

ABE SCHWARTZ

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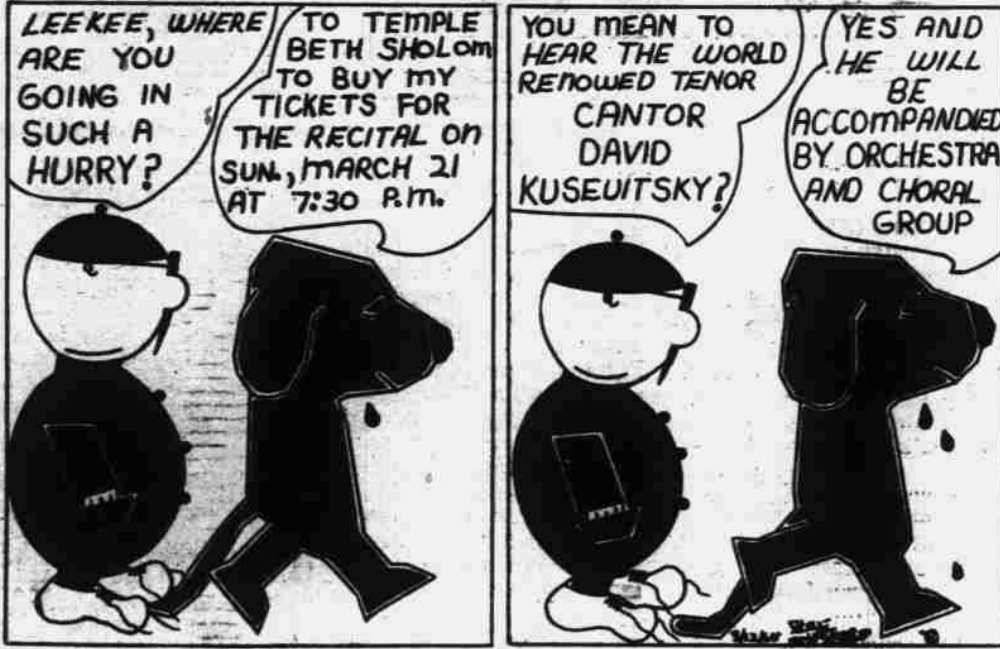
where the Schwartz family lived for six generations. Abe's education started in the Yeshiva at 3 1/2 years of age where he stayed for nine years. He attended Rabbinic Yeshiva for two more, and from there to a Kibbutz in the Negev near Nirim, taking another four and half years of study. Then as is the usual procedure of all the Israelis, he went into the army for three years. He was wounded twice, once by a bayonet and again by a bullet. After serving his term, he worked for the Government.

Schwartz, who had never known what it was to live in peace since Israel had been continuously fighting to stay alive, decided that he would travel to see what was going on in the rest of the world. After one year through Europe, he came to the States, in 1960. Continuing his education, he enrolled in Queen's College, in New York, where he took courses in Education and Economics. The "Hertzlia" College had a stronger pull, and he switched to it, graduating in 1963. He taught in Temple Israel in Queens while he was still studying, and after furthering his education, he taught in the Hertzlia High School. This gave him a full-time schedule. After graduation he went to Oyster Bay, Long Island, to start a Temple in a new community for a congregation that was sadly in need of a Rabbi and Teacher. Within one year, he had made such vast strides, that the growth of the congregation now called for the need of an ordained Rabbi. As the community was not in the position to hire both a Rabbi and a Teacher, Abe Schwartz bowed out, to give preference to such a leader who could carry on that which he had started. His next stop was Temple Beth Shalom in Las Vegas. In the short time he has been with our congregation, the terrific strides he has made in the Religious School are quite evident. There is a smooth flow in the workings of each class. There is an air of eagerness and anticipation in each pupil. With the strictness he enforces, there is also an air of warmth, friendliness and goodfellowship.

Abe bluntly states that he does not want to disclose the details of how his father, grandfather, uncle, and close relatives and others gave their lives in the cause of the Jewish Freedom. Those were days when the underground, helped get refugees into Israel, instead of letting them be turned back to Cyprus and other lands that did not and would not take them in. Despite Abe's reluctance to talk, the truth cannot be denied, and in this writer's opinion, his close kin died as heroes for a great cause. Yet this quiet young man, without any animosity, plainly states, he prefers to

CHINA JOE

BY STEVE HART



CANTOR

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try he is Cantor at Temple Emanu-El, Boro Park, Brooklyn, N.Y.

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JEW IN RUSSIA DENIED MATZOHS

NEW YORK, (JTA) -- The synagogue of Kiev, capital of the Ukraine, has been refused permission by the Soviet authorities in that city to bake matzoh for this year's Passover, Label Katz, chairman of the steering committee of the American Conference on Soviet Jewry an-

nounced. The conference represents 24 major national Jewish civic, religious and Zionist organizations. In a report sent to the conference, Mr. Katz, who is also president of B'nai B'rith, said that these developments are "alarming and once again of great concern for the entire Jewish community."

"I have just learned," he said "that the local authorities of Kiev have rejected the request of the synagogue in that city for permission to bake matzoh." "The ban on the baking of matzoh extends to the entire Ukraine, where some 37 percent of all Soviet Jews live."

RUSSIAN JEWS

AT PROTEST RALLY

MOSCOW, (JTA) -- A meeting called to protest the West German Government decision to allow the Statute of Limitations to take effect for Nazi war criminals on May 8 was held at the Moscow Central Synagogue.

The large audience attending the rally adopted a resolution voicing "deep indignation" at the Bonn stand "which threatened to allow Nazi war criminals to go free," the Novosti report said.

Moscow Chief Rabbi Yehuda Leib Levin lighted six large candles at the rally in memory of the 6,000,000 Jews murdered by the Nazis.

keep the full details away from the public, for he does not want a community to like him because of his relatives' heroics or look upon him with sympathy. This is a pride that can only come from training, and from a background of understanding for all of humanity. This he has unquestionably.

He also has a lovely, young wife, whom he met when both worked Summer Camps in Long Beach, New York. In 1963 he changed her name from Babs Bender to Mrs. Schwartz. Today they are awaiting their first child, which is due about mid-summer.

If you have not yet had the pleasure, and simchas of meeting Abe Schwartz, then do so right away. It is the actual, physical contact of the friendly handshake, the warmth of that wide friendly smile that changes an ordinary face into a beacon of light and envelopes one with a sense of well being, for you to realize who we have among us. After you meet him you will not fear to entrust the Jewish Education of our children in his Young, Courageous and Capable hands. Abe Schwartz is an asset to this community, and along with Rabbi Gold and Cantor Kohn, let us add an additional prayer of Thanks for the presence here of our enthusiastic congenial and most able school principal.

ARABS AROUSED

LONDON, (JTA) -- The 13 members of the Arab League were summoned for an urgent session to be held in Cairo to discuss West Germany's offer to establish full diplomatic relations with Israel, Cairo dispatches reported here today.

At the same time, the reports stated the Egyptian press, which is strictly controlled by the Nasser Government, warned that "the Arab world" would cut relations with West Germany in the event that Bonn-Jerusalem diplomatic relations became a reality.

*****Bulletin*****

GERMAN UPPER HOUSE EXTENDS NAZI PROSECUTIONS

BONN, (JTA) -- The West German Parliamentary upper house, the Bundesrat, voted to extend the deadline for prosecution of Nazi war criminals beyond May 8.

In so doing, the Bundesrat did not act on new legislation. The members simply decided that two draft laws pending before the lower house, the Bundestag, which were approved, would assure the continued prosecution of Nazi war criminals, and that this met the wish of the Bundesrat. The Bundestag, in endorsing the principle of extending the effective date of the statute of limitations for prosecution for murder, sent the matter to its legal committee to work out the details, and report back in

about 20 days. The Bundesrat also voted 29 to 12, for a law providing for the compulsory retirement of any judge or state prosecutor who took part in Nazi terror judgments. The law provides for an amendment to the West German constitution to that effect.

The target of the measure, which will be sent to the Bundestag, for approval will be individuals who took part before 1945 in death sentences "if another judgment might have been possible." Bundesrat members said the new law was made necessary by the discovery of new documents in Poland and other countries on activities of German jurists during the Nazi period.

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