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HI-JINKS, HIJACKS, NEW IMAGE

Once you separate the horror of a plane hijack from the act and deal with the hijinks which go on during the incarceration, it is odd to find that world opinion, inflamed at first, has melted away in the face of all the good reports which have come from the victims.

Almost invariably, Jews and non-Jews alike, speak well of the guerrillas whose organization committed the frightening act of airplane hijacking. Indeed, and in one instance, one of the European crew members, after being freed, indicated a desire to stay on with the guerrillas. It is hard to know whether this was a calculated act by the guerrillas to win over world opinion and let it focus on the injustices they say were perpetrated against them, or whether this is their character, that they are really not bad guys, but good guys.

The dwindling world resentment against the guerrillas does not enhance Israel's position. What perhaps was beneficial, in a guarded way, was the civil war between Hussein and the guerrillas, and the death of Nasser. Two such massive political coronaries stopped the forward belligerence of the Arabs. To a people, however, among whom one was shooting in the skies at God, "because he killed Nasser", the high emotionalism will be captured again for political purposes. The problem of the Palestinians remains and now the world knows it even more than before.

PEACE AFTER NASSER

By ROBERT E. SEGAL

In recent days of deep mourning by the Arab world over President Gamal Abdel Nasser's untimely demise, some editorial writers and a number of idealists eager for Middle East peace set their sights on the possibility that young people in Egypt, Jordan, and Saudi Arabia may reach out to young people in Israel to prove to the oldsters that peace can be achieved.

Astute James Reston of The New York Times was one articulating this dream. He even suggested that the officials view in Washington was that this is a time for compromise, a time to see if a bridge for peace can be built between the youth of Israel and the youth of the Arab world.

The same issue of The Times carrying Reston's musings displayed a full page ad by the Reader's Digest. Therein it was stated that one of the Digest's editors had made a study in considerable depth of the workings of the Palestinian guerrillas, the freedom fighters in the teens or early 20s, equipped with Soviet Kalashnikov automatic rifles and determined to get on with the work of "the generation of revenge".

If peace is really to break out for Israel and the terrorist-infested lands too close to her for comfort, if a method is to be found to build a structure fashioned of bi-nationalistic bricks and mortar, the bitterness and misrepresentations of the past must be extricated quickly.

For if the young idealists turn to the utterances of Nasser, so widely mourned, they will find startling reminders of his complete dedication to the goal of Israel's destruction. His message to the Arab Students' Convention in London, May 15, 1965, for example was: "Our aim is...the creation of a

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unified and continuous Arab region, from which Israel will be eliminated." In November of that same year, he declared in Cairo: "We aim at the destruction of the State of Israel." More explicitly, he offered this judgment at a press conference in Cairo on May 28, 1967: "Israel's very existence is aggression."

Similarly, the young people will have to cut the knots that bind Arabs everywhere to the classic declaration at the Arab Summit Conference in Khartoum, Sept. 1, 1967: "No peace with Israel, no recognition of Israel, no negotiations with Israel."

These recollections are here set down not in cynicism, not even in despair. How can one be cynical when he sees Women's Lib representatives appearing in Arab headdress on Boston Common at the very hour that 54 innocent air passengers were held in hostage in Amman? The benighted American females from a nearby college were standing cheek to jowl with young Arabs in guerrilla regalia, admonishing those assembled to back the terrorists and to remember that the members of Women's Lib were fighting for their freedom also. Well, a much better place to stake out a claim for the rights of women would be Saudi Arabia or Iraq or Egypt. One can't be cynical about this spectacle; he has to think of it in terms of the Human comedy.

Requisite to any significant move for peace will be a long, hard look by all who are realistic about their quest for peace - a scrutiny of the 14th Point of the Arab agreement on Jordan, Sept. 28, partly the handiwork of President Nasser. Point 14 reads: "The goal is the consolidation of the Palestine revolution, backing it until it achieves its objectives of full liberation and the defeat of the aggressive Israeli enemy."

Civil war has been stopped in Jordan; now the order of the day is to get on with the destruction of Israel. The United Nations has demonstrated its horrendous bias by allowing Syria to tank in against King Hussein's army and on the side of the Popular Front For The Liberation of Palestine, with not even a whimper of UN disapproval. But the cry is for peace. And peace we must have. Youthful idealism will help, provided a few older idealists, with their feet rooted in reality, have a share in the drafting of the resolve.

YEHUDI McPHERSON, BEGORRAH

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

We Jews often change our names. Name-changing has been actually part of our tradition ever since Abram (Hebrew for exalted father) was turned into Abraham (father of a multitude).

We also have a propensity for naming our children in intriguing ways. Indeed, this, too, is part of our background. Grateful for the benevolence of Alexander the Great, Jewish mothers named their children after him for years, and to this day, the Jewish Alexanders memorialize that episode in our past.

As for some of the names given to our youngsters, a poem recently written by Felix Freudman kids us cutely. The poem appeared in that superb magazine, The Jewish Spectator, which you ought to get.

In Aberdeen, that bonnie town
A house was full of joy,
As MacPherson told his happy wife,
"How grand! 'Tis a boy!"
"Ay, that it is," his wife agreed,
"What shall we call the lad?"
A good Scots name will do him proud;
Maybe Angus, like his Dad?"
"Nay, lass," MacPherson then replied,

TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



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Lowenthal, Richard Everson and John Foley, will be well, if not totally represented. These tried and true candidates will be at home, among friends and in an element of voters to do them the most good. See you there.

The District Judge competitors John Bonner, Joe Pavlikowski, Tom O'Donnell and Charlie Keller don't need a jury's decision to tell them the best place to be on Sunday evening. Neither do the Justice of the Peace contestants, Bob Reid (not to be confused with Harry Reid running for Lieut. Gov. against Bob Broadbent), Walter Richards, Jim Santini and Al Becker. This will be a real close one, with two successful men emerging as victors.

In the crowded Dist. 4 Assembly race, representation at the Israel Bond Dinner is practically assured. There's Eileen Brookman, Sheila Regan, John Shipp, Frank Young, Jack Schofield, George Harmon, Alonzo Anderson, Bill Embry, Zel Lowman, Art Olsen, Ty Hilbrecht, Sammy Cohen, Woodrow Wilson, Bob Robinson, Darrell Dreyer, Darrell Woofter, and Dick Ronzone. They are a formidable lot and all prudent office-seekers.

In the other spots on the ballot we have Ralph Lamb and Dan Sanchez for Sheriff; Jim Bilbray and Steve Kostelac for Assessor; Woody Cole, George Leavitt and Gene Sandusky for Constable; Bob Campbell, Clare Woodbury, David Cantor, James Andrus, Adelene Bartlett and Peggy Smith for School Trustee; Phil Cummings and John Blaylock for Public Administrator; Paul Horn and John Bonner for County Recorder; K.L. Adams and James Scholl for Surveyor; and Helen Thompson, Fred Gibson, Bill Morris and Hugh Follmer for University Regent.

There you have it. Each of you gentlemen are cordially invited for an evening's entertainment and enlightenment on an up-to-the-minute report of the status of Israel from guest speaker Gen. Aviram, one of the best authorities on the subject. Who knows, you may even be induced to invest in a bond or two?

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This is indeed absurd.
Of a Yehudi MacPherson, pray,
What Scot has ever heard?"
"Well, I dunno," her husband said.
"So silly it is not,
For my friend Epstein in New York,
He named his first-born Scott."

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