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**Israel Makes Complaint To UN On Syrian Attacks**

UNITED NATIONS — Israel made a formal complaint last week to the United Nations Security Council against "recent armed attacks by Syrian forces upon Israel's citizens and civilian activities."

The complaint asserted that the attacks were "most flagrant violations of the Israel-Syrian General Armistice Agreement" and that the "deteriorating border situation" was "a serious threat to international peace and security."

Israel's permanent representative, Ambassador Michael Comay, sent the letter of complaint to the president of the Security Council. Previously he conferred with Secretary General U Thant and with Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, Undersecretary for Special Political Affairs. The Ambassador asked the UN act to halt further attacks. He did not ask for a meeting of the Security Council but only that the contents of the letter be circulated to all Council members.

The complaint said that Syria had been making sporadic attacks on the border since ending "a long period of calm" in the area on June 9. The letter listed 29 cases of shooting attacks in the period of June 9 to July 6. Comay told the Security Council that in each case, Israel had complained to the Syrian-Israel Mixed Armistice Commission. He also reported that except during July 2 and July 6, Israel did not return the fire. He also reported that Israel suffered four casualties, one of the victims being in critical condition.

In Israel, Mrs. Golda Meir, the Foreign Minister, met with UN Truce Supervisory Organization officials to convey Israel's concern over the attacks. She demanded UNTSO action to pacify the area. She also met with Walworth Barbour, the American Ambassador to Israel, on the issue.

The Secretary General told a press conference at the UN that he planned to visit the Middle East before the next session of the General Assembly in November, including Israel and the neighboring Arab states.

Another long-quiet sector, the Jordan-Israel border, also was the scene of shooting this week.

**United States, Israel Begin Talks On First Nuclear-Powered Plant For Desalting Sea Water**

TEL AVIV — The United States and Israel began talks in Jerusalem Monday that are expected to lead to the construction of the world's first nuclear-powered plant for desalting sea water.

A joint team of technologists representing the two countries began a study of the economic and technical feasibility of the project. A study by a joint team of engineers will be the next step.

United States and Israeli officials here said that they expected the team to recommend the erection by about 1970 of a reactor in the order of magnitude of 800 thermal megawatts that would generate 200 megawatts of electric power and distill between 100,000,000 and 200,000,000 gallons of sea water daily. A megawatt is the equivalent of a million watts.

The Americans talked of such a project as an intermediate step between a small pilot plant and the big plant that is needed to fructify the world's arid regions. They said the proposed Israeli project would enable American scientists and technicians to study techniques for building larger plants.

The smaller plant, however, would satisfy Israel's power and water needs in 1970.

It would cost approximately \$100 million. President Johnson has offered Premier Levi Eshkol the cooperation of the United States, but discussions on the

actual division of costs will await the recommendations of the joint study groups.

At the ceremonial opening of the talks Monday Premier Eshkol said that with the completion of the Jordan River Irrigation project Israel had tapped 85 per cent of her potential water resources.

United States and Israeli experts here have agreed that the cost of distilled water in 1970, if electric power generated by the dual purpose plant is sold at the regular rates, will be between 33 and 40 cents a thousand gallons, plus 8 cents for conveyance.

They agreed that Israel's expanding industries could afford that rate and that urban consumers could pay it.

As for agriculture, experts said that the cost would be generally prohibitive, but noted that desalted water could be diluted with purified sewage, which costs 18 to 20 cents a thousand gallons.

United States Ambassador Walworth Barbour said the new venture in American-Israeli cooperation would not only provide water for Israel but also knowledge regarding new water sources for the rest of the world.

The American members of the team are Milton A. Chase of the Department of the Interior, Stewart F. Mulford of the Office of Saline Water, and Irving Spiewak of the Atomic Energy Commission.



LIFEGUARD Earl Hersey, Jr., starts Amy Feldman down the slide.



OFF THE SLIDE goes Lori Strauss, and into the water goes Denise Pacheco. More pictures on Page 9.



**To Hold Jewish Services At Cathedral In The Pines**

The 18th annual Jewish Service will be held at the Cathedral of the Pines in Rindge, N. H., on Sunday at 3 P.M.

Rabbi Alexander M. Goldstein of Temple Shalom, Medford, Mass., will deliver the sermon and the service will be conducted by Rabbi Ralph P. Kingsley of Garden City Jewish Center, Garden City, Long Island, N. Y.

Professor Solomon G. Braslavsky, music director of Temple Mishkan Tefila of Newton, Mass., assisted by a professional choir, will furnish the liturgical music.

The Jewish Service, which annually attracts as many as 10,000 people, is one of many services held at the Cathedral throughout the summer. To date more than 40 different religious denominations — Christian, Jewish, Christian Scientist, Mormon, and others — have availed themselves of the facilities of this outdoor place of worship.

The Altar of the Nation at the Cathedral of the Pines attained the status of a national shrine honoring all military and civilian war dead, by virtue of an Act of Congress. Its appointments contain stones from every state of the union and from every part of the globe.

Operated as a public charitable trust, the Cathedral makes no collections or charges of any kind, being supported mainly by voluntary contributions.

At the Jewish Service, the cur-

rent Sedra or portion of the Torah and of the Prophets will be read. A booklet containing the entire service is given to each attendant.

Arrangements are in charge of Lazarus A. Aaronson and Morton Rose, both trustees of the Cathedral of the Pines Trust. Hosts at Hilltop House will be Mr. and Mrs. Leo Lakin of Gardner; chief aide is Alfred S. Minchenberg of Winchendon; Torah assistants are David L. Charal of New York, N. Y., and Irving Rosenblum of Worcester, Mass.

**Farmer Admits He, Uncle Beat Rabbi Lelyveld**

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — A white farmer has admitted that he and his uncle, now in a mental institution, beat up Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, of Cleveland, and two students working in the Negro voter registration drive here. Police said they arrested the 32-year-old farmer, Estes Keyes, of Collins, charging him with assault and battery and intent to maim, and have issued a warrant for his uncle's arrest. Keyes was released on \$2,500 bail, pending action by the Forest Country grand jury, which meets August 3.

Two men jumped out of a truck on a highway along which Rabbi Lelyveld was walking with the civil rights workers 10 days ago.

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**TAKES STEPS**  
**MENDOZA** Argentina — The Mendoza provincial government took steps to prevent further anti-Jewish activities of the Guardia Restauradora Nacionalista after three members of the extremist nationalist group were arrested last week on suspicion of having been implicated in the bombing of the Mendoza Jewish Club.

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# Hundreds Of Jewish Stores Looted In Brooklyn Riots

NEW YORK — More than 200 stores in the Bedford-Stuyvesant area of Brooklyn, most of them Jewish-owned, were looted and 300 stores were damaged by rioting Negroes, police officials reported last week.

The officials said that the rioting did not appear to be directed at the stores because they were Jewish-owned, because the rioters also stormed and ransacked stores owned by Negroes in the section, which still has a heavily-Jewish population.

Community leaders, representing both Jews and Christians, including Negroes, met in the office of Brooklyn Borough President Abe Stark to map means of dampening down the explosive atmosphere. The rioting in Brooklyn followed violent outbreaks in Harlem.

Among those attending the meeting in the Borough President's office was Rabbi Benjamin Kreitman, representing the Brooklyn Jewish Community Council. Rabbi Kreitman also was acting in his capacity as chairman of the Borough President's Community Action Committee.

A spokesman for the Brooklyn JCC said that anti-Semitic slogans had been yelled by some rioters. He added that the concern of the community leaders was to find means of bringing calm to the

crime-wracked section before matters got much worse. He said the Brooklyn JCC was ready to "take every step possible not only to protect the Jews in the area but the community at large."

An Interfaith Citizens Committee, composed of representatives of the Board of Rabbis, Catholic Universal Council and the Protestant Council in Brooklyn, appealed to Mayor Robert Wagner to take urgent measures to prevent a repetition of the riots.

Police said 83 persons had been arrested in the Bedford-Stuyvesant rioting. Seven civilians and three policemen were injured in the clashes. Two men accused of looting were shot and critically wounded by police during the rioting. Shopkeepers blamed the looting on outside ruffians who had invaded the area.

In the nearby Crown Heights section where a Safety Patrol was organized recently by a group calling themselves "The Maccabees," on the initiative of Rabbi Samuel Schrage, an adherent of the Lubavitcher Rebbe, there was great apprehension but little rioting, the rabbi said.

"However," he added, "because the police forces were busy in Bedford-Stuyvesant, we had to increase the number and strength of our patrols. We had 12 cars

cruising the area — the largest group we ever put on duty for self protection."

According to Rabbi Schrage, a number of Arab students had entered the area from Manhattan to help stir up trouble against the Jews. He said one Jewish policeman told him he had recognized some of these trouble-makers as Arabs. "And this man knows Arabs," the rabbi said, "because he fought with the Israeli army during Israel's War of Independence."

I was in the trouble area four times," Rabbi Schrage said, "and it was like a battlefield." Many of the wrecked stores, he declared, are Jewish-owned, as judged by the signs on the storefronts. He stated also that many Jews who are members of CORE had been instructed by CORE leaders to stay away from the troubled area.

**TOUR ISRAEL**  
 NEW YORK — A group of 38 university faculty members and Christian clergymen left New York last week for a 29-day study tour of Israel organized under the auspices of the America-Israel Society.

Mayor Theodore R. McKeldin of Baltimore, Society president, said that the tour participants were from 18 states, two of them from Canada and 14 from states west of the Mississippi River. The clergymen represent most of the major Christian denominations in the United States. The educators are primarily in the field of the social and political sciences.

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## Ben-Gurion Lashes Out At Zionist Movement

TEL AVIV — Former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion was in his best fighting mood at the conference of the World Union of Zionist Socialist parties, lashing out repeatedly against "hypocrisy" in Zionist debates and activities.

He urged the 200 delegates not to pass resolutions which would not be carried out. Repeatedly stressing the need among leaders for setting personal examples. He complained only one Labor Zionist leader had settled in Israel. He added that everything that had been achieved in Israel had been done by those who came to settle here.

"This country will exist with or without foreign aid for its survival depends only on those living here," he asserted. He declined to use the term "socialism," he said, because President Nasser of Egypt and Stalin also had spoken in the name of socialism.

He rejected charges that his Government had refused to help the Zionist movement, adding that "perhaps one mad-man did not help but the whole Government did." He added he did not plan to attend the next World Zionist Congress. Then he called on the delegates to make maximum efforts to intensify Hebrew education and to encourage personal contacts of Jews with Israel. Premier Abba Eban and Itzhak Korn, general secretary of Mapai, also addressed the session.

## World Jewry Invited To Participate In Celebration In Iran

TEHERAN — World Jewry has been invited by the Shah of Iran to participate in the forthcoming celebration here of the 2,500th anniversary of the founding of the Iranian Empire by Cyrus the Great, according to an announcement made by Jamshid Kashfi, a member of the Iranian Parliament.

The invitation, he said, was extended to Dr. Henry Raphael Gold, New York psychiatrist and Talmudic scholar, who was received by the Ministry of the Shah's Court. The Shah's hope that Jewry would play a role in the celebration was relayed to world Jewry through Dr. Gold.

Cyrus the Great, who conquered the Babylonians in the year 539 before the Christian era, immediately restored to the Jews the vessels taken by Babylon from the First Temple, and permitted the Jews to return to Palestine.

## Obituaries

**MILTON LEVITT**  
 Funeral services for Milton Levitt, 49, president of the City Coal & Oil Company, who died Tuesday, were held the following day at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

Mr. Levitt, who lived at 226 Blackstone Boulevard, was born Oct. 16, 1914, a son of the late Mayer and Lena (Sesitsky) Levitt. He attended Brown University and was graduated in 1939 from Bryant College.

Besides heading the fuel firm, Mr. Levitt was associated with Elmwood Sensors Inc., a thermostat developing company, and was a representative of Allen J. White & Company, Inc., stock brokerage firm in East Providence.

Mr. Levitt was a member of Temple Beth Israel, Roosevelt Lodge No. 42, F & AM, the Touro Fraternal Association and the Jewish Community Center.

He is survived by his wife Lillian (Horvitz) Levitt; three sons, Paul, Richard and James, all of Providence; a daughter, Myra of Providence; two brothers, Jack of Warwick and Dr. Nathan Levitt of Pawtucket, and two sisters, Mrs. Louis Madowsky of Cranston and Mrs. Saul Hodosh of Providence.

**HYMAN S. PERSKY**  
 Funeral services for Hyman Samuel Persky of 905 Hope Street, a buyer for the Outlet Company for 25 years before his retirement, who died July 23, were held the following day at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

The husband of the late Laura (Friedman) Persky, he was born in 1881, the son of the late Joseph and Fannie Persky. He lived in Providence for 50 years. Mr. Persky was a charter member of Louis Feiner Lodge.

Survivors include two sons, Edward M. Persky of Providence and William Persky of Orlando, Fla.; two daughters, Mrs. Nathan

Zucker of Framingham, Mass., and Mrs. Arnold Karan of Forest Hills, N. Y.; a sister, Mrs. Samuel Soforenko of Providence, and eight grandchildren.

**MRS. MAYER SOBEL**  
 Mrs. Ethel (Eisenberg) Sobel died July 24 in Baltimore, Md., after a six weeks illness. She was the widow of Mayer Sobel.

A former Providence resident for many years, she moved to Baltimore 17 years ago.

She is survived by a son, Arthur Rothman of Providence; two daughters, Mrs. Lillian Buchoff and Mrs. Edith Wolpoff, both of Baltimore; a brother Irving Eisenberg of Newport; a sister, Mrs. Mollie Eisenberg of Baltimore, and four grandchildren.

**MRS. MAX BERRY**  
 Private services for Mrs. Fannie B. Berry of 6 Bedford Road, Pawtucket, who died Sunday after a two-year illness, were held at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel.

The widow of Max Berry, she was born on May 14, 1888 in Providence, a daughter of the late Simon and Sarah (Marshak) Slepisky. Mrs. Berry had been a Providence resident until 1935, when she moved to Miami, Fla. She returned two years ago and made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Al Saltzman in Pawtucket.

Besides Mrs. Saltzman, she leaves another daughter, Mrs. Reuben Deckelman of Miami Beach; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Rose Shasset of Providence.

**Card of Thanks**  
 The family of the late SARAH IDA LEVIN wish to express their sincere appreciation to their friends and relatives for the kind expressions of sympathy offered to them during their recent bereavement.

**Unveiling Notice**  
 The unveiling of a monument in memory of the late RAYMOND ROSENBERG will take place on Sunday, August 2, at 4 P.M. in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

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**ENGAGED** — Mr. and Mrs. Saul W. Caroline of Columbia, Conn., announce the engagement of their daughter, Linda, to Carl H. Swartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Swartz of Mattapan, Mass., formerly of Providence.

Miss Caroline was graduated from Windham High School in Willimantic, Conn., and from Chandler School for Women in Boston. She is employed at the Elliott P. Joslin Research Laboratory of Harvard Medical School.

Mr. Swartz, a graduate of Hope High School, received a degree in market research from Burdett College in Boston, and is now attending American International College in Springfield, Mass.

Mr. Swartz is the grandson of Mrs. Ruth Swartz of Providence. A June, 1965, wedding is planned.

### ATTEND CONVENTION

Irving H. Levin, deputy commander of the Jewish War Veterans of Rhode Island, will head a delegation to Hollywood, Fla., to attend the 64th National Convention of the Jewish War Veterans which will be held from Sunday, Aug. 9 through Aug. 16, at the Diplomat Hotel.

Accompanying Mr. Levin will be Harold Fink, department senior vice commander; Aaron Mittleman, regional commander; Paul J. Robin, past department commander, and Mr. and Mrs. Max Miller.

Representing the JWV Auxiliary will be Mrs. Vera Hochman, president; Mrs. Irving, past department president; Mrs. Aaron Mittleman, president, Rebekah Winsten Auxiliary; Miss Sylvia Kerzner, president, Gerald Clamon Auxiliary; Mrs. Harold Fink, Sackin-Shockett Auxiliary; Mrs. Paul J. Robin, #23 Auxiliary, and Mrs. Ethel Cohen, past national president of the Auxiliary.

## Beth David At Pier Plans Special Event

Congregation Beth David of Narragansett, R. I., will hold a special service on Sunday, Aug. 9 at 7:15 P. M. at the synagogue, Kingstown Road, Narragansett Pier. Memorial and honorary tablets will be dedicated at this service.

Following the service the social event of the summer season of the Congregation will be held at the Canonchet Club, featuring Mort Freeman, Jewish entertainer and folk singer. Mr. Freeman has appeared as guest artist on the Steve Allen "Salute to Israel" Show and the Eternal Light TV program.

The public is invited to attend both events as guests of the congregation. Martin Zucker is chairman of the evening.

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by Sylvia Porter



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Even if you are not an owner of the 5s, though, this tale will remind you of how it was when the mighty U.S. Treasury itself was so badly caught in the tight money pinch of 1959-60 that it had to pay historically stiff rates for shortest-term loans and couldn't borrow any money at long-term because the law prohibited it from paying the interest rates the marketplace demanded.

In April 1958 the recession of 1957-58 hit its low and business entered a new upswing. Simultaneously, the federal government began building the biggest peacetime budget deficit in history. Terrified that the combination of a rising economy and a soaring budget deficit — \$12.4 billion in fiscal year 1959 — would set off another speculative, inflationary boom, the Federal Reserve deliberately adopted a monetary policy designed to limit the availability and raise the cost of loans in order to slow down business activity.

As corporation and individual demands for loans rose with rising business activity in 1958-59, credit became tougher and tougher to get. As increasing demands for loans helped push up their price (interest rates), the Federal Reserve boosted the loan rates it charged to its own member banks to spur the interest rate upturn.

Up and up went interest rates and tighter and tighter became the loan market through 1958, through 1959 and into early 1960. The whole objective of the tight money policy was to "hurt" and discourage borrowers — and hurt and discouraged they were.

But with a ballooning budget deficit and with constantly maturing I.O.U.'s, the U.S. Treasury couldn't shelve any borrowing plans. It had to issue I.O.U.'s — no matter what their cost.

In October 1959, when the squeeze was becoming really brutal, the Treasury raised a chunk of cash by selling notes due Aug. 15, 1964, and carrying a 5 per cent coupon. Every six months since, owners have collected \$25 for every \$1,000 of notes held.

Then in May 1960 the 1958-60 upswing in turn hit its peak, and in the months following our economy slid into a recession. Tight

money also became a key issue in the 1960 presidential election campaign and the Democrats argued relentlessly that the Federal Reserve's policy was a main cause of the recession. (It was, and the Federal Reserve now agrees it was.)

Even before the election, however, the Federal Reserve recognized the signs of business downturn, shifted policy and began pumping credit into the economy. By the time President Kennedy took over, there was no reason for a battle with the Federal Reserve. The Central Bank had acted on its own to end tight money — and today credit still is comparatively easy and relatively inexpensive to get.

Can owners of the Magic 5s exchange into anything comparable in the U.S. Government market today? No.

You can get around 4 per cent on a five-year I.O.U., can get a 4 1/4 per cent coupon on a U.S. Government bond which cannot be retired until 1987 at the earliest.

You can get 4, 4 1/2 per cent — and more — on funds you place in savings institutions throughout the country.

But there's nothing akin to the Magic 5s around today. They were issued at an extraordinary moment in U.S. financial history — and there's no telling when that moment will come again.

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## Campus View Summer Series

By Jeffrey M. Berger



In April of last year, URI Admissions Dean James Eastwood was placed on a 14-month probation for making remarks that the Board of Trustees of State Colleges didn't like.

He supposedly criticized URI Admissions policies he was enforcing. In addition, he made the remark that the University was expanding at a rate faster than the pool of qualified applicants.

This latter statement appears in retrospect to be absurd, considering the huge enrollment URI expects this fall.

The physical plant of the University will be nearly splitting at the seams in late September because the entering class is so big. Dormitory space evaporated several months ago.

At any rate, for making these statements, Eastwood was placed on a form of probation — the university refuses to describe it to the satisfaction of anybody. It was over in June, and that's when Board Chairman Kelsey chose to tell everybody about it.

The University has unfortunately had many bouts with censorship. There was an incredible furor when the film "Never on Sunday" played to a student audience. The administration

The University of Wyoming is treasuring the correspondence from Bob Hope who was awarded an honorary doctorate of laws. When Hope first was notified that the university wished to honor him, he wrote: "This is an act of great courage and a body blow to higher education" . . . Then he said, about his Doctor of Laws degree: "Now I can sneer back at Perry Mason."

The Warren Commission's report on the JFK assassination will be over 70,000 words long, and immediately translated into several languages . . . The Democratic National Committee officials will keep the convention platform down to 2,000 words . . . St. John Terrell, impresario of the Lambertville Music Circus, has been named by Gov. Hughes to be co-chairman of LBJ's Birthday Party salute in Atlantic City Aug. 27. He'll have three "performing helicopters."

Pamela Tiffin is in New Mexico co-starring with Burt Lancaster in "The Hallalujah Trail." They're making the movie near an air-strip in the desert. Miss Tiffin is spending her spare time learning to ride a horse, to drive a car and to fly a plane.

Peter Sellers' first song since his heart attack will be a song for the prize-winning movie, "One Potato, Two Potato" . . . Former Attorney General William P. Rogers will represent the The Associated Press in the appeal of the Gen. Edwin Walker libel case to the U.S. Supreme Court . . . John Payne, who just stepped into the starring role of the Broadway musical, "Here's Love," starred in the movie from which it was adapted, "Miracle on 34th St."

Washington's ambassadors are cautious in commenting about the presidential election here. Their caution stems from an incident in 1888, when the British ambassador received a letter from an Englishman who'd become an American citizen. The letter asked about Grover Cleveland, and the ambassador replied "I can see nothing against him" . . . It was printed, and within 48 hours the ambassador was recalled to London.

Stephen Smith, of the Kennedy family, will be a New York

## The Lyons

### Den

by Leonard Lyons



delegate to the Democratic convention. His sister-in-law, Pat Kennedy Lawford, will come with the California delegation . . . Richard France, of "What Makes Sammy Run?" appears at the White House tonight. He'll sing and dance the Will Parker role in "Oklahoma!" at the season's final state dinner.

Admiral Arthur J. Heppburn, the U.S. Fleet commander who died last month at 86, once supervised the Navy's public relations. He told a group of correspondents that Navy-trained men are more desirable than veteran newspapermen for press relations work. "Because," the admiral said, "a Navy man also learns how to repair a typewriter."

Irene Castle was Beatrice Lillie's guest the other night at "High Spirits" . . . Jason Robards Jr. turned down the co-starring role in Alan Jay Lerner's new musical. Robards will spend the next 12 months in Hollywood making films and money . . . Russell Baker of the N. Y. Times and Art Buchwald have written the book for a musical, "The Spy in G-Flat" . . . Patty Mizzy, daughter of Mary Small, will sing in "He Ain't Done Right by Nell!" at the Astor Playhouse.

Lou Jacobi, who plays the movie magnate in "Fade Out — Fade In," patterned his characterization after four studio heads

he met . . . In "Come Blow Your Horn" Jacobi based his characterization on his own father, using every remembered inflection, outburst, attitude and gesticulation. His father saw the play, and said: "Lou, I know fathers like that."

Most of Times Square's major signs went dark for 60 seconds at sundown last Thursday to allow a newcomer to shine alone. It's Braniff's spectacular, a running sign with letters 30 feet tall, the largest such sign in the world . . . Bob Hope is cutting down on golf, at long last, to concentrate on his Chrysler TV series . . . Although thousands of them would have done the job for nothing, 400 youngsters were paid just to scream in the Beatles' new movie.

Paul Lukas, now 70, tells of his first arrival in N. Y. from Hungary. He phoned every Lukas he could find in the Manhattan directory, and asked, in Hungarian: "Are you related to the Lukas family in Kis Kun Dorozsoma?" Each time the reply was a gruff "No" . . . At the suggestion of another actor Lukas tried them again, but this time there were several favorable responses. He began: "I have money. My name is Lukas, Are you . . ."

For the first time in 30 years, hotel employes and other workers who depend on tips, will be included in the Social Security system . . . Nunnally Johnson, the producer-screenwriter, is conferring in New York with songwriter Bob Merrill . . . Tenzing Norgay who climbed Mount Everest with Hillary, dined at the 65th floor Rainbow Room and arrived by the stairway. He later confided he'd taken an elevator to the 64th floor, then walked up one flight just to make an entrance.

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## In Hollywood . . .

By Barney Glezor



Las Vegas, Nevada — Anyone accustomed to watching Johnny Carson on "The Tonight Show" knows darn well he's as relaxed as a freeway driver at 4 a.m. But, he isn't. In his dressing room following a performance at the Hotel Sahara, the personable young comic acted so restless, I'm now sure that butterflies have Carsons in their stomachs.

In sharp contrast up the Strip at Wilbur Clark's Desert Inn, Mitch Miller greeted callers in his dressing room with the enthusiasm of a sunflower following the sun and the relaxation of a bovine animal chewing its cud. The bearded, broken-nosed, toothy sing-along leader made it clear to all shy and hesitant television fans that he loved people and if anyone cared to return his affection he'd be tickled to give him more than just the time of day.

Miller's vocal group includes two cantors — Jack Brown and Jess Randolph. Brown sang "Roumania," thrilling both Jew and gentile in the audience. Randolph strayed far afield of his congregation by singing an Australian folksong, "Tie Me Kangaroo Down."

Jack Brown has been cantor for three years at the Temple Or Elohim in Jericho, Long Island, and for many years in Brooklyn, N.Y. overflow services. Both parents came from Hungary. Jack, whose family name is Braun, was born in Farrells, Pa. He has three children. His eldest, Charlotte, 17, soon enters Boston University as a psychology major.

Jack's brother, Dick Brown, now a cantor in Bridgeport, Conn., sang during the war on the Mutual network.

Jess Randolph has sung in many of the country's largest synagogues. He is popularly known in Jewish circles as Cantor Jesse Silverstein.

Mitch Miller, product of Rochester, N.Y., and his wife Frances have three children — Andrea, 24; Margaret, 19; and Mike, 17, all single. Mike is a born artist and his dad has done everything possible to encourage his painting career.

Mitch's vocal chorus is something to observe as well as hear. They — certainly are not the standard showbiz variety, looking more like subway guards, taxicab drivers, accountants, bank clerks, executives, salesmen and telephone linemen.

"I believe in paying the highest salaries in order to get the best voices," said Mitch. "Voices come first with me, not the man's physical makeup. When the chorus made its first appearance for rehearsal on the television stages, the network almost fainted dead away."

"They urged me to get rid of those fat, bald, skinny, gray-haired, stooped, red-faced, pale-faced members. I said nothing doing. These men sing beautifully and I don't care how they look. I won my point." Mitch and his gang appear at the Hollywood Bowl August 21 and 22.

At the Sands Hotel, Sonny King, who on occasion works as Jimmy Durante's partner, this time worked solo on the Red Skelton show. He sang to his seven-year-old daughter, Toni, at ringside and her face radiated the message, "That's my daddy." Sonny should be and will be a big star in his own right. He's a magnificent comedian and vocalist.

At Morris Lansburgh's Fabulous Flamingo Hotel, Jimmy Dean told the audience, "If I can get you to sing, we'll make Mitch Miller sound like a sharecropper." Resplendent in a new baby blue western suit with pockets sewed ("so I can't put my hands in my pocket") the Texan television and recording favorite wore patent leather cowboy boots guaranteed to start a stampede if the herd ever caught sight of them. On the same bill, comedienne Dorothy Louden upheld showbusiness' eastern traditions.

CRITICIZES ARABS  
 JERUSALEM — The Lebanese press criticized the Arab states for not taking action while Israel put into preparation its Jordan River project. Lebanon is not prepared to divert the Jordan headwaters.

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Mrs. Kenneth E. Greenberg

The Cranston Jewish Center was the scene of the wedding of Miss Roberta Sheryl Kaufman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irving H. Kaufman of 81 Marion Avenue, Edgewood, to Kenneth Edward Greenberg on Sunday, July 26. Mr. Greenberg is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Jack Greenberg. Rabbi Saul Leeman, assisted by Cantor Jack Smith, officiated at the 6 P.M. ceremony which was followed by a reception in the Center social hall.

Wearing a gown of rose point d'esprit lace with a high rising princess line defined with peau de sole piping and scalloped lace, the bride was given in marriage by her father. Iridescent and pearls outlined the mock bolero bodice and sleeves, and scalloped lace outlined the bell-shaped skirt which ended in a detachable chapel length train. A queen's coronet of orange blossoms embellished in seed pearls held her cloud veil of silk illusion. A cascade of swan-sonia and stephanotis centered with white orchids made up the bridal bouquet.

Miss Roberta Levine, maid of honor, wore a sleeveless gown of powder blue silk peau de sole with a Bettina neckline and a full obi sash falling from the back. She wore a matching headpiece and carried a cascade bouquet of miniature carnations in white centered with matching carnations of blue. Miss Joan Billing, the bride's other attendant, was dressed in a gown of aquamarine organza fashioned with a Bettina neckline and a full length skirt with a back obi sash. She wore a matching velvet crown and veil in illusion and carried a cascade bouquet of white miniature carnations centered with matching carnations in aquamarine.

The mother of the bride was gowned in a floor length silk peau de sole sheath of aquamarine with elbow length sleeves defined in aquamarine seed pearls, iridescents and bugle beads.

Kenneth Gertsacov served as best man for his cousin. Ushers were Michael Trask, John Ingalls, Jr., Robert Saabye and Lee Bennett Kaufman, brother of the bride.

After a wedding trip to Miami, Fla., the couple will take up residence at 709 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston.

The bride was graduated from Cranston High School East. Mr. Greenberg, a graduate of

**SABBATH SERVICE**

Rabbi Jerome S. Gurland will officiate at regular Sabbath services to be held tonight at Temple Sinai starting at 8:30 o'clock. The rabbi's sermonette will be on "The Blessing in Being Chosen." Herrman Foster will assist as soloist.

Cranston High School East, Bridgeton Academy in Bridgeton, Maine and Providence College, is associated with Mason & Winograd, Realtor. (Fred Kelman Photo)



Mrs. Gerry Ride

The wedding of Miss Rhoda Estelle Ostrow, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Max Ostrow of 30 Garden Avenue, West Warwick, to Gerry Ride, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ride of 23 Mulberry Street, was held at the Ahavath Shalom Synagogue in West Warwick on Sunday, July 26. The 4:30 P.M. ceremony was performed by Rabbi Saul Leeman, assisted by Cantor Jack Smith, and was followed by a garden reception held at the home of the bride's parents. Edward Drew was soloist.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. The bride wore a gown of silk-faced fallie over cupidont taffeta, designed with a classic scoop neckline, short capped sleeves and a natural waistline with a fold-on-fold cummerbund suggesting an empire styled bodice. Her floor length sheath skirt accented with a back centered waist bow ended in a detachable chapel length train. A bouffant veil

**Mrs. Stephen B. Yarlas**

Miss Sharon Lee Weinberg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Weinberg of 49 Belaire Avenue, became the bride of Stephen Barry Yarlas, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Yarlas of 141 Byfield Street, on Sunday, July 26, at Temple Emanu-El. Rabbi Eli A. Bohnen, assisted by Cantor Charles Ross, officiated at the 6:30 P.M. ceremony which was followed by a reception in the temple social hall. The soloist was Paula Cohen.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was gowned in ivory peau de sole designed with a scoop neckline and an empire waistline. The dome-shaped skirt featured a detachable chapel train highlighted by appliques of Alencon lace accented with seed pearls. Her bouffant French illusion veil fell from a Swedish crown studded with aurora borealis. She carried a cascade of white roses, swan-sonia and ivy.

Matron of honor was Frances Yarlas, sister-in-law of the bride. Gail Shapiro served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Paula Cohen and Marjorie Perler.

Stuart Yarlas was best man for his twin brother. Ushers were Donald Yarlas, brother of the bridegroom, Lloyd Kaplan, John Yena, Richard Cohen, Sheldon Birenbaum, Donald Kaufman, Leon Shatkin and Bernard Kelstein.

After a wedding trip to the Nevele in Ellenville, N.Y., the couple will reside at 45 Rankeley Road, Cranston.



**ENGAGED** — Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vilker of 33 Hamilton Street, Pawtucket, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Ann Vilker, to Alden L. Goldstein, son of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Goldstein of 83 Longfellow Road, Worcester, Mass.

Miss Vilker, a graduate of Tolman High School in Pawtucket, is employed in the main office of Standard Rompers, Inc.

Mr. Goldstein was graduated from the High School of Commerce of Worcester, Mass., Worcester Junior College, and the University of Miami. He did graduate work at Worcester State College and is employed as a teacher in the Auburn, Mass., School System.



**ENGAGED** — Mr. and Mrs. Louis Finkel of 52 Roberta Avenue, Pawtucket, announce the engagement of their daughter, Naomi Hope, to Robert Thomas Halpert, son of Mrs. Eli Adelman of 7 Overhill Road, and the late David Halpert.

Miss Finkel was graduated from Pawtucket West High School and is a senior at the Rhode Island Hospital School of Nursing.

Mr. Halpert was graduated from Central High School and the Rhode Island Radio & Electronics School.

A June 27, 1965 wedding is planned.

**MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

The Barrington Jewish Center will open its membership drive on Aug. 1. It was announced by Harvey Lapidus, membership chairman.

Membership is open to Jewish residents of the Barrington area as well as those of southeastern Massachusetts.

Further information may be obtained by calling either Mr. Lapidus at 245-6583 or Fred Stern at 245-2238.

**HOLD ELECTION**

The Barrington Jewish Center has announced its slate of officers and board of trustees for the 1964-65 fiscal year.

Barnet Fain was re-elected as president. Other officers are Clifford J. Hostein, vice-president; Mrs. Donald E. Miller, recording secretary; Mrs. Alfred L. Rosener, corresponding secretary, and George Graboys, treasurer.

Elected to three years on the board of trustees are Sherwood L. Kahn, Dr. Aaron Wold and Eugene Friedman. Named to two-year terms on the board were Harry Firestein, Harvey Lapidus and Joseph Fath. Mr. Hostein and Dr. Kurt E. Rose were named to one-year terms.



**ENGAGED** — Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Belllove of 115 Hartshorn Road announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Holly Belllove, to Howard Bruce Kouffman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kouffman of 146 Elton Street.

Miss Belllove, a graduate of Hope High School now attends Bryant College.

Mr. Kouffman, also a Hope High School graduate, was graduated from Suffolk University, and now attends Suffolk Law School.

A 1965 wedding is planned. (Eileen McClure Photo)

of imported English silk illusion feel from a headpiece designed as a jeweled queen's crown of imported seed pearls. Her bouquet was of phalaenopsis orchids and stephanotis accented with English ivy.

Miss Vida Ride, who served as maid of honor, was gowned in floor length Irish silk linen over taffeta in a shade of azalea pink. The gown was fashioned with a scoop neckline, short cap sleeves, empire waist and a long fitted sheath skirt. A bow in a matching shade and fabric worn as a headpiece held a circular veil of silk illusion. Two toned pink rubin lilies and English ivy formed her bouquet.

Frank Ostrow was best man, and ushers were Arnold Kortick, Gerald Kortick, Paul W. Laferriere and Dr. Bernard J. Bernstein. Mr. and Mrs. Ride will live in Rochester, N. Y.

# Anti-Semitism and the Historians

By ROBERT SKLAR

When academic scholars in the early 1950's took over the study of anti-Semitism from polemical writers who before the war had fought the fascists and the Klan, there was hope they would reveal the root causes of the anti-Jewish feeling which erupted in twentieth-century America. No one expected they would quickly discover a new cast of villains to replace the old, that they would in fact lay the responsibility on a group which the humanitarian liberals of the 30's claimed as part of their tradition — the Populists, Middle-Western agrarian radicals of the 1890's. But the first important analysis of unfavorable Jewish stereotypes in Populist rhetoric came from so respected a scholar as Oscar Handlin, and by 1955 Richard Hofstadter's influential *The Age of Reform* expressed what became at once a scholarly consensus: "It is not too much to say that the Greenback-Populist tradition activated most of what we have of modern popular anti-Semitism in the United States." Anti-Semitism

was only one of many accusations they made against the Populist mentality, but in the aftermath of the Nazi program no other charge could do more damage.

Some polite qualifications were entered in the historical journals, but no general effort was made to refute the basic accusations; not even the Southern slaveholders had suffered from such moral opprobrium. Now at last two young historians, Norman Pollack, assistant professor at Yale, and Walter T. K. Nugent, assistant professor at the Kansas State University, have come to the defense of Populism. Both were impelled by Prof. Hofstadter's judgments to go into the archives and newspaper files and make a fresh evaluation of Populism from the sources. Both were forced by the nature of their challenge to make the issue of anti-Semitism an important one; and they both insist that the Populists are innocent of the heavy responsibility with which they are charged. Yet beyond this Mr. Pollack and Mr. Nugent do not agree at all.

could have taken up this subject without confronting it. It is not surprising that Mr. Nugent and Mr. Pollack have made these flawed efforts to answer the charges of Populist anti-Semitism. But it also seems astonishing, a decade after McCarthyism reached its fullest power, that modern historians have accepted an explanation for anti-Semitism that is so partial.

Nothing can clarify this issue as well as simple human experience. American Jews—living chiefly in cities—were subjected for the first time in the late nineteenth century to widely-practiced, overt acts of anti-Semitism, in the form of social and economic discrimination. The actual experience of anti-Semitic acts has occurred generally where Jews live, where they conduct their business, where they enter into social life. And yet the historians of the 50's asked us to believe that a few stump-speech attacks on the House of Rothschild were more important in producing anti-Jewish prejudice than this history of contact and discrimination. One is left with the impression that men like Prof. Hofstadter were less interested in explaining the historical context of Populist anti-Semitism than in finding a really strong crime to pin on the Populists, and making it stick. Anti-Semitism among farmers and rural townspeople who voted Republican or Democratic concerned them not at all. They wanted, it seems clear, to condemn the popular radical tradition more than they wanted to clarify the origins of prejudice against the Jews. Their motives are of great interest, but irrelevant here. What is disturbing is the intensity and recklessness with which they make their charges. The scholars who next take up the subject, let us hope, will be men who can give it the detachment it requires.

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## Pamphleteers Find Audience Among Farmers In Mid-West

Populist pamphleteers and stump-speakers found their audience among wheat farmers on marginal, heavily-mortgaged land in years when crops were poor, prices were down, and money was scarcer than ever. The world of international finance had brought about their ruin, they said; Wall Street, English bankers, Jewish bankers—the House of Rothschild became a symbol good as any for their enemy. In his study of Kansas Populists Mr. Nugent remarks the point of Populism's admirers in the 30s, that the Populist analysis of their economic plight was basically a sound one. Still, he has made nativism his chief concern—to show that the charges of anti-foreign and anti-Semitic prejudice, over and above true economic grievances, are unjustified. He has found scores of Swedes, Germans, Swiss, Irishmen, and Englishmen among People's Party (Populist) candidates for office. Moreover, he discovered Jewish mayors of three Kansas towns, and a Jew who, ran on the Populist ticket for the postmastership of Salina. "The son of the Populist state chairman," writes Mr. Nugent, "told me of his fond remembrance of the only Jew in his home town of Chetopa, one Sig Lehman, who was elected mayor 'year after year'." The Populists are exonerated.

For Mr. Pollack, Populist ideology matters most of all. His book is not concerned with refuting any of the specific charges against the Populist mentality; elsewhere—in an article, "The Myth of Populist Anti-Semitism," in the *American Historical Review* for October, 1962—he asserted that his examination of thousands of Populist documents in several states revealed only a few more references to Jews than he could count on the fingers of both hands, and some of those philo-Semitic. With this article he meant to clear the air of emotional accusations, to make possible an unbiased re-assessment of Populist social thought; and that is the intention of his book. Mr. Pollack believes that Populism created one of the great radical ideologies in American history, and produced the only capable critique of capitalist development in the United States during the post-Civil War period of expansion. Populists, he says, could conceive of a unified community organized for the fullest development of all its members, in ways their modern critics cannot. Populism wanted to control industrial technology for social purposes, according to Mr. Pollack, rather than destroy it; and he compares the Populist analysis of corporate power and the alienation of the worker with similar interpretation in European Marxist thought of that time.

Mr. Pollack's modest book is in fact a serious effort to return Populism to an important place in the American radical tradition. In subtlety and penetration he is far more skillful than the liberal admirers of Populism a generation ago. As the reevaluation of American social thought continues, Mr. Pollack's book will take an important place. Yet the heavy tones of advocacy also break in upon and mar this book. Mr. Pollack seems too obviously to be pasting together a coherent system of ideas out of random, unconnected editorials and speeches. In his final chapter on the Populist fusion with the Democratic Party in the Bryan-Free Silver campaign of 1896 his subtlety deserts him. He sets himself the task of proving fusion a wise and reasonable act; the fervent millennial temper of the Populist mind, as he describes it, quite escapes him.

What in the end unites these two books, one of little worth and one of great value, is a common air of courtroom pleading. One would hardly have suspected that this small agrarian third party, which lasted less than a decade and made no considerable success, required such ardent defense. The picture they paint—no doubt, in part, unwillingly—of a kindly philo-Semitic philosopher in overalls is a picture that no one with a concern for problems of anti-Semitism would be able to accept. The fault lies not so much in the intentions of Mr. Nugent and Mr. Pollack as in the nature of their challenge; and no young scholar

## Israeli Government Plans To Build Fashion School

NEW YORK — The Government of Israel will build a school in Tel Aviv for training apparel designers and engineers, Dr. Lawrence L. Bethel, president of New York's Fashion Institute of Technology disclosed this week.

Invited to make recommendations for stepping up apparel and textile education in Israel, Dr. Bethel and two aides have submitted plans for creating a school similar to the Fashion Institute here.

Acceptance of the plan would initiate the construction of a school at a cost of about \$3 million. It would be scheduled for completion in October of 1966.

The faculty for the school, Dr. Bethel said at a press conference, would be recruited from the institute here. To build a teaching staff, he proposed that three of the present faculty go to Tel Aviv for a period of three years beginning in February of 1965. In addition, 10 or 12 graduates of F.I.T. will be prepared for teaching assignments in Tel Aviv.

### Latin American Team

Dr. Bethel also announced that the institute will send a team of educators to 11 Latin American countries this Saturday, to study their apparel education needs. The team which leaves Saturday, will submit plans for establishing schools in two of the countries.

"Practically nothing has been done in relation to textile and apparel education in Israel," Dr. Bethel said, "even though these industries constitute the largest industrial operation there. There are some sizable, modern plants but we noticed a distinct shortage of personnel for technical management, design and marketing."

The trip to Israel was made at the invitation of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry. Pinhas Sapir, Finance Minister, had visited the school here, and was sufficiently impressed to issue the invitation.

The Fashion Institute, which has an enrollment of 1,300 full time students, is operated under the joint jurisdiction of the University of the State of New York, the New York Board of Education and the Educational Foundation for the Apparel Industries.

The latter is a non-profit organization comprising textile and apparel manufacturers and representatives of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union. Choice for Israelis

Dr. Bethel said that the Israelis had the choice of building the school as a division of the University of Tel Aviv or as a separate college adjoining the University. He proposed also that Israel's Fiber Research Institute be brought into the new college.

The Technion, in Haifa, Israel's best-known technical university, is planning to give a course in textile engineering, Dr. Bethel said. It will take a long time, however, before graduates would be able to assist in developing Israel's textile industry.

### African Role Seen

Israel has a unique opportunity to develop textile exports of apparel in the developing African countries as well as in Europe, Dr. Bethel said. It will require the assistance of technicians, however, if the country is to guard against the perpetuation of the handicraft stage of industrial development, he added.

Accompanying Dr. Bethel on his trip to Israel was Professor Rina Rolfo, Coordinator of Apparel Design for the Institute and Miss Shirley Goodman, vice president.

### BREAK INTO SYNAGOGUE

NEW YORK — Hooligans in the East New York section of Brooklyn broke into a Hassidic synagogue, tearing sacred books, ripping holy scrolls, smashing furniture and breaking plumbing. The incident aroused deep resentment in the Jewish area.



**Family Pot Luck**  
BY HELEN HALE

**Main Dish Magic**  
A wonderful casserole for casual entertaining uses cooked rice with cooked chicken or turkey, chicken broth, sliced celery and mushrooms. Color note can be added with chopped pimiento. Bake and heat in a moderate oven for 40 minutes.

**Tuna Souffle** takes on speed if you use heated cream of celery soup with a can of flaked tuna and fold 4 beaten egg yolks, then the stiffly beaten whites. Bake 50 to 60 minutes in a slow (300°F.) oven.

**Macaroni** is a favorite salad ingredient. Try one of the new shapes and blend with salmon, cucumber, green pepper, parsley and mayonnaise.

**Drained kidney beans** and cooked limas are delicious with a hot bacon dressing. Surround the plate with sliced thuringer sausage.

**Helen's Favorite:**  
Creamy Orange Dressing (For Fruit Salads)  
3 ounce package cream cheese  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1 tablespoon sugar  
3 tablespoons orange juice  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1/2 teaspoon paprika  
Blend all ingredients together. Chill and serve on fruit or berry salads.

**QUITS POST**  
MUNICH — Professor Theodor Munz, Bavarian Minister of Education who has been under fire as having been an ideological defender of the racist laws under Hitler, has resigned from his post. The resignation came following press charges that he had defended and justified the infamous Nuremberg Laws.

## Stamps

Design of the Shakespeare commemorative postage stamp was unveiled July 11 in Ashland, Oregon, site of the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, one of the few stages in the world to have produced all of Shakespeare's 37 plays, according to Postmaster Harry Kizirian.

The 5-cent stamp is to be issued August 14 at Stratford, Connecticut, home of the American Shakespeare Festival Theatre and Academy. It commemorates the 400th anniversary of writer's birth.



group was established in 1935 and is the oldest in the Western World to produce Shakespeare on an Elizabethan stage. Its student actors are unpaid, except for a few scholarships, but even so Southern Oregon College annually receives some 500 applications from would-be Shakespeare student-actors.

Douglas Gorsline, New York city artist, designed the vertical stamp which will be printed in brown on tan paper.

It is a three-quarter portrait of Shakespeare in ornate ruff and doublet standing before the proscenium of an Elizabethan theatre. His right hands holds a quill pen. Beside it rests the most celebrated skull in theatredom, that of "alas, poor Yorick."

The columns supporting the stage's arch are decorated with the masks of Comedy, the sock wearer, and Tragedy, the buskin wearer. The words "United States" appear in the arch, and beneath the Bard's hand is a rectangle containing "Shakespeare 1564-1964." Beneath this, two cherubs support the inscription "5c."

Gorsline, a 49-year old artist, has done both fine and commercial art work. His work has appeared in *American Heritage*, *Horizon*, *Ladies Home Journal*, *Sports Illustrated* and elsewhere.

He holds awards from the Library of Congress, National Academy of Design, the Pennsylvania Academy of The Fine Arts and four additional galleries and his work is on display in eleven collections throughout the country.

He is the author of "What People Wore" which contains 1,800 line drawings of western costume from ancient until modern times.

Charles A. Brooks engraved the frame and vignette of the Shakespeare stamp. Lettering was by William R. Burnell.

A print order of 118 million will come off the Cottrell presses.

Assistant Postmaster General William M. McMillan represented Postmaster General John A. Gronouski at the Oregon unveiling ceremonies. Also attending was James Verner Reed, vice-chairman of the Shakespeare Anniversary Committee, which the late President Kennedy established and President Johnson continued. Harold Shaw, executive director of the committee, also was present. The renowned Oregon theatre

# Symposium On Inter-marriage

(Continued from Last Week)

## The Historical View

Inter-marriage, in its train, has three unforgivable moral flaws: it is unfair to the Jewish people, past, present, and future; it is unfair to the non-Jew; it is unfair to the institution of marriage.

Immanuel Kant added to his timeless reputation when he thus phrased an ancient Jewish principle: "Every man is an end in himself and must not be made a means to another man's end." Surely, every religion is an end in itself and must not be made a means to any one's end. Religion is more than a set of affirmations, emotions or ceremonies. It is a system of faith, thought, and action, typing up man with God and with his fellow-man. Rarely does one's religious position start with oneself. In more than one sense we live on the ethical and spiritual capital of the past. It is parents and grandparents and sundry collections of relatives, who transmitted attitudes, intuitions and trends that reflect and influence past action and present decision. To surrender all that to the suggestion or compulsion of love, from sex attraction to personality appreciation, not to speak of lower motives, is both morally wrong and hazardous. Inter-marriage is unfair to the millions of Jews who, to preserve the nation—once the people of the book and the ambassador of the one righteous and merciful God—have wandered footsore from continent to continent and from century to century, enduring a thousand gehinnoms and ignoring a thousand promised paradises so that, with Judaism, the Jewish people may survive.

Inter-marriage is unfair to the

Gentile, who, impelled by but one desire, that of marrying a Jewish person, is willing to give up what has united him or her with his or her own family. Their spiritual and ethical assets, to overwhelming extent, were derived not from modern academies or the arguments of nuclear hostility, but from their own family worship, family feeling, understanding and actions, for generations back. To join or be asked to join Judaism in pro forma fashion means to treat carelessly or contemptuously what normally has been the ultimate source of Gentile goodness, truth and beauty. Any marriage, contracted on one single ground, is bound to fail. Sex, mental brilliance, material advantage do promise fulfillment, but, unsupported by deeper and more enduring things, have proven disastrous.

Every marriage knows its own problems and handicaps. The collision of two personalities of varied backgrounds rarely results in a sublimation of differences in a higher harmony. Much more often it proves a source of constant and increasing irritation, ending at best in a belligerent state of the union, in the divorce court; or at worst, in some mental institution, where rehabilitation on every level proves both most costly and uncertain. Inter-marriage adds one more peril of contention or catastrophic explosion. Marriage, when successful, is the ultimate part of security and peace; when a failure, it lands both partners in deep unhappiness.

Dissatisfaction with one's own religion may send one shopping.

If the new appreciation and love of Judaism precedes personal relation with a Jewish man or woman, there is hope for genuine conversion. From embracement of the Jewish way of life as the result of intellectual conviction, Halakhic commitment and a desire to join the Jewish people, a precious personality may emerge. Many resultant marriages between such geretzdek (proselytes of righteousness) and Jewish mates have been beautiful and enduring.

How can we reduce, if not completely overcome, the menace of inter-marriage sought by Jews which is the fruit of frustration, Gentile intolerance and of profound ignorance of Judaism as Creed and Life and which reduces one's allegiance to palatal habits, folksy superstition and general superficiality? The problem can be solved by preparing a total educational program from study to observance of Jewish law, to affiliation with Jewish goals and activities, and by consistent improvement of the patterns of Jewish individual and collective life.

Thus would be created an abiding appreciation of the religious and social ideals and achievements of our people throughout the millennia of its existence. Jewish self-acceptance results from informed conformity to the Law of the Torah. Life, loyal to the mitzvot, creates intuition and engenders enthusiasm. Freedom of interpretation in all non-Halakhic matters and a vision of the whole panorama of Jewish worlds, from Abraham through the Messianic era, keep the mind alert and emotions warm. All these facets of our living faith, together, will maintain evolutionary op-

**Cohen, Linn Appointed As Assistants**

Bruce M. Selya, Republican candidate for Attorney General has announced the appointment of two additional campaign assistants charged with responsibility for organizing and coordinating volunteer workers throughout the state during the forthcoming campaign.

These appointments are Richard T. Linn and Jules A. Cohen.

Mr. Linn is an insurance executive with the C. D. Paige Company. He is a member of the Bristol Republican Town Committee, and has been active in Republican affairs in Rhode Island since he moved here approximately four years ago.

Mr. Cohen, a quality control engineer at Leesona Corporation in Warwick, is a former member of the Commission to Encourage Morality in Youth. He is a graduate of Yale University and holds a Master's degree in Business Administration from Boston University. He is also Rhode Island State Tennis Champion and is active in various civic and athletic groups.

**Dr. N. Bolotow Named As Semi-Finalist In Lane Bryant Awards**

Dr. Nathan A. Bolotow, an honorary president of the board of directors of the Jewish Family and Children's Service, has been named a semi-finalist in the Lane Bryant Annual Awards competition and has been honored with a Citation in recognition of outstanding community service in 1963. Dr. Bolotow was nominated for this award by the Jewish Family & Children's Service because of his extraordinary services in rehabilitative work for emotionally disturbed children.

The Citation means that Dr. Bolotow is among those being actively considered for one of two awards of \$1,000 given annually to encourage voluntary participation in efforts designed to benefit American home and community life. One Award is made to an individual, and one to a group.

Awards to a group and an individual chosen by the judges will be made on Dec. 3.

timism, a combined love of humanity and proud fealty to our own group. We shall thus be enabled to enjoy the contribution of other nations and to invest our assets in endeavors for the advancement of national and global welfare. We shall march apart in denominational enterprise and strike together for peace and prosperity everywhere. That type of collaboration without compromise, has been of marked significance in some golden ages and silver periods in our history. It has alas, too often, been disturbed or annihilated by religious or governmental intolerance, by wars and inevitable oppression in their wake.

The frustrations, due to Gentile animosities and to some imperfections in Jewish life, have been

largely responsible for the desire of some Jews to seek escape through inter-marriage. These causes will gradually disappear through consistent communal endeavor. Our people will rediscover the beauty and power of Jewish life and stay inspired by its combination of idealism and common sense. Ours are two concentric circles: an inner core of faithful Jewishness adorned by a periphery of dynamic sympathy for mankind's underprivileged.

Inter-marriage, a grave problem today, might gradually assume less dark hues as the united nations of the world, each true to its own religion and culture, will cooperate to abolish war, poverty and disease and to prepare for a happier period of human relations in all the continents.

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## Rabbi's Responsibility

By JOSEPH KLEIN

I am a reform rabbi serving a congregation of about 1,400 families in a Jewish community of about 9,600 souls. The community in which I live has a total population of about 200,000. Practically all the Jews live within the city limits. Only a handful—possibly no more than 200—live in the adjacent suburban communities.

I officiate at about 30 to 40 marriages a year. None of them are inter-marriages as I will not officiate at a marriage unless both persons are Jewish. Occasionally we will have a marriage involving a convert to Judaism, but even such instances are not too frequent. In the past 15 years there were about 40 marriages involving converts in which I or my associate participated. Incidentally, none of the other rabbis in the community will officiate at an inter-marriage, and I would guess that virtually all the conversions to Judaism, followed by marriage to a Jew, were handled either by me or my associate.

Within the past three years there have been three instances, of which I am aware, in which members of my congregation married non-Jews in a ceremony performed by a justice of the peace or a Christian clergyman. None of these people came to me either to ask me to officiate at their marriage or to seek my counsel. Surprisingly, all three were women. The parents of one of them came to me greatly agitated over the fact that their daughter, who was attending college at the time, was "going steady" with a non-Jewish boy. I tried to get this girl to come in to see me, but as things turned out she was already secretly married to the non-Jew and was even pregnant. Another instance involved an 18-year-old girl who married a Catholic boy in a Catholic church ceremony. Her mother died about five years ago and her father, who travels a great deal, allowed her to grow up virtually alone. Although her father, a member of my congregation, comes occasionally to services, at no time did he consult me about his daughter or ask for my advice or help. I learned about the marriage through an aunt who called to asked

If it was permissible for her and other relatives to attend the marriage ceremony in a Catholic church. The third case involved a young widow with two children who married a Catholic and was herself converted to Catholicism. For over a year prior to her marriage she came to see me repeatedly for advice as to whether or not she should marry this man. It is evident that I was unable to persuade her not to. However, she did make one concession—she waited until her son was Bar Mitzvah—both within a month after the Bar Mitzvah rite married the Catholic and took herself and her young daughter into the Catholic fold. I do not know if the son was also converted to Catholicism.

In the 15 years I have served Temple Emanuel in Worcester as its rabbi, there have been numerous instances in which young people came to see me about marriage to a non-Jew. Some of these visits resulted in conversion of the non-Jew to Judaism, and I am happy to add that at least half of these conversions "took" in the sense that the proselytes became practicing Jews who maintain Jewish homes and identify themselves with the synagogue. I have no knowledge of how the other half are faring. But also, during this period, I was able to dissuade a goodly number from entering into a marriage with a non-Jew, regardless of whether or not the non-Jew entertained the thought of conversion. In practically every instance, even where the non-Jew was willing to undergo conversion, the Jewish parents strongly opposed the marriage, and this helped me considerably in influencing the Jewish young people to break off the relationship.

From time to time I get young couples from other communities who are "shopping around" for a rabbi who will officiate at a mixed marriage. Twice within recent years Protestant ministers have called to invite me to officiate jointly with them in an inter-marriage. In both instances the Jewish persons were from other communities. Just a few months ago the mother of a non-Jewish girl in my community contacted me

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**APPOINT ASSOCIATES**  
Robert A. Riesman, GJC General Campaign chairman, and Merrill L. Hassenfeld, General Jewish Committee president, today announced the appointment of community leaders who will serve as associates to the General Campaign chairman for the 1964 drive.

The associates are Bertram L. Bernhardt, Alter Boyman, Benjamin Brier, Martin M. Chase, Ira S. Galkin, Max L. Grant, Stanley Grossman, Sidney A. Kane, Sol Koffler, Harold Leavitt, Marshall Leeds, Paul Leviten, Judge Frank Licht, Joseph W. Pulver, Joseph W. Ress, Samuel Rosen, Alexander Rumpier, Leonard I. Salmanson, Morton Smith, Edwin S. Soforenko, and Joe Thaler.

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## Lord Mancroft Confirms Reports Of Withdrawal Of Chamber Invitation

LONDON — Lord Mancroft, the British-Jewish financier, confirmed here, following his return from a trip to Israel, that the London Chamber of Commerce had withdrawn an invitation extended to him to take over the Chamber's presidency. "This has been done," he said, "because some members of the Chamber trade with Arab countries." The London Chamber of Commerce has 50,000 members and 49 affiliated trade associations around the country.

Lord Mancroft, who is chairman of Global Tours, Ltd., and who, as a Jew, was forced last winter to resign under Arab pressures from the London advisory board of the Norwich Union Insurance Societies, stated: "The Chamber approached me unofficially two or three weeks ago and asked if I would withdraw my name because it could cause embarrassment to the Chamber's members trading with Arab countries. Naturally I agreed. I had no choice. The first approach inviting me to stand for the Chamber presidency was an informal one, made last September, before the Norwich Union affair."

Philip Herman, chairman of the Chamber, said he did not know Mancroft had been asked to withdraw from the presidential nomination; however, the fact that the withdrawal request may have been made was confirmed by William Luxton, secretary of the Chamber. Mr. Luxton said:

"An informal approach may have been made to Lord Mancroft, but I do not know whether the offer of the presidency has been withdrawn. The question of the successor to the current president, the Earl of Verulam, will be considered at a meeting this week and a final choice will be left to the annual meeting next May. A body like the Chamber has to take into account the problems of the trade boycott. It is clearly a matter for the Chamber's general meeting."

Meanwhile, Sir Barnett Janner and 12 other members of Parliament of all parties sent a joint letter to the Chamber of Commerce protesting the withdrawal of the invitation.

The letter of Chamber President Lord Verulam expressed

## Denies Reports Of Clash Between Eshkol, Ben-Gurion

LONDON — Reports of a clash between Israeli Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, and his predecessor, David-Ben Gurion, and of a power struggle within Mapai were denied by Joseph Almog, Minister of Development and Housing, one of the party's most powerful figures. Almog, on a visit to Britain said that many people in Israel were trying to divide Ben-Gurion and Eshkol. "In fact, however, there is no such thing as B.G. versus Eshkol," he declared.

"Eshkol was Ben-Gurion's own choice for the premiership, a choice supported by the whole party, and they also happen to be very close friends. Since he took over, Eshkol has repeatedly described his Government as a continuation of the policies of his predecessor."

"On the other hand, in a movement such as ours, there have been, and always will be, differences of opinion on some issues. In a regime such as ours, this is only natural."

Asked whether there was a likelihood of Ben-Gurion returning to the government, he replied: "No one knows; it depends entirely on Ben-Gurion himself."

'considerable misgivings and surprise' over the development. The letter cited reports that the reason for the withdrawal was Lord Mancroft's association with firms trading with Israel and others that the Chamber was yielding to Arab boycott pressures. "We hope very much that this is not so," the deputies said in the letter, "and that the Chamber will reaffirm its previous statement that it was opposed to being influenced by such pressures and does not and will not countenance them."

The "previous statement" was a reference to a stand in the Chamber's journal, "Commerce," early this year, reaffirming the Chamber's support of resolutions adopted in 1956 by the Association of British Chambers of Commerce on the issue. The resolutions deplored the intervention of political questions in the field of international trade by recourse to "boycotts based on racial or religious criteria."

Press comment on the developments continued to be severely critical. The Daily Mail said that it was impossible to say how many British firms followed a policy of giving in to such Arab pressures but that "Israelis say that the boycott has more effect in Britain than anywhere else in the world."

Britain's trade dealings in the Middle East are handled through the Council for Middle East trade which has contacts with all the Arab countries. Israel has been refused membership in that Council. Britain does more than 200,000,000 pounds sterling (\$600,000,000) export trade annually with the Arab countries and the Council has said that if it included Israel in its activities, some of the Arab countries would turn elsewhere.

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It is true, and since it deals with one of the most vital assets of retired people—life insurance—it should be said.

A short time ago a 61-year-old wife and her 63-year-old husband came upon difficult times with each other. A personal issue started it, the one thing led to another. Bitterness came.

There was no thought of divorce, or even separation. They just mutually agreed they would hereafter have no more to do with each other, beyond what an existence under the same roof would require.

The husband's life insurance was substantial, about \$25,000. It was paid-up. All the policies named the wife as beneficiary. The wife, looking to her own security and expecting no reconciliation with her husband, quietly took the policies from her husband's desk and hid them.

When the husband discovered this he laughed at her. He said he could report to the insurance company that the policies had been stolen, could request duplicate policies, and on them change the beneficiary as he saw fit. Or cash the policies in.

The wife laughed back and dared him to try it.

That's where the matter stands now. And it will come as a shock to many wives to learn that the husband is right. The policies she has hidden are worthless, if the husband chooses to make them so.

The authority for this comes from the Institute of Life Insur-

ance, which represents many of the country's largest life insurance companies.

Husbands taking out life insurance policies own those policies, pure and simple. They usually name their wives as beneficiaries, the Institute says. But they usually have in the policies a provision giving them the right to change the beneficiary any time they choose. Most husbands, expecting no trouble, seldom give this provision a second thought.

But if trouble comes and the wife grabs the policies and hides them, "the husband can go to the insurance company, obtain duplicate policies, and name whatever other beneficiary he would like to replace his wife."

"The wife does not have any rightful claim to the benefits of the policies, for the husband has remained the owner . . ."

The Institute pointed out that in these cases, great sympathy might sometimes accrue to the wife, and that this sympathy might be reflected in a court decision if the wife sued. But if the wife used "such stratagems as appealing to the company and waving the policies in its face and saying SHE is the beneficiary—assuming the husband has, as in most cases, kept the policy on a revocable basis—the company could be sued by the husband, the insured, if it dared to refuse a request to change the beneficiary, or cash it in, or anything else he wanted to do with the policy.

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# What To Do On A Hot Day!

# Jump In A Pool, Of Course

And that's just what they were doing at the pool at the Doric Day Summer Camp on Pontiac Avenue. Under the direction of Earl W. Hersey, the summer camp runs a Red Cross Swimming Program which is conducted for beginners through life saving, as well as programs in arts and crafts, nature study, trail laying, Indian lore, etc. On this day, the children, particularly the younger ones, weren't as interested in the swimming program as they were in keeping cool — and that they did!



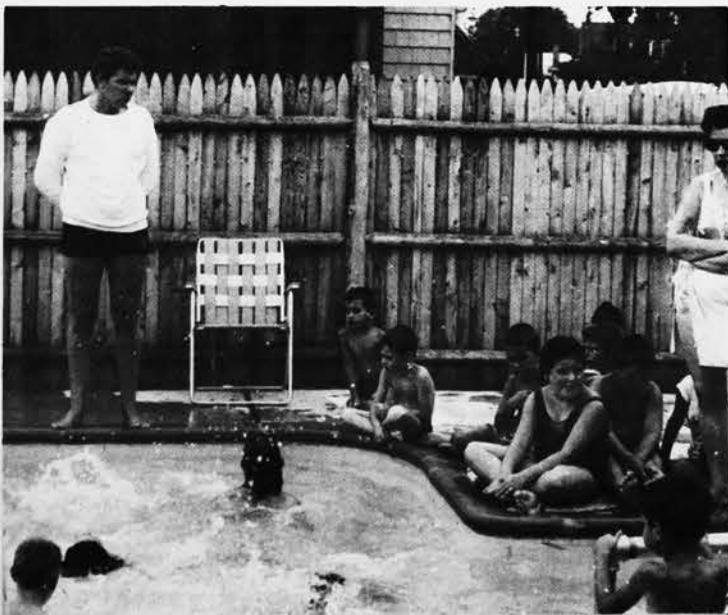
JAY KATZOFF, ABOVE, looks quite interested in getting over to the other side of the pool. It's possible that he may be trying to get into an advantageous position to hear the conversation of Lori Strauss and Amy Feldman (at the right) which seems to be quite entertaining. Apparently the conversation has been finished and immediately below, Amy swims off as Lori turns her back. Howard Greenberg, and Glenn and Larry Warfield seem to be having themselves a wonderful time, ignoring the women completely. Earl Hersey, Jr., one of the lifeguards, at the bottom of the page, watches some of his charges as they rest "on the shore." From left to right, they are Hillary Foss, John Mancini, Robert Cahill, Peter Steele, Diane Thibideau, Russell Chernick, Harry Bedrossian, Mrs. S. Hersey and Thomas Torti.



ENJOYING THE WATER in the shallower part of the pool, above are Lori Shuster, Howard Greenberg, Jay Katzoff, Howard Greenberg, Jay Katzoff, Lori Strauss and Pamela Mandell.



LIFE GUARD, DAVID HERSEY, above shows Elaine Vingl, at the deep end of the pool, how to dive. And below — there she goes.



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## United States Pledges To Oppose Arab Projects For Water Diversion

WASHINGTON — The United States Government has pledged definitely it would oppose Arab projects for any effort at "counter-diversion" of the Jordan River waters under specified conditions, Sen. Kenneth B. Keating, New York Republican, reported last week.

The pledge was contained in a letter to him from Assistant Secretary of State Frederick G. Dutton, sent in response to the Senator's request for a clarification of the Government's position on the Jordan River waters issue. The exchange of letters centered on a regional water plan developed by the late Eric Johnston as a special representative of President Eisenhower in 1955.

Sen. Keating had written for information on whether the Administration regarded Israel's current national water carrier project as being "consistent with the 1955 unified plan" and whether the Government would "take action to prevent other Middle Eastern states from frustrating this plan, either militarily or by other diversion efforts."

Dutton replied that the United States would oppose counter-diversion "if it appeared that the Arab riparian states combined were off taking waters in excess of the combined allocations to the Arab States specified in the 1955 plan."

Dutton said in his reply that on May 6, a State Department spokesman had declared at a news briefing that the Department had been informed by Israel that its use of Jordan River waters would be within the allocations of the 1955 plan and that the State Department therefore supported "Israel's current efforts."

He replied to Sen. Keating's inquiry as to the United States response to a military effort to frustrate the Israel water plan with the reply that "a long-standing principle" of United States policy in the Middle East is "our opposition to aggression." He then quoted the late President Kennedy's statement on May 8, 1963 "in which he made it unmistakably clear that we oppose the use or threat of force." He quoted the late President as then saying that "in event of direct or indirect aggression, we would sup-

port appropriate courses of action in the United Nations or on our own to put a stop to such aggression." He noted that during Israeli Premier Levi Eshkol's June visit to Washington that President Johnson had "specifically reiterated this statement of United States policy."

### Society

**Rosens Have Son**  
Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Sayre Rosen of 33 Medway Street announce the birth of a first child, a son, on July 7. Mrs. Rosen is the former Linda Katzman.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Max Rosen and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Katzman, all of Providence. Maternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Ida Katzman of Providence.

**Announce Birth Of Son**  
Mr. and Mrs. Mel Rabinowitz of 166 Fourth Street announce the birth of their third child, a son, Michael Scott.

Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Perry Rabinowitz of 26 Astral Avenue. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bompey of Stamford, Conn.

Paternal great-grandmother is Mrs. Anna Schwartz of Fall River, Mass.

**Celebrate Anniversary**  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Silverman of Beverly Hills, Calif., were honored at a 30th wedding anniversary party given by their children Burton and Helene Berke at the Courageous Rooster Restaurant in Los Angeles. Fifty guests attended the champagne dinner affair on July 14.

Mr. and Mrs. Silverman and Mr. and Mrs. Berke are formerly of Providence, as were many of the guests who attended.

**PLAN SUMMER BRIDGE**  
The Sisterhood of Congregation Shaare Zedek will hold its Annual Summer Bridge on Monday at 8 P.M. in the vestry of the synagogue.

Proceeds of the bridge will go to the Ruth Ross Myrow Library Fund. Refreshments will be served. Co-chairmen of the bridge are Mrs. Izak Berger and Evelyn Swerling.

**CLAY JOINS ARABS**  
CAIRO—Cassius Clay, world heavyweight boxing champion, who was excused from service in the U.S. Army because he scored too low on the intelligence test, has joined the Arab cause against Israel.

Clay declared in Cairo that he now understands the truth about the Suez battle in 1956. He charged that the American Press had made the Egyptians the villains in the crisis instead of the victims of aggression. He added that he is prepared to "fight on your side and under your flag."

**SEEKS INFORMATION**  
The Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association is seeking information on S. Mason. Mr. Mason wrote a letter to the Zionist leader, Theodor Herzl, and received a reply. The letter is in the archives of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

The Providence directory of 1901 lists the name of Samuel Mason who was a bookkeeper and lived at 102 Charles Street.

The Historical Association would like to hear from his descendants or people who knew of him. Information may be sent to the Association to Mr. Beryl Segal, Acting Secretary, 209 Angell Street, or may be telephoned in to PL 1-8013.

FOR AND ABOUT TEENAGERS

By C. D. Smith

## Personable Girl 'Failure' With Boys



**THE WEEK'S LETTER:** "I have a problem. All my girl friends say I have a wonderful personality and am liked by many girls. But it just happens that I'm a failure with the boys. I've tried everything, including just being 'myself', but it just doesn't work. I'm not bad looking, or so I am told. I am good at many things—but

not too good. Every time I try to excel at something, someone is always there to do it better. This makes me feel like a failure along with everything else. What can I do?"

**OUR REPLY:** Very few people in this world are "experts" and, often those who excel in some particular activity are below par

in others. But, happiness is where you find it. The champion pole vaulter isn't the least bit concerned about the fact he will never excel at bowling or tennis.

If you want to "excel" at something, you will have to work at it, put forth some real effort. Before you put all your eggs in one basket, however, you should really be certain that this is the most important thing of all. Ask yourself if you aren't rather fortunate in being somewhat proficient in a number of things.

If you are fairly good looking and have a good personality, we don't see how you can possibly be a "failure" with the boys—unless you have already convinced yourself that you are. Maybe you don't give the boys a chance to prove you are wrong.

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It is with deep regret and sorrow that we had to forego this badly needed nursing home due to the tremendous amount of money involved.

I wish to thank publicly and most sincerely all our officers, members and the public, for their support in donating money which made all the above worthy contributions possible.

It is our deepest regret that, due to the rising cost of maintenance, the project that we hoped for was not realized.

Mrs. David Friedman

THE RHODE ISLAND HERALD, FRIDAY, JULY 31, 1964

A subscription to the Herald is a good gift for the person who "has everything" else.

**STOP 'THE DEPUTY' SINGEN, West Germany** — The Mayor of this village has decided to prevent a performance of Rolf Hochhuth's "The Deputy" by turning out the lights at the theater. Two performances of the play, which criticizes the late Pope Plus XII for not speaking out against the Nazis' mass murders of the Jews, were scheduled here by the Dusseldorf Kammerspiele troupe. At a special session of the local council, it was decided to uphold the Mayor's decision to refuse to supply city electricity for the lighting. It is expected, however, that the producers will try to obtain some form of portable lighting so that the play can go on.

# Symposium On Intermarriage

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 both by mail and telephone pleading with me to take part in her daughter's marriage to a Jewish boy, which was to take place in a Protestant church. The couple had met at college. The boy was not from my community. His parents had informed him that under no circumstances would they come to the wedding unless a rabbi officiated.

About two months ago a Jewish young man and non-Jewish young woman, both from other communities, came to see me. The young woman, a school teacher, became greatly irritated when I informed her that I would not officiate at her marriage without a conversion. She as much as said that she had not realized Judaism was so narrow-minded. I gathered that they had seen other rabbis in other towns. When we started to discuss conversion and I indicated that this would entail considerably more time and preparation than she thought it would, she became visibly angry. I have since learned that these two people have broken off their relationship, probably at the instigation of the young woman.

I have been citing personal experiences—and that is all I can offer, for I have little or no information concerning what happens in other communities—to make the point that the incidence of mixed marriage is kept to a minimum, at least in my community, because the rabbis refuse to participate in such marriages. To be sure, there are some intermarriages, but nowhere near the rate of 13.1 percent in Washington, D.C. or 42.2 percent in Iowa (as indicated in Erich Rosenthal's recent American Jewish Yearbook study). And I believe this holds true for other communities where the rabbis refrain from rendering this service. I have no statistical information to prove the point, but I am convinced that in those communities where there are rabbis who will officiate at an intermarriage, the rate of intermarriage is considerably higher than in those communities where no rabbi will officiate at an intermarriage, the rate of intermarriage is considerably higher than in those communities where no rabbi will officiate. This was brought forcefully home to me a few years ago when a couple in my community came to me crying their hearts out because a rabbi in the Washington, D.C. area had officiated at the marriage of their son to a non-Jewish girl. The parents had in getting their son to break off with the girl, but the girl, who worked in Washington, found this rabbi who said he would marry the couple without requiring a conversion. The son's argument was that if a rabbi was willing to officiate at an intermarriage, then there could be nothing wrong with it from the point of view of Judaism and he could not understand why his parents, who were far from being the most pious of Jews, should raise such a storm of objection.

Most Jewish parents, even those who are lax in their religious observance, regard the marriage of their child to a non-Jew as a calamity, as something that greatly embarrasses and humiliates them in the eyes of the entire Jewish community. They will use every form of pressure to prevent such a marriage. But they are completely beaten in their arguments if there is a rabbi in the community who is known to solemnize mixed marriages. His very act of participation, in the eyes of the young people involved, sanctions intermarriage and gives the lie to the objecting parents who argue against it on religious grounds. The rabbi, after all, more than anyone else in the community, is the official spokesman for and representative of Judaism and how can anyone argue against it if he is willing to be a participant in such nuptial arrangements, for his participation alone gives it Judaism's stamp of approval.

While attending a convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in Chicago I met a colleague who serves a congregation in the western part of the country. In our discussion of the problem of intermarriage he informed me that six of his last ten weddings were intermarriages. I contend that he, more than anyone else in the community, is responsible for such an alarming situation. The rabbinical organization to which he belongs charges him to discourage mixed marriage and also informs him that such marriages are contrary to Jewish law. But how can he even discourage it when he is personally involved in it with such frequency? Can he possibly influence any member of his congregation not to enter into such a marriage when it is known far and wide that he does officiate? The tragic aspect of this is that once a rabbi solemnizes an intermarriage he becomes "trapped" for the rest of his life. Even if he wants to terminate his participation in such weddings he finds it impossible to do so, that is, if he continues to remain in the same community.

At the same convention in Chicago, I encountered a gentleman whom I have known for a long time, the president of a congregation in a suburb of a large metropolitan Eastern community. The rabbi of this congregation, now no longer there, was known to officiate at intermarriages. I asked my friend, the president, what the reaction of the congregation was to this rabbi's conduct. He said (and I am quoting his exact words), "We were petrified and terrified, and that is why he is no longer with us. This man was performing 40 to 50 intermarriages a year, and we were greatly alarmed over the damage this would do to the Jewish attitudes and loyalties of our children."

Why do some rabbis officiate at mixed marriages? Because great pressure is sometimes put upon them by individual congregants. I recall such an instance when, as a young rabbi in Philadelphia, a powerful member of the board of the Temple I served used every conceivable form of pressure to get me to officiate at the marriage of his daughter to a non-Jew. Had I weakened at that time and given in to his demands this would have become known throughout the city. Every mixed couple seeking a rabbi with marriage in mind would have sought me out, and it would have been impossible for me to turn them down when it was common knowledge that I did function in such situations.

Other rabbis officiate at mixed marriages because they sincerely believe that by doing so they are preventing the couple from developing a hostile attitude toward Judaism. The rejection of their request, these rabbis believe, will only turn the couple away from Judaism and drive them into the church of the non-Jewish partner. But by officiating at a mixed marriage there is the hope that the couple will establish a Jewish home. As much as I respect the sincerity of those who entertain this view I believe it is utterly wrong. There is no evidence to prove that most mixed couples who are married by rabbis eventually cast in their lot with Judaism and the Jewish people.

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- FAST OF GEDALIA, Wednesday, September 9.
- YOM KIPPUR, Wednesday, September 16\*
- SUCCOTH, Monday, September 21; Monday, September 28. On Sabbath of Succoth, Book of Koheleth (Ecclesiastes) read at synagogue service.
- SHEMINI ATZERETH, Eighth Day of Solemn Assembly, Monday, September 28.\*
- SIMHAT TORAH, Tuesday, September 29. Festival of rejoicing at the end of reading of the law.
- HAMISHA ASAR B'SHEVAT (Jewish Arbor Day), January 18.
- FAST OF ESTHER, Wednesday, March 17.
- PURIM, Thursday, March 18; Shushan Purim, Friday, March 19.
- PASSOVER, First Seder, Friday night, April 16; Last Day, Saturday, April 25.\*
- ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY, Saturday, April 17.
- WARSAW GHETTO UPRISING, 22nd anniversary, Monday, April 19.
- SHAVUOTH, Sunday, June 6. Second day, Monday, June 7.\* Biblical Book of Ruth read at synagogue services.
- 17th of TAMMUZ, Saturday, July 17.

Note: Holidays begin before sunset the previous night.  
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