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### ISRAEL PRESIDENT DECIDES TO RECOMMEND HOLDING OF GENERAL ELECTIONS

JERUSALEM, March 9. (JTA) -- President Izhak Ben-Zvi has abandoned his attempts to resolve the Government crisis and will inform the Israel Parliament that there is no solution except recourse to general elections, it was learned today.

Mr. Ben-Zvi, it was disclosed, was preparing a letter in which he will formally notify Kaddish Luz, Speaker of the Knesset, of his decision. The Speaker is expected to read the letter to the House on Monday, the announcement to be followed by debate on bills calling for dissolution of Parliament and the holding of new elections.

Intensive inter-party negotiations proceeded today, their objective being formation of at least two new blocs to contest the elections which are not likely to be held before August. In addition to the negotiations between the General Zionist and Progressive parties looking to formation of a united liberal party, the Mapam and Achdut Avodah parties began talks on formation of a "Socialist bloc" and a joint election list.

Party officials spoke of "keeping the list open for other elements who participated in the fight for the defense of democracy"--presumably meaning the Mapai party supporters of Pinhas Lavon, ousted Histadrut secretary-general, in his fight with Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion. The present government crisis was brought about by Mr. Ben-Gurion's resignation on January 21 over Cabinet approval of a Ministerial committee's acceptance of a report favorable to Lavon.

### General Zionists Approve Formation of New Liberal Party

The executive board of the General Zionist party approved a report recommending creation of a new Liberal party composed of the General Zionists, the Progressives and a group of intellectuals hitherto without specific party commitments. Although this proposed merger would bar merger of the General Zionists and the Herut party, the report was unanimously accepted.

The party executive will name a formal negotiating committee tomorrow to meet with the Progressives. General Zionist leaders denied that they had already agreed to the election of Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, as head of the proposed new party, saying that this question had not yet been discussed.

Prospects for the merger of the two leftist Socialist parties appeared good after initial meetings of their leaders. Israel Bar-Yehuda, an Achdut Avodah leader, told newsmen that "it is natural that we should meet on the eve of elections to discuss the future. For the time being, that is all I am ready to say."

Efforts to bring about a third merger--this time of the religious parties--failed to make headway. Representatives of the National Religious party met with leaders of the Aguda Workers party. They said later that a possible merger was discussed. The National Religious party reiterated its former position that it was prepared for a complete merger of the parties but would not agree on the basis of a united front in the forthcoming elections.

### MOROCCO BREAKS PACT WITH ALLIANCE ISRAELITE; 'INTEGRATES' JEWISH SCHOOLS

PARIS, March 9. (JTA) -- Morocco officially renounced today the 1928 convention with the Alliance Israelite Universelle. An edict published today in the Official Gazette, which bears the seal of the late King Mohammed V, formally "integrated" the Alliance schools into the national educational network.

The act regularizes an "integration process" which has existed for nearly one year. It is understood that the Alliance and the Moroccan Government have already reached a new agreement dealing with the organization's activities in the country, and it is expected that an official edict will soon formalize this situation.

Last September, one-third of the Alliance schools were integrated and today's edict indicates that the authorities intend to continue in this direction. The Alliance has in Morocco some 30 schools with an enrollment of 30,000 pupils. Moroccan Jewry depends, to a large extent, on the Alliance network for its educational needs.

## ALGERIAN NATIONALISTS CONSIDER ALGERIAN JEWS AS ALGERIANS

WASHINGTON, March 9. (JTA) -- A statement differentiating between the status-of Algerian Jews and European elements in Algeria was issued today in a denial of anti-Semitism by the representative here of the Algerian Front of National Liberation.

A. Chanderli, permanent representative of the Algerian revolutionists, said: "With regard to Algerian Jews, we consider that they constitute a category completely distinct from the European element. The Algerian Jews are not colonial invaders."

"On the contrary," said the Algerian nationalist spokesman, "the 150,000 persons of Jewish faith in Algeria are historically among the earliest inhabitants of the country. During the years of colonial rule, Jews as well as Arabs, being indigenous to Algeria, have been subject to the disdain of the European colonists. During World War II, with pro-Vichy French elements in control of Algeria, they were subject to special discriminatory legislation, humiliations, etc., in accord with the anti-Semitic policies of the governmental authorities."

On the issue of whether Algeria's Jews were French nationals, "since 1871 by means of a French Government decree," Mr. Chanderli said, "The Algerian Jews are in reality Algerians--by their history, their language, their traditions. They are not foreign colonizers who have come to our land. Algeria is their country and homeland as it is the homeland of Moslem Algerians."

"The very first proclamation of the Algerian Front of National Liberation in Nov., 1954, defined as the primary aim of the revolution the restoration of an independent, democratic Algerian state in which fundamental liberties shall be guaranteed to all, with no distinction based on race, creed or religion," Mr. Chanderli continued. "The first policy statement of the provisional government of the Algerian republic, on Sept. 26, 1958, again made clear that Algeria, freed of colonialists, will have neither first nor second class citizens and will make no distinction due to race or religion among those who wish to remain Algerian."

The statement by Mr. Chanderli referred to the choice that will be given to "Europeans of Algeria" to either opt for Algerian citizenship or to be considered foreigners. However, the Algerian leader stressed that Algerian Jews are Algerians, completely distinct "from the European element." This was interpreted here by some to indicate that Jews in Algeria might not be considered French citizens under an Algerian Nationalist regime despite the Cremieux Decree issued by the French Government in 1871, and thus given no option to leave the country when Algeria gains independence.

## Z. O. A. PRESIDENT URGES U. S. JEWISH YOUTH TO ENLIST IN 'PEACE CORPS'

NEW YORK, March 9. (JTA) -- Hailing President Kennedy's proposal for the creation of a permanent Youth Peace Corps to aid, by their technical skill, underdeveloped countries, Max Bessler, president of the Zionist Organization of America, tonight issued an appeal to American Jewish young men and women to enlist in the Peace Corps giving as their preference service in the underdeveloped areas of Israel such as the Negev, the hills of Judea and the Eastern Galilee.

The ZOA president spoke at the opening plenary session of a four-day meeting of the National Executive Council of the Zionist Organization of America, the ruling body of the organization between annual conventions. He emphasized that the appeal of President Kennedy for the establishment of a youth peace corps "refutes for all time the trumped-up false notions of dual loyalties by those who lack confidence in our democratic system or misunderstand its social texture."

Mr. Bessler asked all young men and women who possess the skill and the capacity to help meet the demands of the swiftly evolving economy of Israel in the villages, in the towns and factories of Israel and are interested to aid that country through the peace corps, to communicate with the Zionist Organization of America.

## ROGOSIN CHANGES DECISION TO SETTLE IN ISRAEL; DEFERS INVESTMENTS

NEW YORK, March 9. (JTA) -- Israel Rogosin, American Jewish industrialist and a leading private investor in Israel, today issued a statement here reporting his decision to defer further investments in Israel and to postpone his moving to Israel for permanent settlement there.

"It is a change of mind--not a change of heart," he declared. He said he had decided to change his plans to settle in Israel now even though he had already sold his home in America. He was deeply disappointed, he explained, by the lack of receptiveness to his continued plea for a sounder approach to the encouragement of private foreign investment.

He stressed that he had attempted to set an example of how basic industry could be developed in Israel on a profitable and sound economic basis without government subsidies and protective tariffs. He had hoped that by this example he could induce companies in other fields to participate in similar investments in Israel, he pointed out.

Mr. Rogosin said he strongly felt that the time had come for Israel to move away from joining forces with manipulators and promoters to make a "fast buck." Until his views fall upon more receptive ears than at present he was unwilling to expand his investments in Israel, Mr. Rogosin stated. He emphasized that his decision was by no means final, and that he would return to Israel shortly to review the situation.

## ADENAUER CONDEMNS EICHMANN AND HIS CRIMES IN GERMAN PARLIAMENT

BONN, March 9. (JTA) -- Chancellor Konrad Adenauer made a special statement from the rostrum of the Bundestag yesterday affirming that "the German people are absolutely unanimous in their condemnation and abhorrence of (Adolf) Eichmann and his crimes."

The Chancellor's statement came after angry scenes in the Lower House when leaders of the Social Democratic opposition demanded that the Chancellor repudiate a hate-mongering campaign against Willy Brandt, Mayor of West Berlin, who heads the Social Democratic ticket in the forthcoming elections. Some of the Chancellor's followers had accused Brandt of "treason" because he emigrated from Germany during the Nazi regime.

Fritz Erler, the Social Democratic deputy chairman of the Bundestag, took the floor yesterday to demand repudiation of these attacks on Brandt. He told the chamber that Hitler and Eichmann, who is now awaiting trial in Israel for the slaughter of six million Jews, were not identical with Germany. A voice from the floor interrupted: "Neither is Willy Brandt." The Social Democrat excitedly replied: "If I had to cast my vote for Eichmann or Brandt, I would vote for Brandt."

Dr. Adenauer objected to this option offered by Mr. Erler, asserting that it would cause "incalculable damage to the entire German people." He then said from the rostrum: "I hereby affirm that the German people are absolutely unanimous in their condemnation and abhorrence of Eichmann and his crimes."

The attacks on the West German Mayor for having emigrated to fight the Nazis drew sharp criticism today in the publication of the Central Council of Jews in Germany. Dr. H. G. Van Dam, the organization's secretary-general, wrote there that "it is sad, indeed, if Germans today must defend themselves for having actively resisted the Nazi regime."

## JEWISH GROUPS LOSE BATTLE AGAINST NEW YORK STATE TUITION-AID BILL

ALBANY, N. Y., March 9. (JTA) -- Governor Nelson A. Rockefeller's revised student incentive proposal providing for financial aid to students in a sectarian as well as non-sectarian colleges, was passed by the State Senate today by a vote of 47 to seven. The bill, which provides for payments of \$100 to \$300 to students paying more than \$200 per year tuition who meet academic tests, now goes to the State Assembly for further action.

The American Jewish Congress and other Jewish organizations had called for defeat of the measure on the grounds that it was "inconsistent with the Constitutional principle of separation of church and state and ineffective in meeting the need for improving the quality and quantity of higher education in New York State."

## STANFORD UNIVERSITY FRATERNITY FIRM ON ACCEPTING JEWS AS MEMBERS

STANFORD, Cal., March 9. (JTA) -- The Stanford University chapter of the Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, which was ousted by the high council of the national fraternity yesterday in Chicago because it had accepted four Jewish students as members, said today that it would become an independent local fraternity.

The chapter had the strong backing of the university president and state authorities in its refusal to oust the Jewish members as directed by the national high council.

The California Attorney General's office, meanwhile, said that it would ask the University of California Board of Regents and the State College Board of Trustees to require schools under their jurisdiction to withdraw recognition of local chapters of the national fraternity.

## ROBERT FROST, AMERICAN POET, LEAVES FOR ISRAEL TO LECTURE ON U.S. CULTURE

NEW YORK, March 9. (JTA) -- American poet Robert Frost left tonight for the Hebrew University of Jerusalem to serve as the first lecturer in American Culture and Civilization in the Chair established by Samuel Paley of Philadelphia, Pa.

At a luncheon tendered to Mr. Frost today by the American Friends of the Hebrew University prior to his departure, Daniel G. Ross, chairman of the board, expressed the organization's profound satisfaction over Mr. Frost's visit to the Hebrew University. "We, who are dedicated to a program of cultural interaction between our American civilization and the flowering new civilization of Israel, see in Robert Frost's visit to the Hebrew University the concrete expression of this idea," he said. "We also see in it a reflection of Israel's quest for excellence of mind and spirit."

President Kennedy, in a message to Mr. Frost, said: "I am delighted to learn of your recent appointment as the first Samuel Paley lecturer in American Culture and Civilization at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. I know that your visit will provide the people of Israel with a rare cultural opportunity. I wish you all success in your journey."

## ISRAEL OPENS CONSULATE IN TORONTO; THIRD REPRESENTATION IN CANADA

TORONTO, Ont., March 9. (JTA) -- An Israel Consulate, Israel's third representation in Canada, was opened here today. Israel maintains an Embassy in Ottawa and a Consulate General in Montreal.

### CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS HAILS ONTARIO BAN ON BIAS IN HOUSING

MONTREAL, March 9. (JTA) -- The Canadian Jewish Congress hailed an announcement by Ontario Premier Leslie M. Frost that his provincial government had amended the Fair Accommodation Practices Act to include provisions against racial and religious discrimination in housing.

The ban applies in the renting of apartments in buildings containing more than six units. Labor Minister Charles Daley presented a companion measure to change the name of the Ontario Anti-Discrimination Commission to the Ontario Human Rights Commission.

In introducing the measure, the Premier said that the government "should not interfere with the rights of people to choose their friends and to operate their own homes as they see fit. Accordingly, we have confined this legislation, insofar as apartments are concerned, to the type of accommodation which can really be termed public accommodation."

In praising the legislation, the Canadian Jewish Congress commended the Ontario Government "on this move towards a higher concept of human and social relations and greet it as part of the structure of such legislation that has been built up in the last number of years."

### JEWISH PHILANTHROPIST GIVES \$2,600,000 TO THREE NEW YORK INSTITUTIONS

NEW YORK, March 9. (JTA) -- Gifts totaling \$2,600,000 to three artistic, educational and religious institutions to endow a series of cultural activities, were announced today by Albert A. List, Jewish philanthropist and chairman of the Albert A. List Foundation. The gifts will be made by the Foundation and by Mr. List and his family.

The recipients and the sum each will receive are: the Lincoln Center for Performing Arts--\$1,000,000; the New School for Social Research--\$1,000,000; and the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and its Jewish Museum--\$600,000. The Foundation was created in 1945 by Mr. and Mrs. List to "enrich adult life by assisting institutions in carrying out imaginative, far-reaching artistic and educational programs."

The gifts to the Seminary and its Museum consist of a \$500,000 grant for a new three-story building for the museum which will more than double its exhibition area and \$100,000 to finance scholarships and the work of the Herbert H. Lehman Institute of Ethics.

### JEWISH TEEN-AGERS IN 80 CITIES POLLED ON INTER-DATING, KASHRUTH, ISRAEL

NEW YORK, March 9. (JTA) -- The majority of Jewish boys and girls in Conservative congregations in the United States and Canada are opposed to inter-dating, plan to keep kosher homes when they marry and do not approve of active attempts to convert non-Jews to Judaism.

These were some of the results in the first student opinion poll conducted by Our Age, the teen-age magazine of the United Synagogue of America Commission on Jewish Education. Over 2,800 boys and girls between the ages of 12 and 16, in 80 American cities and Canada, were questioned. While 70 percent expressed a desire to visit Israel, few planned to settle there permanently.

Although the majority of those sampled opposed inter-dating, boys had more liberal views on the subject than girls, 43 percent of the boys believing it proper for Jewish boys to date non-Jewish girls. On the question of Kashruth, however, boys and girls joined in favor of keeping kosher homes after marriage.

### LILY EDELMAN APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF B'NAI B'RITH ADULT STUDY PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, March 9. (JTA) -- Appointment of Lily Edelman of Baltimore as national director of B'nai B'rith's adult Jewish education program was announced today by Maurice Bisgyer, executive vice-president of the organization. Mrs. Edelman has been acting director of the B'nai B'rith program for the past seven months.

### 14,756 TOURISTS ENTERED ISRAEL DURING FIRST TWO MONTHS OF 1961

JERUSALEM, March 9. (JTA) -- The Government Tourist Office said today that 14,756 tourists entered Israel during the first two months of this year. This total compared with 9,800 for the same period of 1960.

### FOREIGN MINISTER OF GUATEMALA ACCEPTS INVITATION TO VISIT ISRAEL

GUATEMALA CITY, March 9. (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Jesus Unda Murillo of Guatemala has accepted an invitation to visit Israel, repaying the visit to this country made by Foreign Minister Golda Meir of Israel two years ago. He will arrive in Israel in mid-April.