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### SIX ISRAELI WORKERS INJURED IN EXPLOSION OF MINE PLANTED BY SYRIANS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Six Israeli workers were injured this morning when their tractor detonated a mine planted near the Syrian border. They were taken to a hospital where their condition was reported as not serious.

The Jewish National Fund workers were on their way to a land reclamation project near Shear Yashuv when the detonation occurred. The blast turned the tractor over and dumped them on the ground. An army unit was rushed to the spot and cleared the area.

Officials said it was virtually certain the mine was planted during the night because the road was used yesterday afternoon. United Nations observers and Israeli officers began an investigation.

The Foreign Affairs and Security Committee of Parliament was given a briefing today by Premier Levi Eshkol on the recent clashes in the Lake Tiberias area in which Syrians attacked a stranded Coast Guard cutter and lost two Soviet-made MIGs in an ensuing air clash. Foreign Minister Abba Eban reported on international incidents. Chief of Staff Yitzhak Rabin also reported.

### MOSCOW ACCUSES ISRAELI DIPLOMAT IN SPREADING 'DIRTY ZIONIST PROPAGANDA'

LONDON, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Ephraim Paz, a member of Israel's mission to the Soviet Union, was accused yesterday by Izvestia, the official organ of the U.S.S.R. Government, of disseminating "dirty" Zionist propaganda, "according to a dispatch received here from Moscow today.

Izvestia charged that Mr. Paz, aided by his wife, Batia, and their young son had distributed the "Zionist propaganda" on beaches, on trains, in taxicabs, restaurants and on streets. Among the material, Izvestia stated, was the novel, "Exodus," by the American author, Leon Uris; Hebrew calendars; postcard views of Tel Aviv and Israeli stamps.

A spokesman for the Israeli embassy in Moscow was quoted as saying: Such allegations have become almost a tradition in the Soviet press before the Jewish New Year. (David Garish, second secretary of the Israel Embassy in Moscow, was similarly accused last month of distributing "Zionist propaganda" and then expelled from the Soviet Union.)

### Signs of Growing Antagonism in Moscow Toward Israel Seen

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The charges in the Soviet press about alleged distribution of "subversive" material by Ephraim Paz, an Israel diplomat, were seen here today as only the latest manifestation of a campaign by Moscow to show its antagonism toward Israel.

As far as the Paz case is concerned, the Foreign Ministry said today it is not prepared to make any comment whatever, since it is still awaiting a report from its Embassy in Moscow on the details of the accusations regarding Mr. Paz. But other recent incidents reflecting Soviet-Israeli relations were pointed out by knowledgeable sources here.

One of these incidents concerns the Kremlin's envoy to Israel, Ambassador Dimitri Chubakhin. Last week when nearly 50 national parliaments were officially represented here at the dedication of Israel's new Knesset (Parliament) building, the Supreme Soviet, (national parliament) of the Soviet Union, was not represented. Several weeks ago, Mr. Chubakhin had told Israel that his Government had delegated him to represent the Supreme Soviet at the ceremonies here. However, Mr. Chubakhin had, meanwhile, left for home on leave, and returned too late to attend the Jerusalem ceremonies.

Another instance indicating Soviet antagonism was revealed here today in connection with a recent visit paid to Moscow by Joseph Tekoah, deputy director-general of Israel's Foreign Ministry and Israel's former Ambassador to Moscow. Contrary to diplomatic protocol, no official of the Soviet Foreign Ministry welcomed Mr. Tekoah when he came to Moscow, nor could Mr. Tekoah meet with any Foreign Ministry official while in the Soviet capital.

NEW CUSTOM REGULATIONS IN ISRAEL AIM TO ATTRACT WESTERN IMMIGRATION

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- New regulations announced today will liberalize rules for immigrants seeking to bring personal effects into Israel as part of a current campaign to encourage immigration from western countries.

Newcomers will henceforth have a month instead of the previous two weeks to make customs declarations on effects they want to import. They also will have 18 months instead of a year to actually import these possessions. Encouragement of immigrants from the west has become one of the main goals of the Government and the Jewish Agency.

BEN-GURION REITERATES HIS CRITICISM AGAINST AMERICAN ZIONISTS

TEL AVIV, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Former Premier David Ben-Gurion reiterated last night his sharp criticism of American Zionist leaders saying that "never -- not before the first World War, or after the Balfour Declaration or even now -- did they emigrate to Israel. The found more honors in working for Israel than working in Israel." He spoke at a symposium here in which Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, was also a speaker.

The former Premier also reiterated his doubts about the need for the Zionist movement, asking "What is the difference in the United States between Zionists and non-Zionists? They both love Israel." He was particularly critical of American Jewry which he said was on its way to absorption by the non-Jewish majority and assimilation. "Only Israel, Jewish education and the Hebrew language" could keep American Jewry Jewish," he said.

Dr. Goldmann insisted on the unity of the Jewish people and on the need for a Diaspora to ensure Israel's survival. He said the issue was not "a question of money or other aid" from Jews outside of Israel "but the need for cultural ties, for something deeper, which puts it aside from all other nations."

ISRAEL TO LAUNCH DIPLOMATIC CAMPAIGN TO GAIN STATUS IN EUROMART

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Officials here reported today that Israel will soon launch a widescale diplomatic campaign for associate member status in the European Common Market.

Israel's present relations with Euromart are based on a trade agreement which will expire in a few months. The agreement fell far short of Israel's hopes when negotiations began two years ago, covering only a few of Israel's many exports to the six Euromart countries.

Israeli officials have always been convinced that associate member status is the only solution to the problems its exports to Euromart have faced. Next week, Israel will send diplomatic notes to the six member states urging consideration of associate membership.

Before Foreign Minister Abba Eban leaves for New York to head the Israeli delegation to the United Nations General Assembly opening September 20, he will meet with the six Ambassadors of the Euromart nations in Israel. The possibility was indicated that Premier Levi Eshkol may visit a number of European capitals to press Israel's request at the highest levels.

RABBINATE TO EXAMINE CHARGE OF YEMENITE PARENTS ON 'LOST' CHILDREN

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The Council of Israel's Chief Rabbinate said today it would examine a charge by a group of Yemenite parents that a number of their children "disappeared" soon after the Yemenites arrived in Israel when the State was established.

The Association of Yemenite Parents, which had threatened to picket the inauguration last week of the new home of Israel's Parliament, submitted to the Council extensive material purporting to prove that 250 children had disappeared.

The parents had charged that the children were taken as infants from the immigrant camps where the newcomers were temporarily settled on arrival. They claimed that they had been told later that the children had died in hospitals but said that no bodies were ever returned or death certificates produced. The association said that a number of the Yemenite parents had received army draft notices for long-lost children who would now be of army age. The coincidence of several such reports by Yemenite parents led to formation of the association to investigate the mystery.

ISRAEL EXPERTS PARTICIPATE IN INTERNATIONAL PARLEY AGAINST RADIATION

ROME, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Israel is represented by a delegation of 12 experts at the International Conference on Protection Against Radiation meeting here this week. The conference will evaluate the possible dangers of radioactive fallout for food and crops.

JOHNSON PUZZLED OVER LACK OF JEWISH SUPPORT FOR HIS VIET NAM POLICY

WASHINGTON, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- President Johnson was characterized by leaders of the Jewish War Veterans who met with him today as disturbed by lack of support for the Viet Nam war in the American Jewish community at a time when he is taking new steps to aid Israel.

President Johnson was described as welcoming JWV backing of his Viet Nam policy while feeling it "incumbent on other major Jewish organizations" to "re-evaluate" their thinking on this subject. National Commander Malcolm Tarlov of the Jewish War Veterans told the White House corps, in relaying these observations, that the President asked the JWV to launch a campaign in the Jewish community to rally support for the Viet Nam war.

The President commended the JWV for concurring on Viet Nam and favoring any necessary increase in military involvement, Mr. Tarlov said. But, said Mr. Tarlov, the President thought that while other American Jewish thinking was "compassionate and knowledgeable" on different issues, he could not understand why such Jews failed to share the JWV stand on Viet Nam.

President Johnson revealed that he had taken steps to provide sophisticated arms to Israel and would now help the Israeli Government out of current economic difficulties, according to the JWV delegation. Mr. Tarlov said the President was mindful of recent developments involving Israeli security.

The JWV commander told the press that the meeting which lasted 35 minutes, was highlighted by strong conviction on the part of the President that Jews who seek U.S. support for co-religionists in Russia and for Israel should vigorously identify with Administration actions in Viet Nam.

Mr. Tarlov announced that, in immediate response to Mr. Johnson's request, the JWV would urge other Jewish groups to back the Viet Nam war "on religious as well as patriotic grounds because wherever Communism has spread, Judaism has decayed." He termed it "absurd" for Jewish groups to dissent on Viet Nam.

The JWV leader said President Johnson urged him to explain to other Jewish leaders the point that if the United States is forced to abandon S.E.A.T.O. "commitments" in Viet Nam, the less explicit American "commitments" to Israel would be jeopardized. Mr. Tarlov presented the President with a resolution just adopted by the JWV "strongly in support" of the war.

The JWV delegation said the President made an impassioned and direct appeal for JWV intercession in the Jewish communities throughout the nation. Members described the President as well informed on the opinions held by various Jewish leaders on Viet Nam, and, especially, the statements of some rabbis. In addition to Mr. Tarlov, the delegation included Monroe Sheinberg, JWV national executive director, and Felix Puterman, the group's national legislative representative.

YESHIVA UNIVERSITY OPENS TWO NEW COLLEGES; STARTS ITS 81st YEAR

NEW YORK, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Two new educational facilities, one on the undergraduate level, the other a graduate school, were launched here today by Yeshiva University, as that institution, with an enrollment of 6,500 students and a faculty numbering 2,200, opened its 81st year.

The new undergraduate facility is the Erna Michael College of Hebraic Studies, made possible by a \$1,250,000 gift by Jakob Michael. This college, according to Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the university, is designed to meet the critical shortage of qualified teachers in Jewish education. Dr. Belkin said it is the first all-day American college to provide liberal arts and professional as well as Jewish studies.

On the graduate level, Yeshiva today launched the Ferkauf Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences. Bringing together under one roof students and scholars from a wide variety of disciplines in the humanities and social sciences, this school, according to Dr. Belkin, will employ a pioneering approach to "enable sociologists and psychologists, authorities in the education of mentally, emotionally and culturally handicapped children, experts on guidance, literature and the arts to gain greater familiarity and respect for different but often complementary academic disciplines, while at the same time pursuing their own specializations and priorities."

At the same time, Yeshiva launched at its graduate center today the Israel Rogosin Center for Ethics and Human Values, a pioneering program that will focus on teaching and research into the history, philosophy and practical application of Jewish ethics. This Center, developed with the aid of a \$1,000,000 gift from Israel Rogosin, will have a student body of rabbis, teachers and other qualified graduate students.

JEWISH YOUTH PARLEY VOTES TO FIGHT ARAB PROPAGANDA IN U.S. COLLEGES

NYACK, N.Y., Sept. 6. (JTA) -- A call to combat Arab anti-Jewish propaganda on college campuses throughout the United States and Canada was adopted today by representatives of 24 national Jewish youth organizations meeting here at a three-day conference convened to formally establish a North American Jewish Youth Council.

After hearing reports from delegates from as far west as California and as far south as Florida and Texas on the mounting intensity of the Arab propaganda against Jews and Israel on college campuses, and the efforts already being made by some organizations in this field, the delegates pledged full support of practically every major American Jewish youth organization to an educational campaign designed to counteract the efforts of the Arab students to disseminate what was described as "viciously untrue facts about both the State of Israel and the relationship of American Jews and Israel."

The resolution, authorizing the preparation of an information kit for American college students and their organizations, charged that "the Arab campaign on American campuses has been inspired and financed by a worldwide Arab propaganda machine that is operating full steam in this country and Canada." The conference has been attended by three representatives of each of 24 national Jewish youth organizations as well as their staff directors.

BEN-GURION'S 80th BIRTHDAY TO BE CELEBRATED IN ISRAEL; BODY FORMED

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- President Zalman Shazar agreed to be honorary president of the committee named to organize celebrations to mark the 80th birthday of former Premier David Ben-Gurion.

He said he regarded it as an "honor" to head the committee, adding that he hoped the former Premier's birthday "will be celebrated as is his due." Prof. Benzion Dinur agreed to serve as chairman of the 80-member celebration committee. The only leading Israeli personality rejecting invitations to serve on the committee is Mrs. Golda Meir, former Foreign Minister and now secretary of the Mapai Party.

HASSIDIC REBBE ARRIVES FROM U.S. IN ISRAEL FOR PERMANENT SETTLEMENT

TEL AVIV, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Hundreds of hassidim waited patiently many hours last night for the arrival of the delayed plane carrying Rabbi Samuel Ehrenfeld, the Mattersdorf Rebbe and his family.

They welcomed the Rebbe with songs and dances. Rabbi Ehrenfeld, who came from the United States to live in his new settlement near Jerusalem, arrived with his family of seven children and their wives and many grandchildren.

MICHAEL DAROFF NAMED CHAIRMAN OF UNITED NATIONS BALL IN NEW YORK

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., Sept. 6. (JTA) -- Michael Daroff, president and chairman of the Board of Botany Industries, has been appointed chairman of the Sponsors Committee for the United Nations Ball to be held at New York's Waldorf Astoria hotel on October 21.

The proceeds go to the Association to help its activities in education, research and dissemination of information. Serving with Mr. Daroff as general co-chairmen for the Ball will be Mrs. Arthur J. Goldberg, wife of the U.S. Ambassador to the U.N., and Mrs. Francis T.P. Plimpton, wife of the former Deputy U.S. Ambassador. President and Mrs. Lyndon Johnson are honorary patrons of the Ball.

DR. ABRAHAM RUBASHOV, BROTHER OF ISRAEL'S PRESIDENT, DIES IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) - Dr. Abraham Rubashov, brother of President Zalman Shazar, died last night in Jerusalem from a heart attack at the age of 74. He suffered the attack at 2 a.m. and was taken immediately to a hospital but efforts to save him failed and he died early this morning.

The President was informed about his brother's death in the presence of his personal physician. The brothers were very close and one of the President's great joys had been the arrival of Dr. Rubashov in Israel two years ago from the Soviet Union. Last year, his son and daughter joined him here.

MEMORY OF LATE MOSHE SHARETT TO BE RECALLED IN ALL ISRAELI SCHOOLS

JERUSALEM, Sept. 6. (JTA) -- The memory of the late Moshe Sharett, who served Israel as Premier and Foreign Minister, will be recalled in all Israeli schools on the occasion of his 72nd birthday, the Israeli Education Ministry said today. The commemoration of Mr. Sharett's death was observed at the end of the prior school year.