 7, with an Austrian family with 2 children. was a Fireman and they needed extra money. Just by chance right across the street was a synagogue destroyed by the Nazis and being rebuilt. In 1946 it was reop My social life was getting much better, I had a good American friend, he was a major his name is Max Schlossberg, I had Austrian men friends telling me how much support Hitler was getting from Austrian people. After all, he was born in Austria. I also had D.P. friends and a few girl friends of various European origin, I was told by some I was handsome, but having all those extra ration cards and extra food, helped too.

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My first girl friend after the war was Gerdi. She was from Czechoslovakia, I met her September 1945, when I visited an Austrian family with children, where she was work as a nanny, in a small town near Salzburg. She was about my age and very good looki We liked each other and shortly after she came every weekend to visit me. In the meantime I met a number of other girls, since I was going out every night to Concert Operas, Theater, and Night clubs. I had lots of fun and lots of visitors to my room. The owner of the apartment did not like this coming and going situation. Since my room was on a ground floor, sometimes the girls had to climb through the window.

My friend Salek Beim, and I, bought an old convertible car in poor condition. One of the friends was a good mechanic and he fixed the car. It was good enough for a trip to Four of us traveled across Austria to the Brenner Pass, which was the border. We had papers to enter Italy, however we also had lots of Austrian Schillings to be exchanged U.S.Dollars.

To be on the safe side we put the money in the reserve tire, just before the border we have install this tire on the car and after we have been inside Italy for a few we changed the tire again and used it as a spare. We went directly to Milan. A bank was recommended to us, made the exchange. This was a normal transaction for them in the spring of 1946. From Milan we traveled to a small resort town, Merano. We stay there for one week in a very nice pension. I got friendly with a beautiful young...
Gena, daughter of the owner. I was very sorry that we couldn't stay any longer.

Our trip back to Salzburg was uneventful until we reached the outskirts of town. Then all of a sudden the whole car engine fell out. We had to hire a nearby farmer to to with his two horses to a garage in Salzburg. Nevertheless, we were safely back home. Home was still this one room but the life was quite interesting nevertheless. I was to get all the food I needed from a small delikatessen store which was run by two without ration cards. They must have liked me or something? The store was located Getreidegasse about 100 meter from Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart house, his birthplace.

It was still the year 1946; I started to take dancing lessons, driving lessons and the summer swimming lessons. I had a lot of American friends and many people thought that I was working for the Americans, which I was not. Nevertheless, I was once stopped by the MP and searched for the American scripts, which I had on me. They confiscated them and after keeping me for sometime, they let me go. The scripts were only for Americans soldiers, to be used instead of dollars in Europe, at that time.

I was also stopped twice by the Austrian Police. Once I was carrying a used camera. I bought it from someone who I didn't know and they were trying to intimidate me. I got angry and told them that it was my camera and unless they had a proof that it wasn't, they must let me go and better get busy looking for Nazis still crawling all over Salzburg. They apologized claiming that they didn't know that I was a Holocaust survivor and let me go. At another time, I was stopped by two plainclothes Austria detectives in the center of town. I was holding a large duffel bag with towels and a ch of clothing, soap and other items; I was on the way to a steam bath. They were sure I caught me with black market merchandise. They insisted that I allow them to search my bag. I let them search, it was really very funny for me to see how embarrassed they

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Yes, Call me Lucky; I was making money, my social life was good and in spite of the long five years in the Nazi concentration camps, the trauma of losing my entire family health was good. However, I had problems with my teeth. It was a small wonder that after all those years without oral hygiene, without brushing my teeth, I was still to have teeth. But now, I needed a good dentist, which was not easy to find in 1946 Salzburg. I heard that the best dentist was Dr. Sebastian. I went to his office and I was told by the nurse that he does not accept new patients. Nevertheless, I insisted to talk to him for a few minutes. After waiting till everyone was gone, I spoke with him and I told him who I was and that I needed help right away and I also offered him a bar deal; I will pay him with cigarettes, butter, eggs and other items he might need. The money at that time didn't have any value. He agreed and we had a deal. I needed lot of work to be done. He did a good job, unfortunately later in Canada a lot had to be repaired.

For the first Jewish High Holidays, after the liberation, in the Fall of 1945, the Holocaust survivors rented a large concert hall in Salzburg, called Mozarteum. The services were conducted by an orthodox Rabbi and for the Kol Nidre prayers we had a good cantor. Some of Jewish survivors were very religious and thankful for being disregarding the demise of their families and friends. Other survivors lost the faith living through the atrocities of Holocaust and the killing of their families. Jews are supposed to start to fast before the Kol Nidre service, and to fast until sunset. In defiance, many of us, who lost faith, went for dinner after the Kol Nidre prayer and we did not fast at all on Yom Kippur day.

During the Yom Kippur sermon the Rabbi to everyone's surprise took God to the Din-Torah (Jewish court). He asked to compare the sins which the Jews have committed in their life time, with what has been done to them; 6 million innocent men, women and children, murdered. We are still waiting for the answer, which we will probably never hear.

In 1946, I traveled by train twice to Innsbruck which was located in the French Zone of Austria, it was mainly a "business" trip. Later my friend Ursula went by train to which was located in the Soviet Union Zone of Austria. First, we had to obtain specific travel permits. We stayed in her mother's apartment. This was my first trip to Vien.
which I wanted to see, mainly because my father spent lots of time there during World War I, and liked it very much. It is a very nice city. We traveled by wagon-lit (railroad sleeping car). It was very hard to obtain tickets for this train, but I got the way back, when the train stopped at the border, entering the American Zone, all the passengers were ordered to get off the train, to be checked and sprayed with DDT insecticide. The use of DDT was later restricted by law, due to damaging effect on one health. It was too late for us, the damage was done already.

In January 1947, we went for winter vacation and mineral baths in Badgastein, Austria. We stayed in the Park Hotel, which had the mineral baths connected directly to our room. We took nice horse drawn sled rides and a little skiing for beginners. Somehow all this did not make me very happy. Something was missing?

A big change to my life came in July 1947 during the famous Salzburg music Festival. It was very hard to buy tickets to the Festival Theaters, therefore I usually waited at the entrance hoping to buy a spare ticket from someone. One evening, to my great surprise a very attractive young lady ask me if I would be interested to buy a ticket from her, because her girl friend couldn't make it that evening. Needless to say, I was very happy to do so. Of course, in the Theater, we were sitting next to each other. That how I met Andrea. After the performance I walked her home. She told me that she played Cello with the famous Mozarteum Orchestra and that she was able, sometimes to get tickets to concerts. I asked her if I could see her again. Her answer was "maybe", we all know when a lady says "maybe" she usually means "yes". I did see her next day. We became very good friends and much more. She was the most sensitive, loving person, I ever knew after the war in Austria. She introduced me to appreciate classical music and operas. We had really a very good time.

It lasted for 10 months, but then reality set in. I had to face the fact that I was not Jewish. After 6 million of Jews were murdered, as a survivor I had obligations to try to have Jewish children. Even though my life in Salzburg was good, I didn't see a future for me there. She had to stay and work in Salzburg, her family was there, too.

I had application to emigrate to Canada pending before I met her. With great apprehension and sorrow, as soon as I received my Visa, I decided to leave. I thought that this was the right decision. She never told me what she thought? From Montreal, I wrote to Andrea and I have mailed to her two pairs of shoes which I knew she needed and could not buy at that time, in Salzburg. She did not answer my letters and we didn't speak to each other since.

From Salzburg, I left by train for a long trip to Bremerhaven, Germany. We had to stay there in special barracks for 5 days. Then we boarded the S.S. Marine Falcon ship on a horrible voyage to Halifax N.S. Canada.

The ocean was very rough and the ship was rather old. Most of the passengers got seasick. I was lucky to take special pills with me, therefore I wasn't very sick. Two days nobody was coming to the dining table. Some of my friends got very sick and were taken to the ship hospital. We slept on the 2 level bunks. It was like being in camp again. After all, we were only in the "third class", good enough for the poor.

Finally on April 23, 1948, we have landed in Halifax, N.S. Canada as legal immigrant. The official name is "Landed Immigrant". This was only the second transport arriving Canada with the European Displaced Persons, mainly survivors of the Holocaust. It took Canada almost 3 years after the end of World War II to let in new immigrants. Many murderers were admitted to enter Canada well ahead of their victims. Canada has nothing to be proud of, when it came to helping the Holocaust survivors.

When we entered the terminal on the way to the train taking us to Montreal. I noticed a newspaper the Montreal Star with a headline "ISRAEL CAPTURED HAIFA". It was good news indeed. We were thinking about Israel all the time and hoping that the Jews will have finally a country of our own. It was our best chance in 2,000 years.
When we have cleared the Canadian immigration formalities at the Halifax Port, we were met by an older gentleman, who introduced himself as a representative of the HIAS Jewish organization. He escorted all of us on the long slow train trip to Montreal.

The trip took 2 days, and soon after we arrived we were taken to a nice facility, which looked like a motel. It was located at St. Vincent de Paul, near Montreal. It was a distribution center for new immigrants. Next day we were asked to assemble in an Auditorium. A few officials seating on the podium, called names and places telling where we were being sent. When my name was called, I was told to go to Vancouver, some 3,500 miles from Montreal. I got up and I told them that I will not go to Vancouver. They have insisted that I have to go there. My answer was, Canada is a free country. I can not be forced to do anything. I did stay in Montreal, that was a milestone for me.

One reason why I wanted to be in Montreal, was to try to find my uncle, older brother of my father. I have placed an ad in the Montreal Star, from Salzburg, looking for him. I got one answer from a Sloss family. They said that they charged their name from Salzburg, unfortunately, they were not my family. I could not find my uncle, there was not even one Schloss listed in the telephone book. I still don’t know what has happened to him.

I called Mrs. Sloss, a nice old lady who answered my ad in the Star and she offered a room and board, in her house for C$ 12. a week, I have accepted it. It was a nice house in a good district called Outremont. My room was OK and the food was good there. Mrs. Sloss had two daughters, one was Sara living in New York and the other was Myra living with her. Shortly after I moved in, Myra started to come on to me. Whenever we were left alone in the house, we were necking but we never had sex, I wasn’t ready for a lasting, serious relationship, at that time.

I was sued by Sara Sloss for C$1000, for the papers and for my boat trip from Europe. USA, that she said paid for. Of course, I didn’t go to USA and a representative of HIAS came from New York to testify that all her money were refunded. The judge ruled her but nevertheless “to show an American, the Canadian-British justice” (judge’s he awarded her court cost C$ 120., which I was ordered to pay, some British just

In May 1948, I started to work at Cooper clothing. It was a very big factory and very noisy. They put me on an electric sewing machine, I wasn’t used to it. I didn’t like it but I had to work there for a few months. The pay was C$ 15 a week. After deduction, buses and C$ 12 for my room and board, nothing was left. Fortunately, I brought a few hundred dollars with me from Salzburg. I couldn’t have done without it. If this was the “New World”, I didn’t like it at all, I was very disappointed and ready to go back to Salzburg. I was told that most of the new immigrants wanted to back, but they usually stayed, as I did. I received no material support from anybody. Every week $2.00 was deducted from me, to pay the cost of my “third class” boat trip from Europe. The total cost was over C$ 300., surely it was “worth every penny” I did

In July 1948, I quit my job at Cooper clothing and went to work as a waiter at the summer resort hotel in St.Agathe, 50 miles north of Montreal. I was making more tips then the other regular waiters. Of course they didn’t like it and forced me to leave. Back in Montreal, I took another job in a clothing factory and a month later I changed jobs again. On the last job, I started already to make good money. Nevertheless, I decided to quit working in clothing factories, for good.

A friend of mine, offered me a job to represent his Toronto shoe factory “Paris Sli” in the Province of Quebec, on a commission basis. They sent me shoe samples which I carried in a small suitcase, walking the streets of Montreal. I entered any shoe store and I presented to the owner our samples. At first, it was difficult to get in spite of it, I did like this job because I was my own boss. Slowly, I started to work...
and to make money. I decided to buy a used car. It was a black PONTIAC, the car look good. It was time to expend and travel out of town, in the Province of Quebe where most of the potential customers were French Canadian. They spoke only little English and I spoke even less French. On top of this, they didn't like to buy from and especially from a Jew. One man called me Maudit Juif (cursed Jew). I responde kind by calling him Maudit Francais (cursed Frenchman). He smiled and placed an ord I started to get orders from others, because we had a good line of shoes, at a ver price. Apparently, nobody can resist a bargain. I was getting to be well known in th business. It wasn't a glamorous "show business", but it was a good business for me

In 1952, I was offered to represent an old French Canadian shoe factory from Quebec City. The name was "Duchaine Chaussures" and the owner was Paul Duchaine. They wanted me to represent them in the City of Montreal, only. They were making fashion women shoes and high quality men shoes and I personally liked their collect I took the job on a commission basis. They had only one customer in Montreal, it wa a French Canadian Department store. I knew the buyer, he was my customer, too. When I went to see him with the Duchaine Shoes, he told me that he was buying from them a little and he also told me that I was wasting my time representing Duchaine. I still didn't give up and I was able to get a number of new customers and I was g more and more orders. Mr.Duchaine use to come to Montreal and we were calling on our customers together. He himself was surprised with the success.

In 1949, I moved from Mrs.Sloss's house, to a one room with a Canadian Jewish famil with two little children, on McKenzie Street. There, I had a chance to observe a ma life household in Canada. The husband went to work every morning and the wife was taking "care" of the children, doing nothing, other than reading, eating and liste the radio (there was no TV) all day. In the evening when the husband arrived back f work, the house work started. She was preparing the supper, he was cleaning the hou and doing the laundry. The washing machine was in the kitchen. It was a mayhem. I was thinking when I get married, I don't want to have this kind of life.

On McKenzie street, I made friends with a few men, Leon Wildstein is still a friend 50 years later. I also met there a Hockey News reporter. He told me all about hock He even took me to see a game at the Forum, from the Press Box, called "Cat Walk". My accommodation was not very convenient in this location, therefore I moved to Que Mary Rd. There, I had a nice room with a family of new immigrants which I knew fro Europe. It was nice to live with a normal family for a change. They had two small. In 1951, together with my friend Romek Hornstein, I rented a large apartment on Cote St.Catherine Rd. Finally after 3 years in Canada, we had a place on our own. Romek's family help out with furniture and the place was very comfortable for us.

Most of my friends, at that time were new immigrants, both men and women. It was easy to make friends with Canadians. Our social life was still good, we were going usually together a few boys and girls. One day my friend Dora suggest that I meet w new friend, which just arrived from Paris. Her name was Bella Landau. We met on a b date and we liked each other and we started to go out. She was an elegant, chic an looking. We knew each other for a few months, and became lovers. I ask her to marry We were married on October 25, 1953, in the Temple Emanuel in Montreal by a Reform R Harry Stern. Soon, after the marriage ceremony, he turned to me and said "you want know how much you owe me". I will never forget this moment. Later we had a very nic wedding reception with Bella's family and all our friends in the Barkley Hotel.

Unfortunately, we could not have a honeymoon trip at that time, because it was the important time for me to go on the road to sell shoes. The main season had just st Bella knew all about it and agreed but still remembers that we didn't have a honeym I had an agreement with my room mate; whoever got married first will keep the apart He moved out and Bella moved in. The arrangement was good for one year.

However, as soon as our son Marc was born, on May 30,1955, we moved to a nicer plac on Bedford Road. The birth of Marc was one of the happiest events in our life. We have a good marriage, mainly because Bella is a good wife and good mother.

She had a very good education in France. She lived in Paris until she immigrated t Canada, with her parents and her three sisters. Her brother and most of her family
murdered by the Nazis. During the World War II, they lost all their possessions and parents' shirt factory. They received no compensation from the French Government. During the German occupation of France, Bella and her family suffered a lot. They had to move from one place to another, always hiding from the Nazis.

Our life in Montreal, was a typical middle class life. I was working as a traveling salesman. Bella was taking good care of our son Marc and the places we were living in the summer, we were going on vacation, either north of Montreal to the Laurentia Mountains or to Vermont, New Hampshire or Upper New York state resort places. Our son Marc was a joy, as a baby, he was very good and a happy child. He attended public schools in Montreal, studied Hebrew for his Bar-Mitzvah. He did very well in the synagogue and in the evening we had a very nice reception for all his friends and the family. He attended the McGill University in Montreal and when we moved to Miami he went to F.I.U. and University of Miami. He has earned follow degrees: Bachelor of Commerce (McGill), Computer Science (U.Miami), Bachelor of Science (FIU), Master of Social Work (McGill). He worked for a number of companies in the computer departments.

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In 1957, we bought a nice, new Duplex on Earnscleff Road; We took the first floor apartment and the second floor we rented to Bella's sister and her husband Michel Kouliche and their young daughter. They just arrived from Paris. Michel Kouliche is a famous contemporary painter, we bought many of his works.

The basement apartment, I converted to an office and show-room for my shoe samples. We also had a large back yard, where my son Marc could play safely.

In October 1959, I received a call from Mr. Nick Stern of Miami, Florida. He told me his import company Caribbean Models Inc. is looking to expand to Canada and that I was recommended to him. He asked me to fly to Miami at his expense. I decided to take his offer. This was the very first flight I had ever made. It also was my first trip to stay on for 3 days, I did some sightseeing and of course went to his office. I had a beautiful line of Italian women's sandals and other Italian shoes. I decided to sell these samples and try to sell it first in Montreal and later in other big Canadian cities. Most of my customers liked these shoes and were placing orders, it was a big success.

Late in December 1959, I took Bella and Marc who was only 4 years old, on their first flight to Miami Beach. We stayed in the Sans Souci Hotel and we were invited to Nick Stern's New Year party. We had a good time. Marc was the youngest and was the center of attention. They drove us back to the hotel at 2 am. We had a nice vacation, in

Shortly after we have returned back to Montreal, I was on my way to Italy and Spain Nick Stern arranged a trip to meet our agents in Milano and Florence, Italy. Nick was flying from Miami with some of his big customers, via Montreal, where I bo the plane, our first stop was Milano. Unfortunately, the plane couldn't land there of weather, so we flew to Rome instead. In Rome we boarded a special fast train to We have arrived in the evening, and checked into a Hotel. Nick decided that we s go to a night-club, because the next day was a holiday and it was too early to go. This was my first trip to Europe since I left in 1948. It was also my first transatlantic flight. After the holiday, we went to our agent office, where I selected shoe samples of mainly ladies sandals for Canada. Next day, we went to Florence where I met our agent Mr. Camurri and his two who were active in the business and very knowledgeable. They helped me to select samples of mainly ladies sandals for Canada. They were appointed our agents.

Before I left on this trip, I had inquired at the Spanish Consulate, about the local high quality shoe manufacturers. I was told to try Palma, on the island of Mallorca Mediterranean Sea. After we finished our business in Italy, Nick and his friends went back to America. With Nick's consent, I decided to fly to Palma. It is a very place for a vacation, but it didn't look like an industrial city. Next day, I hire speaking driver and we drove to the rural area of the island, trying to find the factory which I had on the list received from the consulate. I was able to contact a number of shoe factories, mainly ladies' shoes and only one good men's shoe factory. I was fascinated by one small place, they were making fine ladies shoes, with a unique construction. The owner's name was Ramon Pares. He was not in, I decided to wait for him. I was waiting for more than one hour and I was about to leave, when he arr
It was very lucky for both of us. The shoes he was making became a big success.
It was a very good deal for us, and also for him, as his factory expanded rapidly.

I flew back from Spain back to Montreal, with PAN AM, with a change of planes in New York. Our landing in New York was delayed, because of a snow storm and I missed my connecting flight to Montreal. PAN AM arranged a Hotel, near the Kennedy Airport all the passengers who were stranded. Next day, was Saturday, the weather got better and I decided to take a taxi to New York City and catch a matinee performance of DYBBUK. I enjoyed it, but after the theater, it was almost impossible to find a taxi back to the Hotel. I finally got back, just in time to go to the airport. for my flight back to Montreal. This was my first business trip to Europe, it was really exciting.

Our new import business was doing well and Nick Stern and I, decided to start a new Canadian Company, owned 50% by Caribbean Modes and 50% by Henry Schloss. We gave it the name FIRENZE MODES INC. I also moved my office and the show-room to an office building, not far from where I lived. I also hired a secretary and a sales manager. We also sold our Duplex and we moved to a very nice upper duplex on Holtham Place in Hampstead. It was an upscale district of Montreal.

Our life was good, we had two cars, we were going out often, Marc was attending High school and he had a lot of good friends.

I was going to Europe, at least twice a year, to prepare shoe samples for the two seasons; winter and summer. Usually in January, I traveled alone and in June, Bella and Marc were coming too. It was both for business and vacation. We always followed a similar itinerary; from Montreal we flew to Paris or Milano, than continued to other places by air. In the 12 years we were in this business, we visited the following:

Paris, Cannes & Monte Carlo, Brussels, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Malmo(Sweden),
Frankfurt, Munich & Dusseldorf, Geneva, Zurich, Bern, St.Moritz, Gstaad, Lugano,
Burgenstock near Lucerne, Salzburg, Vienna, Lisbon and Oporto, Madrid, Barcelona,
and Palma de Mallorca. Milano, Rome, Venice, Trieste, Naples and the islands of C and Ischia, Athens. Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem and other places in Israel.

In America we visited: Boston, Cape Cod, New York, Los Angeles, St.Francisco, Orlan
deo, Chicago and Miami Beach.

In Canada we visited Quebec City, Toronto, Ottawa and Vancouver.

We always stayed in first-class hotels. On a first visit to any city, we usually visited and looked for important places to visit and places of general interest. In LONDON, I went to the Covent Garden, Marc wanted to see the Charles Chaplin house. In PARIS, it was the Louvre Museum and recently, the modern district of La Defense. Eiffel Tower, Lido and Crazy Horse night clubs. In MONTE CARLO, the famous Casino.

In AMSTERDAM, the Rijksmuseum and Anne Frank House. In COPENHAGEN, the Tivoli amusement park. In MADRID, the Prado museum. On PALMA we stayed in the Son Vita Hotel. In ZURICH, we took a boat ride on the Zurichsee. In ST.MORITZ, we went to the high mountain Glaciers. We stayed in a spectacular mountain resort Hotel in BURGENSTOCK. In SALZBURG, we attended the famous musical Festival.

In ROME we went to the Colosseum, Bath of Caracalla and Vatican City.
In MILANO, I went to see an opera at the La Scala Opera. In VENICE, I went on a Go in ATHENS, we went to see the Acropolis with the Parthenon, Theater of Dionysus.

In JERUSALEM, we visited the Yad Vashem Holocaust Memorial, the Western Wall,
Knesset, Parliament and the Hadassah Medical Center with the Chagall windows.
In TEL AVIV, we swam in the Mediterranean Sea and we also went to the Dead Sea.

In MONTREAL, where I lived for about 24 years, Bella, Marc and I, attended the 1967 EXPO and in 1976, the Olympics. Also, the Place des Arts musical performances. Marc and I went to the famous Forum to see hockey games and we also went to other sport events, Marc always like sports.

From Montreal, we traveled to NEW YORK on business and also just to visit the
great city. We went to Museums, Lincoln Center, the Empire State Building (102 fl.) United Nations. We saw a few Broadway Shows and the Rockefeller Center.

One day, by checking the Paris telephone book, I found my only relative who survive the Holocaust; my cousin Dr. Romek Gross and his wife Helen and their son Bernard. Before the World War II, Romek went to Paris to study to be a doctor. Even though he had excellent grades, because he was a Jew, he could not get in to a Medical University in Poland. This probably has saved his and his wife’s life. In the war he in the French army. He didn’t know that I was the only one from our family who survived. Needless to say we were very happy to see each other. On my many visits to Paris, they took very good care of me. Bella went with me to see them in Paris and once they came to visit us in Montreal. Unfortunately, a few years ago both Romek and Helen died a few days apart.

In my European travels, I was dealing, or having contacts with very interesting people. Our agents in Italy, were a collection of very unusual people; Leon Camurri and his two sons, Zola and Jimmy, in Florence were strictly business men. They had a total control of the factories producing shoes for us and also for the U.S. Our agent in Milano, Manacorda was a very nice gentleman. Our agent in Naples, was a former sea captain, business was not his cup of tea.

In Venice, our agent was a very unusual man, his name was Count Dino Dona. He was a real Italian Count. He was divorced from his wife, she was the daughter of one of the richest, and eccentric men in Italy. He told me amazing stories about this i.e. when he traveled in his chauffeur driven car, always another of his car follow in case his car should need gas, or have any problems. He used to invited prominent doctors and lawyers on his yacht. He first kept them separate and told each of them conflicting stories, and lies, and watched them later getting together and fighting fun for him, to do it. Count Dona decided that he would rather work for a living, stay with his wife, who was dominated by her father. I liked Dino, he was a real gentleman.

In Spain, our agent name was Tolo; a hard working, ambitious man, very nice, but a closet anti-Semite. He once told me that they are many millions of Jews in Spain. When I told him, that there are only a few thousand Jews living in Spain now, his answer was that he is also counting the MARRANOS, as Jews.

In the cruel Spanish Inquisition in 1478, the Jews were promised amnesty if they converted (converso) to Christianity. Many Jews didn’t have a choice but to convert or to be burned. The Jews were lured into a trap, they called them Marranos (pigs), after they have converted. The Jews were mistreated for a long time and are still singled out in Spain.

Twice a year, we had shoe conventions and shows, in Montreal and in New York. In Montreal we exhibited our Firenze Modes shoe collection and in New York, I usually attended, mainly, to observe. Our New York salesmen were very aggressive and pressuring the buyers to place orders. In Montreal it was different, buyers resisted a hard sell. In Canada, we had to visit the customer after the convention, to get orders. When we first started our import business in Canada, we had little competition selling Italian shoes and no competition selling our high grade ladies shoes from Spain. In the late 1960’s, there was a lot of other importers of shoes and some large customers started to buy directly from Italy and Spain. Of course, our business was affected to the point that, in 1972, I decided to close Firenze Modes Inc.

Just by coincidence at that time, the political situation in the Province of Quebec especially in Montreal got bad. The French separatist movement kidnapped and killed a cabinet minister and were planting bombs in mail boxes, injuring many people.

Our application for the "Resident Alien" (Green Card) was pending with the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service for a long time. They requested a lot of documents, some from Poland, and France. The American Consul was surprised to see the big pile of papers we brought with us, when we were called. Our application was approved, that day. Soon after, we decided to leave Montreal and travel to Miami. We sold most of our furniture and the rest we packed up and put it in the basement of Bella’s parents. The essential items we put in my car and we drove to Miami Beach. When the three of us; Bella, Marc and I arrived, we had to look first for a Hotel, in until we could find an apartment to rent. A few days later, we found a modest
apartment in Bay Harbor, which is in a very nice part of Miami Beach. Marc attended Miami-Dade Community College from 1973 to 1974. After graduation, he returned back to Montreal and there he went back to McGill University.

In the meantime, I have received an offer from Oriental Shoe Company of Miami, to go back to Montreal and open a shoe room to sell their shoes, imported mainly from Taiwan. I did accept their offer, mainly because we wanted to be with Marc. We opened a very nice office in the elegant Bonaventure Office and Hotel complex. Unfortunately, this kind of shoes were not well accepted in Canada, and business in general was still bad. After little more than one year, they decided to close the office, which we did.

In July 1976, Montreal had the Olympics, we went to see a few events. Soon after we went back to Miami Beach, this time for good. A friend of ours in Montreal owned an apartment at 5701 Collins Ave, Miami Beach. We rented it from him, for 3 months. While living in this building, we found out that one apartment was available for sale. We liked it and we bought it in November 1976 and still live there. After we bought the apartment, I have arranged to bring our items from Bella’s parents basement in Montreal to our new home. We started a new life in a new place. I have temporally retired and Marc started to study at the Florida International University in Miami, started to redecorate our apartment. We converted it from one bedroom to two bedrooms. Way back in Montreal, my wife wanted me to get out of the shoe business. She thought that I be better off as a builder of houses, like most of my friends were and became nouveau riche. Now after 25 years in shoe business, it was high time to do receive, an offer to represent a Spanish shoe manufacturer, but I have refused.

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After we have settled in our new apartment on Miami Beach, I couldn’t stay retired 1977. I started to sell real estate on Miami Beach and also to sell Miami apartment in other countries. I made a trip to Europe and I made a few contacts. It was not a success. However, one day, a young German came to me. He wanted to buy a condo on Miami Beach. His name was Heinz Werner. I didn’t sell a condominium to him but he sold me on an idea to start here an import company, similar to his. He was established in the business of importing from Hong Kong, to Europe; jeans, oriental rugs and other items. At first, I didn’t know if I should do business with a German. I always believed that we shouldn’t blame the young generation of Germans, born after the war, for the horrible atrocities committed by the Nazis. I decided to go in business with him. In March 1980, we started a Florida company called SCHLOSS-WERNER INC. It was a 50/50 partnership between him and myself. In October 1980, I flew to Hong Kong to meet with Heinz, and his Hong Kong agents to order jeans and other items for the It was my first trip to Hong Kong. I got a PanAm airline, around the world ticket, "stand-by" in first class for only US$ 2,000. I flew from Miami to San Francisco and their non-stop to Hong Kong, on a 747 aircraft. It was a total of 23 hours of flying. Hong Kong is a fascinating unusual city. Some districts resemble New York, others like a part of Europe and of course mainly look Chinese. I met with our agents and visited some factories. It was a very interesting experience for me.

On the way back, I flew to Frankfurt with a stop-over in New Delhi, India. It was a long flight. I stayed in a nice Hotel for 2 days and then by rail I traveled to Werner and his office in Wollbach (Bad Neustadt/Saale). I met his family, everyone was very nice to me. We discussed business and the details, concerning the dealing with Hong Kong. I stayed there 3 days, then Heinz drove me to the Frankfurt airport, back to New York.

I have arranged to meet with Bella in a New York Hotel. She was waiting for me, with her sister and her husband. While in New York we went to see some Broadway shows, restaurants, stores and walked in the Rockefeller Center and on 5th Avenue. We stayed in New York for a few days it was very nice visit. Then, we flew back to I was still traveling first class, on my PanAm around the world ticket.

It was good to back home. I kept my office at home to keep the overhead low. In January 1981, a large shipment of jeans arrived from Hong Kong. Our registered brand name was "SWING". The jeans were very well made, the style was better.
than other jeans being offered, and our prices were competitive. Yet, it was not easy to sell them, because the buyers were looking for well known and advertised brand name jeans. Over the next few months, we finally sold them out, with small profit.

In the mean time, we have received samples of Oriental rugs, from Hong Kong. This turned out to be a good business. We were accepting orders for custom made rugs, to the customers specification in colors, designs and sizes. Our prices were competitive, for a few years. Then, the Hong Kong manufacturer started to raise price to the level that we could not get any orders. In February 1992, we have filed for Articles of Dissolution for Schloss-Werner Inc., with the Florida Department of State

My son Marc, attended schools and Universities for a total of more than 30 years. He worked as a computer programmer, and as a social worker, however he wanted to do something more productive and imaginative. In June 1988, he decided to start learning how he could develop a glow-in-the-dark fibre. he named "GLO-TECH".

In Miami, I was trying to do things that would perpetuate the real story of the Holocaust. In July 1985, I made a 2 hour video-tape interview with the Miami Holocaust Centre. In March 1989, I was invited to participate in a lecture given to about 250 Miami H students and teachers. It took place in Miami Public Library. They knew very little about the Holocaust and were stunned by the revelation of the atrocities committed by Nazis. On February 25, 1991, I was interviewed by THE MIAMI HERALD. The title of this front page article (with my family photos) was "Holocaust survivors seek fate of relatives murdered at concentration camps". I didn't have any illusions, not after so many years of unsuccessful searches for a piece of information about my parents, that even the Red Cross will find anything. I am tormented not even to know where my parents are buried.

All I can do is to visit the Holocaust Memorial, where my parents and all other members of my family, martyred victims of Nazis, are etched on the black granite wall panel.

On March 1991, I was invited to participate in a program called "Jewish Survival" on Jewish Federation Television (JFTV). They referred to me as an "expert survivor". There were no expert survivors in the death camps, just the few lucky ones.

On March 16, 1995, I gave a 2 hour video-taped personal testimony as a survivor of the Holocaust, to the "Survivors of the Shoah Visual History Foundation", located in Los Angeles, California. The Chairman and sponsor is Steven Spielberg.

Following the taping, I wrote a few letters to Mr. Spielberg imploring him to make his famous "Schindler's List" film. The new film could be based on the most intimate and private tapes, from the survivors, to communicate to the world the complete story of the Holocaust.

The survivors, of the Holocaust, could claim a "CERTIFICATE OF COMMEMORATIVE CITIZENSHIP OF ISRAEL" for their relatives who were murdered by the Nazis, in the Holocaust. I did it for my father Moses Schloss and my mother Mina Schloss on July 26, 1989. Also, th was registered in VAD VASHEM, The Holocaust martyrs remembrance Authority, Jerusalem. At time of crises in Israel, I wrote letters of support and encouragement, to the Prime Ministers of Israel. In relation to the Holocaust survivor's problem, I wrote letters to newspapers. I also wrote to Elie Wiesel, a famous writer and a Nobel prize winner.

Bella and I traveled for a vacation to Europe. On October 27, 1992, we were in Zurich. I wanted to observe the "Yahrtzeit" (50 years to the day, my parents were murdered the Nazis). I had a hard time to find a synagogue which was open. I finally found one which was very orthodox. From Zurich, we travel by train to Geneva and then by fast French train (TGV) to Paris. There, we went to see the new modern part of Paris, called La Defense. This area has new futuristic buildings, high-rise office blocks and residences. The centerpiece of the plaza is the Agam Basin and the Grand Arch of La Defense.

Late on Friday night, November 12, 1993, I felt acute chest pains, I called 911 and within 15 minutes Fire Rescue arrived and examined me. They made the decision to take me to a Hospital right away. On November 13, at 1.20 am, they took me on a stretch
an Ambulance to the emergency department in the Miami Heart Institute.

I was still complaining of acute chest pains, when Dr. Daniel Cassis came to see me 1:50 am. He ordered that I be admitted with acute myocardial infarction. Next day Dr. Kramer ordered 48 hours Heparin therapy, followed by Angioplasty in Cath Lab. On Nov.22, I was discharged and went home in improved condition, with following medications: TSNO 20 mg bid, Lopressor 50 mg bid, aspirin one tablet a day and Nitroglycerin 1/50 sublingual p.r.n. This was the first time I was admitted to a Ho since I left Europe 45 years ago. At home, Bella took good care of me and I was get better and stronger. The doctors were satisfied with my condition.

In late September of 1994, I decided to travel to Europe and Israel, with Bella and We flew from Miami Beach first to Montreal and from there to Israel, by Swiss Air business class, with a stop over for a few days, in Zurich. There we visited the Fraumuster Church with the famous Marc Chagall stained-glass-windows. The flight from Zurich to Tel Aviv was unusual. The security check by Israel perso: Zurich airport was very thorough. Every suitcase was matched with a passenger, \ opened and checked. When we arrived at the airport near Tel-Aviv, at the Passport control, I wrote my first name Chaim on the entry form, which is my Hebrew name, bu my Passport the name is Henry. The young woman inspector in charge, said to me tha I made a false declaration, but finally she "graciously" agreed to let me enter Isr the way back home, at the airport they checked the suitcases and a woman customs i looked at me and asked if I speak Yiddish?.....yes I answered, and that was it.

We stayed in the Sheraton Tel Aviv Hotel, it has a very good central location and i the sea with a nice clean beach. Marc and I went swimming a few times. There also was a nice swimming pool in the Hotel. From Tel Aviv, we took a few trips, by special buses to Jerusalem. We visited the Vashem Holocaust Memorial and other sites like the Jewish Quarter, the Via Dolorosa and we even went to see Bethlehem. We were really moved when we arrived at the Western Wall to pray, the feeling is hard to describe, even for non-observant Jew.

On another trip, we went to the Dead Sea (elevation 1,300 feet below sea level, the lowest point on earth). The salt water is so thick that you can very easily float o water. Than we went to visit by cable car, Masada, the ancient Jewish fortress, th of a prolonged Roman siege (AD.72-73), resulting in the capture and killing of all Jews. The temperature, when Marc and I was there was over 110 degrees Fahrenheit. While in Tel-Aviv, I met one of my school friends from Krakow. His name is Chaim He has lived in Israel for the last 50 years. He told us, that recently the psyche has changed. He now calls the Israeli army, a "chocolate army" (see Israel in Ap. We also met with Matc's HJ is a Sabra an Israeli born, his name is Uzi. We ith him for dinner and also he took us on sightseeing trips around Tel Aviv. He w us that it's hard to make a living in Israel. But, for us, it was a very nice two w

In October 1966, when the stock market was very low, I first started to buy stocks I had a good business education, however I knew very little about the stock market I was fascinated by the action in the market and decided to learn more about it. Fo next few years, I was getting books from the library, on fundamental and technical aspects of investing. From all the research I have done, I was able to develop my system. I named it "UNIVERSAL SYSTEMASTER 20/20".

The DJIA* is the most popular index, but also most misleading index. In order to ad it for stock splits and other changes over the years, it is using a divisor which approximately 0.24. Normally the 30 stocks total gain or loss would be divided by 3 If each stock would have gained $1, the total of DJIA 30 stocks would be + $30, d by 30, the index will show to be up by 1 point. However now it is divided by a div 0.24 therefore the index will show a gain of 125 points. Rather overstated results.

The conventional wisdom, of most of the experts is, that stock prices are affected the interest rates, corporate profits and inflation. Unfortunately investing is n simplistic and easy as this. The market often acts contrary to the daily economical general news, based on interpretations of the prolific Wall Street "Spin Doctors".

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When a great majority of investors are bullish, the contrarian consider this a be
signal: and vice-versa when the majority is bearish. The Barron's ad once proclaim
"If the majority were right, the majority would be rich".
In his book Wall Street: How It Works and for Whom, Doug Henwood writes the market
is a "giant craps game". Despite the recent popularity of the Mutual Funds,
"The richest 1% of the population has more investment wealth than the bottom 90%"
Frank Portnoy, who worked as derivatives salesman at Morgan Stanley, wrote in his
book F.I.A.S.C.O. "By April 1995 I had became the most cynical person. I now believ
everything was a fraud.....Derivatives were a fraud, investment banking was a fraud

The most important investment lesson, I have learned is that one has to do, as much
possible, what the Wall Street establishment is doing, but not what they are saying
The Wall Street power that be, is playing the market like only virtuosos could do.
Everything is designed to fool the majority of the investors. If by chance, one sh
lucky to find a key to unlock their secrets, they will immediately change the lock.

On December 5, 1996, the DJIA stood at 6437, Mr. Alan Greenspan, Chairman of the
Federal Reserve, warned about the "irrational exuberance" in the stock markets.
Nevertheless, the crowd inspired by the Wall Street "Spin Doctors". couldn’t stay a
from buying overvalued stocks. Subsequently on July 17, 1998, the DJIA reached a new
all time high of 9338, an increase of 45%, since his first warning.
On July 22, 1998, Mr. Greenspan at his appearance before Congress warned again,
he said "Ultimately, yes, I think that history tells us there will be a stock marke
correction of some significant dimension."

The overvalued bull market is now 7 years old. To paraphrase "Joseph's interpretati
of Pharaoh's dream", could it be that the seven year old fat bulls are going to be
consumed for the next seven years by the lean and mean bears. This has actually
already happen in Japan, their stock market lost 60% of its value, in last 7 yea

THE LAST WORD:

In the 1980's, when Pierre Elliott Trudeau was the Prime Minister of Canada, at the
time he faced some crises, he quoted Desiderate who wrote; "Whether or not it is
clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should".
I don't know about the universe, but judging by my own experiences, I have doubts
about the behavior of people on the planet earth. I think that POGO the cartoon
character said it best "we have met the enemy and it is us".

EPILOGUE by HENRY SCHLOSS

Subconsciously, and selfishly, during the long five years of the Holocaust, sometim
I felt the so-called "Schadenfreude", which in German, describes the joy at someo
else's bad luck, or discomfort. Why did I survive the Holocaust? I often wonder
millions of more deserving Jews did not survive?
I was not very strong, my health was getting worse during the long 5 years in vari
concentration camps. We were "liberated" with only a few days strength left in me.
I did not do anything to get special favors from the camp Capo or German guards.
I always considered myself a pacifist but not an appeaser. I strived to be a frie
person, even during adversities. I have made it through the World War II, without e
holding a gun in my hands, much less firing one.
I did try to stay out of trouble and I had a will to survive, if only to tell the w
has happened during the Holocaust. Also, to keep alive the memories of my parent
entire family and the 6 million Jews cruelly murdered by the Nazis and their collab
I got my strength from my happy childhood and above all it was just a sheer LUCK.
My bare frail body and soul, walked out from the Nazi "death camp" on May 4, 1945.
All I had, was a terrible prisoner’s uniform on my back and absolutely nothing else
name. No family, no friends and no place to go. I was so called a D.P. (Displaced Person).
No country in the world, including the USA, Canada, wanted to accept us, at that time.

And yet, only a few short weeks later, after we got to Salzburg, I was back on my feet.
I had new clothing, my health was relatively good and I even was able to rent a nice
room just for myself. I was 'making a little money on my own, without any help from anyone. Even my social life was relatively good for a D.P... I call it being LUCKY.

In 1948, I was able to emigrate to Montreal, Canada, ahead of many other people waiting to go. At first, it was hard to get adjusted to the new way of life, in a new country.
Nevertheless, after little over one year, I was doing fine. I made new friends and I met my wife to be, Bella Landau. We got married in October 1953 and on May 30, our dear son Marc was born. It was the happiest day of my life.
Marc lives now in Toronto, in a nice apartment and he has a cute little cat "Kitty" for himself and we visit each other often. Bella and I, live presently in

I will never forget my loving parents, and my entire family, who were cruelly murdered by the Nazis in the Holocaust. They were unfortunately not as "lucky" as I was.
According to the "Israeli Center for Psycho-social Support of Holocaust Survivors" aging process is responsible for making even the most resilient trauma survivors vulnerable to emotional distress symptoms latent for over 50 years. Could that be the reason, why only recently, I decided to write my memoirs, "The Six Milestones In My Life".

THE WAR CRIMINALS

Soon after World War II ended, the Vatican officials started to help to smuggle Nazi criminals to the safety in the West and South America. Among them were Adolf Eichmann, Franz Stangl (the commandant of Treblinka death camp), the "butcher of Lyons" Klaus Barbie, Anto Pavelic (the cruel Fascist dictator of Croatia) and thousands of other war criminals. The smuggling was personally authorized by Pope Pius XII, under the pretext that they could be trained as "Freedom Fighters" to liberate Eastern Europe from the Communists.

The Vatican Nazi smuggling network's code name was "Operation Ratline". First, the emphasis was to smuggle the Croatian murderous Ustachi. Then, it shifted to smuggle Fascists from Russia, Byelorussia and Ukraine, with the help of CIA and FBI.

Anto Pavelic, the Ustachi dictator of Croatia, had very good reasons for concern. He personally ordered horrific massacres of 500,000 Serbs, Jews and Gypsies, using the most cruel methods. After the war, he had taken refuge under the wing of the Vatican. Neither the British, nor the Americans, were serious about apprehending Pavelic. They saw the Ustachi as a useful weapon in the anti-Communist struggle. Father Dragan was head of the Balkan desk of the Secretariat of the State of Vatican. In 1950, he only provided Red Cross passport for Pavelic, but actually accompanied him from Vatican to Buenos Aires (Argentina) where Pavelic was later employed by Juan Peron as an "advisor".

Simon Wiesenthal, who was responsible for recapturing Franz Stangl (in Brazil in 1987) in court room where Stangl went on trial in Dusseldorf (Germany), Wiesenthal heard telling the judge that the Nazis had advance knowledge during the time that they were internment camps, that Bishop Hudal in Vatican will give them an International Red Cross identity card and a visa to escape to South America.

Even when the Vatican realized that Hudal's Nazi smuggling operation threatened to cause a public scandal, it still took four years to replace him as Rector of the Anima. He remained in Rome until his death, unrepentant for his work on behalf of Nazi war criminals.

It is hard to believe that about 30,000 Nazis criminals escaped to South America after the war, with the help from Vatican Draganovic's Ratline. Many Nazi murderers were not Germans, they were Central and Eastern European Nazi collaborators. They have done...
bloody work in the Holocaust. Many of them were sent after the war to Britain, Canada and United States.

Croatian Ustasha atrocities were most horrific during the bloody anti-partisan offensive in Bosnia in 1942. This was the same offensive for which Kurt Waldheim was awarded by Pavelic a major Croatian decoration.

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In 1967, the Communist agents penetrated the Vatican "Operation Ratline", and suddenly Father Draganovic disappeared. In November 1967, he had actually been in Tito’s hand for over two months. He was now prepared to do the unthinkable: openly praise the Communist Yugoslavia. The secret police allowed him to settle quietly in Sarajevo, he died peacefully in June 1982.

The Czar’s nobility Prince Anton Vasilevich Turkul was one of the greatest professional spies in the 20th century. He penetrated the French Deuxieme Bureau, the Japanese General Staff, Mussolini’s headquarters, MI5 and MI16 British Secret Services, German Wehrmacht Intelligence and the SS Security Service. He passed Soviet disinformation virtually both Axis and Allied nations. After the WWII, Turkul worked for West Germany Intelligence and collaborated with many of the spy services of NATO. He died in 195 without any proof of his exclusive loyalties to the Soviet Military Intelligence (G

After the war the Ukrainian Galician SS, who had served with the Nazis SS mobile units at places like Babi Yar where over 100,000 Jews had been shot in just three days. The Ukrainians had a very good reason to fear of being returned back to Russia. Many those who returned were summarily shot or shipped off to Siberia.

On January 23, 1946, the U.S. State Department issued a "new directive", that from only those Ukrainians who were residents of the Soviet Union after 1939 were liable forcible hand-over to Russia. The shift in American policy did not go unnoticed; the Ukrainian American League wrote to the State Department to “unequivocally protect the plan to bring to our country people who cooperated with German fascists in terr the Ukraine, Polish and Jewish population of Western Ukraine (formally part of Poland who were soldiers in the SS Galician Division .......

By the summer of 1947, the British government had completed their efforts to protect Ukrainian “freedom fighters”. Mr. Hector McNeil British Minister of State, said the "Galician Division" 8,000 members have been brought to Britain from Italy. His state that the Soviet representatives took part in any check-up of those Ukrainians were c intended to mislead public opinion. British All Party Parliamentary Committee deter that the Galician SS had not received even the minimal screening required for norm immigration to Britain.

The Ukrainian Nazis were the largest group to be smuggled directly through British Arrangements to evacuate the Galician SS to Canada and Australia were made with the of Vatican’s Bishop Bucko.

Simon Wiesenthal wrote in his book "The Murderers Among Us" that SS Brigadefurer Dr. Otto Gustav Wachter was in charge of the Galician Ukrainian Nazi SS. Wiesenthal him on August 15,1942 in Lwow ghetto personally in charge, when four thousand elder Jews were rounded up, including his mother, to be sent to death camps. Bishop Hudel confessed that Wachter was living in the Vatican, after the war. Page: III (Criminals)

King Edward VIII was known to be a pro-German sympathizer, the British MI5 placed a wiretap on the telephone line of the German Ambassador residence in London. The wiretap was a major shock; Ms. Wallis Simpson, the king’s mistress was a Nazi a

Joachim von Ribbentrop was Hitler’s Ambassador to London, before he became a German Foreign Minister. Shortly before he was hung at Nuremberg he confirmed that in the 1930s he almost concluded an alliance with Britain, with the help of one former Pri Minister and with the help of the future king, the Prince of Wales. The recently disclosed papers of Duke of Coburg confirm Ribbentrop confession.
Based on assurances from the Prince of Wales, that he would prevent British interve
Hitler seized the Rhineland from France. He also promised Hitler that Britain would
interfere with his plans "re Jews or re anything else".
The Foreign Office was getting alarmed over, the now new King Edward VIII "disturbi
intervention in foreign affairs". They started to search for ways and means to comp
abduction. His mistress, the pro-Nazi Wallis Simpson was used as the excuse.
The public has believed that he abdicated the throne "to marry the woman he loved". The
FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover was convinced that the former king Edward VIII was
still a dangerous Nazi agent.

Prominent British businessmen connected to Edward VIII schemes, including Lord
McGowan of Imperial Chemicals Industries and Montagu Norman of the Bank of England,
were laundering money to Hitler through Swiss banks
Lord Rothermere of the London Daily Mail "gave a total of $5 million in cash to as
Hitler rose to power.

After Hitler started to lose the war, they all tried to hide their Nazi connections
Lord Halifax and others in Windsor's group had been trying to negotiate peace with
Hitler, behind Churchill's back. When the extent of Windsor's treason was confirmed
by MI5, the Foreign Office scrambled frantically to hide the scandal.

The Soviet spy Kim Philby, was accepted to the British Secret Service. In 1949 he w
promoted to senior United Kingdom liaison officer to America and Canada. His missio
to transfer Britain's Nazi "freedom fighters" to the United States and Canada.

Philby's accomplice Ferdinand Durcansky's close wartime companion in Czechoslovakia
Josef Kirschbaum, are both listed by the CIA as senior Fascists, guilty of the grue
calvary of the Slovak Jews, were settled safely in Canada. They gave occasional
anti-Semitic speeches in Canada well into the 1970s to audiences of Vatican Fascist

Pope Pius XII personally asked Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent to shelter in Cana
the Fascist Slovak Ambassador to the Vatican Karol Sidor.

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When Kim Philby was unofficially expelled from Washington in disgrace, American
intelligence naively believed that it had defeated the KGB's best agent. What the C
did not recognize for years was that the Vatican Nazis had a new home in Canada.

The "Ratlines" needed someone in Germany, Dulles had a perfect answer, he recruit
Turkul's old boss, General Gehlen, a consummate con artist. Virtually all of the "e:
anti-Communist organization was publicly identified as Gehlen fronts. Klaus Barbie
January 1947, went to work for Gehlen, along with several of his SS friends who had
worked on Ukrainian Fascists affairs.

Barbie who was a major war criminal, was wanted by the French government.
In a memorandum of May 3, 1950, the CIC ordered to keep the French from getting the
hands on him. But the problem would not go away. Finally the State Department
permitted him to ask the Vatican's Ratline, to send him to South America. Under the
of Klaus Altman, he went to Bolivia with the help of Father Draganovic.

Allen Dulles became head of the CIA in 1953, he could not risk investigating Commun
infiltration among the 10,000 Nazi war criminals who entered the United States afte
without exposing his own involvement with  illegal Fascist immigration.

The large share of the blame for the Ratlines undoubtedly belong to the government
Great Britain. Since the war end, only Britain and Vatican are refusing any access
intelligence archives.

The Nazis scientists invented during the war Sarin nerve gas, later in the 1970s c
G-series by NATO. U.S. codebreakers found dramatic evidence that West German
companies were selling the Sarin secrets to several Arab nations. What has motivat
Germans, was it just making money or a desire to finish Hitler's "final solution" i
It could be asked, how could the Vatican to do so much to help Nazis criminals and fascist collaborators but so little to help the Victims of the same despicable Nazi

Documentary Source: "Unholy Trinity"
by Mark Aarons and John Loftus. ST.MARTINS PRESS, New York, 1992

POSTSCRIPT:
As to emphasizes that even 58 years after the fact, a friendly relationship between and the Croatia's wartime Ustach murderers of thousands of Jews, Serbs and Gypsies by the monstrous fascist dictator Ante Pavelic; On October 3, 1998, Pope John Paul flew to the Marija Bistrica Shrine in Croatia to Beatify (the last before sainthood convicted war criminal, Cardinal Alojzije Stepinac. The Cardinal died in 1960, whi still under arrest following his conviction on charges of collaborating with Ustach fascist government in Croatia.

THE NUREMBERG TRIAL

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The International Tribunal to try major German war criminals began on October 18, 1945, Presiding was Lord Justice Geoffrey Lawrence of Britain, the other members of the t included Francis Biddle of the United States, with Judge John Parkwe as alternate. The British alternate was Sir Norman Birkolet who had a razor sharp brain. Professor Donnedieu de Vabres and Counselor Robert Falco sat for France. The Soviets were represented by Maj. General Ion Timofeevich Nikitchenko and Lt. Col. Alexander Volch

The big courtroom was packed; In the press section were 250 reporters waiting for the biggest story since the end of the war. The defendants sat together on two rows of benches, their counsel in front of them.

Justice Jackson rose to make the opening statement for the prosecution. He launched into a devastating denunciation of the whole Nazi regime and recited the endless li its crimes, especially the systematic murder of 6 million Jews. And at last, Jack opening speech rose to a climax, he said "The real complaining party at your bar is Civilization".

The trial went with astonishing speed, altogether the proceedings would run for 21 during which the prosecution called 33 witnesses and put on a vast quantity of othe evidence of documentary photographs and films. There were tons of records, the Nazi regime was very thorough about keeping records. More than 4,000 documents had been introduced in evidence. As Jackson had promised, much of the prosecution's evidence indeed disgusting. Even some of the accused were sickened by the endless litany of atrocities, other were horrifii:d at the guilt Germany would have to bear.

When the prosecution case closed, the defense called 61 witnesses of its own, introd written interrogatories answered by 143 people and calling 19 of the defendants as in their own behalf. The accused defended themselves as best they could, each man's testimony of his own view of his responsibility for the past. Other tried to wash t of all part in any of the crimes of their government. Their defense impressed nobod

On September 30, 1946, Lord Justice Lawrence read the verdicts judging the Nazis organizations; SS, SD and Gestapo as criminals, followed the next day by individua verdicts. Each defendant entered the courtroom by himself, he will hear his sentenc

There were three outright acquittals; former head of the Reichsbank Hjalmar Schacht go free. Career diplomat Franz von Papen survived as well. The verdict was also not for Hans Fritzsche, the Nazi radio commentator.

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Albert Speer, was sentenced to 20 years in Berlin’s Spandau prison. For the incoher
Rudolph Hess, the sentence was life, same for Walther Funk and Grand Admiral Erich
Raeder. Baldur von Schirach got 20 years and Karl Donitz was sentenced to 10 years.

For all the other accused, the sentence would be "Tod durch den Strang" (death by t.
One by one each man entered the courtroom and stood, with two military policy esco
to hear his fate. Hermann Goring would go the gallows, so would be most of the res
Enst Kaltenbrunner, Wilhelm Keitel, Joachim von Ribbentrop, Hans Frank, Alfred Jo-
Franz Sauckel the slave master, Wilhelm Frick, Jew baiter Julius Streicher and the
Nazi Arthur Seyss-Inquart. Martin Bormann was missing, he still was sentenced to de

American Master Sgt. John c. Woods was the hangman, he brought with him a five man
There were three gallows, approached by the traditional 13 steps. Everybody knew t
is running out. Witnesses began to gather, there were about 50 of them; press, Ger:
officials, Allied observers, the obligatory doctor and men of the cloth.

There was something wrong with Hermann Goring, he had cheated the hangman by taking
a cyanide capsule, nobody knew how he got it. The other prisoners mounted the scaffold
one by one, with his head covered by a black hood. Once the prisoner was pronounced
dead, another was sent for, ending with Seyss-Inquart’s death at about 3 a.m.

One thing remained to be done, before the cold gray dawn broke over the city of Nur
the coffins were on the move to the town’s East Cemetery. The workers there did not
who they were to cremate. The crematory flames took everything; bodies, hoods, noos

The ashes were then moved to an American installation on Munich’s Contwentzbach,
a tributary of the Isar River, and scattered into the stream.
Of the aristocracy of Nazi Germany, nothing whatever remained.

And so ended the Nuremberg Trials.
Later there were endless post-mortem comments on the legality of the proceedings an
speculation whether the results were too harsh or too lenient.
But nobody could complain that the accused had not had their day in court.

POSTSCRIPT:

The SS (Schutzstaffel) military unit of the Nazi party, murdered 14 mil. people, in
6 mil. Jews. After the war the ODESSA (Organisation der ehemaligen SS-Angehöri
was formed. Translated to English “Organization of former members of the SS”.
The aim of the ODESSA was to help the escape of the SS killers to South America.
The organization was funded by their huge clandestine accounts in Swiss Banks.

THE DEFIANT PEOPLE

After the arrival of Romans in Palestine in 63 B.E.C. little has essentially change
years. The Romans made some changes in the administrative organization of Jewish
Palestine, but allowed the Jews to remain a more or less autonomous nation centered
the Jerusalem Temple and governed by the laws of the Torah.
This has changed only in first century C.E.

Herod was favored by Julius Caesar and the Roman Senate made him the King of Judea.
He conquered the Jewish Palestine, the coastal Greek cities, the Golan Heights and
Southern Syria. After Julius Caesar was assassinated in 44 b.c.e., Herod started r
Jerusalem from top to bottom. The Temple was constructed on massive scale and
sumptuously decorated. Jerusalem became the metropolis of all the world Jews. Her
policies turned Jewish Palestine into a single state. The Temple was completed in 6
only eight years before its destruction in 70 C.E. The Jewish state did not survive
death, as a political unit. As a religious, cultural and social entity lasted only longer.

Nero dispatched a large army to Palestine under the command of Vaspasian. They seiz
control of Judaen countryside and laid siege to Jerusalem. They set the Temple on f
and Roman troops committed a massive slaughter of Jews, also 97,000 Jews were enslaved. The Roman razed what was left of Jerusalem. Verspasian officially transformed Palestine into a Roman province named Judea. The self-governing Jewish state ceased to exist.

Jews migrated because overpopulation of Judea to other part of Israel and Egypt. What enabled the Jewish people to survive in "Diaspora" (a biblical term "galut" or was in great measure the existence of a network of communities extending over the Roman and Persian empires. They also settled in European and Asian countries.

From 70 C.E, to the seventh century, changes took place in Diaspora's Synagogue worship. The translation of Torah into Aramaic language had accompanied the weekly reading from Hebrew text in the scripture. Yet the Greek language continued to play a role in the Synagogues. The subordination of Diaspora Jews to the Palestinian Jew Center was deeply rooted in biblical law and practice.

After the conversion of the Roman Empire to Christianity under emperor Constantine at the beginning of the fourth century, the Jews of Europe became subject to the p of the church. The Christian rules persecuted the Jews, there were violent attacks Jewish life and property. They gradually became second-class citizen of the empire.

Jewish communities existed in commercial cities in Italy, Spain, south of France and England. In some places Jews enjoyed relative calm, however the church had never relinquished its ambition to convert the Jews. There were many attractions for the to convert to Christianity, some social, political and business.

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The Jewish communities were either the Ashkenaz (in German speaking world) or the Sepharad (on Iberian Peninsula). There were also other communities in England. They generally settled in their own separate neighborhoods or ghettos, imposed on t Christian authorities. The Jews became wholly dependent on the Monarch's protection however the Jews never became an integral part of the feudal world. The Jews of Spa lived in their own quarters, known as "callum", usually in central location.

From 1290 to 1541 the Jews were expelled from France, Spain, Portugal. King Edward in 1290 forced more than 3,000 Jews to leave England forever. By the end of the Mid Ages, Jews were left to live in northern Italy and a few German principalities.

In 1474, Isabella was crowned queen of Spain, she received permission from Pope Six to establish an inquisition. In 1481 the inquisition began to operation in Seville. The "covereses" Jews also known as "marranos" (swine) were finally expelled from Spa In 1536 the inquisition was established in Portugal, it turned out to be even harsh more inflexible than in Spain.

The Jews who fled Spain went east to Turkey, Greece, Yugoslavia and other countries the Ottoman Empire. Many "covereses" settled in Venice, Hamburg and Amsterdam and reverted to Judaism. By the end of the 15th century, the Jews were being gradually out of their homes again. This time they went to Poland and Eastern European countr In the 18th century the number of Polish Jews had increased to about 750,000.

In 16th century Germany, Martin Luther had rebelled against the Pope and Christian He referred to Jews in the most abusive and humiliating terms. He offered an "advice designed to eliminate Jewish presence in Germany; the synagogues should be burned down, their homes destroyed, Talmuds confiscated, rabbis forbidden to teach and fo to manual labor. (Hitler readily adapted Luther "advice" in the Nazi Germany in 193

In July 1555, Pope Paul IV, not to be outdone by Martin Luther, ordered harshly re limits on Jews, they were required to live in separate area (ghettos), forbidden to property. They were required to wear an identifying mark in full view. Friendship Christian were absolutely prohibited. Talmuds were confiscated from Jews in Rome an publicly burned. (Similar measures were also adapted by Hitler in 1933-1945 Germany

In final analysis, the Pope was willing to "tolerate" the Jewish presence, but only that it should be possible to instruct them in the Christian "truth" and ultimately
Baptize them into Christian faith. This policy remained in force until the 19th ce-

The emergence of Prophet Mahammed in 610 in Mecca seemed at first to augur well fo-
the Jews. Later the Jews were castigated for their refusal to join Islam. As a cons-
the Arabian Jews were subjugated or expelled from Arabia.
Those "infidels" who survived were required to submit to Muslim authority and the J
had to wear special clothing to provide proof of the bearers inferiority.
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The Jews remained a minority of diminishing numbers and importance in the world of
They began to look to Europe, where the future of Jewish history was now unfolding.

By the end of the World War I in 1918 profound political, economic and social cha-
have occurred in Europe. It was a period during which Jews became finally integrate-
societies and achieved equal rights with their fellow citizens. The Jews of Centra-
Western Europe created a secular bourgeois Jewish culture whose authority derived:
from the Jewish law (Halakhah), but from the ideology of emancipation.

The Jewish immigrants from Poland, Russia and Balkans were welcomed to the United
States as a source of cheap industrial labor. The new immigrants created a flourish
"Yiddish" culture in theater, music and newspapers, mainly in New York.

In 1894, Theodor Herzl, a journalist and assimilated Austrian Jew, was assigned to
the notorious Dreyfus trial in France. The experience of seeing this Jewish officer
railroaded to life sentence on Devil's Island, led him to recognition that life for
Europe was untenable. In 1896, At the First Zionist Congress at Basel, Theodor
proposed that Jews should return to a Jewish state in Palestine. He devoted himsel-
this idea of the "Aliyah" (immigration to Palestine), which brought in many leade-
future State of Israel, including David Ben-Gurion to Palestine.

Herzl worked very hard in the quest for a charter that would give international rec-
to the Jews legal right to a homeland in Palestine. His exhaustive persistent pursu-
save European Jews, caused his death at the young age of only 44.

The Balfour Declaration of November 2, 1917, provided the Zionist movement with the
charter that Herzl had envisioned. The British government made the pronouncement th-
it "viewed with favour the establishment in Palestine of national home for Jewish p

After the British gained the mandate over Palestine, they found it increasingly co-
to repudiate the declaration's intent in face of rising Arab opposition to Jewish i

David Ben-Gurion told the British Labor Party convention in October 1942, that a t
Jewish people in world are being put to death by the Nazis. It was the greatest tri-
b any people, at any time in the history. Chaim Weizmann had told the British Peel
commission " the world is divided into places where the Jews cannot live and place
they may not enter".

For the anti-Semites, the Jews represented an alien and a menacing presence within
Europe. For the Zionists the only hope to survival for the Jewish people lay in the
to the ancient homeland in Israel and resumption of national autonomy.

In Tel-Aviv, on May 14, 1948 David Ben-Gurion read "Israel's Declaration of Indep
and decisively inaugurated a new place in Jewish history.
Finally, Theodor Herzl 52 years old dream became a reality.

ISRAEL

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After my "liberation" from the Nazi concentration camps on May 5, 1945, we received
no help from anyone. We had no clothing, no food, no money and no place to go to.
After waiting for over 3 weeks, and sleeping in a farmer's barn on hay, we were fin-
rescued by volunteers of the Provisional Israeli army. They took us to Salzburg, on 
way to Israel. Reaching Israel was getting more and more difficult, because the Bri-
Navy cruelly and shamefully, intercepted 47 shiploads with 65,307 Jewish survivors
the Holocaust, on the way to Israel. The British detained them from June 1946 to May 1948 in repugnant camps, on the island of Cyprus. For this reason, I had to remain in Sa

On November 29, 1947, the United Nations by two-thirds majority, adopted a plan to divide Palestine into a Jewish State and an Arab State. In 1948, the British army began to withdraw from Palestine.

On May 14, 1948, the State of Israel was proclaimed by David Ben-Gurion.

Harry S. Truman, the President of United States, was advised by some members of his cabinet not to recognize Israel. He refused to see Chaim Weizmann in the White House. Some time ago, I saw an old tape on T.V. in which Mr. Truman was telling how he had finally decided to recognize Israel. His former partner Eddy Jacobson (Mr. Truman was in business with a Jewish partner before he entered politics, in Independence, (Moore, 1946) came one day to visit him. Mr. Truman liked Eddy, he never asked him for anything. However at this visit, he did ask him to please invite Mr. Weizmann (who was already waiting for 2 weeks) for a visit to the White House. Mr. Truman agreed to invite him to the White House, but he had to use the back entrance to keep it covert. Mr. Truman was impressed with Mr. Weizmann’s presentation. Later, he told his old partner Eddy Jacobson: “You two Jews have convinced me”. Israel did receive a de facto recognition from the USA and a day later, a de jure recognition from the USSR.

Soon after, the Arab states of Lebanon, Syria, Jordan, Egypt and Iraq invaded Israel’s regular armies. Israel was ready to fight back. On June 11, a four-week truce was called into effect. Israeli territory was intact and Israel gained footholds elsewhere. The fighting resumed on July 9 and Israel gained on all fronts, except the Old City of Jerusalem. It increased their holdings by about 50%. In January 1949 an armistice agreement was reached. The Jews paid very dearly for the victory, with the blood and lives of their young men and women, many of whom were recently arrived survivors of the Holocaust. After 2000 years waiting in the Diaspora, how lucky we are to see in our life time, the creation of a strong Israel, our own Jewish homeland.

At the time Israel was created, Chaim Weizmann was named the first President and David Ben-Gurion was named the first Prime Minister.

On May 11, 1949, Israel was admitted to the United Nations. Under the 1950 Law of Return, all Jews who wished to immigrate to Israel are to receive an automatic Israeli citizenship. Also, the survivors of the Holocaust could claim a “CERTIFICATE OF COMMEMORATIVE CITIZENSHIP OF ISRAEL” for their relatives who were murdered by the Nazis, in the Holocaust. I did get a Certificate of Citizenship for my father Moses Schloss and my mother Mina Schloss on July 26, 1989.

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Israeli scientists developed an inexpensive process of desalinating seawater, which could solve the problem of chronic water shortages. Israel was getting strong militarily and economically. On October 19, 1956, provoked by fierce threats of invasion, Israel made a preemptive attack on Egypt. Within a few days, it conquered the Gaza Strip and the Sinai peninsula. In November 1956, under strong pressure from USA, USSR and the United Nations, Israel removed its troops from Sinai and Gaza.

In May 1967, Egypt President Gamel Abdel Nasser mobilized his army in Sinai. He also blocked the Israeli port of Eilat, by closing the Strait of Tiran. Egypt got strong support from the USSR, but the Western powers and the USA were only neutral in this conflict. Gen. Moshe Dayan was appointed the Minister of Defense.

On June 5, 1967, Israel launched a preemptive attack against Egypt, Jordan and Syria in the “six days war”, Israel achieved a great victory and occupied the Gaza Strip, peninsula, the Golan Heights, the West bank and the Old City of Jerusalem.

On February 16, 1969, Mrs. Golda Meir became Israel’s Prime Minister. In 1970, President Nasser of Egypt died and was succeeded by President Anwar Sadat. On October 6, 1973, on the Jewish holy day of Yom Kippur, Egypt and Syria attacked Israeli positions in the Sinai and the Golan Heights. At first, Egypt succeeded in the Suez Canal to the east bank, before being halted by the Israeli army. Mr. Nixon, President of United States, ordered new military equipment to be airshipped to Israel. With this equipment, Gen. Ariel Sharon started a counter offensive and succeeded to push the Egyptian army back across the Suez Canal to the west bank. Then he
encircled the Egyptian Third army and drove the Syrians back toward Damascus. A cease fire was called by the United Nations on October 22, 1973. Israel retained the Sinai peninsula, Golan Heights; West Bank and the Old City of Jerusalem was libera.

On May 17, 1977, the Likud party won a national election in Israel and Menachem Begin assumed the post of Prime Minister.

On March 26, 1979, Begin signed a peace agreement with President Anwar Sadat of Egypt, at the Camp David. Israel withdrew completely from the Sinai peninsula. The countries have agreed to established normal diplomatic relationship, with each other. This was just the first of many Israeli give aways of territories, in exchange for

In 1992, after the Labor party won a national election, Yitzhak Rabin became Prime Minister and Shimon Peres was named Foreign Minister. Soon after, Peres and the PLO met secretly in Oslo, Norway and reached an "agreement" to give away territories piece by piece, to the Arabs and to be called a "peace agreement".

In September 1993, Yitzhak Rabin and PLO's chairman Yassar Arafat have witnessed the signing by Shimon Peres and PLO official Mahmoud Abbas of a "Declaration of Principles" on Palestinian self-rule in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank, on the South Lawn of the White House, in Washington with President Bill Clinton overseeing it.

The United Nations Charter proclaims "the equal rights of all nations large and small. Yet, Israel is still the only one of the 185 member countries, not eligible to sit United Nations Security Council or, for that matter, to the other most important bodies of the U.N. system. i.e. World Court, UNICEF and Commission on Human Rights.

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In December 1993, Israel began withdrawing its military forces from the Gaza and Jericho area. In July 1994, the Palestinian Authority began to govern in these two territories. The concessions Israel has made for peace are unprecedented in history. The 'Oslo Agreement' is not a peace agreement, but it was Israel's insatiable hunger for peace, at any cost. Unfortunately there will be no peace with the Arabs, no matter much Israel yields. The Palestinians will demand more and the world will back them.

It was only when Yassar Arafat had been how easy it was to get everything he wanted without keeping any of his obligations, that he included Jerusalem in his demands. Arafat is still calling for a jihad (holy war) against Israel in every speech he makes. "I don't think Hamas ever stopped trying to kill us" said Israeli security (USNEWS).

Back In May 1967, Israel soundly defeated Egypt, Jordan and Syria, after they start all out war to annihilate the State of Israel. Since then, Israel has returned the peninsula to Egypt, the Gaza Strip and West Bank cities to the Palestinians, in exchange for "peace". All this is apparently not enough, the USA is still pushing Israel to give away even more territories.

Israel is being "coerced into perhaps terminal vulnerability wrote George F. Will, recently in the Washington Post.

The USA is still holding on to many territories conquered in the World War II. For instance, Okinawa the large island in the Western Pacific is still occupied by US forces, even though the people of this island voted many times to remove them.

The people of Israel must face the facts that one can not make agreements, inspire a utopian vision of peace and prosperity, with the PLO's and Hamas terrorists, who regard Jews as sub-human, fit for extermination. Are the Arabs threatening Jews with another Holocaust? Iraq's Saddam Hussein had sworn already to "burn up half of Israel". It is to remember that during the 1991 Gulf War against Iraq (for invading Kuwait) by the and armies of many other countries, only King Hussein of Jordan and the PLO's 'Arafat were supporting Saddam Hussein. In Jordan they were cheering when Iraq fired deadly SKUD missiles on Israel during the Gulf War, in which Israel was not even involved.

On Oct.21, 96, Arafat in a speech at Dehaish, to an Arab rally, said "we know only word: Jihad, Jihad, Jihad" (it mean an Islamic holy war against enemy)

On May 23, 97 Arafat appointed Mufti of Jerusalem, Achroma Sabri, declared "The Zionist entity exist on seized land. The Jews are the greatest enemies of us Muslims". (N.Y
On May 26, 97, the Voice of Palestine Radio reported that a Palestine leader, Yusaf
Snina, speaking at the Al-Akas mosque in Jerusalem, declared that the struggle must waged for the return of the entire Palestinian land, which includes present day Israel. If the PLO should continue to violate the Oslo Agreement, Israel might be forced, in self-defense, to take back all the strategic territories on the West Bank.

In a speech on April 9, 1997, the Speaker of the House of Representative Newt Gingrich took U.S. President Clinton to task. He said that the Clinton administration does no pressure Arafat, but they prefer to pressure Netanyahu, the Prime Minister of Israel.

"There is extraordinary danger", Speaker Gingrich declared; "in treating (Arabs) terror and (Israel) democracy equivalently".

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George Santayana, U.S. philosopher wrote: "Those who fail to learn from history are destined to relive it". In 1938 Munich Pact, Neville Chamberlain appeasement of Hitler by giving away the Czech Sudetenland to the Nazis, led to shame and to the World War. Israel must remember that appeasement leads usually to a disastrous consequences.

A staggering 35% of the entire Jewish population of 17 million before the war, were murdered during the Holocaust. We still can not depend on anyone but ourselves. There is maybe one positive consequence of the Holocaust. It could be said that I was created on the ashes of the 6 million Holocaust victims. The Jews, finally, after 2,000 years of waiting, have their own home, in the State of Israel. We have learned how to fight and win, and at the same time build a great country.

Israel is the only democracy among 20 countries of the Middle East. All Arab countries are ruled by dictators. Therefore, Israel must remain very strong militarily and politically. It must stop the friction between the Ultra-Orthodox and secular Jews. The infighting between Labor party leaders and Likud party leaders must cease. As Abraham Lincoln once said "United we stand, divided we fall", it goes double for Israel.

Unfortunately, the Jews living outside Israel still didn't quite get rid of their "Diaspora Syndrome". The characteristic of this Syndrome is being always first and foremost loyal to the country where you live, no matter what, and at the same time oblivious of being a Jew. i.e. Many American Jews are refusing to recognize Israel. Oliver North wrote in his 1992 book "UNDER FIRE", that the anti-Israel bias is "the inevitable result of ingrained streak of anti-Semitism in the United States government".

Jonathan Pollard, the U.S. naval intelligence officer was sentenced to life in prison for transferring classified information to Israel about Syrian and Iraq chemical, biological and nuclear buildup. This information was promised to Israel by President Reagan in an executive order in 1983, but never followed by the U.S. intelligence establishment.

He was not charged with treason, as this information did not endanger the security of the United States. In a prearranged plea bargain, Pollard was promised a minimal sentence. However, on Oct. 4, 1987, in a bizarre conflict of interest, prosecutor Richard DiGenova invited Caspar Weinberger who was characterized as a "bold faced liar" by special prosecutor Lawrence Walsh. Weinberger was indicted on 5 felony counts of perjury and obstruction of justice in the Iran/Contra scandal. His testimony delivered in camera, was sealed and denied to defense attorney. The government could not afford a jury trial because of damaging disclosures, a plea agreement was offered to Pollard which was breached by its author the prosecutor DiGenova. Yet the Judge Robinson rendered a life sentence to Pollard, which contradicted the plea agreement.

This outrageous, unjust treatment of Pollard, has kept him in solitary confinement more than 12 years. President Clinton turned down twice Pollard's request for clemency without meeting with the heads of rabbinical organizations. Regrettfully, the American Jewish establishment never raised the Pollard issue directly with President Clinton. Could this possibly be an other example of the dreadful "Diaspora Syndrome"?

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Golda Meir when she was Israel's Prime Minister, the story goes, told Henry Kissinger that he is not doing enough to help Israel. Kissinger replied to her, that he was first U.S. Secretary of State, second an American and third a Jew. Mrs. Meir responded...
since we Jews read from right to left, as I read it, she said, you are a Jew first
an American second and third U.S. Secretary of State.

Iraq invaded Kuwait, in August 1990, in order to gain control of their oil fields.
United Nation demanded immediate withdraws, however Iraq's President Saddam Hussein
refused to get out from Kuwait. As a consequence of this, in February 1991, he was
soundly defeated by American led coalition in the Gulf War called "Desert Storm".
Israel was not involved in the Gulf War. Nevertheless, Saddam attacked Israel with
missiles. Tel-Aviv was hit a few times, causing lots of damage and few Israelis were
killed. The American President George Bush, did not want Israel to defend itself a retaliate. He was "fearful" that the fragile coalition of Arab states and Western c
might fall apart. In any case, to prevent the Israeli Air Force to attack Iraq, he
provide Israel, with the secret air force code. Therefore, Israeli planes, could ha
considered as hostile planes and might have been shot down by American fighter pl
Unfortunately, George Bush has made even a bigger mistake. He stopped the "100 hou
war", before Saddam Hussein was deposed. Now eight years later, George Bush is not
anymore President, but Saddam Hussein is still the very mischievous President of I

In November 1997, Saddam out smarted the Americans President William Clinton, too.
He humiliated the American weapons inspectors, by ordering them to leave Iraq with
only 6 hour notice, by car through the desert to Jordan. (a 12 hour trip). All the
United Nation weapons inspectors were allowed to leave next day, by plane to Bahrain.
This gave Saddam an opportunity to hide evidence of Iraq's build up of biological,
chemical and even nuclear weapons. Iraq has tons of anthrax: (VX nerve gas), the
U.S. Secretary of Defense William Cohen, said on November 23, 1997, that "five
pounds of anthrax would lay to waste a city as big as Washington". As a result of three weeks long "diplomatic" negotiation with the Russians, the Uni
Nation weapons inspectors, including the Americans were allowed to return back to I
Saddan violated the U.N. resolution, with impunity and he has achieved what he want
namely three weeks time to hide his illegal weapons of mass destruction. To keep
weapons under control "is his long-term project" said the U.S. Secretary of Defens

Some officials are hinting that the American position would have been stronger wit
"anti-Saddam coalition" if Israel was "delivered", Israel's insistence on securit
and reciprocity as the condition for peace, is just a convenient alibi for the Arab
and the United States Clinton administration. (see in Appendix; NYT. 11/23/97)

The Iraqi situation created grave consequences for the Middle East and especially
for Israel. Charles Krauthammer, wrote in the TIME Magazine: "the guardian of Jew
destiny, is Israel, on a tiny patch of land by the Mediterranean. Now it will take
nuclear missiles or a battery of poison-gas SCUDS to complete Hitler's final soluti
Besides Iraq, both Iran and Syria, are urgently acquiring ballistic missiles and nu
materials. "The destruction of the Jewish people must not be permitted. The solidar
with the people of the Holocaust is whether one is prepared to help defend that peo
against the destroyers of today. Hitler must be allowed no posthumous victories".

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William Safire wrote in the N.Times: "President Clinton is busy being campaign ma
for Shimon Peres" the Labor leader who is the architect of the "Oslo peace agreemen
for the May 29, 1996, Israeli election. Peres, was nevertheless defeated
by the Likud leader Binyamin Netanyahu, who received 60% of the Jewish electorate
votes and a mandate to renegotiate the "peace agreement". The new Israel's
Government see security, as a result of strength, not appeasement.

Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian Authority President, controls at the present time, t
Gaza Strip and part of the West Bank. In Aug.1997, 2 weeks before, 3 suicide bomber
struck Jerusalem's Ben Yehuda Street, Arafat publicly kissed Abdul Aziz Rantissi, th
leader of the terrorist group Hamas. The attack took the lives of 4 Israelis and w
170 others. This has occurred just five weeks after a similar terrorist attack by
suicide bombers at a nearby vegetable market, killed 15 Israelis and injured 150. I
four years since Israel signed the "Oslo peace agreement" with the Palestinians and
withdraw from part of the West Bank and all of the Gaza Strip, a total of 19 suicide
bombers have struck, killing 160 and wounded more than 1000 innocent civilians.
Israel's security is not as important to Clinton Administration as the security of Korea, which was cited as the reason why the USA did not signed a treaty banning the manufacture, use and stockpiling of the anti-personnel land mines, that kill 26,000 people yearly. In December 1997, in Ottawa, Canada, 122 nations signed the pact, but the USA, in the "good" company of Russia, China, Iran, Iraq and Libya, did not.

Israel is being coerced again and again by the Clinton Administration to make "significant and credible withdrawals" from the West Bank. President Clinton and th Secretary of State Madeleine Albright keep pressuring Israel's Prime Minister Binyamin Netanyahu to suspend settlement construction. To this effect. in Dec.1997, Albright, met separately in Europe with Netanyahu and Arafat, three times. Ironic soon after Albright went to Congo to praise the President Laurent Kabila, despite the opposition leaders being jailed, human rights violations and corruption. (NYT)

Obviously, the U.S. has a double standard for Israel. As Israeli humorist, elucidates, we lost the sympathy of the world "by stubbornly refusing to let the Arabs defeat us.

Israel itself, is coming of age, it's not a pioneer society any more. The Netanyahu Government is coalition of Sephardim, Russian immigrants and ultra-Orthodox Jews. The descendants of the early kibbutzniks and the secular liberal Tel-Aviv elite, w still predominate Israel's culture, economy and media, are not included. And yet Ne represents the new tough and independent Israel, free of the "Diaspora Syndrome". The 1996 election strengthened the small ethnic and religious parties. Ehud Barak, the leader of the Labor opposition, is trying to win support from the ultra-Orthodox parties and also other small ethnic parties, in order to defeat Netanyahu.

Israel also have labor problems; Histadrut, which represents 700,000 public-sector workers and several other unions, in dispute over pensions, in December 1997, went on a protracted strike which halted airline service, stranded thousands of passenger. After 50 years, Israel democracy has a sophisticated economy, a strong military, so measure of security and a population that has survived extraordinary challenges.

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On Friday May 14, 1948, 4.30 PM just before the Shabatt, David Ben-Gurion at the Tel-Aviv Museum hall signed a one-page proclamation "The State of Israel has arise and then said "The session is closed". The Israelis were dancing in the streets.

The next day, Egypt bombed Tel-Aviv, and Syrian, Iraqi, Egyptian and Jordanian army mounted a ground assault. Israel had no tanks, no fighter planes and no artillery. It had only about 30,000 poorly trained military personal. Some ministers in the Truman administration favoring the Arabs, predicted a rout. Yet Israel has gained all fronts but paid dearly for the victory, with the blood and lives of their young men and women.Israel fought and won three unprovoked wars with the Arabs, in the last 50 years. On the eve of the 50th anniversary, there was a Memorial Day in Isr to remember the 18,748 Israeli soldiers which have died fighting, since the first w of independence.

On the Holocaust Memorial Day, the "March of Living" to the Auschwitz gas chambers, where millions of Jews perished, 7000 Jewish marchers, from around of the world, wi a timbre of sorrow. were led for the first time by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

To build a new Jewish state, after more than 19 centuries in Diaspora was not easy. In 1948, the ancient Jewish community of Iraq, with three millennia tradition, immi virtually en masse to Israel. Between June 1948 and May 1950 the entire Jewish community of Yemen, of about 45,000 was transported to Israel in planes, called as "Operation Magic Carpet". After 1948, 250,000 poor Jews from Morocco emigrated to Israel. In Ethiopia, a small "Jewish" sect known as Falashas, had existed for centuries virtual isolation. Between 1980 and 1985, the Israeli government organized a secret airlift, dubbed "Operation Moses". About 12,000 Falashas were transported to Israe
not an easy language to learn for the new immigrants from many different counties. During the 50 years of independence, Israel has absorbed more than 3 million Jewish immigrants from all over the world and changed itself from an agrarian based society to a high-tech powerhouse. The high-tech sector, in 1997 is expected to generate about US$ 7 billion in sales worldwide. Israel has advanced defense industries and a very well equipped powerful army, with 180,000 personnel on active duty. The Jewish population in Israel, has increased from 650,000 in 1948 to 5 million in 1997.

Jerusalem the eternal city, is Israel's capital. It is a wonderful melange of the sacred and secular, the historical and contemporary. A visit to both the Western Wall and Yad Vashem, is bound to make an unforgettable impact. Jerusalem became quite a modern city, it has spread to the neighboring hills, and outside of the ancient Old City. Celebrating the 50th. anniversary, Israeli can be proud of all their achievements, nevertheless most Israelis see the country at a crossroads and are not sure where is heading, in the 21st. century. Mazel-Tov Israel!

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ISRAEL'S FREEDOM FIGHTERS

In 1945, Ben-Gurion went to New York, at the home of millionaire Rudolf G. Sonnebon, he addressed 17 well-connected American Jews about the inevitability of war in Palestine. The so called Sonneborn Institute, bankrolled the purchase of aircraft's ships, with the help of the Jewish Agency, they purchased 13 war surplus planes, to cost US$ 95,000. Developing an air force was key to the operation, it was the brainchild of Al Schwimmer, a TWA flight engineer and WWII veteran.

The frantic efforts to obtain arms for the 1948 war of independence, was aided by an obscure Czech Jew, (who later changed his name to Robert Maxwell). He more than anyone else, secured the weapons for Israel survival. Only one nation Czechoslovakia came to Israel's aid, in addition to artillery, tanks and ammunition, they have so far been the famous Messerschmite BF-109 fighter planes. Jewish American pilots flew the airlift from Zatec, Czechoslovakia to Tel-Aviv, Israel during the 1948 war.

Without the help of the "Volunteers from Abroad" in the 1948 war of independence, Israel might not be celebrating its 50th anniversary this year. An assemble of Jews and gentiles, World War II veterans and Zionist teenagers from 30 countries, came to help 550,000 Jews fight for their very lives against 60 million Arabs. The volunteers also supplied the Haganah, in violation of U.S. and British embargoes, with small arms, ill-equipped airplanes and ships.

The Israelis fought hand-to-hand alongside Holocaust survivors, for the only nation earth they could call home. The survivors who were physically depleted after their concentration camp ordeal, who had never held a weapon before, were pressed into service as soldiers, shortly after they arrived in Israel.

As the story goes, one survivor who was drafted by the Israeli Defense Forces, arrived to be examined by a doctor, but there was no doctor, just a male nurse who proclaimed him fit to serve. He was sent to get uniforms, all he got is a cap, they didn't have uniforms, he was told to wear his own clothing. Then he met an officer, who told him he will serve in Israeli navy. The officer asked him if he knew how to swim? The new look at him and murmured "OY VAY" they don't have any ships either. This fictional is to illustrate how poorly equipped the Israeli forces were when Israel was created.

To paraphrase Sir Winston Churchill; "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few. If the State of Israel last for a thousand years, Jews say this was their finest hour."

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ISRAEL'S ANTIMISSILE DEFENSE FOR 21
Since the State of Israel was established on May 14, 1948, the Israelis were prepar
for a conventional warfare against bordering Arab states. At the present time the 
peripheral states like Iran and Iraq, are now perceived as a major threat to Israel 
Over next few years, Iraq, Iran and Syria are expected to have missiles capable of 
hitting Israeli cities with nuclear, biological or chemical weapons. 
To meet the threat, a spokesman for the government said that Israel began to 
concentrate on antimissiles defense right after the Gulf War. 
The Wall Street Journal, reported that Israel in September 1998 tested a system 
called "ARROW" which performed flawlessly against a computer simulated target, 
according to Israeli and U.S. defense officials. 
The "ARROW" was developed by Israeli Aircraft Industries and funded in part by U.S. 
Defense Department, and it is considered the most viable among antimissile systems 
Israel's Defense Ministry said it intends to deploy the "ARROW" in 1999, after a th 
and final round of testing. "This project has a national priority but the idea is 
divergent from our main efforts of maintaining military capability that would be decis 
conventional warfare".

Documentary Source; "THE SECRET WAR AGAINST THE JEWS" by John Loftus and Mark 
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"THE SECRET WAR"

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Most of the classified archives of the U.S. government and the captured files of 
Third Reich and records of the British secret service are literally buried, in Suit 
Maryland. Very important documents were kept secret for a long time, even after the 
World War II, by the U.S. Authorities. Here are just a few of those sensational 
cover-ups:

Brothers John Foster Dulles and Allen Dulles, worked very closely with the pre-war 
Germany and Swiss banks secrecy was used to shield German money. After the war the 
Dulles brothers helped to hide the Nazis money; the missing Reichsbank treasure is 
greatest unsolved bank robbery in history, to this day.

When British declared war on Germany in September 1939, American companies 
(Ford, GM, DuPont) rushed to Germany to fill the investment vacuum.

Rockefeller’s Standard Oil of New Jersey had a deal with Nazi Germany I.G.Farben. 
The U.S. government couldn’t do much, as the Dulles brothers, representing Rockefeller 
threaten to interrupt oil supplies during wartime. Supreme Court Justice Arthur Gol 
who served in U.S. intelligence during WWII said "the Dulles brothers were traitors 
they had betrayed their country, by giving aid and comfort to the enemy in time of 

The Wallenbergs family, Sweden’s largest commercial bank was helping Nazi Germany, 
during the World War II to dispose of gold and jewels stripped from murdered Jews. 
However, one of the Wallenbergs (Raoul) in 1944 went to Hungary to help the Jews es 
from the Nazis. When the war ended in May 1945, he was arrested by the Soviet army.

F.D. Roosevelt, one week before he died in April 1945, pledged to Ibn Saud in writ 
that the U.S. would not "assist the Jews against the Arabs". The new President Trum 
reversed the commitments that Roosevelt had made to Ibn Saud. A leading Zionist 
have admitted, if Roosevelt had lived, it is unlikely that Israel would have been b 

The secretary of defense, James Forrestal worked behind President Truman’s back 
to block the creation of the State of Israel. He believed that controlling Arab o
far too important to squander for the sake of the Jews. He said that Saudi Arabia was "a matter of first importance" to the United States.

Dulles old friend Nazi General Karl Wolf, who murdered 300,000 Jews, went virtually unpunished. Kurt Waldheim an Austrian Nazi, received security clearance from Allen Dulles to become a United Nation's secretary-general.

If the American cover-up of Nazis war criminals after the W.W.II was bad, the Briti and French were even worse.

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Forrestal like many of his fellows Wall Street club members, especially Allen Dull opposed more than token Jewish immigration to the United States. He was not the only one inside the Truman administration with reservation about Israel. He had a powerfully, the secretary of state George Marshall. They were supported by the notorious anti-Semitic British foreign secretary Ernst Bevin.

Nelson Rockefeller, could have been charged with treason, for giving aid and comfort to the enemy in time of war. Ben-Gurion had all the information, therefore he was a force Rockefeller to call every Latin American dictator, to tell them that they mus "YES" in United Nation, in favor of Israel. On November 29, 1947, a resolution for Palestine was adopted, by 33 yes votes to 13 against, with the help of those c On May 14, 1948, at 6 PM Eastern time, David Ben-Gurion proclaimed that Israel would come into being. At 6.11 PM, the White House extended de facto recognition. Israel had to fight Arab armies the next day. Forrestal and his friends were confident predicting a rout. The Arabs declared that they would drive the Jews into the sea.

Ben-Gurion's frantic efforts to obtain arms for the 1948 war of independence, was a by an obscure Czech Jew, Lev Hoch, who more than anyone else, secured the weapons for Israel survival. Hoch later became a wealthy publisher in Britain and changed his name to Robert Maxwell. He will be forever revered as one of Israel's founding her.

The Western nations would not sell guns to Israel. Only one nation Czechoslovakia to Israel's aid with everything it had. In addition to artillery, tanks and ammunu had given to Israel the famous Messerschmte BF-109 fighter planes. With Maxwell' help Israel had an air force, just in time, the Egyptian army was only 25 miles fro.

The 1967 war the high point of Israeli military prowess, during this war, Israel in discovered the American betrayal and attacked the U.S. ship "LIBERTY", which was gathering electronic information on Israel and was sending it to British intelligence in turn relayed it to the Arabs. Both the American and the Israeli governments agree suppress the truth about the "LIBERTY" incident from the public.

In 1952, after Eisenhower was elected president, he appointed John Foster Dulles as secretary of state and Allen Dulles as head of the CIA. The Dulles brothers who led American investors to Nazi Germany and after the war obstructed the hunt for Nazi war criminals were now in charge of American policy. During the 1956 Suez crisis, the brothers betrayed British, French and Israel military secrets to the Arabs in order the dominant role in the Middle East.

In May 1967, the Egyptian blockaded the Israeli port of Eilat, in a clear violation national law. On June 5, Israel launched a preemptive attack on Egyptian and Syrian air forces and virtually wiped them out in one strike.

Six years later, 1973, the CIA got their payback for the "LIBERTY", by not telling that Arabs were planning a surprise attack on Yom Kippur day. Israel has learn the paramount lesson, that the U.S. could not be trusted, and that must be able to defend itself. With help of the head of the French nuclear weapons project, who was a Jew and a strong sympathizer of Israel, they built an atomic bom

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In 1968 Henry Kissinger, told the Israeli leaders that the West will stand by and if Israel was attacked by Soviet missiles. The U.S. would not risk starting WW III territories occupied by Jews. Kissinger, whose petty intrigues and dabbling in co
operation, nearly caused the destruction of Israel in the Yom Kippur war, when Egypt and Syria attacked on October 3, 1973. Kissinger warned Israel not even to begin to no preemptive strikes until the Arabs invaded Israel. The American games had cost Israel heavily, several thousand soldiers had died, over 500 tanks were destroyed. Israel air force had been crippled by Soviet SAM missiles. Only when Israeli ammunition was almost exhausted did the American started to act. The man who saved Israel from Kissinger blunders was White House chief of staff, Alexander Haig. The defense secretary Schlesinger decided on covert military shipment to Israel. Al Haig authorized TOW anti-tank missiles from U.S. and Germany to be shipped to Israel. Lots of TOW missiles can be packed into the aircraft. Four thousand TOWs make quite an impact. The final Egyptian assault on Mitla and Gidi passes in the Siwa turned into a rout as Arab tank force was cut to ribbons. On October 15, Israel launched a successful counter offensive. They crossed the Suez Canal and began to drive to C. On October 26, Israel agreed to a cease-fire. When the dust had finally settled on the war, Nixon had resigned, Kissinger was discredited and Israel have won a great victory. The CIA supplied President Carter with fraudulent intelligence report about both the Union and Saudi Arabia, were running out of oil. Therefore the Soviets will be for fight the U.S. for control of Middle Eastern oil. The CIA "oil shortfall" probably greatest intelligence fraud in American history. It was a ploy to permanently revert policy toward Israel and also a pretext for the U.S. to arm the Arabs. In a short motive was to make more money for the American oil companies. When the dust had settled on Camp David, Israel had a piece of paper and the Arabs American guns and money, and all of Israel military secrets provided to them by CIA. Both CIA chiefs Allen Dulles and his protege Bill Casey, used the CIA for personal and for the benefit of the oil companies. James Baker and Casper Weinberger were an Israeli, anti-Jewish, pro-Arab, determined to make the Middle East safe for oil co. In 1981, when the Israeli destroyed Saddam Hussein’s nuclear reactor at Osirak, Bush was the first world leader to say that Israel needs to be punished. The Israeli intelligence regards Bush as their most vicious American opponent since Allen Dulles. George Bush was a war hero, but never did a person with good intentions fail so thoroughly in so many different ways. His confidence was exceeded only by his incompetence. When CIA Bill Buckley was kidnapped in Lebanon, Bush’s staff panicked and hired Syrian terrorist, Monzer Al-Kassar to ransom Buckley back. He turned out to be the world’s leading drug smuggler and gunrunner, working with the same kidnappers. George Bush arranged for billions of American tax dollars to be loaned to Saddam Hussein, for chemical weapons factories and nuclear components. When his troops invaded Kuwait, Hussein was only 12 months away from inflicting a nuclear holocaust on Israel. Bush announced to the press that the Syrian had gotten a "bad rap" for terrorism. The Christian Lebanese accused Bush of making a deal to permit the Syrian takeover of Lebanon. The next one to make a secret deal with Bush was Saddam Hussein of Iraq. This time it was a trade of oil for guns. The CIA director Bill Casey, in June 1984, attended a secret conference at the London summit. He requested an assisted to sell arms to Iran in exchange for hostages held in Lebanon. But where would they find an innocent government stupid enough to take the blame if anything went wrong. George Bush and Bill Casey decided that it was time to bring in the Israeli, to be the scapegoat for the Iran-Contra affair. In the end the harm to Israel was done by George Bush’s stupidity. Reagan’s choice of George Schultz (former Bechtel president) to replace the pro-Israel Alexander Haig as secretary of state, was another signal of hostility to Israel. To everyone’s surprise, Schultz was much kinder to Israel than had been expected. When Haig left, only handful of “Israel-loving” staffers remained, Oliver North was one of them. He believed that Israel was a powerful anti-terrorist force and should be Jonathan Pollard was accused of leaking top-secret satellite photos to Israel. Amer
Jewish leader argue that he had passed on intelligence data that should have been shared with Israel in the first place. Pollard noticed vessels going back and forth from Greece to Yemen in 1984; he passed the tip to the Israelis. They did not know at first they have smashed George Bush's first shipment of arms to Iran, the most secret White House operation of modern times. Everything that could go wrong went wrong for Bush.

The Secretary of Defense Casper Weinberger furiously demanded that Pollard be given the maximum sentence, to protect his old friend George Bush. (see Israel page D)

Oliver North wrote in his book "UNDER FIRE" (1992), that the anti-Israel bias "is the result of ingrained streak of anti-Semitism in our government". Casper Weinberger, seemed to go out of his way to oppose Israel on any issue and to blame the Israelis every problem in the Middle East. Some explained it by pointing to his years with the BECHTEL Corporation, one of the most notorious anti-Semitic companies in the U.S. Also to his sensitivity about his Jewish father. Casper himself is not Jewish.

The White Russian fascists of Vor Kommando Moskau, worked during the war with Adolf Eichmann, were in charge of killing Jews in Koldychevo (Russia) camps. Over the years, every major White Russian war criminal and the Stanislav Stankievic, the entire Nazi puppet government of White Russia was settled in the New York - New Jersey area and worked for Allan Dulles's CIA and Bill Casey's FBI.

In 1979, the CBS "60 Minutes" televised a program about the White Russian Nazis working for the FBI, in spite of lots of pressures not to proceed with it.

To the Western Intelligence services, it made a cynical sort of sense; after all the against Hitler was over, but the "Cold War" only just begun. Why waste valuable intelligence assets just because of a "few" dead European Jews.

THE 20th CENTURY GREAT PERSONALITIES

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ADENAUER, Konrad (1876 -1967)
The first democratic Chancellor of the West Germany Federal Republic after World War II. (1949-1963). He confronted Germany dark past and offered restitution for Nazis crimes to the survivor of the Holocaust. In 1952 he negotiated the West Germany peace treaty with the Western Allies and obtained a full sovereignty.

ARMSTRONG, Neil Alden, born in 1930
U.S. astronaut, first man to step on the moon and said "A small step for man, a large step for mankind " July 21, 1969

BEN GURION, David (1886 -1973)
Was an active Zionist before and during the World War II. After the WWII led the political struggle against the British occupation of Palestine. On May 14, 1948, he proclaimed the State of Israel and became the first Israel's Prime Minister (1948-5

CHAPLIN, Charlie (1889 -1977)
English film actor, director, producer and composer, worked in the U.S. (1910-52) He created the wistful tramp in his films. In 1952, he was forced to leave the U.S. He settled in Switzerland. In 1975, he was Knighted by the Queen Elizabeth II.

CHURCHILL, Sir Winston (1874 -1965)
British statesman and writer. World War II prime minister (1940 - 1945)
He refused to make peace with Germany until Adolf Hitler was crushed. He was awarded Nobel prize for literature in 1953.

DE GAULE, Charles (1890 - 1970)
World War II, French general and statesman, President of France (1959 -1969)
In 1966, he withdrew French troops from NATO and expelled NATO military installation from France in April 1967.

EINSTEIN, Albert (1879 - 1955)
A Jew born in Germany, he was forced to leave Nazi Germany and to emigrate
to the USA. He was a physicist who formulated the "theory of relativity". He was awarded Nobel prize in 1921. Einsteinium, theoretical studies of mass and energy; he identified a radioactive chemical element discovered in the first thermonuclear explosion.

EISENHOWER, Dwight David (1890 -1969) U.S. general and World War II commander of all Allied forces in Europe (1943 1945). He was the 34th president of the U.S.A. (1953 -61).

FREUD, Sigmund (1856 -1939) Austrian physician and neurologist, founder of psychoanalysis; Freudian theories and methods of psychoanalysis is still practiced everywhere in the world.

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GANDHI, Mahatma (18969 -19480 Indian Hindu national leader and social reformer. Advocated a nonviolent civil disobedience against the British colonial occupation. He was assassinated by a Hindu fanatic, because his solicitude for the Muslims.

HEMINGWAY, Ernest (1899 - 1961) American novelist and short story writer, one of the great 20th Century writers. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for literature in 1954.

KEYNES, John Maynard (1883 1946) English economist and writer. The Keynesian theories holds that full employment and a stable economy depend on the governmental stimulation through adjustment of interest and tax rates, and also deficit financing.

KING, Martin Luther, Jr. (1929 -1968) American clergyman and leader of the black nonviolent movement in Atlanta. He was awarded the Nobel Prize in 1964. He was assassinated on April 5,1968.


PICASSO, Pablo (1881 - 1973) Spanish painter and sculptor, lived and worked in France. Known for his incredible originality. He was the foremost figure in 20th Century art.

ROOSEVELT, Franklin Delano (1882 - 1945) 32nd President of the U.S.; was elected unprecedented four times (1932, 36, 40 & 44. After Japan attacked on Pearl Harbor, on December 7, 1941, he declared war on Japan and later on Germany.

TOSCANINI, Arturo (1867 - 1957) The greatest Italian and world famous orchestral conductor. In 1936 he conducted the inaugural concert of the Palestine (now Israel) Symphony orchestra in Tel-Aviv.

WRIGHT, Frank Lloyd (1869 - 1959) American architect, he practiced radical innovation both as to structure and aesthetics. Many of his methods and architectural philosophy became internationally acclaimed.

WIESENTHAL, Simon He was liberated from the Mauthausen concentration camp in May 1945. He is a relentless Nazi criminals hunter, he has devoted his life to bringing the Nazis murderers to

THE 21st CENTURY OUTLOOK

http://www.books-on-line.com/BookLink/Century.txt
The 21st century begins according to the Gregorian calendar on January 1, 2000. To put this in perspective, on the Judaic calendar it will be already Teves 23, 5

It is impossible to predict the future accurately, however based on the available information one can try to anticipate in general terms what could happen in the year 2000 and beyond.

The 21st century, like the 20th century, will start with widespread anticipation for the future. There could be at least one major problem, right on January 1, the problem of the computer date glitch, which will not be probably fully resolved on time.

The world economical situation in 1999 is in poor condition, we can expect the crisis to continue in Russia, South America and Asia. However, the Japanese economy could start to improve. The U.S. economy cannot remain an "oasis of prosperity" and immune to the effects of the global crisis. The American economical growth depends on continuation of high spending, financed with borrowed money, creating a scary debt problem, reaching in US$13 trillion, up about 50 billion from 1997. Personal bankruptcy filings are at an all-time high, another yearly record. The so-called U.S. U.S. "balanced budget", according to econometric analysis, is a mirage that would vanish, if Social Security Tax receipts are removed from budget accountings.

The stock markets are greatly overvalued and the frantic unprecedented speculation in Internet stocks could cause a huge correction and a loss of 75% from the closing price on December 31, 1998. The DJIA and S&P 500 Indexes could go down by approximately 30%

The European Common Market of 15 countries, with a common currency the "EURO", which officially started on January 1, 1999, is managed by a new European Central Bank, an institution instrumental in making Europe prosperous in the new century.

The biggest problem facing the world, following the "Cold War", is the proliferation of nuclear materials and poison-gases, to countries which openly support terrorists. Some of these countries could use their long range ballistic missiles to attack almost any place on the planet. Israel, especially, is vulnerable to be attacked by Syria, Iran and Libya. Israel together with the U.S. is working on developing an antimissile defense called "Arrow".

During the new century, scientists might be able to find a cure for Aids, cancer and the common cold. Also, to extend the life-expectancy of humans to over 100 years. This reason why the human population could double its numbers by the year 2050, to near 10 billion, creating an environmental nightmare, shortage of food, water, land and for the technology to work. The technology will probably make computers as smart as humans, it will also improve communication, Internet, home entertainment, transportation, energy and robotics.

The single biggest pitfall of prognostication is the assumption that the current trend will extend indefinitely into the future. A forecaster could succumb to either excessive optimism or pessimism, based on wishful thinking, personal bias or even on his own vested interest.

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