Blindness, age can't slow down journalist

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When he first composed this it was just at the emergence of the Holo-caust and six years before the estab-lishment of the State of Israel." He also dedicated his newspaper to let the Jouthe community know the news of their neighbors "and to ensure that they have knowledge of their past history and traditions as they relate to the present." SLONIOVITZ HAS written a week.

SLOMOVITZ HAS written a week-ly column for 70 years, first when he worked for the Detroit News, then during his 18 years with the Detroit Jewish Chronicle before founding The Jewish News. "In the 70 years, I missed just one issue," he sald. "That, was the first edition after I retired."

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He never runs out of subjects, he said. "The moment I run out of ideas something else is emerging.
"For Instance, I know I'm going to be writing about Menachem Begin (who died recently). I've known himso long. I Infroduced him at public functions in Israel,
"Also, I'll be writing about recent reports of the rise of a very ugly type of growing anti-Semittian in every state in our nation — the skin-



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-- Philip Slomovitz Founder, The Jewish News

heads and the besmirching of syna-gogues."
Slomovitz admits it's not as easy to do his columns as it was when his vision was better and he was able to type it himself at his office desk.
Now he has a reader who comes in daily to help him. Together they go

over his mail. Siomovitz dictates his column to his reader who delivers it to The Jowish News for final typing for publication. But Siomovitz still has an opportunity to examine a proof of his column before publications to that he may make corrections in necessary.

SI,OMOVITZ WAS born in Russia and immigrated to the United States in 1910. He lived with his family in New Jersey until the beam etime for him to go to college. Then he moved to Ann Arbor where he attended the University of Michigan and carned his journalism degree. Later he moved to Detroit and then South-field.

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Slomovitz has many stories and memories to relate about his years as Journalist through most of the 20th Century.

He met his wife, "my beloved Anna," when both were attending a Clonist Movement convention in Cleveland and they have been married for 65 years.

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ract."
His wife served as his reader up to the time she became incapacitated. Signovitz decided to start his own newspaper, he said, "because after working for the Chronicle, a family-owned newspaper, for 18 years, much of it as editor, they indicated to me that a couple members of the family were going to take over those duties."

THAT'S WHEN HE borrowed \$18,000 from friends and started his own newspaper. "From the start it was mine. I was editor and publisher." I wrote all the editorials and my column. I wrote wherever I was, even overseas I always did the work and we'd send it back."
The Jewish News caught hold of ter a short period of time and he repaid his debt, he said. Eventually it took over the Chronicle.
He has authored two books, "Without Malice," and "Purely Commentary. Philip Stomovitz's 60 Years as a Newspaperman." His celliorials and columns sometimes made and he has woo numerous bonors.

The Jewish News is turning 50

The Jowish News, which serves the Jowish community of metro-politan Detroit, will mark its 50th anilytersary with its March 27 edition. It has also published a 150-page commemorative book featuring the reproduction of 50 of its most important front pages.

In addition, the newspaper will sponsor and ce-sponsor a number of events and activities during the year, according to associate pub-

year, according to associate pub-lisher Arthur Horwitz/ Among

those will be the annual Israell Independence Day celebration May 3-10 and neighborhood projects in Oak Park and Southfield in the summer.

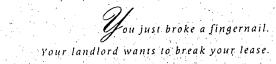
John Park and Southfield in the summer with News, was founded by Philip Slomowith in 1942. Its offices are in Southfield and it is printed in Detroit.

Howitz said the publication retained its independence when it was sold in 1946 to a group led by Charles Burger who also owns the Baltimore Jewish Times and the Allanta Jewish Times.

"THE READERISHIP is a reflec-

tion of the Detroit Jewish community, said Horwitz, "everyone
from a business executive, who
mighal live in Bloomfield Hills to a
Torah scholar in Oak Park, from a
single garent in West Bloomfield to
a senior citizen in Sudificials, in
the she before it devides community
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they live or whatever their demographic profile."

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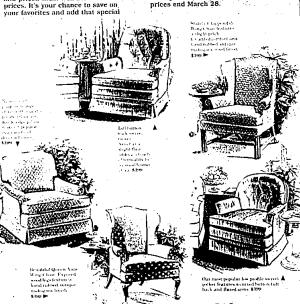
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