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IRA KAPENSTEIN



Washington, D. C., If Lawrence O'Brien finds his hectic job as Chairman of the Democratic National Committee just a little bit easier, it is largely due to efforts of Ira Kapenstein, his young and extremely talented Executive Assistant. At thirty-two years of age, Kapenstein already brings to his position an impressive record as administrator, organizer, advisor and writer. His experience as Special Assistant to the Postmaster General, in charge of Public Information, and again as Mr. O'Brien's assistant in the April to June primary campaign of the late Senator Robert F. Kennedy and the pre-convention campaign of the United Democrats for Hubert Humphrey has made Kapenstein an invaluable aide in the campaign to elect the Humphrey-Muskie ticket.

No one who knew Ira Kapenstein in his college days at the State University of Iowa is surprised to find him at the forefront of the group of "bright young men" in Washington. His fraternity brothers in Alpha Epsilon Pi twice elected him president of the Iowa chapter, and for four years he was

chosen president of his class in the School of Journalism. In addition he served as editor of the student newspaper, the Daily Iowan, and upon graduation, earned the faculty's award as "Outstanding Male Journalism Graduate."

Awards have continued to follow Kapenstein throughout his professional career, first for his skill as a political writer and Washington correspondent for the MILWAUKEE JOURNAL, and later for his outstanding achievements in the office of the Postmaster General. When O'Brien resigned the latter position to work in the 1968 Kennedy primary campaign, he showed his admiration for Kapenstein by asking him to come along with him. Following the shock of the assassination of Senator Kennedy, Kapenstein once again answered O'Brien's request to be of service to his country and his party by working for the election of Hubert Humphrey.

As a young American, and as a man deeply committed to his religion, he feels that American Jews cannot help but support Humphrey because of his continual efforts to work for those liberal causes which are embraced by the vast majority of Jewish people in this country. When fellow members of Kapenstein's congregation (Temple Emanuel in Kensington, Maryland) or of his B'nai B'rith Lodge (John F. Kennedy Lodge in Washington, D. C.) ask him what issues in the campaign they should be especially concerned with, he states with his usual forthrightness that votes of the Jewish faith are and must be concerned with the same issues that affect the quality of life for all Americans.



GERI JOSEPH

Washington, D. C., Geri Joseph, Vice-Chairman and Director of Women's Activities of the Democratic National Committee, frequently is called upon to represent the Democratic Party and the Humphrey-Muskie ticket at countless programs, rallies, and political gatherings of all kinds across the United States. But despite the busy schedule she has had to pursue in recent months, she nevertheless has agreed to make one additional appearance before the coming election--she'll fulfill her fourteen year old son's promise to address the civics class at his Minneapolis high school. Mrs. Joseph firmly believes in the importance of making everyone, regardless of age, aware of the issues of the

campaign, and if that awareness can start at home with her own three children, so much the better.

The Joseph family long has been used to Geri's involvement with local, state, and national causes. Through the years, they have shared her proudly with her duties to the Democratic Party and the National Association for Mental Health. In addition, she has continued to serve on the National Program Committee of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, and maintains local membership in the National Council of Jewish Women and Temple Sinai in Minneapolis. When Hubert Humphrey asked her to serve as Vice-National Committee, following his nomination, her husband Burton's enthusiasm was one of the main reasons for her acceptance of the assignment.

The other reason, she is quick to add, is her long-time respect and admiration for Vice President Humphrey, "a man whose whole record throughout his political life reflects the struggle in America in the 1960's for human dignity and human decency."

"You really can't dismiss the record," Mrs. Joseph maintains, "for what a person has stood for in the past is the best gauge of what he will do in the present."

HOWARD J. SAMUELS



Washington, D. C., When Vice President Hubert Humphrey referred to Howard Samuels as a "human dynamo" in a recent speech, Samuels' Associates throughout the United States nodded in hearty agreement. For anyone who has witnessed or heard about his activities since June, when he assumed the top job of Administrator of the Small Business Administration, knows that he well deserves the respect and admiration of members of both political parties. As part of the task force put together by Vice President Humphrey last

year to explore ways in which minority-owned businesses could be created, Samuels is credited with conceiving the idea of "Project OWN," a program designed to provide business and government incentives for entrepreneurs from minority groups. Since moving from the job of Under Secretary of Commerce to that of Small Business Administrator, he has been able to see his idea blossom into a fully-operating program.

Samuels, who long has been involved in the American-Israel Public Affairs Committee and has served as Chairman of the American Histadrut Cultural Exchange Institute, likens his present efforts to the exciting work of the many American Jews who have done so much to make Israel the economically viable country she is today. "I have an excellent example to point to when speaking to banks and business leaders about "Project OWN," Samuels acknowledges. "I feel that with proper guidance, we all can do for the inner cities in our country what we Jews in America have done for Israel."

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Joint Distribution Committee will need \$24 million in 1969 to meet minimal worldwide needs of needy Jews in 25 countries, Samuel J. Haber, JDC's executive vice president told a United Jewish Appeal study mission currently in Israel.

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



TELL TALES

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Humphrey will have nailed Richard Nixon. In our estimation, they are at the eighth pole in a distance race. This means there will be plenty of daylight at the wire on Tuesday when the citizens of our Nation make the outcome of the Presidential contest official.

From our observation of what has been happening the past week, we calculate that Humphrey will chalk up 319 electoral votes, or 49 more than is necessary to clinch the victory. This contention is based on the recent participation in behalf of Humphrey by Pres. Johnson, and Senators Ted Kennedy and Eugene McCarthy.

We estimate the Vice President will win the eastern states of Connecticut (8), Delaware (3), Florida (14), Maine (4), Maryland (10), Massachusetts (14), New York (43), No. Carolina (13), Pennsylvania (29), Rhode Island (4), Tennessee (11), Virginia (12), West Virginia (7), and Dist. of Columbia (3). This adds up to 175 electoral votes. Some may hump at Florida, No. Carolina and Tennessee in the Humphrey column, but that's the way we see it.

It is our opinion HHH will take the middle states of Indiana (13), Iowa (9), Kansas (7), Michigan (21), Minnesota (10), Missouri (12), and Ohio (26). Here we have another 98 electoral votes.

We expect the Democratic candidate to sweep far western states of Nebraska (5), Nevada (3), New Mexico (4), Texas (25), and Washington, (9). This is 46 electoral votes.

We could not acquire enough information on which to form an opinion concerning California and Kentucky, but either or both could very well go for Humphrey with 49 additional electoral votes.

There you have our arithmetic on the outcome of the Presidential contest.

At this time we urge all our readers to be patriotic Little Abners, no matter who is chosen our next President, be it Humphrey, Nixon or Wallace. Accept graciously, the will of the majority, no matter how disappointed you may feel. In this great big wonderful country, you will find that the office makes the man, no matter how ill-equipped he may seem to be at the outset.

Now for a last look at some local contests, as far as space will allow.

(CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK)

For our U. S. Congressman we have Walter S. Baring, Democrat, pitted against James M. Slattery, R. Here we have the battle of the Birch-supporters, both men being arch-Conservatives and each a strong contender for States - rights. Take your pick.

For State Senator, Floyd Lamb and Helen Herr, incumbents, and both Democrats, running against Doctors William Clark and Kenneth Turner, (R). Sen. Lamb receives our unqualified endorsement for the many fine measures he has introduced in behalf of labor, education and health. He'll win in a walk.

In a second race for State Senator, B. Mahlon Brown, D, the all-around good-guy, should have little opposition against John Casino, R, and deservedly so.

In the contest for Supreme Court Justice, we already have commented on the qualifications of John Mendoza over Cameron Batjer. Mendoza has gained experience up through the ranks as respected jurist upon being elected Justice of the Peace, and District Court Judge, while Batjer never held court until he was appointed to his present post by Gov. Laxalt. A slight altercation popped up here, in this supposed non-partisan race, when Chief Justice Gordon Thompson took issue with Mendoza's claim of experience on the Supreme Court. It developed that Mendoza, as most other District Judges, has been invited from time to time to sit and serve with the Supreme Court. Therefore, we feel, Mendoza is entitled to state his experience with that court.

For District Judge, Robert Reid is pitted against Alvin Wartman. The Israelite has gone all out for Reid because of his adamant stand on the importance of juvenile cases.

In the Assembly #4 contest, the big one in Southern Nevada where 18 are vying for nine seats, a number of familiar names and faces are on the ticket. First and foremost is pert, dynamic, enthusiastic Eileen Brookman, who never ceases in time or effort to propound the causes to which she is dedicated. As Chairman of State, Federal, Military and Indian Affairs Committee, Eileen was most instrumental in bringing the present plight of the first Americans to attention of the public. She is champion for all minorities. She receives our unqualified endorsement for re-election. Harry Reid, after outstanding service to the Hospital Board, seeks a seat on the As-

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