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Preface

The present volume contains three feature articles. In "New Perspectives in American Jewish Sociology," Nathan Glazer elucidates the main issues in the debate on the future of American Jewry. In "The Bitburg Controversy," Deborah E. Lipstadt examines the events and reactions surrounding President Ronald Reagan's 1985 visit to a military cemetery in Germany. U.O. Schmelz's "The Population of Reunited Jerusalem, 1967-1985" is a demographic survey of the Holy City's diverse multiethnic, multireligious inhabitants.

A special supplement to this volume, marking the 80th anniversary of the American Jewish Committee, includes essays by Henry L. Feingold and David M. Gordis.

Regular articles on Jewish life in the United States are Murray Friedman's "Intergroup Relations" and "The United States, Israel, and the Middle East," by George E. Gruen and Marc Brandriss. The article on Jewish population in the United States is presented this year in a new format, the work of a team of researchers associated with the recently established North American Jewish Data Bank: Barry A. Kosmin, Paul Ritterband, and Jeffrey Scheckner.

Jewish life around the world is reported on in a series of articles about Israel, Canada, Great Britain, France, the Netherlands, West Germany, East Germany, the Soviet Union, and the countries of the Soviet bloc. Estimates for world Jewish population are provided by researchers on the faculty of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Carefully compiled directories of national Jewish organizations, periodicals, and federations and welfare funds, as well as religious calendars and obituary notices, round out the 1987 AMERICAN JEWISH YEAR BOOK.

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