

CHICAGO: IT'S THAT KIND OF TOWN
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More to the point, a cartoon appeared during the volatile Chicago race showing a voter asserting prejudice had nothing to do with his decision to vote for Epton, adding: "After judging both candidates strictly on their merits, I decided to overlook the fact that Epton is Jewish." A valuable gift -- the franchise.

Well, the election fever has subsided. Harold Washington, who, like Bernard Epton, served in the Air Force during World War II, was able to capture approximately 52% of the vote. This was due largely to heavy registration and balloting in the black and Hispanic wards, together with strong backing in white, liberal zones that gave him 18% of their vote. (Of Chicago's three million denizens, some 1.2 million are black and more than 400,000 are Hispanics.)

What happens now? Carl Sandburg saw Chicago not only as the hog butcher for the world but also as the city of the big shoulders. The slaughter factories, it is said, have moved out to the suburbs, but the shoulders may prove strong enough to keep Mayor Washington afloat despite the facts that he has yet to prove administrative ability and needs to tame a number of Chicago's 50 Democratic aldermen who heeded the slogan of the Epton camp, "Before it's too late."

REAGAN RECEIVES NEW TRANSLATION OF THE HEBREW BIBLE



PRESIDENT REAGAN MET WITH A DELEGATION OF BOARD MEMBERS OF THE JEWISH PUBLICATION SOCIETY OF AMERICA. THE DELEGATION PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT A NEW TRANSLATION OF THE HEBREW BIBLE. THE SOCIETY RECENTLY COMPLETED THIS UPDATED VERSION OF THE SCRIPTURES TO INCLUDE THE LATEST FINDINGS OF BIBLICAL SCHOLARS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL FINDINGS.

The Washington slogan, "It's our turn," had many Chicagoans saying it smacked of racism as much as Epton's battle cry did. But once elected, Mayor Washington promised to try to bind up all that came unraveled during the bitter fight.

He appears to have a substantial part of the Windy City's business establishment on his side now. And with the district court in the nation's capital having ruled that political patronage in essence is illegal, the new mayor should be able to make good on his promise to fill 40,000 key jobs on the basis of skill rather than on a throw-the-rascals-out program.

Chicago's school system is reportedly \$1 billion in the red. Even the most committed of civil rights activists know those schools can't be desegregated. But there can be other corrections of injustices in America's most segregated city. Much will depend on the brand of leadership Mayor Washington provides and the willingness of losers to put some of their hatred on the back burner.

Chicago has reason for optimism. A wise and engaging newcomer, Joseph Cardinal Bernardin, is winning friends and gaining influence not only among the city's 2.4 million multi-ethnic Catholics but in other key zones. He possesses strong healing powers needed by a city that has written into its history the race riot of 1919 -- one of the nation's bloodiest -- and the shameful display of violence attending the Democratic convention of 1968.

Chicago also is starting to plan for its sesquicentennial celebration and even another sparkling World's Fair.

Redemption may be just over the horizon.

BAT MITZVAH AT TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM

Jennifer Brooks, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Allen Brooks, will recite a portion of the Haftorah and become a Bat Mitzvah during services at Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd., on Friday evening, May 6, 1983.

Rabbi Kalman Appel, spiritual leader of the Temple, will officiate and conduct the services which commence at 8:00 P.M. Cantor Simon Bergman will chant the liturgy.

The parents of the

Bar Mitzvah will host the congregation to Oneg Shabbat refreshments immediately after the conclusion of services.

BAR MITZVAH AT TEMPLE BETH SHOLOM



Scott Schugar, son of Mr. & Mrs. David Schugar, was called to the Torah and became a Bar Mitzvah during services at Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd., on Saturday morning, April 30, 1983.

Rabbi Kalman Appel, spiritual leader of the Temple, officiated and conducted the services. Cantor Simon

Bergman chanted the liturgy.



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