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AT SUCCESSFUL INITIAL GIFTS DINNER — At the head table for the General Jewish Committee's opening event of the 1966 campaign, the Initial Gifts Dinner on Wednesday, were, from left, Irving J. Fain; Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, principal speaker; Max Alperin, Initial Gifts chairman; Merrill L. Hassenfeld, GJC president, and Stanley Grossman, general campaign chairman.

Fred Kelman Photo

Pledges To GJC Annual Campaign Fund Reach \$500,074 At Initial Gifts Dinner

More than \$500,000 has already been pledged to the campaign fund of the General Jewish Committee which launched its 22nd Annual Drive Wednesday night. Approximately 200 men attended the Initial Gifts dinner which was held in a tent in the rear of the home of Max Alperin, Initial Gifts chairman, during one of the worst rainstorms of the season.

This total, which included the \$425,000 pledged at the meeting as well as the \$75,000 contributed by the Women's Division thus far, is in excess of the total pledged last year at the same time.

Many of the increased pledges were made in honor of the memory of Archibald Silverman, first president of the GJC, who died recently.

Preceding the principal speaker, the group was addressed by Mr. Alperin; Merrill L. Hassenfeld, GJC president, and Stanley Grossman, this year's campaign chairman.

Irving J. Fain introduced the speaker, Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, national president of the American Jewish Congress, whom he described as being an ardent champion of civil rights.

"The word of God is not frozen," Rabbi Lelyveld said. "The future is not foretold for us, but we must shape it."

The purpose of Tzedakah is more than charity, explained the Rabbi. "It is not something we are privileged to do—it is something we are obligated to do because of the rightness of the action. We are concerned to do what is right. This is a necessity, an obligation."

Asking his audience to disregard his "clown costume," which he explained was what he was expected to be wearing in his role as a speaker, "A speaker," he said, "is regarded within a specific measure of expectation... a preacher is regarded as such... and a UJA speaker stands within certain characterizations. What else can he be expected to tell us? We may not laugh at him, we're too polite. But it all goes with the pitch."

He pointed out that giving is a common Jewish concern and a common Jewish obligation. The sole purpose of the contributions is not solely Israel, he continued, nor is it only the local agencies.

This task, according to Rabbi Lelyveld, "is not a task of petty philanthropy. This is an historic task of changing the demography of the Jewish people... the task of liberating the Jewish people... Through the help given by other Jews, those who still live in the Galut will be brought to freedom."

He ended by saying that his simple rule of thumb in giving is "If we have given easily and without any difficulty, we have not given enough."

Israel Ministry Rebukes Museum

TEL AVIV — The Ministry of Education and Culture rebuked the Israel Museum in Jerusalem for having decided to name a reading room in honor of a West German supporter.

The Government press office said that the matter would be reviewed by the Cabinet.

The German donor was not identified in the ministry's statement, but he is Axel Springer, a newspaper publisher. He has pledged \$1-million to construct a building for an auditorium and library. He also undertook to contribute to the upkeep of the museum as a whole.

The Government statement said that the museum's board of directors decided on the name of the reading room last week, although it had been notified of government opposition.

There was no official reaction from the museum's board, but the museum sources said privately that the board did not acknowledge the Government's competence to reverse its decisions on the ground that the museum was an independent institution.

Israeli Cabinet Forced To Note 80th Birthday

TEL AVIV — The Government of Israel on Sunday took official notice of the forthcoming 80th birthday of David Ben-Gurion, once its honored leader and now the prickliest thorn in its side.

The Cabinet adopted a resolution of tribute under the pressure of criticism from large sections of the public, which had complained that the government was snubbing the former Premier and leader of Israel's struggle for independence.

The Cabinet resolution said, "The Government of Israel notes with appreciation the historic contributions of David Ben-Gurion to the State of Israel — to its revival, its security and to the ingathering of exiles — and wishes him health and long life."

The birthday, which is on Oct. 16, has been made a public occasion by Mr. Ben-Gurion's admirers, who have organized public festivities in various parts of the country in his honor.

Premier Levi Eshkol, once Mr. Ben-Gurion's principal trouble shooter, was the former leader's own choice as successor when he voluntarily stepped down in 1963. However, Mr. Ben-Gurion denounced the Eshkol Government when it rejected his demand for a judicial reconsideration of a Cabinet decision clearing former Defense Minister Pinhas Lavon of having ordered a disastrous security action in 1954. Censorship here prevents reporting details of the affair.

Before last year's national elections Mr. Ben-Gurion formed the Rafi party, which tried unsuccessfully to unseat Mr. Eshkol.

Mr. Ben-Gurion's position as one of Israel's great leaders has been tarnished by his squabble with Mr. Eshkol. The former Premier has also been subjected to a series of snubs by the Government.

Mr. Ben-Gurion's political associates apparently hope that the birthday festivities will help to restore his stature.

Tarlov Claims Misquotation, Assumed Unity Annoys Others

WASHINGTON — President Johnson urged him to work for Jewish evaluation and support of American policy in Viet Nam, but did not link this to United States support for Israel, said Malcolm A. Tarlov, national commander of the Jewish War Veterans, last weekend. His first report on the White House meeting Sept. 6, he complained in a telegram to the New York Times, had been misrepresented, by only one reporter of the 30 present at the press conference with the President.

He also denied that there was any "rift" between the President and American Jews or that Arthur J. Goldberg, chief United States delegate to the United Nations, had been acting as an "emissary" from Mr. Johnson when he met last week with prominent Jewish leaders.

Senator Terracini Asks Rights For Soviet Jews

ROME — Senator Umberto Terracini, a Jewish Communist, charged this week the rights of Jews had been violated in the Soviet Union. He called for the full "reapplication" of Soviet constitutional measures guaranteeing fair treatment to Jews and other minority groups.

Senator Terracini spoke at a ceremony on the publication of a book titled "The Jews in the U.S.S.R."

A preface to the book, written by the Senator, says:

"After the violent suppression of every cultural activity of the Jews in the Stalinist period, there was no restoration of legality in this field. The organization of the Jewish Church and the exercise of its cult remained, compared to other churches and other existing cults in the U.S.S.R. extremely restricted."

Mayor Lindsay of New York charged that Soviet publications contained "anti-Jewish propaganda which often is blatantly racist."

In an address to a meeting of 300 leaders of the Jewish Community Relations Council of New York, the New York Mayor asserted that the Soviet Union was trying to force its Jewish population to surrender its "cultural and religious past."

At the meeting, Harry K. Gutman, president of the council, read a communication sent to Secretary General Thant calling on the United Nations to "intervene for the restoration of human rights to the three million Jews of the Soviet Union."

On Sept. 11, the Times reported that Mr. Johnson had raised with Mr. Tarlov a subject he had been discussing with a number of Jewish leaders — his puzzlement about why many distinguished Jewish leaders and rabbis opposed his policies in Viet Nam.

The dispatch said Mr. Tarlov had described Mr. Johnson as puzzled because he knew Jews to be informed on foreign affairs, deeply concerned about Communist rule in other nations and eager for the United States to support other small countries, such as Israel.

Notes taken by a reporter for the Times on Mr. Tarlov's statement in the White House lobby show that he then added a comment of his own.

The Jewish people "must be made aware of the fact" that if the United States does not live up to its commitments in Asia, he said, they "cannot expect" the country to be willing to live up to its commitments in the Middle East, "which are not strong."

After Mr. Tarlov's visit had been reported, about 40 Jewish leaders met with Mr. Goldberg in New York to obtain assurance that the President had not ascribed a single view on Viet Nam or anything else to the Jewish community and that there was no relationship between Jews' support of the Administration and United States aid to Israel.

Mr. Tarlov attended that meeting, as well, and said in his letter that Mr. Goldberg had come "merely to state our Government's policy and the basis for it."

There might well be "questions" about President Johnson's request for "Jewish evaluation and support" of Government policy. Mr. Tarlov continued, "but, I'm informed, he speaks similarly to leaders of all groups he meets with." As leader of the country and of the Democratic party, "he has a perfect right to do so as part of the give and take of influencing opinion in a Democracy," the letter added.

Just as there are rights of dissent, Mr. Tarlov said, there are responsibilities of "assent," lest the silence of those who support the President be mistaken for agreement with "the comparatively few strident Jewish voices, speaking as rabbis, in opposition to American policy in Viet Nam."

Justice Samuel H. Hofstadter of the Supreme Court of New York called on Arthur J. Goldberg this week, however, to persuade President Johnson to make himself entirely clear about the relationship

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Rhode Island AJC To Honor Leaders At Dinner Dance

The Rhode Island Unit of the American Jewish Committee will hold a dinner dance in honor of Max L. Grant, Paul Levinger and Walter Adler, for their leadership, on Sunday, Oct. 16, at the Ledgemont Country Club. The black tie dinner at 7 P.M. will be preceded by cocktails at 6:30 o'clock, it was announced by Mrs. Joseph W. Pulver, chairman of the group.

Dinner chairman is Bo Bernstein; chairman of citations, Peter H. Bardach, and co-chairmen of arrangements, Mrs. Walter Adler and Howard G. Brown.

Serving on the dinner committee are Mr. and Mrs. Saul Abrams, Mr. and Mrs. Bo Bernstein, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bloom, Mr.

and Mrs. Howard G. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur I. Darman, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin M. Falk, Mr. and Mrs. Mack Forman, Mrs. Max L. Grant, Judge and Mrs. Alfred H. Joslin, Mr. and Mrs. Sol Kofler, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar A. Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Leeds, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Levy, Mrs. Isador S. Low, Samuel J. Medoff, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Rapaport Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Rens, Mr. and Mrs. Rulert A. Riesman, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Shore, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Silverstein, Mrs. Louis J. I. Symonds, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Weinstein and Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Zarum.

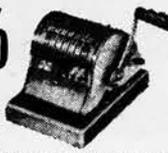
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Obituaries

Former Health Director, Dr. Joseph Smith Dies

Funeral services for Dr. Joseph Smith, 68, of 281 Olney Street, who died Sept. 14, were held Sunday at Temple Emanu-El. Burial was in Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass. He was the husband of Dr. Clara (Lofman) Smith.

He retired last June as city registrar and director of health, posts he had held since 1949. He had been associated with the city health department for about 40 years. As a young man he was associated with the late Dr. Charles V. Chapin and he once said that Dr. Chapin inspired him to carry on the never-ending fight against disease and epidemic, which became his specialty.

Dr. Smith's \$12,973-a-year post as health director carried immense responsibility. His department, before the state assumed control of local health services last July, was the largest and best organized in Rhode Island.

It supervised inspection of milk and public dining places, restaurants, lodging, and board and rooming houses.

His department handled half of all the birth certificates issued in Rhode Island and a high percentage of the state's marriage licenses. In his philosophy, his responsibility extended far beyond the field of pure medicine, to the maintenance of the community at the highest possible level.

Dr. Smith was an early advocate of the state assuming control of all municipal health services, but at first opposed a state takeover of Chapin Hospital. He later modified his position and said he would not object to a state takeover of the hospital if the hospital were to retain its emphasis on the treatment of contagious diseases.

He said there would be difficulty in getting contagious disease patients admitted to general hospitals, and he felt that they should be admitted to Chapin.

When the state finally did take over health services, Dr. Smith resigned his city post with this explanation:

"It's simple. I'll be saving the state money and I'll be saving the city money. This is just what I've been trying to do for all these years."

Dr. Smith was born in San Francisco on Oct. 8, 1898, a son of the late Charles and Esther (Koppelman) Smith. When he was a small child his parents moved to Boston and then to Providence.

He was graduated from the Candace Street Grammar School, Classical High School and received his bachelor of arts degree from Brown University in 1920. While studying at Brown, he got a job through Dr. Chapin working in his spare time at city hall.

His work gave him an opportunity to watch the superintendent of health at first hand and it was during this period that he decided to specialize in the field.

While at Brown, he was drafted into the Student Army Training Corps and was slated to report to the Field Artillery School at Camp Zachary Taylor in Louisville, Ky. A last-minute change assigned him to the Sanitary Corps and enabled him to complete his pre-medical studies.

Dr. Smith went on to Harvard Medical School. He was graduated in 1924 and interned at Western Pennsylvania Hospital in Pittsburgh and then for nine months at Providence City Hospital.

On April 1, 1926, he took a job in the Providence Health Department as assistant to Dr. Chapin and on Jan. 7, 1929 was appointed first deputy superintendent of health and deputy city registrar, serving first under Dr. Chapin.

In March, 1935, after the city council had asked the General Assembly to separate the position of superintendent of the Chapin Hospital from that of superintendent of health, Dr. Smith became a candidate for the health job. By that time he had become a fellow of the Royal Society of Medicine of London, one of the few life members of the American Public Health Association and an early diplomate of the National Board of Medical

Examiners. However, the superintendency went to Dr. Michael J. Nestor, who had been nominated by city council Democrats.

In 1940, he was called into federal service and assigned to Manchester Air Base at Manchester, N.H. He was promoted from captain to major and was graduated in December from the Medical Field Service School at Carlisle Barracks in Pennsylvania.

As an officer in the Army Medical Corps, Dr. Smith served at various Air Force bases until December, 1943, when he became attached to the 100th General Hospital Unit and went overseas to England, to Paris, into the Rhineland and finally into Austria.

As he told the story later, he was a dead ringer in appearance for a Nazi who was supposed to be No. 3 man in the Gestapo. Germans who mistook him for their compatriot wound up in the clutches of the OSS.

In February, 1946, Dr. Smith, his Army service over, returned to his desk in city hall. Less than three years later, on Jan. 3, 1949, the then Mayor Dennis J. Roberts appointed him superintendent of health and city registrar. He had been acting superintendent since the retirement a few weeks previously of Dr. Nestor.

Dr. Smith was instrumental in establishing Boy Scout Troop No. 20 at Temple Emanu-El, where he was active in the religious school.

In February, Dr. Smith received the LaFarge Interracial Award given annually by the Catholic Interracial Council to a person who has promoted the cause of human brotherhood.

He had served as secretary of the Jewish Family Welfare Society, treasurer of Roger Williams Lodge B'nai B'rith, a board member of the Jewish Federation of Social Service, and as secretary of the Bureau of Jewish Education of Greater Providence. He was a past president of Providence Zionist District and a member of Jewish War Veterans Post No. 23.

He was a past commander of Providence Municipal Post, American Legion, a past president of the Rhode Island Public Health Association and he served on a commission named by former Gov. Christopher Del Sesto to work out details of a proposed shift of local health services to the state.

Dr. Smith was secretary of the Providence Board of Hospital Commissioners and held membership in the Providence Medical Society, the Rhode Island Medical Society, the Jacob Medical Club of Providence, the Massachusetts Association of Boards of Health, St. Andrew's Lodge, F. & A.M.; Providence Royal Arch Chapter, Providence Council of Social Agencies.

He had been a member of the Providence Floating Hospital Association and was a member of the corporation of Rhode Island Hospital, a member of the board of managers of the Providence District Nursing Association and a fellow of the American Medical Association.

Survivors are Mrs. Smith; two sons, Charles W. of New York City, and David L. of Cincinnati, Ohio; two daughters, Mrs. Eugene E. Baker of Louisville, Ky. and Mrs. Gerald D. Weintraub of Newton, Mass.; two sisters, Mrs. William Raffel of Norwalk, Conn. and Mrs. Lazare Bawley of Herzlia by the Sea, Israel; and eight grandchildren.

Rabbi Elh A. Bohnen and Can-

tor Ivan Perlman officiated. Burial was in Sharon Memorial Park, Sharon, Mass. Bearers were Eljah Koppelman, Leo Mann, Bernard D. and Everett P. Grossman, Morris I. Goldberg, Philip Wernick, Dr. William Rachlin and Dr. Jason Lucas.

Representatives of the following organizations attended: Brown University Alumni Association, St. Andrew's Lodge, F & A.M., Jewish War Veterans, Jewish Family Welfare, Zionist Organizations of America, Jewish National Fund, the General Jewish Committee and the Interracial Association.

RAYMOND COHEN

Funeral services for Raymond Cohen, 48, of 166 Bluff Avenue, Cranston, proprietor of the Empire TV, Broad Street, Providence, who died Sunday after an illness of four months, were held the following day at the Cranston Jewish Center. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery. He was the husband of Frances (Lury) Cohen.

Mr. Cohen was born in Providence; a son of Lena (Finberg) Cohen and the late Joseph Cohen, and had lived in this city until moving to Cranston in 1958. He had operated the television store for many years until his illness.

He was a member of the Rhode Island Retailers and the National Small Business Association, Roosevelt Lodge No. 42, F. & A.M., Cranston Jewish Center and the Touro Fraternal Association.

Besides his wife and mother, he is survived by a son, Andrew Cohen; a daughter, Phyllis Cohen, both at home; a brother, Merrill Cohen of Hollywood, Fla., and a sister, Mrs. Harris Sederholm of South Dartmouth, Mass.

MAX KLINE

A funeral service was held Monday at Plainville, Mass., Cemetery for Max Kline, 84, who died Sunday at his home, 18 Emerson Street, New Bedford. He was the husband of the late Celia (Levine) Kline.

Born in Latvia, he lived in New Bedford for the last 45 years. He was a retired junk dealer in that city.

Mr. Kline was a member of Ahavith Achim Synagogue of New Bedford.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Louis Pulner of Cranston, Mrs. Jack Goldstein of Miami Beach, Fla., and Miss Jennie Kline of New Bedford; two brothers, Jacob Kline of Fall River and Julius Kline of Pawtucket; four sisters, Mrs. Irene Brown and Mrs. Lottie Kline, both of Pawtucket; Mrs. Sam Rakusin of Providence and Mrs. Harold Rice of Brooklyn, N.Y., and four grandchildren.

MAX STRUMAR

Funeral services for Max Strumar, 66, of 194 Broad Street, who died Sunday, were held Tuesday at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery.

Born in Hartford, Conn., a son of the late Harris and Rebecca (Lustig) Strumar, he had been a resident of this city for more than 50 years. Mr. Strumar had been employed by the Foster Jewelry Mfg. Company, Providence, for 20 years before retiring in 1961. He was a World War II Army veteran.

He was a member of the Elmwood Post, VFW.

He is survived by three brothers, Michael and Louis Strumar, both of Providence and Charles Strumar of Denver, Colo.; three sisters, Mrs. Meyer Mallack of Providence, Mrs. Bernard Barasch of Cranston and Mrs. Benjamin J. Mellon of New York City.

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Radio Free Europe Views Newport

by Jeff Berger

Ilene (my wife) and I interviewed two representatives of RFE at the past Newport Folk Festival, Stanley K. Smolowski and Wladislaw O. Wantula. Mr. Smolowski is an executive producer and Mr. Wantula an editorial supervisor with RFE.

Five Iron Curtain countries (Bulgaria, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Poland and Rumania) receive their transmissions, which go 20 hours a day and run the gamut from folk music to news commentaries.

Mr. Smolowski said that East Europeans are very interested in jazz and are becoming quite interested in folk music.

Letters from listeners are one way many radio stations find out their audience's opinions. RFE can't poll its audience, but does get some letters, many of which are censored. At least, there is communication.

In order of popularity, the RFE official said East Europeans like modern, progressive jazz; folk music; symphonic music.

Mr. Wantula, whose full title is Senior Editor of Special Events for the Polish Section, said mass

interest in folk music has evolved only in the last "couple of years." "We have a special hour-long program featuring American Folk Music, and it is very popular, he said.

Mr. Smolowski said, "Records of American jazz, popular music and folk music are not obtainable behind the Iron Curtain. The people know this well, and the RFE and Voice of America, which is operated by the USA, are their only sources of this music."

Mr. Wantula added, "Tape recording is very popular over there now. They tape many of our broadcasts and listen when they want. In that way they are popularizing the American music there."

Pete Seeger, whose comments shall be printed in this column shortly, is by far the most popular singer in East Europe, they said. The people also like Western "cowboy" music.

Mr. Wantula spoke of RFE's importance: "We are able to influence opinion by discussing the problem of the countries to which we broadcast. The VOA broadcasts to over 40 countries but represents the U. S. 'line' and talks almost only about the U.S."

Mr. Smolowski said, "I am mainly a fan of Opera. I think the Opera Festival here is very good. My friend (Mr. Wantula) likes jazz music, but we both like folk festival and hope it will get bigger and bigger." Ilene and I agreed, and sat down for the show.

Within the range of the powerful transmitters of privately-supported Radio Free Europe, are 80 million people. To listen, they risk their lives. The practice of listening is treacherous, but the hunger for truth behind the Iron curtain is great and RFE has many listeners.

Coming to Viewpoint: Phil Ochs, Pete Seeger, Oscar Brand, Buffy Sainte-Marie and others (about a dozen others).

Note -- "Now in the works dept." -- we're attempting to interview Leonard Bernstein, Harry Belafonte and George Jessel for you. We'll have further news and comment on this in an upcoming issue.



INITIAL GIFTS CHAIRMAN—Harry A. Schwartz has accepted the position of Initial Gifts Chairman of the Blackstone Valley United Jewish Appeal, it was announced today by Hyman M. Cokin, general campaign chairman. Mr. Schwartz, prominent in many civic and philanthropic causes, is a past chairman of the Blackstone Valley UJA and has been an active member of the board for many years.

The Initial Gifts Dinner, chairman of which is General Leonard Holland, will be held Oct. 9 at the Ledgemont Country Club.

Americans Volunteer For Year's Mission

TEL AVIV — Sixty young Americans arrived recently for a one-year mission to Israel to participate actively in the absorption program of new immigrants. The mission is under the auspices of Sherut La'am (Service to the People), an aid program fashioned after the U.S. Peace Corps.

Dr. Aryeh Neshier, an Israeli social scientist now directing the activities of Sherut La'am in North America, said the youths will embark upon three months of intensive study in a kibbutz where they will study Hebrew and the social and economic problems of Israel.

Later, they will be assigned to kibbutzim and to teaching positions in villages, development towns and youth aliyah centers.

The volunteers pay their own round trip transportation from New York to Israel. In Israel, they receive full maintenance allowance and pocket money. Dr. Neshier said that those selected for the group "have been chosen after severe screening tests, and have been recruited from every major city in the United States and Canada."

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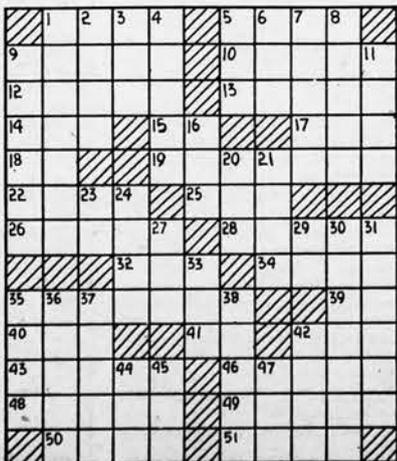
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