

Honoring the Past for the Sake of the Future SJHS 32nd Annual Meeting in DC



Hyatt Regency Bethesda Hotel

Your Washington Host Committee casts a unanimous vote of welcome to the Southern Jewish Historical Society's 2007 Conference. Our bipartisan coalition of SJHS and the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington hopes to give you a capital experience inside the beltway and inside the heart of the greater Washington Jewish community.

Janice Rothschild Blumberg, Host Committee Chair
Maryann Kallison Friedman, Host Committee Co-Chair

Washington enjoys a reputation for lively debate and lavish entertaining. The 32nd annual SJHS Conference, co-sponsored by the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington, will uphold that tradition. Conference chair Janice Rothschild Blumberg and co-chair Maryann Kallison Friedman and program chairs Mark Bauman and Stephen J. Whitfield have created a program for the November 1-4 weekend that promises to be both intellectually engaging and socially welcoming. This year's theme is "Honoring the Past for the Sake of the Future: A Capital Connection."

SJHS conference goers will conduct their lobbying at the Hyatt Regency Bethesda Hotel. This newly renovated hotel features a rooftop health club with indoor heated pool. Located in downtown Bethesda, the Hyatt Regency is at the heart of a lively neighborhood within easy walking distance of ethnic restaurants, boutiques, art galleries and fashionable shops. The Hotel rises above the Washington Metro Redline Bethesda stop.

This year's Conference features an unusual array of scholars and venues (see p. 5). "The program committee spread an extensive publicity net to attract scholars from varied backgrounds who would provide well researched and delivered presentations shedding significant new light on diverse topics" Bauman and Whitefield explain. Karla Goldman will place in context the Jewish Woman's Archive's monumental Hurricane Katrina project to record the Jewish voices of that epic disaster. On Sunday Shuly Rubin Schwartz of the Jewish Theological Seminary will speak on two local leaders, Carrie Simon and Henrietta Szold. Friday features visits to the Lillian & Albert Small Jewish Museum, the Library of Congress, and the Washington Hebrew Congregation. At the Library of Congress, scholar Peggy Pearlstein will guide visitors through the Hebraic Section.



U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum

Thursday Washington Tour Holocaust and Israel

Those who arrive on Thursday will have the opportunity to take an optional bus that includes visits to three important Jewish-American venues: the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the Embassy of Israel, and the kitchen of Joan Nathan.

Leaving the Hyatt Regency at 10:00, the tour begins at the Holocaust Museum where Dr. Michael Grunberger, Director of Collections, will lead a behind-the-scenes visit. Architect James Ingo Freed's dramatic building was designed to evoke feelings for the history that the Museum faithfully documents. Freed describes it as a "resonator of memory." A kosher box lunch will be provided. At the Israeli Embassy the cultural attaché will make a presentation.



Joan Nathan

Joan Nathan's Southern-Jewish Soul Food Doyenne Offers Home Hospitality

The author of some ten cookbooks, including the classic *Jewish Cooking in America*, Joan Nathan has been entitled as the "doyenne of Jewish American food." Thursday night SJHS conventioneers will have the opportunity to enter the kitchen of the prize-winning PBS hostess and *New York Times* columnist. "I am thrilled to be able to host the Southern Jewish Historical Society at my home," Nathan explains. "We are going to have a combination of recipes from my books as well as southern recipes such as corn oysters, eaten in the South during Revolutionary times, and potato knishes with a Cajun kick." As regional differences have declined, Nathan has rescued lost dishes from oblivion: "Unfortunately today southern Jewish food, like all Jewish food, is becoming homogenous. Sometimes you have to do a lot of digging to find the foods that were regionally affected like matzah balls Cajun style."

Arlington National Cemetery's Jewish legacy

Optional Sunday Tour

On Sunday, following the final session, professional guides and Host Committee members have volunteered their services for those who wish to visit the graves of Jewish military heroes and the memorial sculpture by Moses Ezekiel at Arlington National Cemetery. Since Arlington is near National Airport, visitors may wish to be taken directly there. While the tour requires walking, the tourmobile can take visitors from the entrance to the top of the hill. The fare (\$7.00) also permits visitors to reboard the tourmobile for sightseeing destinations in Washington. Advance registration is required.



Scott Langston, President

Since the last issue of *The Rambler* our members have been hard at work. Some have been involved with increasing our membership by acknowledging renewals or developing ways to retain current and recruit new members. Funding the Society's diverse efforts (such as the annual meeting, the grants programs, the journal, the newsletter, etc.) always requires attention. Still others are working to better the Society's financial future. Our website has also been updated (www.jewishsouth.org), and many continue to research and preserve southern Jewish history. Where would we be without such dedicated members?

Another source of much activity has been the annual meeting, scheduled this year for November 1-4 in Washington, D. C. It is amazing how many are helping with this, and we can now begin to see their efforts taking shape. Once again, a program of great interest—beginning on Friday morning, but also including an optional tour on Thursday—has been combined with an intriguing host site. Washington gives us the opportunity to learn more about its historic Jewish community while providing access to wonderful research facilities like the Library of Congress, the National Archives, and other sites of interest. The diverse program includes presentations from some favorite speakers from past conferences as well as new faces. They will guide us through a wide-ranging set of events and topics including Hurricane Katrina, Hanukkah, civil rights, the Holocaust, immigration, politics, foods, literature, music, and Jewish community life, played out across the South. Undoubtedly our enthusiasm and appreciation for southern Jewish history will be invigorated.

Those who have volunteered so much of their time and expertise to develop all of these programs deserve our thanks—which is something else Washington gives us—an opportunity to thank them in person. Please join me there to thank these good people as well as to enjoy their work!

Scott Langston

Savannah Congregation Mickve Israel to Celebrate 275th Anniversary



Savannah Torah Scroll

On the weekend of July 11, 2008, Congregation Mickve Israel of Savannah will celebrate its 275th anniversary. The Congregation is now seeking descendants for this historical family reunion.

In 1733, five months after James Oglethorpe established the Georgia colony, the first Jewish settlers landed in Savannah. These forty-two passengers, thirty-four Portuguese and eight Germans, were sponsored by the Bevis Marks Synagogue in London. The congregants of Bevis Marks raised money for their journey, the largest single migration of Jews to the colonies.

became the highest ranking Jewish officer during the American Revolution. Sheftall descendants are still members of the congregation.

The colonists brought a circumcision box and a Torah made of deerskin that dates to the Middle Ages. Their first Jewish act was to found Congregation Mickve Israel, the "Hope of Israel." Their Torah, still used for commemorative ceremonies, is the oldest Torah still in use in the United States.

Upon arrival, services were held in members' homes and then in rented quarters. On July 21, 1820, they consecrated their first synagogue on Perry Lane. A fire on December 4, 1829, destroyed the building, but the Torah and ark were saved. A new brick building was consecrated in 1841 on the same site.

A wave of German Jewish immigration began in 1840. By 1874, the synagogue on Perry Lane was too small, and in 1876 the congregation began building a new sanctuary on Monterey Square, which was completed two years later. Its architecture is neo-Gothic, a popular Victorian style. Today, it is the only neo-Gothic synagogue in use in the Western hemisphere.

To find out more about this event or to add your name to the list of descendants, please consult the Mickve Israel website, www.mickveisrael.org.

The Sephardic passengers had formerly been Crypto Jews, publicly practicing Catholicism while secretly practicing Judaism. One was Dr. Samuel Nunez Ribiero, who had been imprisoned during the Inquisition for converting Christians back to Judaism. Upon his arrival in Savannah, he helped eradicate lethal malaria and yellow fever epidemics, becoming Savannah's first hero. Among the eight Ashkenazi founders were the Abraham Minis and Benjamin Sheftall families. Sheftall's son Mordecai

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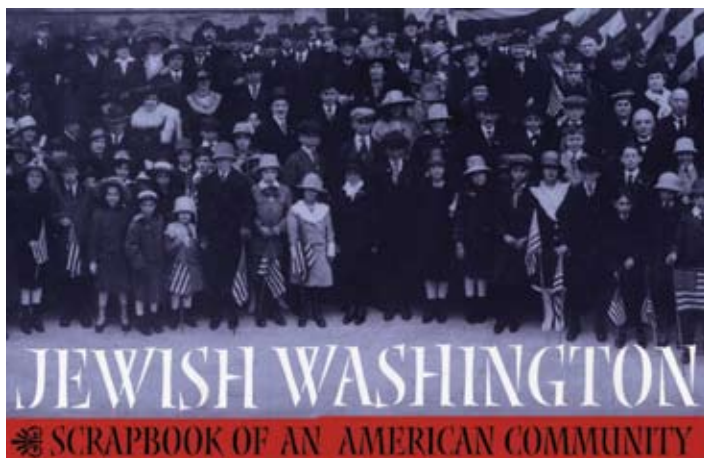
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Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington Conference Co-Hosts

To preserve, chronicle, and present local history, the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington was founded in 1960 and incorporated five years later. In 1969 when the city's oldest synagogue, Adas Israel, was threatened with destruction, Society members arranged for the historic 1876 structure to be moved three blocks to its present location. Extensively restored, the synagogue was rededicated and opened to the public as the Lillian & Albert Small Jewish Museum in 1975. The Society offices and archives are located at 600 I Street, the administration building of Adas Israel's second synagogue building. The Society sponsors archival collections, exhibits, educational programs. Contact www.jhsgw.org.



Bert Bornblum, SJHS Benefactor An Extraordinary Southern-Jewish Life *by Dr. Jack Rosensweig*



Bert Bornblum

SJHS members know Bert Bornblum as a generous donor who has endowed the Society's lecture series and research grants for the past four years. Behind this philanthropy lies a remarkable life.

Born in Warsaw, the eldest of four brothers, Baruch Zvi "Bert" Bornblum was educated at the Tachkemoni yeshiva. Although poverty ended his formal education at 13, inspired by a Polish teacher of history and literature, he remained an avid reader. After working in a print shop, he apprenticed as a designer and hand cutter in a shirt factory. As anti-Semitism increased and socialist and Zionist fervor rose, Bert joined the Shomer Hatzair (Socialist Zionist) movement. His family wanted to join relatives in America, but immigration quotas meant that only Bert, 18, and his brother David, 16, could leave. They departed from Hamburg with \$10, hoping their family would soon follow.

In 1938 the brothers arrived in Memphis where their cousin Oscar Makowsky warmly received them. The brothers lived with the family in the Pinch, the city's ghetto. Bert studied English at the Neighborhood House and took a job for \$3 a week, increasing to \$35 after three years. As the Nazi threat grew, the brothers tried desperately but failed to obtain American visas for their family in Poland. They last heard from them when they were moved into the Warsaw Ghetto, where they perished.

Although Bert and David were not yet citizens, both enlisted in the US Army after Pearl Harbor. David shipped out to the Pacific and Bert to Europe, both serving with distinction and becoming American citizens. After discharge in 1945, Bert returned to Memphis, where he passed the GED examinations. He headed to California, hoping to attend UCLA, but his brother and a business opportunity pulled him back to Memphis.

In 1949 Bert and David opened their first store on Beale Street, selling used and new merchandise. Two years later they opened a second Beale Street store, selling only new clothing. A third store followed in 1967 and then another on Main Street. Eventually the chain grew to eight Bert's Men and Boys Clothing Stores in Memphis and Nashville. They operated the stores until 1987, selling some to their managers.

Bert was the first white merchant in Memphis to hire Black salespersons. He joined the NAACP and supported civil rights. Following Dr. King's

assassination, he marched in protest. He was also active in the Jewish community and held leadership positions in Yiddish groups, B'nai B'rith, Israel Bonds, and the Zionist Organization of America. He served on the boards of Baron Hirsch Synagogue and Memphis Jewish Federation.

Although engaged in business, Bert continued to pursue learning. For seven years he participated in the Great Books Program at Rhodes College. With his close friend, Murray Spindel, he took courses in philosophy for almost 20 years at Memphis State University. In 1997, he studied at the International Summer School at Cambridge, England. Bert developed a close association with the University of Memphis, and in 1986 he and David endowed the Bornblum Judaic Studies Program. Led by Dr. David Patterson, who holds the Bornblum Chair of Excellence, the program has flourished, attracting Jewish and non-Jewish students, involving itself with the Memphis Jewish community, and partnering with the Jewish Historical Society of Memphis and the Mid-South. This partnership has generated an outstanding series of lectures and programs. Bert has served as a board member of Southwest Community College and the University of Memphis. At LeMoyné-Owne College he endowed the Bornblum Institute, which engages students with professional leaders. LeMoyné-Owens College honored Bert with a Ph.D., *Honoris Causa* in 2006.

In 1991, Bert and David established the Bornblum Foundation as the charitable beneficiary of their estates. In 1999 Bert and David extended their commitment to Jewish education by endowing the Bornblum Solomon Schecter School in Memphis. Bert has funded its Judaic Studies Principal and Special Studies Teacher and led the campaign for the School's expansion. Additionally, the Foundation supports community needs in Memphis and in Israel. Bert has been a supporter of Memphis' Chabad House. In memory of his brother David, who passed away in October 2004, Bert established the David Bornblum Fund in the Department of Philosophy and in the Judaic Studies Program at the University of Memphis. A living tribute was the creation of the David Bornblum Chair in Land of Israel Studies at the Kinneret College of the Sea of Galilee.

Bert married Ethel Baer, from Turrell, Arkansas, in 1948. They had two sons, Donald and Irwin. Donald's daughters, Stephanie and Samantha, are a source of great family pride. Tragically, Ethel died in 1979. In his remarkable life Bert Bornblum has lived the Talmudic maxim: "If one is blessed with wisdom as well as riches, his wisdom will guide him to share the blessings with others."

Jewish Washington

Community History



Moving Adas Israel

Washington's large and vibrant Jewish community had humble origins. Local Jewry traces to 1795 when Isaac Polock, grandson of the founder of the Newport synagogue, arrived in the fledgling national capital. Washington was a small, provincial southern town that offered little in the way of economic opportunity. The few German-Jews who arrived in the 1840s were mostly an overflow from Baltimore. By

the Civil War local Jewry had grown to 200, a number augmented by war refugees seeking sanctuary. As East European Jews arrived in early 1900s, Jewish numbers rose to 4,000. They concentrated in the city's southwest, where many opened stores.

Congregations grew with the population. In 1852 21 Jews organized the Washington Hebrew Congregation, and four years later, at the urging of Captain Jonas P. Levy, Congress authorized their right to incorporate and own property. In 1863 they purchased a church, which served as a synagogue until 1897 when they built an impressive temple. President Eisenhower attended the dedication of its current building in 1955. As the Washington Hebrew Congregation evolved to Reform, 35 members resigned to form an

Orthodox congregation, Adas Israel. Their synagogue, the city's first, was dedicated in 1876 with President Ulysses S. Grant attending. Adas Israel, now Conservative, moved to its current location in 1951. East European Jews established three Orthodox shuls, which after mergers and relocations, are now Beth Sholom and Ohev Sholom-Talmud Torah.

In the Civil War era Jewish societies formed, including B'nai B'rith's Elijah Lodge. Local needs were met by a United Hebrew Relief Society in 1882 and a Jewish Community Council in 1938. Other institutions include a Jewish Foster Home in 1911, a YMHA in 1912, and a Home for the Aged in 1914. The Jewish Community Center arose in 1925. Strongly Zionist, the community formed its first society as early as 1901. The city's Zionist credentials are reinforced by the presence of the Israeli embassy. In 1943 B'nai B'rith moved its national offices to Washington. Its headquarters house the Klutznick Exhibit Hall, a museum of American Judaism.

From 1945 to 1970 the community grew from 20,000 to 110,000, nearly 85 percent of whom now live in suburban Virginia and Maryland. Institutions followed Jews to the suburbs. The number of congregations grew to 41. In 1969 a Jewish campus was built in Rockville, Maryland, which houses a community center, home for the aged, and a social service agency. Founded in the 1960s, the Charles E. Smith Jewish Day School in Rockville, with 1,500 students, is the largest in the country. Suburban Jewish growth continues, extending farther into the exurbs. At the same time Jews are relocating downtown as historic neighborhoods enjoy an urban revival. Today some 200,000 Jews reside in metropolitan Washington.

Notes & Queries

- Naphtali Herz Imber, the author of Israel's anthem "Hatikvah," was an eccentric, restless character whose travels took him not only to Palestine but to India and America, where he died in 1909. Imber was an inspired but dissolute wandering troubadour, who suddenly appeared in many American communities. Mark Singer is seeking evidence of Imber's possible presence in southern states. Contact Mark Singer at 10 McKinley Drive, Millville, NJ 08332.
- *Half a Day on Sunday-Jewish-Owned Mom and Pop Grocery Stores*, a 1994 exhibition of the Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington, has now been posted on-line at www.jhsgw.org/exhibitions/online/momandpop/. This virtual exhibition includes a historical essay, a searchable database, a photo gallery, and a documentary film. The Society continues to seek information. If you know of Jewish-owned groceries in Washington not yet listed on the website, contact Claire Uziel, assistant archivist, at Claire@jhsgw.org.
- The late Kitty Carlisle Hart, the actress and New York socialite, was the granddaughter of the first Jewish mayor of Shreveport, Louisiana, the *New York Times* reported on April 19. Her socially aspiring mother had taken her from her native New Orleans to the European capitals in the hope of a "brilliant" marriage to a nobleman. She spurned such suitors as George Gershwin and Bernard Baruch for the Bronx-born playwright Moss Hart.
- "Where Neon Goes to Die," produced by Miami's Dora Teitelboim Center for Yiddish Culture, documents the rise and fall of Yiddish culture from the 1940s when Miami held six Yiddish theaters, a YIVO chapter, and 15 Workmen's Circles to its demise in the disco era. In his 53-minute documentary, director David Weintraub confronted the challenge of recovering the "institutional memory" of South Beach's Yiddishland in a "city without a history." The film's title is a quip from Lenny Bruce. For more information, contact http://www.yiddishculture.org/yiddish_final/index.html.

- In February Janice Rothschild Blumberg, former SJHS president, and her daughter Marcia Rothschild each celebrated a bat mitzvah, as reported in the March-April, 2007, *The Jewish Georgian*. She noted that her late husband, Rabbi Jack Rothschild, had not received a bar mitzvah himself and did not reinstate the ceremony during his 25 years at The Temple in Atlanta. Not even her son Bill, an ordained rabbi, had one. Janice saw the revival of the ceremony as consonant with Reform Judaism's "freedom to choose," noting that the embrace of tradition enhanced "Jewish learning" and "appreciation of Jewish roots."

SJHS Kudos

- As southern Jewish studies takes its place in the academic canon, SJHS members are receiving recognition as scholars and teachers. The SJHS congratulates
- Marcie Ferris, Assistant Professor in the Curriculum in American Studies and Associate Director of the Carolina Center for Jewish Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, for winning a coveted Tanner Faculty Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching;
- Eric Goldstein, Associate Professor in the Department of History and Institute for Jewish Studies at Emory University, whose book *The Price of Whiteness: Jews, Race, and American Identity* was a finalist in the American Jewish Studies category of the 56th National Jewish Book Awards;
- Hollace Ava Weiner, past SJHS president, and Rabbi Kenneth Roseman, who have received the Texas Historical Foundation's Deolece Parmelee Award for "outstanding historical preservation research" as editors of *Lone Stars of David, The Jews of Texas*.

Preliminary Conference Program

THURSDAY (optional)

- 10:00 AM Bus leaves Hyatt Regency, Bethesda
10:45 Tour of U.S. Holocaust Museum with Dr. Michael Grunberger
1:00 Kosher box lunch
2:00 Embassy of Israel
4:15 Reception at the home of Joan Nathan
7:00 SJHS Board Meeting

FRIDAY

- 8:30 AM Buses leave Hyatt Regency, Bethesda
9:15 Sanctuary visit at Sixth & I Historic Synagogue
9:30 "Jewish Washington" by Laura Cohen Apelbaum
(*Jewish Historical Society of Greater Washington*)
9:50 Panel: "Quotas and their Consequences"
Chair: Marcia Synnott (*University of South Carolina*)
Marianne Sanua (*Florida Atlantic University*): "North Encounters
South: The Role of Southern Colleges in the National Jewish
Fraternal System, 1920-1958"
Sally Stokes: "Builders of the Mishkan: The Jewish Community and
Jews in the Community of Greenbelt, MD"
11:15 Welcome by the presidents, buffet lunch
Introduction of speaker by Catherine C. Kahn
(*Touro Infirmary Archives*)
Karla Goldman (*Jewish Women's Archive*): "Hurricane Katrina:
Historical Themes and Memories"
12:30 PM Buses leave synagogue, passing by Third & G Street Synagogue
1:00 Visit to Library of Congress
1:15 Introduction to Hebraic Section by Peggy Pearlstein
(*Library of Congress*)
2:00 Introduction of speaker by Ellen M. Umansky (*Fairfield University*)
Dianne Ashton (*Rowan University*): "Quick to the Party: Southern
Jews and the Americanization of Hanukkah"
3:00 Docent presentation in the Great Hall
3:30 Buses leave Library of Congress to Hyatt Regency
5:30 Buses leave Hyatt Regency to Washington Hebrew Congregation
6:00 Dinner, Shabbat services
Speaker: Jennifer Anne Moses, "Bagels and Grits: A Jew on the Bayou"
9:45 Buses leave Washington Hebrew Congregation to Hyatt Regency

SATURDAY at Hyatt Regency, Bethesda

- 7:00 AM Fun Run
7:30 Optional religious services
Breakfast
9:00 Panel: "The Shocket and the Saddle Maker"
Chair: Hollace A. Weiner (*independent scholar*)
Bryan Edward Stone (*Del Mar College*): "Alexander Ziskind Gurwitz,
Jewish Functionary and Yiddish Memoirist in Frontier Texas"
Nick Kotz: "Nathan Kallison, Ukrainian-trained Harness Maker

and Texas Entrepreneur"

SATURDAY continued

- 10:30 Panel: "Power and Authority, in the Shadow of Europe"
Chair: Eric Goldstein (*Emory University*)
Maury Wiseman (*University of Florida*): "Benjamin, Yulee/Levy,
and Disraeli: Jewish Political Leaders in the 19th Century"
Wendy H. Bergoffen (*University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh*):
"A Giving Spirit: The Galveston Movement and Civil Judaism"
Daniel Puckett (*Troy State University*): "The Impact of Hitler
on Jews and Others in Alabama"
12:15 PM Lunch
1:15 **Concurrent sessions**
Panel: "Dissent in the South in the Sixties"
Chair: Alan Kraut (*American University*)
Raymond A. Mohl (*University of Alabama-Birmingham*):
"Peace, Civil Rights and Jewish Activism in Postwar Miami"
Rabbie Allen Krause: "Civil Rights in Charleston: The Case of
Rabbi Burton Padoll"
Panel: "Literature and Music in the Jewish South"
Chair: Linda Raphael (*George Washington University*)
John Baron (*Tulane University*): "Schlesinger of Mobile: Synagogue
Music in the late 19th Century"
Julian Levinson (*University of Michigan*): "Zion in the Fields of
Kentucky: I.J. Schwartz's Kentucky as Yiddish-American Epic"
3:15 Meet the Editors: The Canonization of Southern Jewish History
Chair: Ronald Bayor (*Georgia Institute of Technology*)
Mark K. Bauman (*editor*), *Dixie Diaspora: An Anthology of
Southern Jewish History*
Marcie Cohen Ferris (*co-editor, with Mark I. Greenberg*),
Jewish Roots in Southern Soil: A New History
6:00 Havdalah Services
6:15 Meet the Authors, book signing, cocktails and hors d'oeuvres

SUNDAY

- 7:30 AM SJHS Business Meeting
8:45 Panel: "Only in Washington, D.C." "The Myth and Reality of Harry Golden"
Chair: Robin Brabham (*University of North Carolina-Charlotte*)
Stephen J. Whitfield (*Brandeis University*): "The Racial Integrationist"
Kimberly Marlowe Hartnett: "The Journalist and Writer"
Leonard Rogoff (*Jewish Heritage Foundation of North Carolina*):
"The Transplanted New Yorker"
10:30 Brunch and JHSGW Annual Meeting
Recognition of David Patterson, Director, Bornblum Jewish
Studies, University of Memphis
Introduction of speaker: Shulamith Reich Elster
(*Partnership for Jewish Life and Learning*)
Shuly Rubin Schwartz (*Jewish Theological Seminary of America*):
"Carrie Simon and Henrietta Szold as Leaders"

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