

L'Chaim

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The hot and lazy days of summer have come and gone. The children are back in school and those long awaited vacations are finished. It's the time of the year when many people start to think about jobs: changing jobs, moving into job market for the first time, or getting back to it after a break. The feeling is strong to make a change or to start something new and exciting. So what to do about it.

You conscientiously spread out the Sunday newspaper and look through the Help Wanted ads. Not too much of interest it seems. Your friends are supportive but don't have too many suggestions. Perhaps you even respond to some of the ads: make some telephone calls, fill out a few applications. Most employers don't bother to respond at all, so that after two weeks the feelings of frustration and anger have begun to build. Another two weeks go by and nothing develops, so you begin to think that looking for a job wasn't such a good idea. Maybe things will be better in the Spring....

Looking for a satisfying job is hard work. It takes a lot of organized effort and cannot be done in an hour or two every few days. Before even beginning to search several important decisions must be made. These fall into the general category of defining your job requirements.

First, are you seeking full or part time employment? If part time then what hours and days are best for you. Would you consider working some nights

and weekends? Flexibility in this area can be a real asset in your search.

Second, are you seeking a "job" job or a position that fits into some career plans. The answer to this will surely point in some directions more clearly than others. Are you working mainly for the income or is the nature of the job experience important also? Many time they're of equal importance.

What geographic area of Charlotte would you like to work in? Downtown, southeast Charlotte, near the University of North Carolina or maybe in the nearby towns or cities. Some people are more willing and/or able to commute a distance to work than others.

Third, what about transportation. Do you drive and have access to an automobile? If not, can you arrange a ride or would public transportation work out.

Fourth, what is the Minimum salary that you will accept? Of course, nobody has problems with accepting a maximum salary. You will want to exclude some companies on the basis of salary if you have definite requirements. It's often helpful to think in terms of a salary range, rather than a specific amount.

Answering these questions will provide you with a bare outline of the general characteristics of your new job. At this stage you can begin to see the size of the job market that is open to you. If you're now looking for a part time job on Tuesday and Wednesday that's located in southeast Charlotte and pays \$25,000 a year, then it may be time to re-examine your expectations and see if there is some room for flexibility. If things are looking pretty good at this point, it's time to assess your skills and vocational interests. Many people put themselves down and do not recognize the valuable skills and experience they have developed over the years. Volunteering for community organizations certainly counts in looking over what you have done and what you can now do in a paying position.

For further information and assistance call Lou Albert, 366-0357.

For The Record

By Norman Olshansky
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A very special wish to all of the readers of this column for a happy, healthy, productive and meaningful new year.

Slips of the tongue, ignorance, humor or bigotry? I have just responded today to three unrelated incidents involving a T.V. Evangelist, a County Administrator and a candidate for the State Legislature. Each incident occurred in different parts of our region but by coincidence all came to the attention of the ADL at about the same time.

The first statement made by the evangelist was as part of his introduction of a guest on his TV program who had put her life together as a result of a religious experience. He said, "She had become not only a drug addict, a prostitute, became a lesbian, the filth of the world, and then Jewish. Almost a hopeless situation."

The second was a self introduction by a county administrator prior to giving a talk to a group of professionals. He told how he grew up in the State, was in the service and came back to a prestigious State school for a degree in "Jewish Engineering." He went on to define his studies further as business administration.

The third incident was a statement made during a campaign speech by a candidate running in the primary for his Party's nomination. He said that "...we'd be better off if only Christians were elected" to public office..

The statement were not funny. Minimally, they were insensitive. Possibly, they were indicative of outright hostile attitudes towards Jews. It's hard to accept in 1981 that such stereotypes would still be uttered by individuals who are currently in positions of responsibility or who desire to have a leadership role in their communities and in government.

Even if one sees such statements as slips of the tongue, the message given is (Continued on Page 11)

WORLD BEAT

edited by Marta Garelik

Unique Post Office

PARKSVILLE, N.Y. (JTA) — A unique post office, a unit of the U.S. Postal Service operated at and by a Lubavitch summer camp for boys, was dedicated near here at Camp Gan Israel.

The principle speaker at the dedication ceremonies for "Kiryat Gan Israel (zip) 12786" was Robert Hardesty, chairman of the Board of Governors of the U.S. Postal Service. Commenting that this was the first time in the history of the U.S. postal system that a "Hebrew name appears in a postmark in America," Hardesty said the Hasidic camp post office "symbolizes recognition of creativity."

Time-Sharing Hotel Group to Expand

TEL AVIV (Jerusalem Post) — Robert Danial, the 22 year old vice-president of the International Time Ownership Group, is planning to form a chain of "time-sharing" hotels in Israel.

During the past year, prices of a time-sharing room (which a person can use for one week each year) have increased considerably. If the price for a room in the off season one year ago was \$1,000, it now \$1,500; if the high season then cost \$3,900, it in now \$4,400.

"And the average price in the in between season has risen from \$2,200 to \$3,000," Danial says. "A room in a condominium has risen from \$66,000 to \$70,000." Part of the hike, of course, is due to the devaluation of the dollar, but a generous portion is due to the fact that the time-sharing scheme has caught on. So far 40 percent of the buyers have been Americans, 20 percent English, 15 percent French, and the rest scattered. If the "time-sharer" does not care to come one year, he exchanges with some else.

Former Judge Fined For Denying The Existence of The Holocaust

BONN (JTA) — A former judge from Hamburg was fined 6,000 Marks by a court in Kiel for claiming that there were no gas chambers during Hitler's regime and no Jews were murdered by the Nazis. The man, Wilhelm Staglich, author of a recent pamphlet "The Auschwitz Myth", made both claims in a letter to a federal court judge.

After he was found guilty, Staglich, who was in trouble recently for making disparaging remarks about German police, was quoted by a German weekly as saying: "It cost me 450 Marks to insult policemen, while insulting Jews drew a fine of 6,000 Marks. That's typical of the German judicial system."

Pr-Arab, Anti-Israel Articles Widespread In Mexican Media

MEXICO CITY (JTA) — The Central Jewish committee published in a local daily, Excelsior, a statement condemning a large number of pro-Arab and pro-Palestinian articles and cartoons in other local media

which the statement calls "openly poisonous" against Israel and opposed Jewish rights to Jerusalem.

The statement said one of the journalists is a Communist member of the Mexican Parliament, Graco Ramirez, who accused Israel of "genocide" against the "Palestinian people in Lebanon" and demanded that the Mexican government halt oil shipments to Israel.

Similar declarations were published by the local branch of the Arab League and a group of Mexican leftist politicians, intellectuals and writers supporting the "just cause" of the Palestinians. The Central Jewish Committee said these declarations contained even the signatures of some Jewish anti-Zionists.

Police Battle With Ultra-Orthodox

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Police fired tear gas to disperse a crowd of ultra-Orthodox Jews in the city's religious Mevor Baruch quarter when they tried to prevent police from removing the body of a suspected murder victim. The crowd feared that an autopsy would be performed on the body, in violation of halacha.

French Official Orders Action Against Anti-Semitic Literature

PARIS (JTA) — Interior Minister Gaston Deferre has asked all the country's regional governors and police chiefs to apply all available laws to prevent the dissemination of anti-Semitic literature. He called on the government appointed governors to bear in mind the "dangerous and obnoxious" character of this type of literature and, if necessary, to use their authority to ban its distribution.

Research Conducted To Combat Gaucher's

NEW YORK (JTA) — Research efforts are underway to combat Gaucher's disease, a little known progressive and as yet incurable inherited genetic disorder that strikes approximately one in every 2,500 Ashkenazi Jews.

As estimated one in every 25 Jewish people are otherwise healthy carriers of the recessive disease causing gene. When two carriers have children, there is a one in four chance that a child will receive the recessive gene from each parent required to cause the disease. In the New York metropolitan area alone, more than 1,000 Ashkenazi Jews suffer from Gaucher's and over 120,000 are carriers of the Gaucher gene.

Patients with Gaucher's disease lack sufficient amount of glucocerebrosidase, an enzyme needed to break down and eliminate a particular fatty substance in cells. The result is a rapid proliferation of abnormal blood cells containing the fatty substance which accumulate within the spleen, liver, bone marrow and lung causing symptoms which include anemia, increased susceptibility to infection, abnormal blood clotting and bone pain and fractures.

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