

Welfare Board

By RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

Sure, you've heard the name, Jewish Welfare Board, but do you know what it is?

As is often the case, the name is misleading. Welfare, these days, sounds like something out of the charity world.

But the Jewish Welfare Board has little to do with the pushke. It is the "mother institution" of the Jewish Community Centers around the nation. It is the conduit between you and the armed forces of America, the organization which ministers to Jewish men in uniform, providing them with spiritual and intellectual and even gastronomical nourishment.

The Jewish Welfare Board is the turbine out of which emanates the programs dealing with literature and song, fostering the Jewish Book Months and Jewish Music Months with which you are familiar.

The National Jewish Welfare Board to give

it its full name, is a meeting place for Reform, Conservative and Orthodox Jews.

Headed professionally by Herbert Millman, the NJWB's president is another valuable civic leader out of Cleveland, Ohio, Morton Mandel.

The organization is heading for its annual pow-wow down in the gorgeous glassy hotel in Atlanta, Ga., the Regency Hyatt. On April 12, opening date, the delegates from all over the country will be welcomed by Sam Massell, that doughty Jewish mayor of Atlanta. The sessions will be addressed by some of the leading Jewish savants of our nation.

The Welfare Board does deal with our welfare as a people. We salute it.

NEW YORK (WNS)--Howard Rhine, president of the National Jewish Commission on Law and Public Affairs (COLPA) hailed Congress for amending the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to require an employer to show that it would cause an "unreasonable" hardship on his business before he could refuse to hire or retain a Sabbath Observer.

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