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Carolina Exodus

After 26 years of probing Southern mores with Jewish humor, Harry Golden, 64, closed down his bimonthly *Carolina Israelite*. He will merge it with the *Nation*, for which he will write a column. Health and financial problems caused him to give up the Charlotte, N.C., tabloid; in the last six years he has lost \$65,000. "A man can open a Cadillac franchise for less money than newsprint and printing-labor cost," he wrote in his final issue. He added that he has also been losing his readership. "To the generation that succeeded mine, stories about the Lower East Side are like stories about the moon." Nor does he feel that wit is the useful weapon it once was. "The fight for civil rights has lost its romance," he wrote. "There is nothing funny about it any more."

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