

## Young President

BY RABBI SAMUEL SILVER

The Jews have given many things to the U.S.

The idea of a common charity fund (called United Way) is a Jewish one.

The idea of a graduated income tax is a Hebraic concept.

The Jews were the first to have a veteran organization in the U.S.

And the first book club was Jewish. Now somewhat different in its form, the original club was the Jewish Publication Society, of Philadelphia.

The concept of subscribing to an organization which during the year will provide you with books is the basis for the JPS, and to this day one of your best book bargains is a membership in JPS, which not only publishes fine books but originates the idea for publications and then finds authors to write the volumes.

JPS this year deserves a salute for something else: it has come up with the youngest president to head any major Jewish organization.

The JPS president is Jerome Shestack of Philadelphia, a handsome attorney. The 47-year old book-lover (he likes Ahad Ha-am and the Talmud among other tomes) served in the U.S. Navy, got his law degree at Harvard and has taught law at Northwestern and Louisiana State Universities. He was once deputy city solicitor for the City of Philadelphia, and has occupied many positions of public service. His wife is a television producer.

But what Mr. Shestack likes to brag about is the fact that both his grandfathers were rabbis: the late Rabbi Israel Shankman, once

of Atlantic City and then Israel; and the late Rabbi Judah Shestack, who labored in the City of Brotherly Love.

We compliment JPS on acquiring its dynamic new president and we urge all of you to join the Jewish Publication Society. It's a splendid club.

NEW YORK -- President Salvador Allende of Chile has intervened on behalf of the Jews of Syria, Dr. Gil Sinay, chairman of the Representative Committee of the Jewish community of Chile, told and American Jewish Committee seminar.

CHICAGO-- Four new publications have just been issued by the Board of Jewish Education of Metropolitan Chicago. These and a catalog listing over 50 other publications are available from the Board of Jewish Education, 72 East 11th Street, Chicago, Illinois 60605.

PHILADELPHIA--Four distinguished educators, widely known as scholars and authors, have been added to the faculty of The Dropsie University, it was announced by Dr. Abraham I. Katsh, president of the post-graduate institution.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- A demand for the rein-

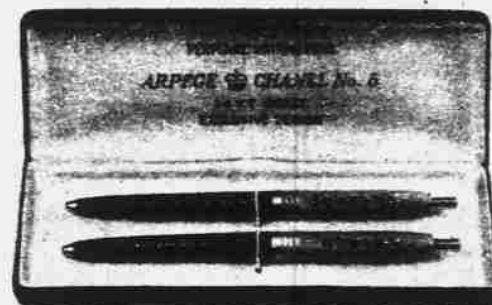
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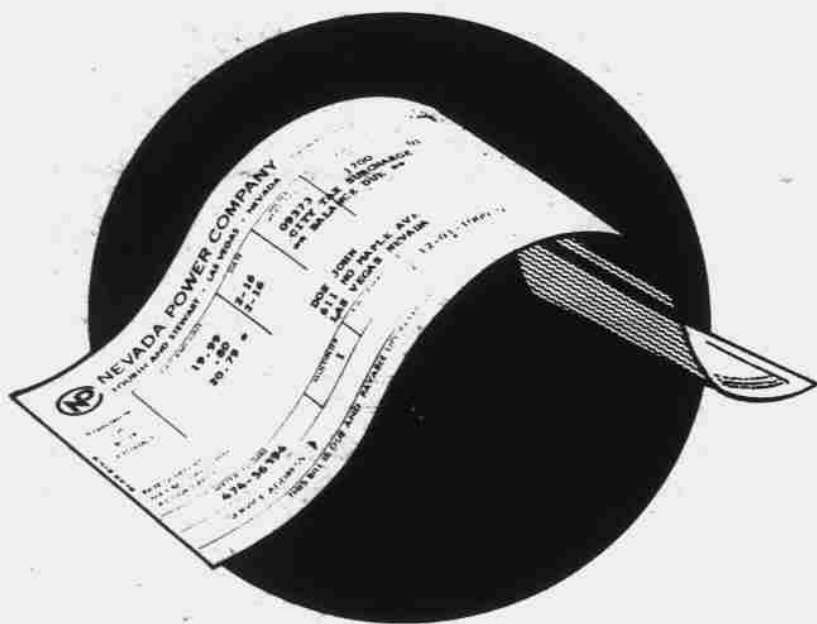
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