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# Peace Memorial To Be Built Here

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...races and religions were considered."

A spokesman for County Assessor James A. Bilbray, head of Peace Memorial Committee which is sponsoring the project, told the Israelite: "Final design has not been determined until a committee appointed approves it." The spokesman added: "Whatever the final design is, Mr. Bilbray is hopeful it will be satisfactory to all."

And so we have some conclusive determinations by responsible parties to disprove the wording and connotations of stories that appeared in both Las Vegas daily newspapers. These spurious stories, (reprinted here in the Israelite), along with news broadcasts from all radio and television stations in the area, which have been advising readers and listeners that, as stated in the lead sentence of the Review Journal: A statue of Christ, the King of Peace, honoring Nevada's war dead is soon going to stand in front of Las Vegas Convention Center....."

While the reprinted stories give ample background leading up to the meeting at the Convention Center, we were informed by Bilbray's spokesman, that letters advising of the meeting were sent to representatives of armed forces organizations and clergymen. A number who attended, apparently gave unanimous support to the idea of the project, said the spokesman. He added, Canter Joseph A. Kohn of Temple Beth Shalom, had called to protest the inclusion of Christ in the shrine memorial.

Leo A. Wilner, executive director of the Temple, said he had no knowledge of any invitations to attend the meeting. The Temple's Rabbi could not be reached for comment.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Gottlieb, part owners of the Dunes Hotel, who had agreed to underwrite the cost of building the shrine, could not be reached in Chicago. They were expected in Las Vegas on Thursday and any comment on the subject from them, will appear in next week's edition.

Rev. Patrick J. Toomey, C.S.V., Pastor of Guardian Angel Shrine, Roman Catholic Church under direction of St. Viator Parish, offered this meaningful gem of rhetoric: "I will allow nothing to disrupt the grand and glorious relationship between Jew and Christian established in the area during the past eight years."

To which we add: Amen.

A memorial dedicated to peace and inscribed with the names of all Nevada's servicemen who died in battle will be built in front of the Las Vegas Convention Center.

The Convention Authority agreed yesterday to give the space. The shrine will be provided by Mr. and Mrs. Jake Gottlieb, part owners of the Dunes Hotel.

Previously, the JayCeas had planned to put up a shrine with an eternal flame, but relinquished the spot for this project, sponsored by the Las Vegas Peace Memorial Committee headed by County Assessor James A. Bilbray.

Commander Verne Hubka, USN, of San Diego, Calif., who made a hasty trip here to explain the shrine to the Authority, said it would be one of two in the country. The other one is located in San Diego.

He described the shrine as a memorial for peace, honoring the soldiers who died "for all of us."

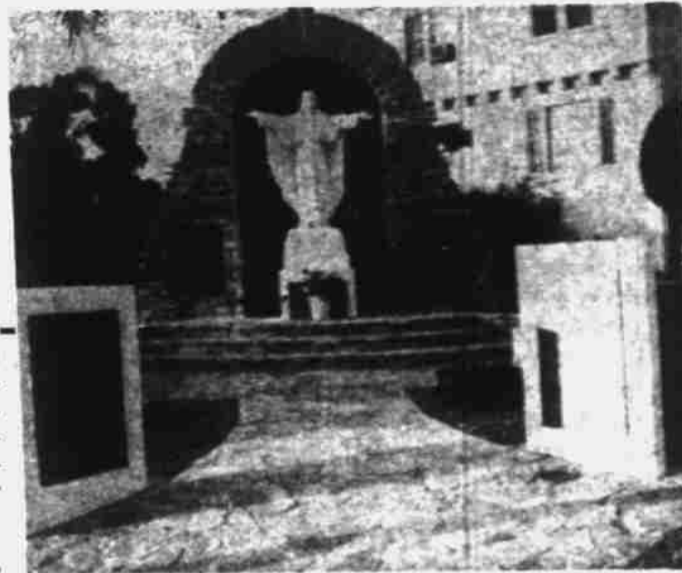
Bilbray stressed the point that while the shrine's central figure is Jesus Christ, the memorial is strictly non-denominational, and a symbol of peace.

Hubka said the local committee, of which he is an honorary chairman, decided upon the Convention Center as a suitable location.

The commander made it clear with a thumbs down gesture that he did not support the Moratorium Day, but was deeply concerned with honoring the war dead with a peace memorial.

A number of representatives of armed forces organizations and clergymen attended the meeting to voice support for the project.

The shrine will be built on a grassy oval plot directly in front of the Convention Center's main entrance.



**WAR DEAD MEMORIAL** — The Las Vegas Convention Authority approved plans for a memorial to Nevada's war dead similar to this one situated in San Diego. A committee directed by Assessor James Bilbray is drawing plans for the shrine to be set in front of the Convention Center. The cost of the memorial will be underwritten by Mr. and Mrs. Jake Gottlieb, part owners of the Dunes Hotel.

## HONOR VIET DEAD

# LVCA to Erect Peace Memorial

A statue of Christ, the King of Peace, honoring Nevada's war dead is soon going to stand in front of Las Vegas Convention Center, face to face with the Strip's glamorous showgirls.

"This war memorial is not for Catholic, Jew or Arab, but for everybody," assessor James Bilbray told the Las Vegas Convention Authority Tuesday before it approved plans for the peace shrine.

The shrine, honoring the dead from all wars, would be the second one in the country. The other one is in San Diego.

Bilbray said the Las Vegas Peace Memorial Committee is working on plans for the structure. He is committee chairman.

The cost of the project is unknown, but Mr. and Mrs. Jake Gottlieb, local hotel owners, will pay most of the expenses he said.

Commander Verne Hubka, U.S.N., from San Diego, appeared at the meeting and offered support to the local project as honorary chairman. "Las Vegas seems suitable for Nevada's peace memorial because these men died for peace, a justified peace," he said.

The citizen's committee submitted the second proposal for a memorial. About six months ago the Las Vegas Junior Chamber of Commerce hinted it would place a plaque at Convention Center honoring war dead.

But JC Bob Mitchell phoned John McBride, JC president, in the middle of the meeting and then announced the group would work with the new committee, relinquishing any space rights the Authority had granted.

"This isn't another one of those moratoriums, is it?" questioned Jim Corey, board member. He referred to a 36-hour vigil held on the Federal Building steps and at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas last week.

"No, no this will honor all war dead from Nevada," Bilbray answered.

An architect has not been chosen for the project. However several local architects expressed interest already, according to a committee member.

One idea for spurring interest in the memorial was mentioned after the Authority voted their approval. A member suggested offering a \$5,000 reward for the best design to local architects.

Authority board members will check plans step by step, "to make sure the memorial is suitable."

Local veteran groups attended the session and endorsed the project verbally.

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