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Obituaries

Walter Rutman, 74; publisher, supporter of repertory theatre

PROVIDENCE — Walter Rutman, 74, of 198 Governor St., owner of the Rhode Island *Jewish Herald* and for nearly two decades the largest single supporter of the Trinity Square Repertory Company, died yesterday in Jane Brown Hospital after a brief illness. He was the husband of Miriam (Bornside) Rutman.

In addition to the *Herald,* Mr. Rutman was owner and president of the *The Herald Press;* the Ondine Publishing Company and was former owner of the East Providence *Post* and the Seekonk *Star.*

"When we really needed him, he was there," a Trinity spokeswoman said this morning. She could not even begin to estimate his contributions since 1967, but he was the largest single supporter the company had over that period, she said.

He was a member of the N.E. Press Association, the National Association of Photo Lithographers, Ledgemont Country Club, the Rhode Island Canoeing Association and the Sandy Lane Country Club of St. James, Barbados.

A graduate of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute, class of 1929, he was born in Worcester, Mass., a son of the Joseph and Hannah (Bornstein) Rutman. He was a Providence resident for more than 40 years.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a sister, Yvette Rodman of Providence.

Funeral arrangements will be private.

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December 8, 1982. Residence 198 Governor St. Beloved husband of Miriam (Bornside) Rutman. Brother of Yvette Rodman of Providence. Funeral arrangements are private. There will be no memorial observance. Arrangements by the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St.