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## LAVON OUSTED FROM HISTADRUT POST AT EXECUTIVE MEETING; VOTE IS 58 TO 46

TEL AVIV, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Pinhas Lavon was ousted today as secretary general of the Histadrut, Israel's Labor Federation, by a solid vote of the 58 Mapai members who represented a majority on the executive of the Histadrut. Forty-six members representing other parties voted against the ouster and demanded a full vote of confidence in the Histadrut leader.

Mr. Lavon accepted the majority verdict in a lengthy letter which he read to the meeting of the Histadrut executive. The letter contained a dramatic warning of "woe to the public that depends on this or that man" -- a reference to David Ben-Gurion, who had demanded Mr. Lavon's ouster as one of the conditions of his acceptance of a mandate to form a new Government. Mr. Ben-Gurion resigned on January 31 as a protest against a Cabinet vote of approval for a Ministerial Committee report exonerating Mr. Lavon, as Defense Minister in 1954, of responsibility for a security mishap that year.

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Lavon expressed his regret at departing from his post and described in detail the findings of the Ministerial Committee. He stressed that there were "some people who could not agree with my exoneration" in the 1954 mishap, and said that this attitude had resulted in "unnecessary complications" which had an adverse effect on the public and the state.

He said he welcomed renewed appearances of students and intellectuals who, earlier in the struggle between the two Mapai leaders, had warned supporters of Mr. Ben-Gurion that their tactics were a possible threat to democracy in the Jewish State.

After the vote, leaders of the minority parties read statements in support of Mr. Lavon and demanded he remain in office. However, Mr. Lavon said that after the decision against him adopted last Saturday at a meeting of the Mapai central committee, it was clear that he could not continue in office.

Just before the Histadrut executive session started, a group of students tried to enter the Histadrut building with a petition supporting Mr. Lavon. However, they were dispersed by local guards.

The ouster ended one phase of the long-standing Lavon affair but the second phase, that of the Government crisis, remained unsolved with a growing number of Israel's political parties beginning to think that the only solution was new national elections.

### Mapai Leaders Urge Ben-Gurion to 'Forget the Lavon Affair'

JERUSALEM, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- David Ben-Gurion has been urged by leaders of his Mapai party to issue a "let's forget the Lavon affair" statement to speed formation of a new Government to replace the one he toppled January 31.

A pledge to that effect would be an assurance to would-be coalition partners that Mr. Ben-Gurion would not revive his demand for a new investigation into the 1954 security mishap which led to a bitter personal feud between Mr. Ben-Gurion and Pinhas Lavon, who bowed to Mapai pressure and resigned today as Histadrut secretary-general.

The left-wing Mapam, however, said it had informed President Ben-Zvi that it was ready to join the Mapai party in a new Government coalition only if some leader other than Mr. Ben-Gurion was the Prime Minister. It appeared likely that Achdut Avodah, which opposed the Prime Minister on the Lavon battle even more strongly than did Mapam, would set a similar condition for joining a new Mapai-dominated coalition.

The key to the coalition maneuverings still appeared, however, to rest with the Progressive party which Mr. Ben-Gurion was continuing to court intensively. The Progressives promised to give Mr. Ben-Gurion a reply by Sunday. Meanwhile, they issued a denial of reports in Mapai newspapers that they were already inclined to enter a new Ben-Gurion coalition.

President Ben-Zvi met today with the General Zionists who proposed new general elections as had the Herut at a consultation meeting with the President. It was reported that both Mapam and Achdut Avodah also were leaning toward the idea of a new elections. There was no certainty that Mr. Ben-Gurion would not find elections fitting his purposes. If he won, he would be able to reshuffle the list of Mapai members of the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, to give higher positions to his supporters in the party.

MOROCCAN GOVERNMENT INCLUDES JEW IN ECONOMIC DELEGATION TO ROME

CASABLANCA, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Inclusion of a Jew in a Moroccan economic delegation to Italy was seen by Jewish sources here today as presaging an easing of the tensions in Moroccan-Jewish relations developing since the visit to Morocco last month of President Nasser of the United Arab Republic.

The Jewish member is Isaac Abergel, secretary general of the Investments Commission of the Moroccan Ministry of Finance. The delegation, which is headed by Mohamed Douiri, the Moroccan Minister of the National Economy, will go to Italy to sign a new trade agreement. Mr. Abergel, as a member of the delegation, was received by King Mohamed V who gave instructions to the delegation.

Meanwhile it was disclosed today that a member of the faculty of the Alliance Israelite Universelle schools here was arrested Sunday and detained overnight. Police said that the teacher, who is serving a training period here, was arrested only because he had no identity papers. He was detained while walking to his home.

The explanation seemed to suggest that the arrest was of a different category than the recent wholesale detentions directed only at Jews. However, on the same night, another Jew, an employee of the Casablanca Jewish community, was arrested for the same reason. Both men were released after a night's detention.

Official Government sources maintained complete silence today over receipt of a telegram from the CRIF, a major French Jewish organization, expressing anxiety over the worsening of the situation of Moroccan Jewry.

In its telegram to the Moroccan Government, CRIF paid tribute to the memory of the 43 Moroccan Jewish men, women and children who perished off the coast of Morocco last month en route to Israel. The Moroccan Information Minister refused to comment on the matter.

Despite the fact that the telegram was stated in moderate terms, it was understood to have received a negative reaction from Moroccan Moslems who do not understand why any foreign organization should "interfere" in a matter they consider entirely internal.

STEVENSON URGES STATE DEPT. TO STUDY TREATMENT OF JEWS IN RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Adlai Stevenson, American Ambassador to the United Nations, today informed Senator Kenneth Keating, New York Republican, that he has requested the State Department to carefully follow the plight of Jews in the Soviet Union "with a view to possible new initiatives in the United Nations."

In a letter to the Senator, Mr. Stevenson said he had heard recent reports on persecution of Jews in Russia and "has been shocked and disturbed by such news. I am so new at my job here that I do not feel in a position to comment on your suggestions about new actions by the United Nations," he wrote to Sen. Keating. "Racial discrimination in all its forms is, of course, condemned by the United Nations Charter and by the Declaration on Human Rights. Much is being done by the UN to deal with the problem."

Mr. Stevenson sent a copy of the Keating letter on the Jewish issue to the State Department along with his request for pursuit of the matter.

ISRAEL MINISTER OF JUSTICE DEFENDS WIRETAPPING AS SECURITY MEASURE

JERUSALEM, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Justice Minister Pinhas Rosen expressed the opinion today that wiretapping and censorship were being "overdone" in Israel but defended both procedures on grounds of state security requirements.

The Justice Minister took that stand in replying in the Knesset, Israel's Parliament, on private members bills calling for a ban on wiretapping and invalidating evidence for courts collected by this means. The bills were introduced by Zvi Zimmerman of the General Zionists and Haim Landau of the right-wing Herut.

The two deputies cited examples of Ministers and Knesset members as being among persons whose telephones had been tapped and police introduction of testimony obtained by such methods.

Mr. Rosen, who admitted he had experienced "letter-snooping," said that the next Israel Government, whether or not he was in it, would consider steps to limit wiretapping to an essential minimum for reasons of security only. He added he did not object to having the bills submitted to committee for further study and formulation.

GROUP OF PRIVATE U.S. INVESTORS LEAVES FOR ISRAEL; OTHERS TO FOLLOW

NEW YORK, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- A group of 47 private investors today departed on the first Shareholders Tour of Israel. Before their departure, they were guests at a reception at Idlewild airport given by Mr. Aryeh Manor, Economic Minister of Israel and Mr. Shimon Horn, North American director of the Government of Israel Investment Authority. The 18-day excursion is the first of several such tours.

### GERMANY TO PAY \$30,000,000 TO DUTCH VICTIMS OF NAZI REGIME

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Dutch officials said today that under the Dutch-West German treaty of indemnification, which will soon be put before the Dutch Parliament, West Germany will pay 125,000,000 marks (\$30,000,000) for all Dutch victims of the Nazi regime. Distribution of the funds will be decided by the Dutch Government which has set up an advisory committee for the task.

Foreign Minister Josef Luns said today that as part of the indemnification agreement, a "Cemetery of Honor" will be established in Duesseldorf, Germany, in memory of the 107,000 Dutch civilian deportees, mainly Jews, who were taken to Poland, Czechoslovakia and Germany and murdered by the Nazis.

The Foreign Minister reported that arrangements for such memorials will also be made in Hamburg, Hanover and Frankfurt. Books will be prepared in memory of the victims and placed in each "Cemetery of Honor," the Minister said. All of the Dutch victims of Nazi mass murders will be listed in the volumes.

The other memorial centers will commemorate the 5,600 Dutch civilians who perished in Bergen Belsen, Dachau, Natzweiler, Flossenberg and Neuengamme. Thousands of Jews were included among the latter victims.

### NAZI DEPUTY OF 'HENCHMAN OF LUBLIN' ARRESTED; DISCOVERED IN HAMBURG

BONN, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Georg Michalsen, a 54-year-old former SS Major who served as deputy to Odilo Gjobocnik, the Henchman of Lublin, was arrested near Hamburg two weeks ago, the Hamburg Prosecutor's office reported yesterday.

Michalsen was tracked down in a nationwide search by the Central War Crimes Commission. He was found residing in a Hamburg suburb and working as a bookkeeper. He was charged with complicity in the murder of millions of Jews in the Nazi camps at Belzec, Treblinka, Sobibor and Majdanek.

A six-year sentence was demanded today by the prosecution for former SS General Bernard von Dem Bach Zelewski, for his participation in the shooting of an East Prussian landowner in the Roehm Putsch of 1934. The former SS General commanded an SS Einsatz Commando unit during World War II which murdered thousands of Poles and Jews.

### GERMAN PROSECUTOR STARTS INVESTIGATION ON NAZI 'EUTHANASIA' DOCTOR

FRANKFURT, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- A preliminary investigation against Dr. Werner Heyde, the notorious "euthanasia" doctor, has been started by the Limburg prosecutor's office, Fritz Bauer, Attorney General of Hesse, announced today.

A simultaneous investigation has been started against Gerhardt Bohne, an attorney, who had an administrative post on Hitler's euthanasia staff for which Dr. Heyde was one of the chief medical advisers.

Dr. Heyde has been charged with the murder of many thousands of mental patients and political prisoners. Bohne has been charged with complicity in the murder of about 10,000 victims. The two men have been detained in a Frankfurt prison since 1959. The case was turned over to the Limburg prosecution because most of the crimes charged against the two were committed in the Hadamar mental sanatorium near Limburg.

### HIGH NAZI OFFICIAL REPORTED HOLDING POST OF POLICE CHIEF IN VIENNA

VIENNA, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- The Communist newspaper, Volkstimme, reported today that a former high SS officer, Dr. A. Quietensky, was given the post of police commander of a Vienna district.

The newspaper asserted that Quietensky was a commander of the German security police in the Ukrainian town of Zhitomir and later in Smolensk. After the end of the war, according to Volkstimme, Quietensky was suspended but later reinstated as a police officer. He received \$2,000 as "compensation" for the suspension, the paper said.

### POLISH LEADER ACCUSED OF DELIVERING JEWS TO NAZIS IN WARSAW

PARIS, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- A leading Paris newspaper, Le Figaro, reported today that the prominent Polish leader Piasecki, was being accused not only in free Europe but also in Warsaw of collaboration in German anti-Jewish crimes during the Nazi period.

The Polish leader, now head of the Catholic Organization which is closely associated with Polish Communist ruling circles, has been accused openly in Warsaw of delivering to the Germans a Jewish woman and her two young daughters.

Radio Free Europe and Radio Lisbon first made the charges against the Polish leaders, asserting that his collaboration was uncovered during the investigation into the crimes of Adolf Eichmann, who goes on trial for crimes against humanity and the Jewish people in Jerusalem March 15.

### STANFORD UNIVERSITY FRATERNITY FIRM ON ACCEPTANCE OF JEWISH MEMBERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Officers of the Stanford University chapter of Alpha Tau Omega held firmly today to their refusal to drop four Jewish student pledges under threat from the national officers of revoking the chapter's charter.

National leaders met with the chapter officials at a closed door meeting in Palto Alto but the meeting ended with no change in the position of either group.

Gerald E. Johnson, who represented the five-man high council of the national office, explained that the national policy was not to exclude Jews "if they embrace the Christian faith." He said the national council would study the situation and decide what action should be taken on the ultimatum.

Michael Kavanaugh, president of the chapter, reiterated an earlier policy statement of the chapter that it had the right to choose its own members without regard to race, color or religion.

He was vigorously supported by William Craig, Stanford Dean of Men and California State Attorney General Stanley Mosk, who suggested that the chapter go into the courts to sustain its position. He also asked other California college officials to determine what their chapters of the fraternity were doing in regard to admissions. The fraternity has chapters at San Jose and San Diego and at Berkeley, UCLA, Occidental and the University of Southern California.

### LAKE FOREST COLLEGE FRATERNITY OUSTS JEWISH STUDENT FROM MEMBERSHIP

LAKE FOREST, Ill., Feb. 9. (JTA) -- An official of Lake Forest College said today that David C. Schiller of Chicago had been ousted from the Phi Delta Theta fraternity chapter on orders of the fraternity's national council because he was Jewish.

Howard Hoogesteger, dean of students said that the youth, who refused to comment on the announcement, had been pledged to the chapter in November and that the action was reversed early in January by the national council.

The dean said that the youth was continuing to live at the fraternity house as a "social member." A student-faculty-trustee-alumni group disclosed that the chapter had pledged the Chicago student in the hope that the action "would be approved by the national council."

### JEWISH GROUPS OPPOSE 'RELIGIOUS MATCHING' IN ADOPTION OF CHILDREN

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Representatives of Jewish organizations clashed yesterday with Catholic and Protestant spokesmen over a "religious matching" clause in a bill to set up stricter safeguards for adoptions handled privately between families.

The bill would provide for earlier and stricter court investigation and supervision of non-agency adoptions. Its general purposes were endorsed by spokesmen for all the religious, welfare and bar groups who attended a public hearing on the measure.

The disputed clause would provide that "when practicable, children be placed with foster parents of their own religious faiths." The Catholic and Protestant representatives supported such "religious matching" provisions with the argument that it was in conformity with present public policy outlined in the New York state social welfare law and which is now in effect for agency adoptions.

The Jewish representatives argued that such a provision would deprive adoptive parents of the right to determine what religion their adopted children should be raised in and that it would be a violation of freedom of religion. They also argued that such a requirement could nullify the wishes of the natural parents.

### LOS ANGELES TEMPLE GETS RARE LEAF OF GUTENBERG BIBLE AS GIFT

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Officials of Sinai Temple announced today that a rare leaf from the 600-year-old Gutenberg Bible, a gift from a collector of rare books and manuscripts, will go on display during the Temple's Festival of Dedication here February 12-19.

The priceless leaf was one of seven Bible items given to the Temple for its permanent library by Samuel D. Steinberg of Los Angeles. The leaf is from the Book of Genesis and comes from one of only 12 known copies of the Bible printed from movable type in Mainz, Germany, by Gutenberg, inventor of the process.

### EX-PRESIDENT OF BRAZIL THANKS JEWS FOR AID TO HIS ADMINISTRATION

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 9. (JTA) -- Former President Juscelino Kubitschek expressed his appreciation to a number of Jewish organizations and prominent Jews, for their "patriotic support" of his administration.

Among the organizations which received farewell letters from Kubitschek prior to his departure from office last week, was the Rio de Janeiro Hebraica organization.