

Ruth's Parents, Hubby and Darling Children

RUTH
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City.

Ruth attended P.S. 173 and Junior High School 115. The call of the country side always strongest came in 1943 and the family moved to Frenchtown New Jersey. Here young Ruth graduated in 1946. Asked about participating in outside activities during these years, I found that due to doubling up on many subjects, very little was done within this realm, never the less, She was in a band, playing the drums. She did commence with the accordian, but when she outgrew the small keyboard, they found regular sized instrument was too big for her to handle, therefore it was set aside completely. At this time she became a member of the National Honor Society, and a member of the Junior Arista.

On her graduation from High School, she attended New York University but never completed her B.S. degree, lacking 26 credits, merely because Cupid interceded. Ruth's aims prior to this time were partially achieved for she wound up with a major in psychology, and a minor in English.

September 1949 saw her married to Sam Speiser, a young man whose family lived close to hers, and who had introduced them. Their romance had started in the latter part of 1948, August 13th, 1952 a son and heir arrived on the scene, young Larry, followed on November 27, 1956 by sister Terri, and later on March 8, 1958 by sister Jackie.

After his service with the United States Air Force, Sam Speiser worked with his Father-in-law, having graduated from college with a degree in Agriculture and Marketing.

The Speisers decided that there was great opportunities to be had in Las Vegas, and in June, 1965 the family replanted it's roots.

Ruth's Year Book yielded the fact that she had straight A's for her annalysis of play characters, being an ardent follower of the theatre.

Her religious background is one of study. Her Father, upon his arrival in this country, organized with some other men, the Shaare Hatikva congregation, where she attended Hebrew school five times a week. With their moving to New Jersey, the nearest House of Worship was eight miles away, the Flemington Jewish Community Centre. Ruth studied three times per week, under the supervision of Rabbi Isaac Wasserman, who later performed her marriage to Sam.

Before she finally left New Jersey, she had been President of the Local P.T.A. in Whitehouse N.J. and was a member of the Haddasah, the N.C.J.W. and the Deborahs.

Upon her arrival in our own town, Ruth went to re-



WITH PAPA HERMAN STRAUSS MAMA LENA STRAUSS



HUSBAND SAM



CHILDREN JACKI, LARRY AND TERRI

gistar Jackie in the preschool of Temple Beth Sholom, and to unite the family with the Temple's congregation. Grass did not grow under her feet and right away she threw herself into the activities of Sisterhood. Proof of the pudding lies in the fact, that in the brief period of three years, she has held the position of recording secretary, Vice President, and is today the

President. She is a member of the B'nai Brith, the Haddassah, on whose board she sits, J.W.V.A. and the Jewish Center Social Club. She is, naturally, on the President's Council. Ruth sits on the Temple Board as President of the Sisterhood, and is now chairing the Religious Education Committee. She can be seen on the U.S.Y. Adult Commission as well.

BERLIN (WNS) Fifteen men accused of involvement in the mass murder of 17,000 at Nev-Sandz, Poland, went on trial in the city of Bochum amidst indications that the hearings may last six months or more.

All of the accused are former SS men, and the chief defendant is Heinrich Hamall, one-time high ranking Nazi officer who is charged in the indictment with having committed eighty-eight murders. The prosecution is expected to put on the stand many witnesses now living in Israel, Canada, Australia, and the U.S.

A major war crimes trial

also opened in Stuttgart. There the defendants are ten former Nazis accused of having participated in the slaughtering of Jews in the Polish city of Tarnopol under the Nazi occupation. The court in Stuttgart is expected to take the testimony of 100 witnesses, many of them from foreign countries. The chief defendant is the notorious Herman Mueller, who was head of the Nazi elite.

Trials of war criminals were also reported scheduled in Osnabrueck, involving the murder of Jews in Italy, and at Sapor, involving mass murders in Belyorussia and Eastern Poland.

Her hobbies? Well she shrugs her shoulders and asks, "who can have time for hobbies right now?" But she does - like reading and to listening to the Sterio, which she says plays a major part in her therapy.

Asked about a very unhappy subject, namely her family that remained in Germany during Hitler's holocaust, She says that the few who escaped, did so through her parents, but unfortunately many perished.

She adds that this community has been exceptionally kind to her and her family, and feels she has made many good friends among the community. With her small family, (parents, children,) and friends to help her she has already established a solid foothold in the congregation of Temple Beth Sholom. This Five foot one inch young Madam, has one goal in view the best for her Temple and her community. Needless to say she has already accomplished towards this aim. Let us hope that she attains the heights towards which she is striving.

She deserves it.

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8. The School Building	25,000.00
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10. Religious School Classrooms Furnishings	1,500 each
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23. Pulpit Chairs (6 at -)	2,500 each
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