

BARNEY GLAZER

IN HOLLYWOOD



Two current record albums cut opposite patterns for ethnic approach to listening entertainment. One, Tower's "Have a Jewish Christmas. . .?" runs afoul and afield with not only its title but also its subtitles: Christmas Cards, Christmas Trees, Tanta and the Tree, Santa Claus and Christmas Machers, Condemnation of the selected material undoubtedly will prompt x number of screams from creators-writers-producers Ray Brenner and Barry E. Blitzer, and narrator Lennie Weinrib, who should have thought once before applying their respective talents to this album of questionable satire about another religion's most sacred holiday.

I regret that Benny Rubin, a personal favorite and friend, involved his master dialect with this unfortunate pressing. Even Benny may accuse me of losing my sense of humor but I must persist that members of one religion should avoid satire contact with another religion, so sense of selection here properly precludes sense of

humor.

The second album "Jackie Miles' J. Schwartz, New York?" (Warner Bros.) becomes refreshing in an age of sick jokes and psychological humor. Folklorist Miles acquires the tag of a modern Sholom Aleichem as he creates a genuinely funny character wandering through contemporary imagination.

The album marks the birth of the newest addition to a long line of delightful characters in Jewish folklore. You'll recognize Mr. Schwartz' habitats as you follow him through his zany journeys at a posh Miami hotel, on an exclusive golf course, in the Catskills and on a train.

Miles' stories provide the infectious quality of Jewish comic spirit that offends nobody, reduces everyone to hysterics.

WHAT'S in a name? Well, for one thing, "Jew" in film producer Norman Jewison's name but he isn't, in reply to many inquiries. . . Max Factor, Jr., and 20 friends celebrated Milly Factor's birthday in a three-day stay at the Las Vegas Stardust Hotel. This marked Mrs. Factor's first trip in several years due to a long illness.

A HOLLYWOOD resident returned from West Ger-

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many with disheartening information. The Germans are at it again. After two decades, the Nazis are revealing themselves in the National Democratic Party. Good Germans continue to disclaim the threat and insist they don't take Nazis seriously anymore. Yet everywhere signs are disturbing with their obviousness that Nazi philosophy is far from extinct. Ask the Jew in Germany. He readily admits that the days ahead are darkened by foreboding shadows. One elderly Ger-

MACK

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 be dedicated as a tribute to the cherished memory of Jerry's father, the late beloved Nate and Jennie Mack, pioneers of the Las Vegas Jewish Community. Nate Mack, founder and first president of Temple Beth Sholom, and his beloved wife Jennie will be remembered for their untiring efforts in all worthwhile causes and for their particular endeavors in creating the Jewish Community Center of Las Vegas and Temple Beth Sholom. The tablet, containing 300 spaces will enable Temple families to continue the tradition of inscribing the names of beloved deceased persons, thus perpetuating their memories for generations to come.

Rabbi Aaron S. Gold, spiritual leader of the Temple, will conduct and officiate. Cantor Joseph Kohn will chant the liturgy, accompanied by the Temple Choir. The Sisterhood will host the congregation to Oneg Shabbat refreshments in the social hall immediately after the conclusion of services. See you there!

man told the Hollywood resident what he already knew: THAT ALL Germans claim they weren't Nazis. They lie said the German; they were all Nazis. He readily admitted, with considerable remorse, he was one himself.

DICTIONARIES, which have included many Jewish words as idiomatic English may soon add another: noshorium, meaning a restaurant for light orders. Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, started it with their restaurant appropriately titled: Caesars' Noshorium.

KATZ

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 the social hour which follows the regularly scheduled services.

Katz, past president of Temple Beth Sholom, is a member of the National Board of Governors of the American Jewish Committee and will report on the American Jewish Committee and will report on the American Jewish Committee convention recently held in San Francisco, California. His subject will be entitled, "New Faces and New Dimensions of Anti-Semitism." A question and answer period with Mr. Katz will follow immediately after the talk. See you there!

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BY JACK TELL



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study, Al Stevens, who stepped into Walter Slezak's role of "That Certain Girl" at the T-Bird. "When the curtain went up hardly anyone had ever heard of Al Stevens. When it came down he was the talk of Las Vegas."

Under "Rendezvous in Heaven," we encouraged Rev. John Clarkson, who was undergoing his umteenth heart operation. His note, most touching, stated: "I love the Jewish people. They are God's chosen ones." That was on Sept. 15th. His beautiful Chanukah Prayer greeting card that came a few days ago is testimony the good Pastor is still with us, and we hope he'll be around for a long, long time.

For our Rosh Hashana edition we re-printed a column of two years previous on the impending passage of the Ecumenical Statement of the Roman Catholic Church affecting the Jews. "We are living right now, at this moment, not in an age or a lifetime, BUT IN THE YEAR, when the cause, the seeds, the roots of anti-Semitism may be abolished."

Then we voiced protest to the manner and circumstances under which the Los Angeles Times chose to portray Las Vegas. The Israelite being the newspaper of record for Nevada, we spared neither respect nor adjectives to show that the high and mighty was nothing more than: "Lost" Angeles Times, and "Louse" Angeles Times, and "Low" Angeles Times. We doubt if dividends to stockholders of the L.A. Times were effected by our comments, but we were told that publisher Otis Chandler, who threw the shot put 57 feet for Stanford, was thrown into dismay to call for every one of our three pieces in the series. Not that the observations of this writer to some 20,000-30,000 readers could dent a circulation of a million, but Chandler couldn't believe his star reporters could write so many errors of fact.

Then we arrived at our "Moment of Decision" in our Grandparents Contest to determine the Wonder Child among our readers. With all the decency, and honesty and fairness of an unbiased editor, us, who just happens to be a grandfather, we eliminated the two most likely candidates for the honor, our own Bonnie and Michele, (on the ground rule that relatives of the Israelite were ineligible). But picking the eventual winner wasn't that easy with every photo submitted, a potential champion. After milking the topic for three weeks, we finally settled on Kimberly A. O'Neill, who stood up at the age of four and a half months and spoke at seven months. We'd made our decision and we were proud of it. But it could be different this year. Wait and see.

We reviewed a most entrancing book, "Family Tree", a compilon of excerpts from literature of all times and all lands depicting all family relationships, from husbands and wives to family gatherings. Authors Johanna Johnston and Murry Karmiller assembled "a monumental collection of rich wordage from story, legend, poetry and fact embracing the world's most distinguished sources ranging from the Bible to the New Yorker."

"A Giant Among Men" was our own personal obit tribute to Francis Cardinal Spellman, whose twinkling eyes were closed for good, and a star of hope for many has been dimmed."

Then we pointed out that de Gaulle was, "nothing but a Commy slob taking orders from the Kremlin." We're certain you'll be reading more, right here, about this bum in months to come.

Our regular Christmas column appeared in the edition before Dec. 25, and again we pointed out, as we do annually, that the "Spirit of Christmas has overwhelmed and is about to inundate all humans in the four corners of the earth."

And so we complete our recap of 1967. It is gone and mostly forgotten. Now on to 1968, which very well could be the biggest, the best and the most welcome year of our lives. We hope.

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