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**Editorial**

**Birch Rally Coming Up**

By ROBERT SEGAL

Leafing through the plans and musings of the Birch world early this year, I came across two items which seem worthy of comment: (1) Edwin A. Walker, the Major General who resigned his commission in 1961 to fight Communism the Birch way, will be the guest of honor at the "God & Country Rally" in Boston early in July, 1967; and (2) American Opinion, edited by Robert Welch, has offered gratuitous advice to Orthodox Jews on how to eschew the liberal route in political and economic thought.

It was at the 1966 "God & Country" Rally, a swarming Fourth of July place for Birch barkers, that Dr. Revilo P. Oliver bespattered the Jews. This University of Illinois savant, who had earlier contended that it was a lie that the Nazis killed 6,000,000 Jews, had been hailed by Mr. Welch as "an authentic genius of the first water and quite possibly the world's greatest scholar." Before all the returns were in from that poll, Dr. Oliver had told the "God & Country" assemblage that, in his judgement, a Jewish conspiracy was in part responsible for the decay of western man. Subsequently, the governing body of the Birch Society and Dr. Oliver took separate paths.

Earlier "God & Country" rallies have attracted Joe Kamp literature to the booths, have heard Billie Jim Hargis tell what was wrong with the Negro cause and have provided rostrums for Georgia's Lester Maddox, John A. Stormer, and Dan Smoot.

Now there comes riding over the hill toward the 1967 rally former General Walker, hailed thus: "Our country owes a debt of gratitude to General Walker for initiating his 'Pro Blue' program of troop indoctrination. General Walker had seen what heppened in Korea when young American soldiers were so confused by propoganda and lack of educational training... that they were not certain that American Liberty was siperior to Communist Slavery." He was determined, his sponsors declare, "to see that the men in his command really understood American Freedom in a Christian Constitutional Republic."

General Walker's way of going all out for these objectives was (according to Army authorities) to make "inflammatory and derogatory" statements about President Truman. Later on, when he got his day before the Special Senate Preparedness Subcommittee, he implied that President Kennedy, President Eisenhower, Defense Secretary McNamara, and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt were either dupes or conscious advocates of a policy of "collusion and collaboration" with the Communists. Before he resigned hie commission, some held that he had been violating AR 355-5, which prohibits officers from publicly attacking past or present government officials.

If you are a conservative or Reform Jew, apparently you are already lost to liberalism, as Mrs. Caldwell sees it. But there is still hope for the young Orthodox Jew scanning AMERICAN OPINION. After all, he has had a dignified Bar Mitzvah (no bands, no "small-size" tuxedo for him). He was not kissed and hugged and admired by Mamas in the Bar Mitzvah season. For him (and not for

**REPORT FROM  
CARSON CITY**  
From INFORMATION Supplied By  
*Assemblyman  
Eileen Brookman*

Although this is her first session as assemblyman, Eileen Brookman wasted little time in getting her first bill before the Nevada legislature. As chairman of Federal, Indian and military Affairs, Assembly, she introduced on Jan. 31, Bill No. 139, which reorganizes Nevada National Guard and adopts Nevada Code of Military Justice. It was immediately referred back to her committee.

This new proposed law, according to Eileen, is the first revision of the laws and foundations of the National Guard of Nevada in approximately forty years.

Assemblyman Brookman informs the Israelite many bills are in the process of being introduced that will enhance the welfare, education and housing of the Indians of Nevada, a subject she has been intimately concerned with for many years and one of the main reasons for her candidacy and election to the Assembly.

Mrs. Brookman extends greetings to all citizens of Clark County and wants all her friends and supporters



EILEEN

to know: "I am enjoying my life as an Assemblyman and am proud to be a part of the 54th session of the Legislature of the State of Nevada."

She adds that the work is most stimulating and vital. All of us who knew her as the pulmotor for so many civic, religious and charitable causes, especially the A.D.L., prior to her election, are proud to have her represent us as a lawmaker.

Any who wish to contact her, may do so at 201 E. David, Apt. 28, Carson City, Nev. 89701.

the Conservative or Reform Jew?) crime is not something to be pitied nor the criminal explained by some preposterous excuse. Psychiatry is obscene. Rarely is he a juvenile delinquent, almost never is an Orthodox Jewish girl an unwed mother.

But oh, the pitfall ahead! Our young Orthodox Jew now goes off to a secular college... he meets "the People"... He has profs. His companions are of another religion, or of no religion. Now to become Successful, he must become a Liberal: "Be brave, young Orthodox Jewish friend! You, too, like your Christian colleagues, can learn to be a 'Liberal' and betray your God and your country." (Mrs. Caldwell still speaking.)

The price, as described in AMERICAN OPINION, is to abandon Orthodox Judaism, skipping over the Conservative synagogue and landing right smack in a Reform Temple. There you will learn, heaven help you and Birch Society save your soul, that "Man is the only God."

What Bob Welch calls this we don't know; but for every self-respecting Jew, it has to be a sorrowful wound in the spirit.

**TEMPLE SPEAKER**  
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University of Judaism in Los Angeles. His subject theme will be "Judaism Speaks to the Modern Man." The first lecture on Thursday evening, (February 16) was on "Who are You?" The second lecture will be preceded by brunch served by hostesses of the Temple Sisterhood.

Admission is free to all lectures, and the community is cordially invited to attend any and all of this series.

Dr. David Aronson was spiritual leader of Beth El Synagogue, Minneapolis, Minnesota for 35 years and is its Rabbi Emeritus. He is a past president of the Rabbinical Assembly of America and is regarded as one of the nations foremost authorities in the interpretation of the Midrash and other religious thought and commentaries. He was the first clergyman to be awarded the Distinguished Citizen Citation by the city of Minneapolis. He is the author of "The Jewish Way of Life" and numerous scholarly articles. He has enriched the University of Library with his personal large and prized collection of books in Hebrew and English in the field of the Bible and other religious literature.

**TELL TALES**

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



**To Err is Human**

Ladies and gentlemen, we have made a mistake which we feel should be corrected immediately by the only method we know -- a clean breast of the entire story with the hopes those offended will accept our apology and understand the honest intentions of our action.

As an inducement for subscribers to send their checks in early, we offered a free dinner at Pat's Chinese Kitchen or Pat's Bar-B-Que Kitchen. Little did we realize at the time, that there would be some, among the thousands who are receiving the paper each week, who would object to this specific free gift made by an English-Jewish publication. Four rabbis, so far, have complained, one vehemently. There may be others.

In any case, the initial purpose of the Las Vegas Israelite, created to serve the welfare and growth of the Jewish community, never meant to be the moving force of annoyance to even a single person, especially a member of our own Faith and certainly where tradition, custom and basic laws are involved. This does not mean, mind you, we relinquish the right to criticize and defend our views when we feel a transgression has taken place. But when we instigate a circumstance which proves distasteful, and we realize the error of our ways, we accept full responsibility and hasten full speed to make amends without qualification or attempt to justify our deeds. We are genuinely sorry and will be careful not to commit any similar breach in the future.

By way of explanation, we repeat NOT justification, the free dinner was chosen because we honestly believe that right now about 90 percent of the members of our Temple are regular customers of Pat's. We do not recall ever entering either of his establishments and not being greeted by at least one member of our Faith. Many of these patrons, who do not observe our dietary laws when dining out, maintain a kosher home, like this writer. It may not be in keeping with strict Jewish tradition, but these are the circumstances that exist. We doubt if anyone will refute this claim. That is why we inadvertently chose the free dinner as a gift. It was to serve those who had already broken the tradition, in addition to the many gentle subscribers.

However, as one complaining rabbi pointed out, to encourage the breakdown of tradition, was gross error on the part of an English-Jewish publication. After careful deliberation, once it was brought to our attention, we agree. We wuz wrong.

After all, knowing the nature of the Jewish community of Las Vegas as well as anyone, we would venture to guess that the vast majority sprung from Orthodox homes. To determine when and where they first strayed from our kosher tradition would mean exploration into each individual's background. If they were strict adherents when they first came to Nevada, there may be reason, and possible justification why they relaxed. There is not a single kosher restaurant in the entire state. We do have a kosher butcher, Sam Klein, a decent, religious member of our Faith, who serves his customers well. But the only place we know, apart from homes, where strict kosher observance is maintained, is our Temple Beth Sholom, and only within the past two years.

A word about Pat Ginn, who of course, cannot be blamed for the indiscretion of this writer. Pat has earned the reputation of supporting all good causes, especially those attached to the Jewish Faith. He believes without qualification, the success of his two establishments is due mainly to patronage of members of the Jewish community. On occasion we jokingly referred to his Chinese kitchen as an annex to our Temple. He often calls himself Pat Ginnberg. He is a fine, decent, upright citizen, who made his own way in life since arriving in America at the age of 11. He never forgot the kindness of a San Francisco Jewish family, where he first served as houseboy, but later just as one of the sons was sent through college. So much for Pat.

Now about the offer of free dinner, which we must of necessity rescind. After bringing the complaints to the attention of Pat, it was decided to repeat the offer of last year, which proved ever so popular and about which there was not a single complaint -- a box of 100 authentic, Chinese tea bags (retail value \$2.25). One small complication. The tea is being ordered immediately by Pat, but there will be a delay of approximately one-month before delivery from Hong Kong. So please be patient, folks. This, of course, will include out-of-town subscribers, who could not participate in the previous offer.

There you have it, and we ask for your understanding. What more can we say?

After all, this edition is devoted to Brotherhood Week,

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