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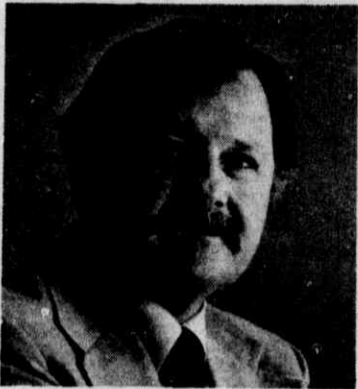
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Alvin Levine To Chair Foundation – Building Moves Rapidly Ahead



Alvin Levine



Leon Levine



Mark Bernstein



Harry Lerner



Shelton Gorelick

After completing two highly successful years as the first President of the Foundation, Herman Blumenthal will step down at the May 16 meeting. The new President will be Alvin Levine. Morris Speizman, who has served for two years as Treasurer will also be going out of office to be followed as Treasurer by Shelton Gorelick.

Other officers of the Foundation will be: Vice Presidents, Leon Levine and Mark Bernstein; Secretary, Harry Lerner. "Herman Blumenthal has done an outstanding job as President," said Alvin Levin. "These first two years required the delicate touch of a master

statesman, and he met that challenge magnificently. I am relying on him to continue to be the statesman for the community"

Building Committees In Close Working Tie With Architects

Bill Gorelick, Building Committee chairperson, described the current process of planning and development of the facilities as "unbelievably exciting." More than 50 community members/leaders appointed by the participating Institutions are involved in reacting to the architectural plans. Divided into such groups as Activities, Education, Athletics, Administration and Special Activities, these dedicated

groups of workers are meeting to document the needs of the institutions and to compare those needs to the plans being presented by the architects.

The chairpersons of these committees, Brenda Meltsner, Sam Lerner, Bob Speizman, Don Bernstein and Marc Silverman constitute, under the leadership of Bill Gorelick, the Building Executive Committee. Their task is to assemble all the reactions and recommendations of their committee members and present them in working form to the architects, Don Lee and Rob Jolly.

The completed work of the Executive Committee and the architects is then submitted for review

and approval to the Advisory Board consisting of two representatives from each of the participating institutions and two representatives chosen collectively by the organizations. Chairperson for this committee is Morris Speizman. In a final step, plans are submitted to the Board of the Foundation for approval.

"Many people are involved," said Gorelick, "and that is good because it allows for ideas and for seeing the need for changes. In our preliminary meetings I was very pleased at the way in which each of the participants viewed the Project from a total community point of view."

Federation Looks Ahead To '84 '83 Campaign Exceeds \$750,000

"We are still on our way toward \$800,000 for 1983, but it is time to begin plans for next year's drive," said Richard A. Klein, Federation President. Included in those plans are a \$1 million goal for 1984.

"In order to reach that goal people have to understand in a very personal way what Federation means and does for them," said Klein. "We are planning a two year campaign of public relations and education built around the theme 'Can You Imagine.' We know that when each and every member of the Jewish community understands the importance of Federation they will respond from their hearts and their funds."

Two key programs will be emphasized in 1984: Mis-

sions and Project Renewal. The recent successful missions to Israel taken by 16 Charlotteans in the past 6 months have sparked the organizing of a large Charlotte mission next spring under the direction of Rabbi Richard Rocklin. Ben Massachi and Bennet Lyons, both recent mission participants, have accepted cochair positions for publicizing and recruiting participants.

"There are many missions during the course of the year," said Massachi, "and we encourage people to go whenever they can. But, we are going to put our major efforts into a large spring mission from Charlotte. If we go together, we can return to share the memories and to work together."

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Many Remember The Holocaust

Local – National Observances Held

By Rita Mond

The American Gathering of the Jewish Holocaust Survivors took place in Washington, D.C. from April 11-14. Dr. Susan Cernyak-Spatz and Henry Hirschmann, accompanied by his wife, Blanche, two of Charlotte's survivors, attended this largest assemblage ever in the United States of Jewish survivors of resistance to Nazism. Also in attendance was Walter J. Klein.

It was three days of "reliving and remembering" those horrible days of World War II. Over 10,000 participants were there, the majority hoping they would be reunited with a relative or friend who had been considered "lost," "dead" or "missing." In some cases this dream became a reality, but for many more, it was a fruitless quest.

There were a series of deeply moving events and ceremonies marking the 40th anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising of 1942 and other ghetto uprisings. Many of the events had limited capacity (they had underestimated the number of people who would attend) and because of this only 7,000 could witness these, according to Henry



The "Memorial at Holocaust Square."

Hirschmann. He and Blanche registered late so they were amongst those who could be present at only a few of the ceremonies. He was thankful that they did go and found it to be a deeply moving experience.

Many of the survivors went to Arlington cemetery to give homage to our military who gave their lives during World War II....the liberators.

Local Events

A series of local events took place in commemora- (Continued on Page 10)

State Observes The Holocaust

By Dr. Susan Cernyak-Spatz

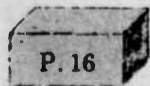
The State Holocaust Memorial Service was held on April 10 at the First Baptist Church, Raleigh, N.C. It was very well attended. Unfortunately, I was the only representative from Charlotte, because there seemed to have been a lack of communication from the chairman to the various communities concerning the service.

After his opening remarks, Dr. Elmo Scoggin, chairman of the Holocaust Council, stressed the fact that there were 11 million victims of the Holocaust. Six million were Jewish victims who were the most viciously and mercilessly persecuted. Rabbi Arnold Task of Temple Emanuel, Greensboro, gave the invocation.

The main speaker, Brig. Gen Francis J. Roberts, ret., spoke of his experience as the liberator of a small concentration camp in the western part of Germany in the spring of 1945. Among his remarks, one stood out in my mind. He mentioned a quote from Gen. Eisenhower's memories "Crusade in Europe" in which the general described (Continued on Page 10)

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