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ren will have two sets of relatives -- one Jewish and one Christian, for, obviously, not all of the convert's clan change faith with her. So, although in the home there might be this "oneness" of Judaism, among the family circle there is a cleavage. There will be a divided set of grandparents, divided aunts, uncles, cousins, etc. This very fact destroys the harmony of a Jewish upbringing and cannot surmount the mother's "sincere" conversion. "A house divided against itself cannot stand," is as true in this instance as within the political framework in which it was first uttered.

So, Mrs. Mizrahi's picture of a perfect, blended unity is not true at all. For the children, in stances like this, are still divided and confused.

Also, children born of such a union have the option of continuing in the Jewish faith or not. They will know that the mother is a convert, and will not consider the fact that the mother was originally Christian, and if she married outside of her faith, so can the son or daughter.

Of course, there have been marriages by converts which have produced children who willingly continue in the Jewish milieu, but the temptation to do otherwise is always there, staring them in the face.

Secondly, I, personally, do not object to converts. I only reject them in my thinking when they change for what I consider the wrong reasons. For a woman to change faith only to please a husband is, to me, distinctly a wrong reason. Religion, in this instance, is only secondary. Her prime object is to get her man. If she can further capture him by taking on his religion, so much the better. It will be a further "bond" for her. Thus, the whole idea of Judaism is sullied; what is wanted, really is not the faith at all but the man who was born into that faith.

If a person, without any ulterior motive, truly wishes to change his religion because his present one does not satisfy him, then I take my hat off to him! In this case, the motive is pure and without fallacy. The human factor is not present; only the wish to find a better, a different, a more suitable theology. This type of convert, to me holds a high and distinctive place, and should be gathered into our fold with welcoming arms. There have been such converts; the other "marrying" type are, by far, much more numerous.

Thirdly, if all Jews everywhere suddenly decided that they should throw overboard this one stipulation of marriage within the faith, and breed new generations of "half-and-half" progeny, our entire, historic concept of Judaism would go down the drain.

This is not to say that we are any better, more superior, or intrinsically on a higher plane than any other people in the world. We definitely are not. But we do have rules and regulations to guard our identity. Actually, it is the first rule -- that of self-preservation. If Judaism is worth anything at all in history, it is worth preserving. If it isn't worth preserving, it is worth nothing. How can we then preserve Judaism if we dilute it by intermarriage?

I hope that my arguments will not be looked upon as castigating individuals as such. But I am trying to see this whole picture of intermarriage from the broader view of the generations, from the viewpoint of continuity, from the mountaintop of survival.

How will we ever survive if we puncture the only true means of survival -- that of marriage within the fold?

I don't question the sincerity of some converts. But my speculation is that if we continue this trend -- and it has been accelerating at an alarming pace -- we will have nothing to worry about. There won't be any Jewish families left.

Sincerely,  
 Mrs. Beatrice Kohen  
 Fitzgerald, Ga.

ethnic participation were included.

A recent move by a rather strong-willed lady in Las Vegas may bring a change in the dealer image. Claiming that women are being discriminated against, she is seeking application of the equal rights provisions passed by the congress to force casinos to hire women dealers. For some unknown reason, Northern Nevada (primarily Reno and the Lake Tahoe resorts) employ a preponderance of women dealers, while in Las Vegas they are a rarity. For the present, the profession of dealing is the province of the male.

That's the picture. The next time you visit a Las Vegas casino, you might take a second look at the dealer. He has a story to tell.

ISRAELITE ADS PAY

### Israel's Atom Bombs?

Again there are reports that Israel has produced atomic bombs. The latest information comes from a Montreal newspaper which says reporters for a German news magazine discovered the existence of five nuclear devices manufactured at the Dimona atomic reactor in the Negev with a sixth bomb almost finished.

And again Israel officials label the report as false and reassert that Jerusalem will not be the first nation to introduce atomic weapons into the Middle East.

One fact is clear: Israel has the ability to become a nuclear power. The question is has she or does she plan to?

What can Israel gain by using A-bombs? As long as its military forces can defend the nation using conventional arms she has no military need for nuclear devices. If, heaven forbid, the Arab states were on the way to over-running Israel, would the use of atomic bombs stop the Arabs? And would Israel's Judaic heritage allow her to cause such tremendous loss of life?

Militarily Israel gains nothing from becoming a nuclear power. Politically the repercussions against Jerusalem from the United States, among other nations, in the form of arms embargoes, a halt in trade and other political and economic moves would undercut any military gain.

What then is behind all the reports. Propaganda, by Israel on the one hand to remind the Arab and other countries of her ability to take care of herself and, on the other hand, by the Arabs who are trying to show that Israel is an aggressor nation bent on war against the Arab peoples using the most horrible weapon possible.

Of course, back at Dimona.....

### Profile of a Dealer

By HANK KOVELL

Have you ever watched a player at the tables in Las Vegas? His concentration is remarkable. Nothing can distract him except the turn of a card, the roll of the dice or the little white ball on the roulette wheel. Occasionally he will take notice of the individual who stands behind the tables and deals the cards, and pays out or takes in money. Sometimes the vagaries of lady luck-good or bad - may be attributed to the dealer, who may be rewarded for the result with a substantial tip (or "toke" in Vegas parlance), or be the object of a mild epithet from an unlucky player.

A dealer in a Nevada casino has as little effect on the outcome of a game of chance as does the weather. In shuffling a deck of cards, for "21" or blackjack, the cards will fall together in a pattern which cannot be pre-determined, and the dealers' own cards will be affected the same as those of the players. In roulette, the strength of the "push" with which the dealer spins the ball may in some way affect the slot into which it ultimately falls, but when the spin is affected, the players have not yet completed placing their bets, and the outcome therefore becomes strictly a matter of chance. At the dice tables, the matter is totally in control of

the players, since dealers do not handle the dice.

In years past, attempts have been made to mechanize certain games of chance. It didn't go well with the public. For some reason not readily definable, players prefer the human element. Seasoned gamblers take some comfort in knowing that their adversary is not the dealer but the "odds." And the odds are what they try to beat.

But what of the "go-betweens"? The men who make change, pay you your winnings, and answer your questions? It seems to come as a surprise to some visitors to Las Vegas casinos that these men live in homes, have wives and children, vote in elections, participate in sports, belong to service clubs and live the same kind of life that a worker in any other industry does. He does all these things, and more.

Typical of Nevada's plush gaming casinos is the Frontier Hotel, a brand new resort in Las Vegas, located on the famed Las Vegas "Strip". The Frontier employs 130 dealers, and a recent survey taken among them revealed some facts and figures which probably would compare to a survey taken of employees of General Motors, Montgomery Ward or a supermarket.

Almost every state in the union is represented as a point or origin for Frontier dealers. One foreign country, France, is represented, and several are former Cuban nationals. Married men outnumber the bachelors three to one. Of those who are married, the average is slightly over 12 years, topped by one man who has shared bed and board with his wife for 33 years. They average slightly less than two children each, the most prolific claiming five. Ages of dealers at the Frontier range from 25 to 69, with a mean of 39 years 10 months. One has lived in Las Vegas less than two years, another almost a quarter of a century. Average length of residence is just over eight years.

In the portion of the poll relating to length of time engaged as a dealer, it must be remembered that many of them have dealt in other casinos, other countries, and in states where gambling has been illegal, but which nevertheless had full casino operations. This will account for one veteran with 47 years dealing experience, and several others with 25 years or more. The average for Frontier dealers is just over 13 years.

Only about one third claimed any education beyond high school, although almost all had completed high school. Several have college degrees. A few are currently taking additional schooling in such diverse subjects as flying, real estate, English and computer programming. They have performed a number of their types of work, covering every imaginable field. Included are experience as a Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue, beautician, stunt worker, lawyer, musician, carpenter, many former salesmen and owners of small businesses.

Exactly one half of the Frontier dealers own or are buying their own homes, while the other half are apartment or mobile home dwellers. At home they engage in many mundane activities, but the emphasis is heavily on the great outdoors, and Southern Nevada's climate and recreational facilities are ideal for sportsmen. Ranking high in spare time pursuits are fishing, hunting, water skiing, swimming, golf and boating. Other diversions include bowling, gardening, raising chinchillas, do-it-yourself projects, reading, stamp collecting, softball, tennis, art and skeet and trapshooting.

More than half of those queried belong to civic, social or fraternal organizations. The Elks, Masons, Optimists, Knights of Columbus, VFW, Moose, Lions and Eagles were among those mentioned. Church work, scouting and

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