

### Riverside Receives Governor's Award



On the evening of November 20th at Harvey's Resort Hotel in Lake Tahoe, Nevada, Don Laughlin's Riverside Resort Hotel & Casino received the Governor's Tourism Development Award for outstanding achievement in the tourism industry and the creation of new jobs in the State of Nevada.

The award was presented to Don Laughlin by Nevada's Governor, Richard Bryan, on the occasion of the Fourth Annual Governor's Conference on Tourism. Other outstanding businesses from throughout the State of Nevada were also awarded.

The Governor's Advisory Council took several considerations into account in its review of The Riverside as a candidate for this first-ever award. One notable accomplishment is that since the inception of its multi-million dollar expansion and remodeling project, which began in June of this year, the Riverside has provided employment for approximately three hundred people, in a wide diversity of jobs.

The council also noted that The Riverside is taking a progressive lead forward in being the first Resort Hotel & Casino on the river, to bring a major cultural event to Laughlin, with the stage presentation of the musical, Camelot, which is scheduled to run the month of February, 1988, in

the new Celebrity Theatre.

The crowning achievement of 1988 is the completion of the link that has tied it all together. A seven-hundred twenty foot bridge, which opened in July, now spans the Colorado

### Egypt Reported To Take Steps To Distance Itself From Israel

TEL AVIV (JTA) — The Egyptian Foreign Ministry has secretly instructed its embassies around the world not to invite Israeli diplomats in various countries to festive Egyptian events, according to Al-Mustaqbal, a Paris-based, Arab-language weekly.

The development, which comes in the aftermath of Egypt's resumption of diplomatic relations with nine Arab countries, was reported

by Sheffi Gabai, Arab affairs correspondent of the Israeli daily Maariv, who quoted the Paris weekly's report.

The weekly also quoted Jordanian Foreign Minister Taher Al-Masri as saying that the Arab summit decision permitting member countries to renew relations with Egypt is designed to cut Egypt off from the Camp David accords with Israel.

### Soviets Back International Conference, Shevardnadze Says

GENEVA (JTA) — Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze told reporters here that the Soviet Union believes an international conference "is the only approach" to Arab-Israeli peace.

"This approach is shared by all the U.N. Security Council members and the Arabs," he contended at a news conference following talks here with U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz.

"Without an international conference, bilateral negotiations are impossible. I know that this concept is shared by (Israeli) Foreign Minister Shimon Peres. Whether he is able to reach an agreement with his prime minister, I do not know."

Peres advocates such a conference as a precursor to direct negotiations. Premier Yitzhak Shamir contends the prospects of a conference is preventing Arab states from negotiating now.

River, just to the north of the Riverside. It has put an end to the necessity of driving a winding five mile stretch of road to cross the river over Davis Dam by Lake Mohave. The three and a half million dollar bridge was donated by Don Laughlin and currently supports a flow of up to thirty-five thousand cars per day and contributes immeasurably to prosperity on both sides of the river.

It was observed at the awards ceremony that it's no coincidence that Don Laughlin comes from a town of the same name. Indeed it is not! Any consideration of The Riverside brings to mind that this is where it all began, with a down-and-out bar, restaurant and eight room motel, situated in an off-the-beaten-track place that people would pass through on the way to somewhere else.

That was twenty-one years ago and the town of Laughlin didn't even exist. Then, one man flying over in a small plane saw a possibility, where most had seen only a river coursing its lonely way through some of the most inhospitable terrain on earth. Like many an independent-minded man before him he followed his instincts, chartered a course and stuck to it. The question of whether or not he had the right idea can be answered by taking a look around Laughlin today.

The mirage-like resort mecca slid onto the scene as quietly as sifting sand and is now attracting visitors by the hundreds of thousands. They come to enjoy a taste of the good life, take a whiff of wide-open spaces, drop a line in a lazy river, bask in the warmth of a winter sun and top it off with the spice and excitement of twenty-four hour casino gaming, top name entertainment, excellent food and all the amenities that come with the comfort of a deluxe resort without all the trappings and expense of a Las Vegas or Lake Tahoe vacation.

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