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Israel at Crossroads

The new Israeli government under Yitzhak Rabin has some solid ground behind it even as it starts its responsibility. There are the agreements with Egypt and with Syria both of which serve as a basis for furthering relationships with Middle Eastern neighbors. Obviously the matter of Palestinians is a thorny one since it concerns a group out of which has come the terrorists and sits alongside the stable regime of Hussein in Jordan. To agree to some consideration for the Palestinians is to encounter the opposition of Hussein.

If it is true that both the United States and the Soviet Union, regardless of the prominent position the former has taken via Henry Kissinger in the negotiations, are backing the new agreements, then the prognosis is good for future developments. With these problems lending themselves to some solution, the new government can concentrate on its indigenous concerns of which there are many.

All this coincides within weeks and days of corollary developments; the meeting of world wide Jewish leadership in Jerusalem in June and the anticipated visit there of President Nixon. This combination of events can mark even further the favorable developments of the past few weeks. It is of course essential that the Jewish people, regardless of their country of domicile, lend every support to Israel to enhance its new look.

And next year Jerusalem, a problem unto itself, may very well be the seat of a new peace in the Middle East.

Back to the Ozarks

by Robert E. Segal

Of Senator J. William Fulbright, toppled from the Senate by Dale Bumpers after 29 years of service in that select club, Walter Lippmann once asserted; "There is no one else who is so powerful and also so wise; and if there were any question of removing him from public life, it would be a national calamity."

Yet the world-renowned Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee has not only been removed from his seat of power but washed out by a political tidal wave. And the nation waits to see how his 73-year-old successor, Senator John Sparkman, the Alabamian who didn't make it to the top as Adlai Stevenson's running mate in 1952, will work out.

Contradictions have been deeply woven into Senator Fulbright's career. For the Jewish community, his icy attitude towards Israel remains a sorrowful puzzle. How could one

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who had the ingenuity and the vision to convert government funds realized from the sale of left-over World War II materials into the Fulbright Fellowships be so myopic about a Holocaust-harrowed people struggling to be free and secure? How could a scholarly Senator with a first class mind relegate Israel to such a low place among the nations of the world? Where did he get the brass to insist that the Senate was subservient to Israel; why did tax deductions for Americans giving to the State of Israel fill him with such rancor?

Perhaps now that he has been removed from the Senatorial scene, we should summon a bit of the fund of our charity and give him credit for that which deserves commendation. When the passions of demagogues ripped away at fundamental American civil liberties, Mr. Fulbright was both courageous and eloquent. Early in his career in the House, he was one of only 94 members of that body to vote to dissolve the offensive Dies Committee, then known as the House un-American Activities Committee. He stood up like a soldier against the diabolical behavior of Joe McCarthy, fluffing off that mountebank's idiotic references to him as Senator Halfbright. And nobody sounded a more stirring challenge to sweep McCarthyism from the American scene than Senator Fulbright did when he warned in 1954: "The swinish blight of anti-intellectualism is now a force in this country as once it was endemic in Fascist Italy and Germany and as it is endemic today in Soviet Russia."

For those who championed America's course in Vietnam early in the game but came to regret the misfire of that lamented venture, the senator from Arkansas proved a giant in teaching the nation the error of the mission and in helping to lead out of the murky entanglement. True, it was he who introduced the Tonkin Resolution and helped hammer it through; nor did he initiate action to revoke that call to war. But he took the gaff when President Johnson stared him down as a Nervous Nellie, and he made it clear that we had to extricate ourselves from that struggle.

His stand on civil rights was just as offensive to those who sought equality of opportunity for all as his forthright position on our basic civil liberties was praiseworthy. He could sail into a McCarthy yet keep comfortable company with those who took their stand at schoolhouse doors to block integration. He signed the infamous Southern Manifesto when Senators Gore and Kefauver did not; and he joined willingly to filibuster FEPC legislation to a temporary death.

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TELL TALES
 "One Man Plus The Truth Constitutes A Majority"
 BY JACK TELL

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Israel was attacked to start the "Six Day War." Pat's donation to the United Jewish Appeal made us very proud. Last year at the outset of the "Yom Kippur War" Pat insisted we drive him to the Temple where the fund-raising meeting was being held. Again, the announcement of his donation drew prolonged applause. No one asked him. He was not solicited. He gave from the heart.

And what's Pat doing today?

For the past several years Pat has been opening his "Chinese Kitchen" at noon on Mondays for a meeting place for senior citizens. He serves meals on occasion, always coffee, cookies, etc. The elders are his guests. Then Pat heard of the federally sponsored "Meals on Wheels" which sends hot meals to senior citizen shut-ins, Mondays to Fridays.

"What do those people eat on weekends," Pat asked. He was told they wait until Monday.

Not with Pat. For the past year, each Saturday, 50 to 70 hot plates are being prepared by Pat to be delivered to needy and elderly. The orders, varying weekly from turkey to chicken to beef stew, etc., are oversize, enough to last through Sunday. No tray goes out without a "surprise" like fresh fruit, a bag of nuts, fortune cookies, etc.

Is it any wonder we first took to Pat and our respect endured through the years?

He came to San Francisco a teenager to work as houseboy for a Jewish family. They insisted he attend school all the way to graduation from Galileo High School.

During the Korean War, Pat was in the Intelligence Corp. and went on to receive a diploma from Air Force University. After the war, Pat majored in accounting at Heald's Business College.

We were there when Pat brought his mother from Hong Kong to visit with him for a year. It was the happiest time of his life, until he met, courted and married Wai Chun, a Chinese doll we call "Candy."

When Pat, Jr., now six, was born and later when Vincent, now three, came into this world, we were as proud if they were our own. They are our adopted grandchildren. Pat, Jr. attended Temple Beth Shalom pre-school and is a student of Albert Einstein Hebrew-Day School. Vincent is enrolled for the Temple pre-school, come September.

Recently Pat was elected vice president of the Chinese American Benevolent Assn., and became Advisor to the Ginn Family Assn. of San Francisco

That's why the Jack Tell family and the Pat Ginn family are as one. No better relationship ever existed.

Knowing Pat has been a bright spot of our living in Las Vegas.

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