

Vayiven Uziyahu

(Israel)

In places where it was taught this was a favorite Israeli dance. It has the leaps, spend and mood which kolo and line faddists seem to relish.

(Uzziah built towers in Jerusalem and fortified them. He also built towers in the desert and dug many wells. . . II Chron. 26).

Formation: Small groups from 6 to 8, hands joined low and face CCW. Move in any direction on the floor. 8 count introduction.

Figure I

- 1-2 Run lightly CCW 4 steps, R, L, R, L.
- 3-4 Face center, feet together, bounce lightly 4 on heels.
- 5 Run CCW only steps.
- 6 Face center, bounce on heels only twice.
- 7-8 Repeat meas 5-6.
- 9-16 Repeat all of above one again.

Figure II

- 1 Walk CCW 2 steps, R, L.
- 2 Place R heel slightly in front of L toe, and then pull it back sharply, brush R toe against floor. This figure is performed with a slightly forward bent body.
- 3-4 Repeat meas 1-2, Figure II, again.
- 5-6 Walk fwd 2 steps, R, L, and at the same time clap own hands to the R, twice.
- 7 Run fwd two steps, R, L.
- 8 Leap fwd in long strides, R, L.
- 9 Face center and jump on both feet together.
- 10 Cross L ft over R with a slight leap.
- 11-12 Repeat meas 9-10.
- 13-24 Repeat all of Part II once again.