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### BEN-GURION NOT INCLINED TO ATTEND U.N. ASSEMBLY, SPOKESMAN SAYS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion does not intend to attend the United Nations General Assembly, which convenes September 20, the spokesman for the Premier's office here declared today.

The decision on whether Mr. Ben-Gurion would go to the UN Assembly this year has been on an "on and off" basis the last few days. Earlier, it had been announced that Israel's Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir, would attend the Assembly for a period, heading Israel's delegation this year as she has on previous years. When word was received from various capitals that heads of State or Government would go to the UN this year, there seemed a likelihood that Mr. Ben-Gurion would change his mind and go to the UN if leaders of important Afro-Asian states would be there.

Today, however, it was decided definitely that Mr. Ben-Gurion would stay home, and leave leadership of the delegation to Mrs. Meir. Among Afro-Asian leaders reportedly planning to go to the UN this year are India's Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru, Ghana's President Kwame Nkrumah and Indonesia's President Sukarno.

Mr. Ben-Gurion is on a two-week vacation now. However, from his vacation place, he is conducting the affairs of the Prime Minister's office and the work of the Defense Ministry, which he also heads. He is also expected to attend the Cabinet meeting, next Sunday, when government instructions are to be framed for this year's delegation to the General Assembly.

### ISRAEL WATCHING NASSER'S TACTICS AGAINST JORDAN; BELIEVES THEY WILL FAIL

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA)-- While the situation in Jordan is undeniably critical, since the bomb-assassination last week of Prime Minister Majali, there is a feeling among experts here that King Hussein will, once more, succeed in riding out the storm. The reports about "deteriorating" conditions in Jordan, the analysts point out, are being circulated, directly or indirectly, by United Arab Republic Government circles in Cairo.

Informed Israeli circles believe that Nasser understands that, should he attempt to take over Jordan, thus encircling Israel with UAR troops, Israel could not stand by passively in the face of such danger. However, the Israel Government has not re-stated this well-understood thesis publicly.

A Government spokesman refused today to confirm or deny that a communication was received from United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold asking Israel to refrain from any action in connection with the bomb assassination of Jordanian Premier Majali.

According to the report, Mr. Hammarskjold sent the same request to all Middle East states, urging them to maintain the status quo and not to aggravate the tensions following the Jordanian upheaval.

Despite the "no comment" position, it was believed such a communication had been received and that Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion had outlined a reply at the meeting of the Israel Cabinet Sunday.

### ISRAELI PARATROOPERS HOLDING LARGE-SCALE EXERCISES IN NEGEV HILLS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Israel's army paratroopers are holding large-scale exercises currently in the hills of the Negev, in the South; it was announced by the Defense Ministry here today.

General Haim Laskov, chief of staff of Israel's armed forces, today visited the troops--which included not only regulars, but also some reserves--and praised their "efficiency and devotion." Gen. Laskov watched the troops "attack" an objective, while American, recoilless anti-tank guns were conducting their own "defense" against the enemy.

Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion, who is also Minister of Defense, will visit the troops and observe the exercises before they are concluded, the Ministry stated.

### ISRAEL CONCLUDES PACT WITH U.N. BODY ON INCREASING WATER RESOURCES

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The Israel Agricultural Ministry and the United Nations Technical Assistance Board have signed an agreement for a 30-month experiment aimed at increasing Israel's basic water resources, it was disclosed today.

The agreement provides that Israel will invest 2,000,000 pounds (about \$1,100,000) and the board will invest \$342,000 in a program to dam groundwaters for irrigation. At the present time, millions of gallons of water run unchecked into the Mediterranean Sea.

Officials said that if the experiment works, Israel's water resources will be increased by six percent and irrigated areas by 11 percent.

### ISRAEL TO GET 15 PERCENT OF ITS OIL NEEDS FROM OWN FIELDS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Geologists predicted today that Israel's second oil field at Negba in the Negev will produce five percent of Israel's domestic consumption needs by the end of this year. Israel's first oil field at Heletz now yields 10 percent of the country's requirements.

The geologists were especially encouraged by the fact that the first oil from Negba 3 drilling was fairly pure and free of salt water found in earlier wells. The Lapidot Israel Oil Prospectors Ltd., which owns the Heletz field and which carried out the initial Negba drillings began an immediate program of exploration for new drilling sites to determine the area of the new field.

### ISRAEL PARTICIPATING IN BRUSSELS PARLEY ON ATOMIC ENERGY PROBLEMS

BRUSSELS, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Israel is participating in the International Conference on Legal and Administrative Problems of Protection in the peaceful uses of atomic energy, which opened here yesterday. The conference is sponsored by Euratom, the European multi-nation agency for atomic energy development.

Israel is being represented by M. Macht, legal counselor to the Israel Atomic Energy Commission, and A. Peled, scientific attache to the Israel Embassy.

### ISRAEL SUPREME COURT TO RENEW HEARING ON ELECTIONS OF CHIEF RABBIS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The Supreme Court today set September 25 as the date when a panel of five of the high tribunal's jurists will hear again the issue of the validity of the Nominations Board, charged with naming candidates for the post of Israeli Chief Rabbis.

Last week, a three-man panel of the Supreme Court ruled, two-to-one, that the board is a valid body, although three of its eight members had withdrawn at the behest of the Rabbinate Council. The three-man panel ruled, however, that, in view of its own division, the case should be heard again by five members of the High Court.

Israel must elect two Chief Rabbis this year. One, representing the Sephardic community, is certain to be unopposed; he is the incumbent Chief Rabbi Itzhak Nissim. The dispute centers about naming the Ashkenazic Chief Rabbi. The Rabbinate Council had originally named four members to the Nominations Board, while the Government had named an equal number. The Council contends now that the present Nominations Board is not valid, since it has only five members. It is that point which the five-man panel must decide after the September 25 hearing.

Gideon Hausner, Israel's Attorney General, who had charged at a hearing before the Supreme Court that official documents of the Rabbinate Council related to the dispute over the elections of new Chief Rabbis had been falsified, declared meanwhile that he did not use the word "falsified" and that he merely said that the protocols of one of the meetings did not convey exactly what had taken place at that meeting. The Attorney General made this statement following a request for retraction by Chief Rabbi Nissim.

### FARMERS FROM AFRICAN COLONIES START TEN-WEEK COURSE IN ISRAEL

TEL AVIV, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- A ten-week course in techniques of cooperative living opened here yesterday with farmers from ten former French and Belgian colonies in Africa as the students.

The course, sponsored by the Israel Foreign Ministry and the Histadrut, Israel's General Federation of Labor, is part of a program of technical, economic and cultural assistance organized for newly emancipated countries in Africa and Asia. Israel officials hope that the aid program will offset Arab League pressure on the new countries.

During the past two years, agricultural officials, teachers, and graduates of agricultural schools in Asia and Africa have attended ten similar seminars in Israel.

### JEWISH AGENCY REJECTS PROPOSAL FOR POSTPONEMENT OF ZIONIST CONGRESS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The Jewish Agency executive reaffirmed today its decision to convene the 25th World Zionist Congress here on December 27.

The action came in consideration by the executive of a proposal from the World Mizrahi Center to postpone the date of the Congress. The executive decided that the reasons given for a postponement did not warrant such action.

### GERMANY TO PAY \$20,000,000 COMPENSATION TO NAZI VICTIMS IN BELGIUM

BONN, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- West Germany will pay to Belgium 80,000,000 Deutsche marks (\$20,000,000) in compensation to victims of the Nazi occupation of Belgium.

A spokesman for the Foreign Office here announced today that long-pending negotiations for a restitution treaty have been completed between Belgium and the Federal Republic of Germany. The treaty will be signed soon, the spokesman said.

### DR. OBERLAENDER CLEARED OF INVOLVEMENT IN NAZI EXECUTIONS IN LWOW

BONN, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Former Minister for Refugees Theodor Oberlaender has reportedly been cleared by a special parliamentary committee of the dominant government party, the Christian Democratic Union, of charges that he was part of a Nazi team that ordered the execution of Polish and Jewish intellectuals in 1941, during World War II, at Lwow, which was then part of Poland.

As a result, it is believed, a move undertaken months ago, to lift Dr. Oberlaender's parliamentary immunity so that he may be prosecuted for atrocities, will very likely be quashed when Parliament reconvenes.

Dr. Oberlaender resigned from the Adenauer Cabinet last spring under fire of charges that he had been a member of the Nazi "Nightingale Battalion," held responsible for mass murder at Lwow in 1941. However, he is still a member of the Bundestag, the lower house of the West German Parliament.

According to the CDU probers, the murders at Lwow were committed in part by the retreating Soviet Army and in part by Ukrainians who were then under the direction of Russia's present Premier, Nikita Khrushchev. After the Russian army retreated, under battering by Hitler's forces, murders were committed in Lwow, the investigators report, by Nazi Secret Servicemen whose "responsible leaders were found guilty by the Nuremberg Military Tribunal and put to death."

### AMERICAN JEWISH YOUTH PARLEY OPENS; 19 ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTED

STARLIGHT, Pa., Sept. 6. (JTA) -- A call to all Jewish youth organizations in the United States to expand their ranks, and "unify their common interests," was made here tonight by Eliahu Dobkin, head of the Youth and Hechalutz Department of the Jewish Agency in Israel. Mr. Dobkin addressed the opening session here of the Conference of Jewish Youth of the United States and Canada, attended by 150 delegates representing 19 national Jewish youth organizations.

Mr. Dobkin, who brought greetings from the youth of Israel, asked the delegates of the various organizations present to "learn from one another and seek to understand each other despite the kaleidoscopic differences in Jewish life that are here represented." He urged American Jewish youth to "accept the obligation of affiliation with a Jewish youth organization."

Dr. Abraham Duker, president of the College of Jewish Studies, Chicago, called upon American Jews to preserve their heritage by working toward a "balanced integration of American and Jewish culture." He said such a balance could not be created without an intensification of Jewish education at all levels.

The three-day conference, which is sponsored by the youth department of the Jewish Agency, is the first of its kind in which all 19 Zionist and non-Zionist groups have participated. The groups represented here include:

B'nai B'rith Youth Organization, B'nai Akiva of North America, Brith Trumpeldor-Betar, Canadian Young Judea, Dror Hechalutz Hatzair, Hashomer Hatzair, Hillel Foundations, Ichud Habonim, Jewish Welfare Board, Canadian YM & YWHA, Junior Hadassah, Mizrahi Hatzair, National Conference of Synagogue Youth, National Federation of Temple Youth, Student Zionist Organization, United Synagogue Youth, Young Israel Intercollegiate Council, Young Judea, and Young Zionists of America.

### JEWS IN HAMBURG OPEN SYNAGOGUE; ALL SYNAGOGUES WERE DESTROYED BY NAZIS

HAMBURG, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The Jewish community in Hamburg celebrated today the opening of the first synagogue built since Hitler destroyed the synagogues in 1938. A Jewish spokesman said that there were 1,400 Jews in Hamburg today, compared with 27,000 in 1933.

## CANADIAN GOVT. ASKED TO NEGOTIATE WITH POLAND ON JEWISH PROPERTY

MONTREAL, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- A request that the Canadian Government open negotiations with Poland for payment to Canadian citizens for property nationalized or otherwise appropriated by the Polish Government, has been renewed by the Canadian Jewish Congress, it was disclosed here today.

The CJC first made the request in 1958 to Prime Minister John G. Diefenbaker. Representations were also made to the Polish Embassy's charge d'affaires here, at the time, by Saul Hayes, CJC executive vice-president. Both approaches pointed out that Canadian citizens were being discriminated against in this respect, while Poland has recognized similar claims from citizens of the United States and Britain.

## WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS TO DISCUSS ANTI-SEMITISM IN LATIN AMERICA

MONTEVIDEO, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The problem of anti-Semitism in Latin America, will be examined at a plenary session of the South American executive of the World Jewish Congress, to be convened here next Saturday and Sunday.

Representatives of the WJC are expected to attend the session from Argentina, Brazil, Uruguay, Chile, Bolivia, Paraguay and Peru. Among the guest speakers scheduled for the meetings are the Israel Ambassador here, Itzhak Harkavy; and Dr. Moses Weiler, representing Beth Hatzfutzot, the planned new center for Jewish Communities Outside Israel, which is to be established in Israel.

## SEN. SPARKMAN VISITS ISRAEL; CONFERS WITH BEN-GURION AND GOLDA MEIR

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Senator John J. Sparkman, Alabama Democrat now on a visit to Israel, told the press here today he felt certain that the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee would back any measure which would help to bring Middle East peace.

The Senator met with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion and Mrs. Golda Meir, Israel's Foreign Minister, during his visit. He was scheduled to visit Jordan next.

## ARAB NEWSPAPERMEN TO START TWO-MONTH VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES

NEW YORK, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Six Arabian newspapermen are among 14 Moslem newspaper executives from the Middle East and Africa who will make a two-month visit to the United States, starting Thursday with a seminar at the American Press Institute of Columbia University.

The six Arabian news executives are from Jordan, Lebanon, and the United Arab Republic. Rockefeller and Ford Foundation grants are financing the program, designed for an exchange of professional information and increasing understanding between countries and peoples. Overseas travel funds for the participants are provided by the State Department.

## AMERICAN ISRAELI PAPER MILLS REPORT PROFIT DESPITE SHUTDOWN

NEW YORK, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Net income from operations of American Israeli Paper Mills Ltd. for the fiscal year ended March 31, 1960, exceeded the previous year despite a three-month shutdown for the expansion of its paper making facilities, Joseph M. Mazer, chairman of the board, announced here today as the company's annual report was distributed to holders of American shares.

This was the first annual report to holders of American shares since the stock was listed for trading on the American Stock Exchange in August 1959. He reported that net income from operations amounted to \$1,476,636 compared with \$1,470,968 the previous year. Sales were \$5,951,918 against \$6,513,514.

Because of the company's decision to charge off shut-down and start-up expenses of \$751,195 to income as a non-recurring loss, instead of amortizing the cost, net income after taxes amounted to \$594,807, equal to 27 cents per share on American shares, against \$735,591, or 33 cents per share in the previous year.

## GRSHOVITZ, J. W. B. EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, DEAD; FUNERAL TODAY

NEW YORK, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Samuel D. Gershovitz, 53, executive vice-president of the National Jewish Welfare Board, died yesterday in New Rochelle, N.Y. He had been executive vice-president of the JWB since 1947. Funeral services will be held tomorrow with New York.

Mr. Gershovitz joined the JWB in 1939 as field director of its Mid-West section. He served as executive director of Jewish Community Centers in Chicago from 1944 to 1947 returning to the JWB in 1947. He was a member of the board of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America and also a member of the governors board of the American Jewish Historical Society. In 1952 he won the Sam Beber Award of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization for his long career of service to young people.