

# New Year Message

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It gives me pleasure to be able to extend my greetings to the American Jewish community on the occasion of the New Year 5729, and I share the prayer that this coming year will be one of peace, prosperity and freedom for our brethren everywhere.

Rosh Ha'Shana is by tradition, a time of stock taking, coupled with an optimistic faith in the unfolding of an ever better tomorrow.

We live in an unpredictable world compelling us never to relax our guard, yet at the same time, never relinquishing our hope for a new dawn. Peace is the prayer for Israel's tomorrow, yet we petition it with an acute awareness and understanding of the formidable challenges still confronting us.

We face these challenges with alertness and with sober confidence, conscious that it is an Israel strong in body as in spirit, that offers the surest guarantee of the day of peace. It is to this end that we continue to invest our best efforts in building and planting our land in partnership with you, our fellow Jews.

This is the spirit with which the people of Israel usher in the year 5729, with all its burdens, opportunities and hopes.

I know that as before, the great Jewish community of America will rise to its historic responsibilities in sharing with Israel, the momentous tasks our generation has called upon to assume.

Shana Tova.

hippie. He defended sex and violence in movies by saying that producers should make pictures that the public demands and patronizes.

Since her conversion to Judaism, Jan Sterling conducted TV interviews, donating her salary to the Communications Commission of Jewish Federal Council.....Herschel Bernardi directed and starred in the legitimate production, "The World of Sholem Aleichem."

Now 39, Bobby Breen wrote his former child co-star Deanna Durbin to join him in a nitery and TV act but she didn't reply. Said Bobby, "She's probably too fat and too wealthy".... Si Litvinoff, New York lawyer turned film producer, announced plans to make "Friday the Rabbi Slept Late" and its sequel, "Saturday the Rabbi Went Hungry"....Beloved Ida Mayer Commings made her final appearance at its Star of Stars Ball. A few weeks later, the late Louis B. Mayer's sister was dead.

Zero Mostel starred in "The Latent Heterosexual," a far cry from Tevye in "Fiddler on the Roof"....Esther and Abi Ofarim, Israeli-born young-marrieds, won acclaim with their recording of "Cinderella Rockefeller".... Moshe Dayan's son, Assaf Dayan, was bitten by the movie bug.

Nasser voiced his disapproval when Egyptian Omar Sharif kissed Jewish Barbra Streisand in the movie "Funny Girl"....Buddy Hackett put down a heckler who came up with an anti-Semitic remark during Buddy's Las Vegas Sahara Hotel engagement..A Hollywood resident returned from Germany with the disturbing news that the Nazi philosophy is rearing its ugly head again.

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This was the year 5728 with our Jewish personalities in Hollywood.....

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

Actor Stephen Hill quit Mission Impossible and completely disappeared. Anyone know where he is? Last report: Israel...Herb Alpert gifted the Israel Emergency Fund with \$250,000....Christopher Cary in Garrison's Gorillas portrayed a burglar. The character's name: Goniff.

A Grand Juror named Gimbel asked comedian Shecky Greene a few pertinent questions about skimming in Las Vegas by Shecky refused to answer on the grounds that his real name was Macy. "Why not?" asked the juror. "Because Macy never tells Gimbel," replied Shecky, running for his life.

Persistingly, the juror asked Shecky later, "What do you know about skimming?" Replied the stocky comedian, "My granma used to do it with a big wooden spoon to get the fat off the chicken soup."

Comedian Marty Allen arrived in Las Vegas to play the Riviera Hotel. Wearing dark glasses and his mop of black hair flying in the wind. Allen was greeted by a member of the waiting crowd with a shout, "There's Rapp Brown!"

Jackie Barnett signed in with Screen Gems as a pro-

ducer of six one-hour color specials....The album, "Have a Jewish Christmas", met with total Jewish resistance. We felt it was as sacrilegious as another album might be if titled, Enjoy a Christian Chanukah."

On the other hand, the Warner Bros. album, "Jacie Miles' J. Schwartz, New York?" presented folklorist Miles as a modern Sholom Aleichem, providing the infectious quality of Jewish comic spirit that offends nobody, reduces everyone to hysterics...What isn't in a name? Well, for one thing, a Jewish owner in the name Norman Jewison. He isn't.

Leonard Nimoy had to wear a Nazi uniform for a Star Trek segment but refused to pose for stills with a visiting singing group, fearing the pictures might be used detrimentally by scheming parties....Eddy Samuels, Eddie Fisher's pianist and a noted composer in his own right, figured in the Jimmy Rodgers injury. Eddy and Jimmy were enroute to the San Fernando Valley when their cars became separated and Eddy later found Jimmy injured.

An elderly Jewish woman, among the complaining passengers of the Queen Mary's last flight to Los Angeles harbor, told the press, "A plate of good chicken soup would have solved a lot of troubles. Yorkshire pudding, feh!"

Michael Landon directed his first Bonanza episode... Nehemia Persoff wrote his first screenplay for a most unusual movie...All of a sudden, there was Dustin Hoffman, a new star, thanks to "The Graduate." In the background, Joseph Levine was taking his justified bows for making Dustin what he is today.

"Valley of the Dolls," emerged as a fitting tribute to its producer David Weisbart, who died suddenly, not as an artistic triumph but as a boxoffice blockbuster...Theodore Bikel opened in "Fiddler on the Roof" at the Las Vegas Caesars Palace, proving that even frenzied gamblers would sit still to watch a classical performance in a classic of the theatre.

Sammy Davis, Jr., told his overspilling audience at the Las Vegas Sands Hotel, "A merry Christmas to you all and for the rest of us a swinging Chanukah!"

....Major Riddle, Charlie Rich, Lee Fisher, et al, taking bows for booking and promoting the sensational singer Rouvaun, featured in an earthshaking "Eli Eli"....A record manufacturer came up with the worst taste of 5728 by releasing an album titled, "Soldiers' Songs from Germany," heil heresy!

Jewish-born Negro Yaphet Kotto, starred in NBC-TV's experimental drama, "Losers Weepers"...Ed Ames recorded the tune, "Who Will Answer" (RCA) but the country divided into two camps; some said he sounded like a priest, others like a chazzum.

Jan Sterling converted to Judaism...Producers of "The Bridge Got Farblondjet" at the Anderson Theatre on New York's East Side sold hot chicken soup during intermissions....Adolph Zukor turned 95 and proceeded to make a public statement that would do justice to a 25-year-old

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