

## Political Hopefuls

### Jim Schofield Files For Reelection

Speaker Pro Tempore of the Nevada Assembly, Jim Schofield filed for reelection to the Assembly District 12 seat he has held for 4 sessions. Schofield also served as vice-chairman of two powerful committees, Government Affairs and Taxation, and as a member of the Legislative Functions committee during the 1983 session.

When filing Schofield said, "My pledge during this campaign will be to continue to be accessible to the people in District 12. I will continue my door-to-door campaigning where I have learned first hand of the peoples concerns, exchanging views and using that information to represent my constituents in Carson City.

"Funding for education at all levels must be increased and prioritized. People who talk about attracting 'hi-tech' industry to Nevada had better pay

attention to those third and fourth graders who need help with their math and reading or we won't ever have a work force capable of working there."

Schofield also said, "I look for the 1985 session to be every bit as hectic as the last. Local governments are in dire circumstances all over the state, not just here in Clark County."

Schofield also expressed concern with economic diversification. He said, "Tourism and gaming have been good to Nevada but anytime you have a one industry economy and tax structure as we do here, you rise or fall with that industry. The last few years of lower tax receipts and now the strike here in Clark County illustrate that fact. The economic diversification was expressed quite clearly in the move to create more jobs, seek new sources of revenue and broaden Nevada's tax base by allowing Citicorp to locate here."

Schofield is vice-chairman of the Legislative Sub-Committee studying high level nuclear waste disposal here in Nevada also.

He and his wife Billie Lee have lived in District 12 at 1740 Howard Avenue for 30 years. They have two sons, Mark and Rick and 5 grandchildren.

### Israel Denies Role In Arms Support To Central American Rebels

JERUSALEM (WNS) — A Foreign Ministry spokesman, Yosef Amihoud, has categorically denied that Israel is supplying arms to Nicaragua rebels and denounced reports carried by NBC News that it was doing so "as baseless rumors."

NBC News reported that Israel was supplying Soviet-made weapons to rebels fighting the Sandinista government, at the behest of the United States. The report from a Contra rebel base in Honduras showed a 47-year-old C-47 transport plane landing at an airstrip some 110 miles from Managua, Nicaragua, bringing supplies for the 11,000 U.S. backed rebels fighting to topple the leftist Nicaraguan government.

Enrique Bermudez, a Contra leader, told NBC, "We received some weapons from Israel. The weapons were taken from the PLO in Lebanon" during the war. NBC also said that Israel was supplying 25 percent of the rebels' arms under an agreement reached during a visit in 1982 to Honduras by then Defense Minister Ariel Sharon.

According to NBC, the rebels said they wanted Soviet-made weapons because they could supplement them with arms captured from Nicaraguan forces which are supplied by Cuba and the Soviet Union. NBC added that the aged C-47 plane that served as the Contra's

lifeline was supplied by the United States.

Amihoud said Israel "denied altogether these baseless rumors...They are ridiculous. This is a mean attempt to slur Israel's standing abroad and international reputation." An unidentified Foreign Ministry official added that the denial applied equally to the "rumors that Israel was extending military aid—also at the behest of U.S.—to the government forces in El Salvador."

Foreign press reports in recent days have said the U.S. is funnelling funds into third party countries for the purpose of arming anti-leftist government and rebel forces. Israel, in these reports, was included among the third party countries.

In Washington, State Department spokesman Alan Romberg denied that the U.S. was providing funds for third party countries for the purpose of supporting covert activities. Romberg refused to comment on Israeli activities in Central America. U.S. officials have denied that the U.S. is urging Israel to take a more active role in the region.

### AJC Urges U.S. Embassy Move To Jerusalem

NEW YORK — The House Foreign Affairs American Jewish Committee urged the United States to move its Embassy in Israel from Tel Aviv to the capital city of Jerusalem.

In a statement before a Joint Hearing of the

House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on Europe and Middle East and Subcommittee on International Operations, Howard I. Friedman, President of the American Jewish Committee, stated:

"Formally recognizing Jerusalem as Israel's capital by moving our embassy there coincides with American national interests. Such an action would further U.S. - Israeli relations and, in addition, would demonstrate the U.S.'s firm and unyielding commitment to Israel's sovereignty."

The failure to put our embassy in Jerusalem has given and continues to give the wrong message to Israel's enemies, Mr. Friedman told the Joint Hearing.

Arab states unwilling to recognize Israel as a sovereign nation "are working to undermine the U.S.-Israel relationship and to delegitimize Israel," he said.

By maintaining the embassy in Tel Aviv, Mr. Friedman asserted, the U.S. continues to deny implicitly that Jerusalem is the capital of Israel. He added: "Of all the countries having diplomatic relations with the U.S., Israel is the only one in which the American Embassy is not situated in the host country's capital or in a city designated by the host country."

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### Bat Mitzvah At Temple Beth Sholom

Jessica Jalof, daughter of Francine Greenstein, 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 11, 1984.

Rabbi Louis M. Lederman, 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 mother of the Bat Mitzvah will host the congregation to Oneg Shabbat refreshments in the Temple's Entratter Social Hall immediately after the conclusion of services.

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