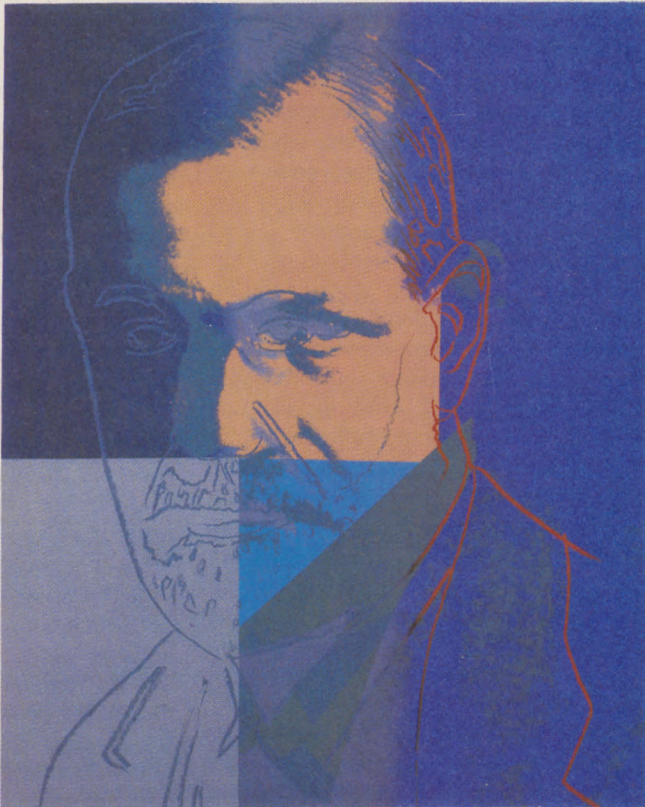


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Clockwise: Franz Kafka, Sarah Bernhardt, Sigmund Freud, Gertrude Stein.



Jewish Genius of the 20th Century by Andy Warhol

LETTERS

Dear Mr. Stone:

I appreciate your warm response to the report I sent you on my recent trip to Israel.

I share your outrage over the U.S. vote in the Security Council. The Carter Administration's vote against Israel in the United Nations was repugnant. The Administration's efforts to explain this "mistake" have only raised new questions.

In my view, the United States should have vetoed the U.N. Resolution even if all the incredible references to Jerusalem had been deleted. The real issue is America's support for the Camp David Accords. As a result of these Accords, Israel has given up security installations and oil fields in the Sinai. Egypt has risked isolation and economic sanctions from the Arab world. In response to these real sacrifices, is it enough for the United States merely to sit back and abstain when Camp David comes under total assault?

A full commitment to Camp David required an American veto of any Resolution conceived, written and sponsored by the enemies of Camp David. A veto would have reassured Israel and Egypt—and informed Arab nations in unmistakable terms—that we are committed to the Camp David peace process no matter what the obstacles.

I am appalled that the Administration would take such a reckless step while the autonomy negotiations were underway. The U.S. should not be voting for any Resolution which censures Israel or Egypt during sensitive negotiations. I am not convinced that the Administration even now comprehends the damage it has done to our relations with Israel, to our role as a mediator in the Camp David peace process, or to our standing among moderate Arab countries.

I remain convinced that Jerusalem should remain a unified city under Israeli administration. Israel has fully recognized that all religious groups need full access to their holy places. When I was in Jerusalem in December, I saw the loving care which Israel has given to the religious shrines of all faiths in Jerusalem.

Israel is a staunch and strategic American ally. We must never take any step—or vote for any Resolution—which



jeopardizes Israel's security or the prospects for peace in the Middle East.

With every good wish, I am

Sincerely,
George McGovern
U.S. Senator

Army Recruiting Criticized

Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Jewish War Veterans and National Commander Harris B. Stone for taking action in addressing the recruiting practices of the U.S. Army. I lend my full support to this effort.

I am appalled by the recent campaign to recruit Jews on Long Island into the Army. I feel as you do that although the intent of this campaign was not negative, the resulting implications are damaging. The Army presents an image of Jews as unpatriotic people. This, of course, is far from the truth.

I agree with Mr. Stone's opinion that a low percentage of Jews in the Army is more of a socio-economic phenomenon than a dislike of the military, because Jews are largely classified as middle class. Unfortunately, today's army has a relatively low percentage of middle class men and women. I am sure that should the United States become involved in armed conflict, Jews would join the ranks of the military as swiftly as they

have in previous national emergencies.

Although I am deeply disturbed at this campaign aimed at Jewish people, I am more annoyed by the fundamental thinking behind the campaign. The matter brings up the question of reverse discrimination. It is contrary to the doctrine of the separation between church and state, which has always been a basic tenet of our nation. Clearly, the Armed Forces should not become involved in the identification of specific religious or racial groups. The Army's recruiting practices should be conducted without any regard to ethnic backgrounds.

I have just sent a letter to Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander expressing my views on this subject. In addition, I have sent a letter to *Newsday* on Long Island.

Again, I personally thank the Jewish War Veterans for taking immediate action on this disturbing matter.

Sincerely,
Lester L. Wolff
Member of Congress

Peacetime GI Bill

Editor:

I think there are better ways to get people into our Armed Forces other than resorting to the draft. One way is to institute a peacetime GI Bill of Rights. This would entice many young men and women to join our Armed Forces as it would provide them with money to go to college and technical schools once they are discharged.

After World War II the GI Bill did our nation a great deal of good as it provided much needed schooling for our returning veterans, and at the same time kept them away from a shaky labor market. And once they completed schooling their taxes reimbursed the U.S. Treasury many times over the amount that was spent on them.

It also provided schooling and benefits for veterans of the Korean and Vietnam wars. As a Marine veteran of Korea and Vietnam, and a 1979 graduate of Queens College (Flushing, N.Y.) I can personally attest to the value of the GI Bill.

Another way to encourage recruiting would be to allow people to enlist for one year. This would allow a lot of young people to come in and decide if they really like the service or not. In that year they could complete basic training and

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ON THE COVER

The magnificent portraits are part of Andy Warhol's "Ten Images of Jews of the 20th Century." Other portraits of personalities selected for their genius and contribution to world cultures are: Louis Brandeis, Martin Buber, Albert Einstein, George Gershwin, the Marx Brothers, and Golda Meir. The extraordinary series of silk screen graphics marks Warhol's departure from his serialized pop imagery of the 1960's with its repetition of image. It also marks a change in Warhol's technique. Richly colored shapes and

original drawings are superimposed on the silkscreened image to provide the viewer with a psychological and aesthetic insight into the personality of the subject. "Ten Images of Jews of the 20th Century" received its world premiere (Mar. 16-May 4) at the Goldman Fine Arts Gallery of the Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington. The exhibition will travel to Munich, Basel and Paris and will be shown in New York in the autumn of 1980. —Susan Morganstein, Director, Goldman Fine Arts Gallery.

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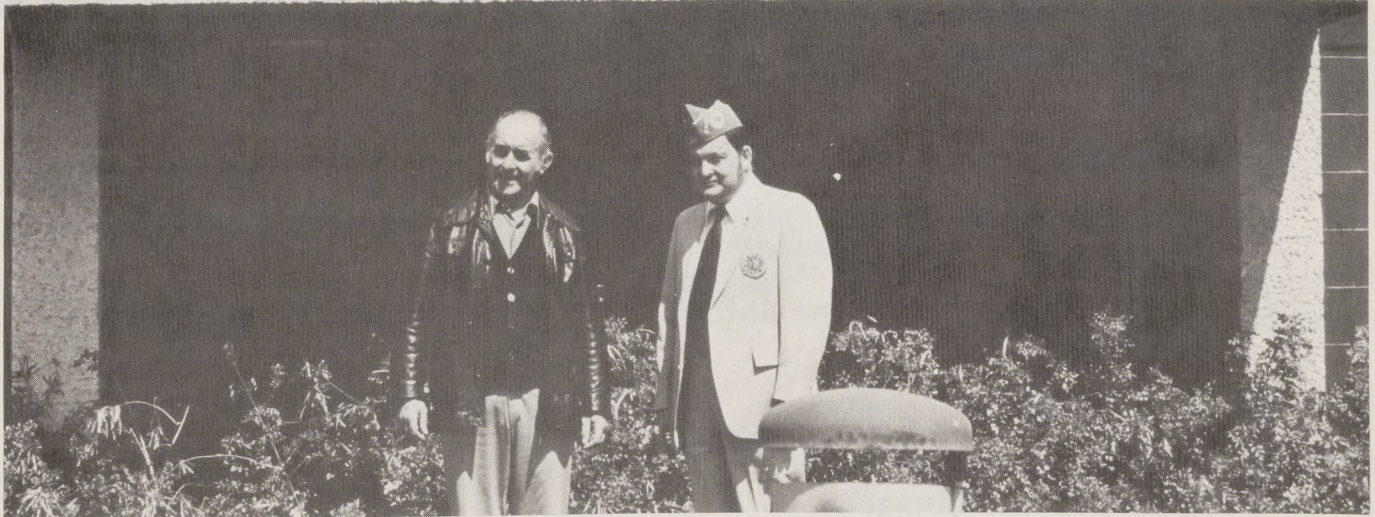
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Lt. Col. David Laor of the Association for Welfare of Soldiers in Israel and NC Harris B. Stone in front of the Rest & Rehabilitation Center for Israeli soldiers in Beersheba during the Commander's trip to Israel. The Center was funded in large part by the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.

View From the Top by Harris B. Stone, National Commander

In early March, I traveled to Israel for the first time. There were many thoughts racing through my mind as we made the long journey to the land of milk and honey.

We faced the world of reality as we visited with the various dignitaries of the country and spoke to the average citizen in the street. Let there be no complacency in our ranks. Israel has problems—monumental problems. And that is what I want to share with you.

Before doing so, permit me to list the program for the official visit to demonstrate the intensity of our consultations. We had private meetings with President Navon at his residence; with Prime Minister Begin for the ending of shabbat at his home; with Defense Minister Weizmann; a three hour briefing at the foreign office with its highest civil servants and specialists in Middle Eastern affairs and Soviet Jewry; with Opposition Leader Shimon Peres; with the U.S. Ambassador to Israel Sam Lewis for 90 minutes of tough give and take (I should explain that we arrived in Israel on that infamous day

when the UN Security Council with U.S. approval condemned Israel on the settlements and included the poorly phrased sections on Jerusalem). I visited some military installations and had a private session with the Israeli Chief of Naval Operations, Adm. Ze'ev Almog.

The mood in the country was gloomy, exacerbated by the folly of the U.S. vote at the UN Security Council and the subsequent retraction by President Carter. Other than Ambassador Lewis, no one who spoke to us off the record put any credence in the President's behavior. The vote only confirmed what has been a pro-Sadat, anti-Israel tilt in U.S. position since the Camp David talks. No one had much hope for closing the gaps between Egypt and Israel over the autonomy negotiations for West Bank and Gaza. In many cases, our government has taken a more strident position on specific issues than the Egyptians. Sadat has only to sit back and permit Administration honchos to carry the ball. Begin alluded to his impending visit to Washington that coming

week for meetings with Carter and expressed some hope that the stalemate could be broken by further summit talks. In my judgment, it appeared to be more wishful thinking than reality. We knew he was really coming out of courtesy to President Carter.

What prompts this assessment were the projections of the scenario after May 25th, if no agreement is reached on autonomy. The U.S. will permit the Western powers of the European community to carry the ball for a change in Security Council Resolution 242 which would guarantee the Palestinians the right to "self-determination." No one was sanguine to believe that this UN vote, coming after the November elections, would not pass.

I learned that not only is there a sharp split within Israel on the government's controversial policy on new settlements on the West Bank, but the Labor opposition is not supporting Begin on his autonomy position. If the talks fail and the May 26th target is not extended, we may witness the fall of the Begin govern-