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### ANTI-SEMITES VANDALIZE VINELAND, N.J., SYNAGOGUE; DESECRATE TORAH

VINELAND, N.J., Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Beth Israel Synagogue here was broken into last night by anti-Semitic vandals who burned a Torah Scroll and some 200 religious books, and did other damage to the building and its furnishings. Both police and synagogue officials said the vandals were obviously motivated by anti-Semitism. Vineland was notorious in the 1930's as a center of the Nazi Bund. It is also a noted center of Jewish poultry raising.

Damages were estimated at several thousand dollars. Police, who opened an immediate investigation, said they had no clues as to the identity of the desecrators. Mayor Henry Garton visited the vandalized synagogue today, and expressed shock at the outrage.

The vandals started several small fires in the synagogue and smeared swastikas on the walls. The slogan "Jews, Get Out" was smeared on the children's classroom. The Torah was removed from the Ark and burned in what officials called a "sadistic manner." Flags bearing the Star of David also were set afire.

More than 500 residents of Vineland, including several ministers and many other non-Jews, attended a funeral service today for the scroll and books burned in the attack.

A congregation spokesman said the desecration was the first in the 40-year history of the congregation.

### U. K. TO STRENGTHEN SAUDI ARABIA AIR FORCE AS DEFENSE VS. EGYPT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Reports received here today indicate that emergency steps are being taken to strengthen Saudi Arabia against Egypt by aerial weapons in excess of the recent \$400, 000, 000 Anglo-American transaction.

The information received here today said Saudi Arabia has concluded, because of events in Yemen, that an emergency program was essential. Accordingly, 37 Thunderbird missiles have been rushed to Saudi Arabia, along with a squadron of jet fighters with British pilots. It was made known that these steps are separate from the earlier \$400, 000, 000 deal that provided for British and American jets and missiles.

A request by Saudi Arabia for American to speed up delivery of Hawk missiles was rejected here on technical grounds, it was reported.

The British will fly lightning interceptors and Hawker Hurricanes based at Riyadh.

### Tunisian Cabinet Votes Severance of Egyptian Diplomatic Relations

LONDON, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Tunisia formally broke off diplomatic relations today with Egypt. The two countries have been at odds for years over questions of Arab world leadership and the Israeli issue. The announcement followed a meeting of the Tunisian Cabinet in Tunis.

Tunisia's President Habib Bourguiba shocked the Arab world two years ago and since with repeated public calls for a peaceful settlement of the Arab-Israeli dispute, specifically urging the Arab rulers to agree to negotiate directly with Israel for a peace agreement.

### ISRAEL APPROVES NEW PLAN FOR STRENGTHENING INDUSTRY FOR EXPORT

JERUSALEM, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Israel's Trade and Industry Minister, Haim Zadok, gave basic approval today to a plan to enable Israeli industry to compete more effectively in world markets which Ministry sources today called "a revolution in industrial planning."

Under the plan, Israel's industrial effort will be concentrated on no more than 20 to 25 industries which will be expanded to the size necessary to enable them to engage in such world competition. The effort will be limited to a number of specialized branches which will be sufficiently expanded to enjoy the benefits of large scale production methods and research.

In a related development, the Foreign Ministry decided today to submit Israel's formal application for associate membership in the European Economic Community within the next few days. The decision was made after lengthy tactical considerations.

ISRAEL FLOCKS TO SDE BOKER FOR COLORFUL BEN-GURION BIRTHDAY PROGRAM

SDE BOKER, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Eleven thousand admirers gathered last night at former Premier David Ben-Gurion's Negev retreat here to honor Israel's former Premier on his 80th birthday. It was an appropriate setting for the Israeli leader who has preached throughout his career on the need to make the still barren Negev the heart of Israel's life. The old warrior responded with another appeal keyed to the theme that "Israel's independence and security depend on settlement of the Negev."

A full yellow moon shone on the scene. Eighty schoolchildren with blazing torches formed a guard of honor. A forest of blue and white flags fluttered in the wind as gusts of desert sand fell on the participants, who included many diplomats, Israel army leaders, trade union leaders and members of Israel's Government. The former Premier and his wife were protected by a wooden shield against the desert wind and sands.

Suddenly spotlights went on and the 11,000 well-wishers joined with the choirs and band in singing "Hayom Yom Holedet Le-Ben-Gurion" to the tune of "Happy Birthday." Speaker after speaker brought messages and greetings. One said "stay with us and show us the way." That plea was voiced by Yehudit Simhoni, a Mapai member of Parliament, who spoke not as a politician but as a bereaved mother. Her son was General Assaf Simhoni, who was killed in the 1956 Sinai campaign.

The highlight of the celebration here was a 90-minute pageant, featuring slides on scenes of Mr. Ben-Gurion's career, which were projected on a screen on the campus of the Sde Boker College, which the former Premier has worked intensively to build. Israeli actors read letters Mr. Ben-Gurion had written to his father and to his wife which made up a commentary on his life and work.

Sees Negev as New 'Suez Canal'; British Prime Minister Sends Greeting

His white hair flowing in the wind, the casually dressed, elder statesman mounted the platform and began to speak in the same high-pitched voice and the same staccato delivery with which he had spurred Israelis to build the new state and with which he had denounced his enemies.

"Here in the Negev," he declared, "we must plant our heavy industry and turn the Negev into a new Suez Canal to export our goods to Africa and Asia. Here we must build the country's university and research center. This must become Israel's most densely populated area."

Messages of greetings from all parts of the world were received. One from British Premier Harold Wilson read: "There are few people who can look back on a life so wholly and successfully dedicated to your nation's service. You took part in the foundation of a nation devoted to the principles of democratic socialism. Please accept warmest greetings."

During the coming week, there will be similar celebrations in other parts of Israel. Most of Israel's Cabinet Ministers and politicians are quietly abstaining from celebration of the occasion because of Mr. Ben-Gurion's record of unyielding hostility to those who clashed with him in domestic politics. But the nation as a whole seemed to have returned for a brief period to the Ben-Gurion era, which has included leadership of Israel as Prime Minister for 15 of the state's 18 years.

Mrs. Rose Halprin Greets Ben-Gurion on Behalf of Agency Section

NEW YORK, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Mrs. Rose L. Halprin, chairman of the American Section-Jewish Agency for Israel, today sent a congratulatory message on behalf of the Agency to Israel's former Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion. In her message, which was cable to Mr. Ben-Gurion at his Negev home at Sde Boker, Mrs. Halprin declared:

"On the occasion of your 80th birthday, your colleagues of the American Section of the Jewish Agency recall with admiration your many years of superlative leadership and indelible contribution to the realization of the Zionist ideal. We wish you many more years of health, vigor and fulfillment. Brachot."

JEWISH NATIONAL FUND ANNOUNCES LARGE PROJECT TO HONOR BEN-GURION

NEW YORK, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- An announcement was made today that a park, including a forest and sites for a hospital and sports stadium, will be built on a stretch of land near Dimona, Israel, on the way to Sde Boker, the home of David Ben-Gurion, in honor of Israel's first Prime Minister whose 80th birthday is currently being celebrated.

The decision to establish this park was announced jointly by Jacob Tsur, chairman of the board of directors of the Jewish National Fund in Jerusalem; Herman L. Weisman, president of the Jewish National Fund of America; and Dr. Milton Aron, national director of the JNF. They said the officials of the township of Dimona hailed the announcement as an important step in the township's development as a civic and health center for the entire Negev. In a manifesto issued by the JNF to American Jewry, today, it was stated: "American Jews feel a great debt of gratitude to David Ben-Gurion for his historic achievements for the Jewish people and the State of Israel."

BETH ISRAEL HOSPITAL, BOSTON, LAUNCHES \$12,593,550 EXPANSION PROGRAM

BOSTON, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- A \$12,593,550 expansion program was announced here today by Beth Israel Hospital on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of its founding. Samuel L. Slosberg, president of the hospital, who disclosed details of the program at a meeting of the institution's board of trustees, said that the expansion was designed to increase substantially the capacity of the hospital to meet community needs for high quality patient care.

Mr. Slosberg said that, with \$3,900,000 now available or expected from government sources, the hospital would seek the balance of \$8,693,550 through contributions from individuals, business organizations and foundations. According to the expansion plans, the new buildings, which are expected to be completed by 1970, will include an ultra-modern in-patient building of eight stories with 160 beds, and two four-story buildings for diagnostic and therapeutic activities. In addition there will be extensive renovation of existing facilities.

YIVO INSTITUTE FOR JEWISH RESEARCH MAPS MANY EXPANDED ACTIVITIES

NEW YORK, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- The YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, which has just entered its 41st year, announced at a press conference today a program of expanded activity in the field of scholarship, publications and community service. J. Borenstein, chairman of YIVO's executive committee, emphasized that YIVO is the only secular Jewish research institute in the world outside of Israel. He said it is unique in being totally unaffiliated with any religious, political or organizational grouping.

At the press conference, authors and editors of a number of forthcoming YIVO publications reported directly on their projects. Prof. Uriel Weinreich, Atran professor of Yiddish Language, Literature and Culture at Columbia University, discussed the Standard Yiddish-English, English-Yiddish Dictionary which will be published in the spring of 1967. Dan Miron, young Israeli literary critic and scholar, who is doing graduate work at Columbia University through its department of English and Comparative Literature in conjunction with the Atran Chair of Yiddish Studies, described the photographic edition of an early work written in Hebrew by Mendele Mokher Sforim, one of the pioneers of modern Yiddish literature. The long awaited "History of the Yiddish Language," by Dr. Max Weinreich, leader in the field of Yiddish linguistics, will also be published in 1967.

Shmuel Lapin, newly appointed general secretary of YIVO reported on some of the other major YIVO projects for the current year. Special emphasis, he said, is being placed on an expanded community service program. As examples of this phase of YIVO activity, Mr. Lapin cited the YIVO sponsored in-service courses for teachers in the New York City public schools. Negotiations are now being conducted for a cross-country showing of the current YIVO exhibit on Jewish mass settlement in the United States in the past hundred years.

During 1967, YIVO is also preparing the publication of two bibliographies of interest to the general public as well as to the academic community. They are a bibliography of translations of Yiddish works from Yiddish to English during the years 1945-1965, prepared by Miss Dina Abramowicz, the librarian of YIVO, and a bibliography of autobiographies by American Jews prepared by the YIVO archivist, Ezekiel Lifschutz.

In general, Mr. Lapin pointed out, YIVO is devoting increasing attention to American Jewish studies. A substantial grant has been obtained from a well-known American foundation for the purpose of cataloguing and arranging all the material in the YIVO archives pertaining to American Jewish history over the past one hundred years. This is an important preparatory step for the eventual preparation of a definitive history of American Jewry.

An up-to-date study of the American Jewish labor movement is also under way. As part of this project, which is being financed by a number of American labor unions, reminiscences and experiences of leaders and rank-and-filers in the American labor movement are being gathered through the means of tape-recorded interviews.

In order to insure the full implementation of these and other current projects, and to make possible the still further expansion of the YIVO program, particularly in the area of community service, YIVO announced it is seeking an additional sum of \$100,000 over and above its regular budget.

BELGIAN CATHOLIC PRELATE URGES JEWS TO IDENTIFY 'HARMFUL' TEXTS

BRUSSELS, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- Leo Joseph Cardinal Suenens, Archbishop of Mechelen-Brussels, urged Jews today to make clearly known what they feel is inappropriate or harmful in the Christian presentation of Judaism. The prelate made the statement in a meeting with Philip E. Hoffman, chairman of the board of governors of the American Jewish Committee, who is currently visiting Europe to study developments in Jewish-Christian relations. Cardinal Suenens said that dialogue was essential to overcome misunderstandings between Catholics and Jews.

Earlier, Mr. Hoffman visited the Catholic University of Louvain, where a major research program is underway to determine those Roman Catholic texts and religious materials which may promote anti-Jewish prejudices. Cardinal Suenens expressed the hope that similar investigations could be undertaken in other lands.

ELECTIONS BOARD IN SUBURBAN NEW YORK AIDS OBSERVANT JEWISH REGISTRANTS

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Oct. 3. (JTA) -- The Board of Elections for Westchester County has announced that arrangements have been made to assure that observant Jewish voters will be able to register despite the coming holiday weekend. Registration dates set by the Legislature are Thursday, which is Shmini Atzereth, and Friday, which is Simchat Torah. Saturday also is a registration day, from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Elections Commissioner William J. Van Wart said today that anyone who arrives at any of the 688 polling places in the county by 8 p.m. Saturday will be allowed to register. He said the decision was made after protests had been entered by rabbis and congregants that Orthodox and Conservative Jews would have only a few minutes to register during the three-day period -- between sundown and 8 p.m.

A special law, passed by the Legislature this year, changed the New York City registration days to avoid this conflict.

CANADIAN COURT VOIDS WILL BARRING JEWISH WOMAN MARRIED TO CATHOLIC

MONTREAL, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- A clause of a will disinheriting a daughter for marrying outside the Jewish faith was ruled invalid here because it was considered to be contrary to Quebec's freedom of religion act. The ruling was handed down by Associate Chief Justice George S. Chailles who found the provision in the wills of Leon Klein, who died in 1958, and his wife, who died 15 months earlier, contrary to Quebec law.

The daughter, Mrs. Dorothy Klein Dorais, who was deprived of benefit by the will's restriction, appealed to the court, asking that the clause be declared void. She had been married to a Roman Catholic in a synagogue in the United States, but converted to Catholicism two years after the death of her father.

AMPAL MARKS 25th ANNIVERSARY; GROUP'S ASSETS NOW TOTAL \$80,000,000

NEW YORK, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- A gathering of 2,000 business men and women attending the 25th annual meeting of AMPAL-American Israel Corporation was told that Israel's economy has reached "a new phase." In an address prepared by Pinhas Sapir, Israel's Minister of Finance, and read by Michael Arnon, Israel's Consul-General in New York, it was noted that Israel has passed from an economy geared only to meet the basic necessities of its people to one in which the goal is "long term, widespread, intense development of our industrial sector, in order to improve our balance of payments situation."

Mr. Sapir, whose plane developed engine trouble en route to New York for the meeting, observed in his statement that AMPAL and its affiliates, known jointly as the AMPAL Group, can help to meet this goal by providing private equity capital for Israel's industrial growth. The AMPAL Group, which has loans and investments in over 70 varied Israel enterprises, probably is the biggest foreign investor in Israel.

"Investment in Israel is no longer a program for the few with great means or with special business ties with our country," the statement noted, observing that investments in the AMPAL Group have proven of benefit to its investors as well as to Israel. AMPAL and its affiliate, Israel Development Corporation, both New York companies, have paid to their shareholders annual cash dividends since formation while channeling in excess of \$475 million into varied Israeli enterprises.

The meeting paid special tribute to AMPAL's president, Abraham Dickenstein, who founded the organization here in 1941 with initial capital of \$1,500. Today, assets of the AMPAL Group exceed \$80,000,000. Mr. Dickenstein revealed that AMPAL and IDC have completed negotiations for investments and loans in Israel totaling over \$12,000,000 in the coming year.

BONN SAYS DESECRATED JEWISH CEMETERIES TOTALED 300 IN 18 YEARS

BONN, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- The West German Government said today that a report issued last month on desecrations of 857 German cemeteries, including 300 Jewish cemeteries, covered a period of 18 years. It had initially been reported that the period of such desecrations was for the current year only.

In issuing the report, the Interior Ministry said that the figure for the Jewish cemeteries was "frighteningly high." The period covered was January 1, 1948 through April 1, 1966.

J. IRVING OELBAUM, LEADER IN MANY JEWISH CAUSES IN CANADA, DIES AT 67

TORONTO, Oct. 3. (JTA) -- J. Irving Oelbaum, a Canadian Jewish leader, died here. He would have been 67 years of age later this month. Serving in a wide variety of Jewish causes, Mr. Oelbaum was active in the B'nai B'rith, was a member of the national executive of the Canadian Jewish Congress and a past president of the Toronto United Jewish Fund. He was also active in the Zionist Organization of Canada and in support of the United Jewish Appeal.