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Golda Meir's Visit

Golda Meir's two-week visit to the United States indicated that there has been no change in American policy toward Israel, that American military and economic aid will continue, and that no new demands have been made on Israel.

Despite the tragic downing of the Libyan airliner Feb. 21 and the pressure by Arab leaders, including King Hussein and Hafel Ismail, who preceded her to Washington, and who tried to change America's attitude towards Israel, the Administration remains firmly committed to aid the Jewish state.

Now that Mrs. Meir has left, it is up to the Jewish community to continue to mobilize its forces to make certain the Administration does in fact continue the policies it outlined to the Israeli Premier, and to support aid bills now pending in Congress.

While Mrs. Meir was in the United States she also called upon Jewish youth to resist assimilation and to make aliya because "It will be a disaster, now that we have a sovereign Jewish State, if we lose part of the young Jewish generation."

In short, the destiny of Israel and the Jewish people in the diaspora is interwoven. Mrs. Meir made this clear time and again; that an outlook which does not go beyond a given organization, city or special need is an anachronism in this country and in Israel. Her message to American, Israeli and world Jewry was one of international solidarity. We must not let her down.

Nazis Left and Right

BY ROBERT E. SEGAL

For the now generation, the bizarre news that Communist East Germany has recognized Franco's Spain will result in the lifting of no eyebrows. But for those of who recall all too vividly the ferocious civil war twist extreme right and extreme left that tore Spain asunder in the years of 1936 to 1939, this strange new bit of history stirs memories and causes one to wonder anew about the strange bedfellowship of totalitarian regimes.

The generation that saw Franco conquer in Spain, with the aid of Hitler's planes and weapons and the cheers of large landowners, monarchists, and the Falange, lives with the unforgettable recollection of the Popular Front's futile struggle against the Spanish fascists -- a Popular Front romantically supported by the Abraham Lincoln Brigade from the United States and by Joseph Stalin's warriors and agents. In the flaming, beleaguered cities of Spain, Far Right clashed with Far Left in an historic and brutal tune-up for World War II. And nor since Adolf Hitler and Stalin craftily and cynically entered their pragmatic non-aggression pact of

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1939 have Facists and Communists consorted as they are now apparently pairing off in the new Spanish-East Germany marriage.

Jews especially may look upon this new rapprochement with incredulity. They have been prime victims under both the fiendish onslaughts of Hitler's facism and the aberrations of Stalin's Communism, with current discrimination against Soviet Jews added as an extra reminder of the cruel and unreasonable behavior of a modern Communist regime.

Jews are caught in the vise of extreme right arrayed against extreme left as perhaps no other people are. None of us can forget the prescription for Hitler's facism, replicated in varying degree in Spain and the USSR--the establishment of a sinister police station, suppression of all civil liberties, paranoic reaction against all aspects of democracy, sanctification of property, promotion of a virulent nationalism, wild indulgence in racism with Jews as the most convenient victims. Similarly, we know by heart the profile of Moscow's brand of Communism--again the complete trust in secret police.

Fortunately, the Jewish community's effort to enlist men of conscience throughout the world to help end the Kremlin's hideous strictures against Russian Jews is bringing results. Nothing can stop this important, justified campaign.

But how can we ever bring a great section of the unremembering world to comprehend our fear of and contempt for Naxism in all its forms? When, for example, an exceptionally competent friend of Hitler like Albert Speer writes a self-serving and fascinating book like "Inside The Third Reich", who has the skill and patience to step forward to put into perspective Speer's role as Hitler's only enduring friend, as the man really next in command to Hitler, as a solid believer in the Third Reich's slave labor regime, as a co-conspirator in the web of war crimes?

Or when a Hans Globke dies, is there not a sickening tendency to think of him more in terms of a German admired by Konrad Adenauer, as just a faithful old civil servant who had no choice but to help put Hitler's racial edicts into operation? After all, he never did join the Nazi Party, say his champions.

To which we are constrained to reply that not only some of his best friends, Hitler included, were zealous Nazis but that we must give more pains and more time to honoring those Germans, those Russians, those Spaniards who have looked upon the ugly face of modern totalitarianism and lived up to their oath to help crush it.

TELL TALES

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Strauss said the whole world would be a loser by denying Humphrey the Presidency in the future.

He urged Nevada Democrats not to take for granted it is the majority party.

Strauss, born October 19, 1918 in Lockhart, Texas, spent his early childhood in Stamford, Jones County, Texas. He attended the University of Texas from 1935 through 1941 where he earned his LLB Degree.

Strauss is a former Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and since 1945 has been actively engaged in the practice of law in Dallas, Texas. He is a senior partner in the law firm of Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer and Feld, with offices in Dallas, Texas and Washington, D. C.

He is chairman of the board of Strauss Broadcasting Company, Dallas, and Chairman of the Board of the Valley View State Bank, Dallas, Texas.

He served as President of the Arthritis and Rheumatic Foundation of Texas, President of Goodwill Industries, President of the Visiting Nurses Association, Vice President and Director of the Jewish Welfare Federation, Director of the Community Chest of Dallas, Director of the Red Cross and Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Temple Emanu-El, Dallas, Texas.

Robert served as National Committeeman from the State of Texas from 1968-1972. During the 1968 national election he served as Co-Chairman of the Humphrey-Muskie campaign in Texas which culminated with the State falling in the Democratic column. In March 1970 Strauss was elected Treasurer of the Democratic National Committee and served as Chairman of its National Finance Council. When he became Treasurer the Committee was approximately \$9.3 million in debt and operating a \$100,000 per month deficit. During his tenure the operating deficit was eliminated and the Committee was placed on a cash and carry basis. In addition to overseeing the day-to-day financial operations of the Committee, Strauss negotiated the contracts and raised the necessary funds to substantially finance the 1972 Democratic National Convention, serving also as Co-Chairman of the Arrangements Committee for the Convention.

Among the most innovative projects conceived during Strauss' term as treasurer was the financing of a mass program aimed at small contributors. This was climaxed by the 19-hour Democratic Telethon in July which grossed \$3.5 million and 350,000 new contributors. Because of the success of the telethon, Strauss is in the process of settling the accounts of the 1968 creditors which will substantially reduce the \$9.3 million debt.

During the 1972 general elections, Strauss served as chairman of the national Committee to Re-elect a Democratic Congress, which played a significant fund-raising role in maintaining the Democratic leadership of the House and Senate. In December 1972 he was elected Chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

Strauss, a handsome, outspoken man, is married and the father of three children.

If anyone can re-unite the Democratic Party after the 1972 debacle, it has to be a determined, consistent, authoritative spokesman, who can answer to questions in no uncertain terms. He must gain instant respect from everyone within the sound of his voice. His position must be stated with no ifs, ands or buts.

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