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Israelis Outraged By Bombing Of Hebrew U. Cafeteria; 7 Students Injured Seriously

JERUSALEM, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Israelis were outraged today by a bomb explosion just outside the Hebrew University cafeteria which severely injured seven students and slightly injured some 29 others, most of whom were struck by flying glass. The Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, a terrorist organization, claimed credit for the latest terrorist act, according to a radio broadcast in Beirut. The Hebrew University declared that it would appeal to all international bodies with which it is affiliated to condemn "this despicable act aimed at sowing destruction and death in a place devoted to research and learning." The Israeli cabinet denounced the bombing as an attempt at "wanton and indiscriminate bloodshed."

The seven severely injured students were hospitalized. The rest were sent home after receiving first aid. Police, who described the bomb as "primitive," said it contained about two pounds of dynamite. It was planted in a window box directly outside the cafeteria. There were about 250 persons inside at the time.

Police said that a "score" of arrests have been made in connection with the bombing. They blocked intersections between the Israeli and Arab sections of Jerusalem to head off possible reprisals by angered Israelis. Two Hebrew University students were killed in a bomb blast in a Jerusalem supermarket on Feb. 21. Police were also investigating a bomb explosion in the Ramallah branch of the Bank Leumi in which one local Arab was reportedly injured.

Eye-witnesses in the cafeteria said there was no panic when the explosion occurred although some students leaped through the plate glass windows fearing a second explosion. The cafeteria was evacuated within two minutes. A police search disclosed no additional bombs. Lectures at the 12,000-student university resumed within an hour after the incident. Hospital authorities said those treated for injuries were all Israelis and that no foreign students appear to have been hurt. None of the 1,000 American students were reported to have been injured.

Goldstein, Rothberg--Hebrew U. Officials--Denounce Bombing

NEW YORK, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Angry voices were raised here today in reaction to the bombing of the Hebrew University cafeteria. Nathaniel L. Goldstein, president of the American Friends of the Hebrew University, called it "an act of desperate and horrible criminalism that endangered the lives of innocent students and civilians." Sam Rothberg, chairman of the university's board of governors, said he "hoped the international community and especially the academic centers throughout the world would join him" in condemning the act. Mr. Goldstein, a former attorney general of New York State, said "What is particularly shocking in this situation is the fact that the Hebrew University, which is famous for its non-sectarian character, has opened its gates to students of all nationalities, races and religions in its effort to promote peaceful relations among all people, especially between Jews and Arabs."

Shows Arsenal High Explosives To 'Blow Up Half Of Jerusalem'

JERUSALEM, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Jerusalem district police chief Daniel Barelli, displaying an arsenal of captured weapons and high explosives which he said was "enough to blow up half of Jerusalem," told newsmen yesterday that police had sufficient evidence to file formal charges against almost all of the 80 Arab suspects rounded up so far in connection with the Feb. 21 supermarket bombing and bomb plantings at the British Consulate.

The main suspects include Rev. Elia Khoury, minister at the St. Andrews Episcopal Church in Ramallah, and Youssef Moustapha Odeh, a naturalized U.S. citizen, also of Ramallah, who was being held along with his three daughters, all in their early 20s. Mr. Barelli said that Rev. Khoury crossed the Jordan River several times in recent months to make contact with terrorist ringleaders in Amman and brought back instructions and explosives for sabotage activities. He said instructions for the ring originated at the Egyptian Embassy in Amman.

The police chief said other ringleaders were a Ramallah lawyer identified as Bashir Amad Kamel El-Khoury and Dr. Nabee Assid Mouamer, a surgeon from Beit Hanina, near Jerusalem. "We have enough evidence to bring most of these people to court," he said. He declared that the police knew how the bombs were prepared, how they were brought to Jerusalem, how and by whom they were planted in the supermarket and the means used by the terrorists to escape from the immediate area. He said more arrests were expected. The sabotage material and equipment displayed by police included explosive bricks, plastic bombs, handgrenades made in various countries, Italian-made mortar shells, fuses and timing devices and walkie-talkie radios. According to U.S. Consul Margaret J. Barnhart, Mr. Odeh was naturalized in Detroit, Mich. in 1955 and returned to Jordan in 1960.

New West German President Has Anti-Nazi Record, Favors Continued War Criminal Trials

BONN, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- The newly elected President of the West German Federal Republic is a man with an impeccable anti-Nazi record who has long been in the forefront of efforts to assure that Nazi war criminals yet to be tried do not cheat justice. Dr. Gustav Heinemann, a Social Democrat and Minister

of Justice of West Germany, was elected by a small margin on the third ballot by the electoral assembly that met in West Berlin yesterday. His office is mainly ceremonial.

But his victory was seen by observers here as having profound significance in view of the Nazi Party membership of his chief rival, Defense Minister Gerhard Schroder and the nature of some of the forces arrayed on Mr. Schroder's side. It was also a political blow to the Christian Democratic Union (CDU), the party of Chancellor Kurt Georg Kiesinger, and presaged, according to some viewers, the break-up of the CDU-Social Democratic coalition.

Dr. Heinemann, who is 69, has been described as a man of strong moral convictions. This was manifested in 1950 when he resigned as Minister of Interior in the cabinet of the late Chancellor Konrad Adenauer when the latter advocated the re-armament of Germany. He joined the Social Democratic Party in 1958. Over the past two years he has been one of the strongest advocates of abolition of the statute of limitations on Nazi war crimes. The statute, due to go into effect at the end of this year, would bar further prosecutions of war criminals involved in crimes of murder. Dr. Heinemann has said that if the statute is allowed to become law, thousands of war criminals against whom evidence is now being amassed would go free.

The West German President was elected by an assembly of over 1,000 members of the State and Federal Parliaments. Dr. Heinemann led on the first two ballots but failed to get the needed absolute majority. He won on the third ballot, when only a simple majority was required, by 512-506 with three abstentions. His victory was based on the combined votes of the Social Democrats and the small Free Democratic Party, a faction outside of the coalition which appeared anxious to assume a more liberal image. The candidacy of Mr. Schroder was said to have been kept alive through the balloting by the ultra right-wing, reputedly neo-Nazi National Democratic Party (NPD), whose 22 delegates were believed to have voted in a bloc for the CDU candidate. Mr. Schroder was nominated by the CDU even though his past record proved embarrassing to the party. He was a former member of the Nazi Party and admittedly had applied for membership in the notorious "SA" during his student days in Hitler Germany.

Dr. Heinemann, an ardent Lutheran, was a member of anti-Nazi groups before the war who looked toward the leadership of Pastor Martin Neimoller. It was learned after the war that he kept a secret press in the cellar of his home where anti-Nazi leaflets were printed. Dr. Heinemann was warmly received when he visited Israel last year. He met with President Zalman Shazar and with the late Prime Minister Levi Eshkol.

Israel Cabinet Confident Nixon Will Not Adopt Peace Policies Harmful To Israel

JERUSALEM, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- The Cabinet session today was devoted to political and defense matters. While no details were released, the impression here was that the government was fully confident that President Richard M. Nixon would not be swayed by Soviet or French pressures into adopting policies inimical to Israel. The Cabinet meeting was attended by Gen. Yitzhak Rabin, Israel's envoy to Washington. When he arrived here two days ago to attend a special memorial rally for the late Prime Minister Levi Eshkol, he said he didn't think the Nixon Administration's attitude on the Mideast would differ much from that of the Johnson Administration. He said it would take time for the new Administration to crystallize its policy and this would give Israel an opportunity to make its own position more clear.

Foreign Minister Abba Eban was expected to do so when he goes to Washington next week. He was expected to re-emphasize to American officials Israel's view that only negotiations aimed at a peace treaty between the parties directly concerned could bring about a lasting solution of the conflict. Mr. Eban was expected to say that barring a peace treaty, it would be better to maintain the territorial status quo. Government circles here seem to be convinced that when President Nixon expressed his willingness to talk to the Soviet Union and other powers on the Mideast, he meant talks and nothing more. It was believed here that the U.S. has made no prior commitment to accept any plans being promoted by the USSR and France. On the contrary, official sources here said, the Nixon Administration had not seen so far any proposal that they would advise Israel to accept. Particular satisfaction was expressed here over Mr. Nixon's press conference remark Tuesday that the time was past when the major powers could impose their will on smaller ones. This was seen as indicating that the American point of view was opposed to the views of Soviet leaders who have not been averse to imposing regimes and solutions on their allies.

(Two American Jewish leaders said they were pleased with President Nixon's press conference remarks that there would be no Big Power solution dictated in the Mideast. Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld, president of the American Jewish Congress, told the national biennial convention of the AJ Congress' Women's Division in Washington, "The President's assurances were especially encouraging in the light of earlier fears that international diplomacy was preparing Israel for the sacrifice." Rabbi Israel Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council, said in New York, "We welcome the essentials of the President's statement, indicating that he will consult with Israel prior to making a determination of policy...We are encouraged by...what appears to be his steadfast policy that the fate of the Mideast cannot be decided by the Big Powers but has to come through negotiations between the parties to the conflict.")

Eban Says Egyptian Government Will Not Make Peace On Acceptable Terms

WASHINGTON, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Foreign Minister Abba Eban of Israel told an American journalist in Tel Aviv that his government has determined from various sources that the Egyptian Government is not prepared to make peace with Israel on terms even remotely acceptable to it.

According to Washington Post correspondent Alfred Friendly, Mr. Eban said that public statements by Egyptian leaders indicating no desire for peace with Israel were substantiated by reports of the Egyptian position relayed to Israel by United Nations envoy Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring.

"In fact," Mr. Friendly quoted Mr. Eban as saying, "in the last few days the governments which are in closest contact with us have told us very frankly that they do not now believe that the UAR (Egypt) is ready for a peace with us on terms that Israel would accept or that friendly governments would advise us to accept." Mr. Eban did not specify the "friendly governments", Mr. Friendly reported, "but the presumption is that they are the United States and Britain."

(The State Department denied today that the U.S. was one of the "friendly governments.")

The Foreign Minister stressed Israel's belief that the Arab governments still exercise control over the various terrorist organizations and could make peace over their opposition because the guerrillas' political power would "dwindle at the negotiation stage and wither away at the settlement stage." He said Israel could not solve the Arab refugee problem but could contribute to international steps to settle it.

Dayan Calls For Economic, Legal Integration Of Occupied Territories With Israel

TEL AVIV, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Defense Minister Moshe Dayan called yesterday for the economic and legal integration of the occupied Arab territories with Israel. He also called for the establishment of a string of Israeli settlements in the mountainous regions of the West Bank. Gen. Dayan made his remarks at a meeting of physicians and scientists here. He said that contrary to the views of some of his cabinet colleagues, such moves would enhance rather than hamper the prospects for eventual peace.

Gen. Dayan stressed that Israel must create new "facts" in the occupied territories. Egyptian and Jordanian laws still in force in the Gaza Strip and the West Bank must be abrogated and replaced with Israeli law, he declared, in order to symbolize the changed situation. He said the fact that Egyptian and Jordanian laws are still in effect makes the Arabs tend to believe that Israel's presence is temporary and uncertain, and the Arabs, in turn, simply do not know how to behave.

In addition, Gen. Dayan said, the Arab population in the occupied areas must be further integrated into Israel's economic life. They should be less dependent on the Arab states and more on Israel, he declared, advocating a policy that has been bitterly opposed by the Secretary-General of his own Israel Labor Party, former Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir. He spoke of at least 35,000 Arabs working for Israeli firms instead of the 18,000 so employed today. "In the interval between now and the time when the Egyptians choose to stage a new confrontation, everything possible should be done to create new facts," Gen. Dayan said. He added that on this issue there was no disagreement between himself and his colleague, Acting Prime Minister, Yigal Allon. They differed, he said, only on who their political allies should be. The reference was to Mapam, the left-wing labor party that recently aligned itself with the Israel Labor Party and which believes that only temporary measures should be taken in the occupied territories.

Soldier Wounded At Suez; 2 Arab Saboteurs Killed By Israel Patrol In Golan Heights

TEL AVIV, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- An Israeli soldier was wounded by Egyptian sniper fire from across the Suez Canal today at a spot where an Egyptian mortar shell exploded earlier. Egyptian sniper fire continued last night and Israeli forces returned the fire. According to an Egyptian communique, two Egyptian soldiers were wounded. Two Arab saboteurs were killed last night in a clash with an Israeli patrol in the southern Golan Heights, a military spokesman reported. The saboteurs were apparently on their way to plant mines on a main road when they were intercepted and fled after an exchange of fire. A large number of mines were found on the scene along with a bazooka and shells. The dead saboteurs wore khaki uniforms and commando boots and carried two Kalachnikov assault rifles. There were no Israeli casualties.

Baghdad Says New Group Of Spies Have Gone On Trial; No Mention Made Of Jews

LONDON, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Baghdad radio said today that a new group of alleged spies has gone on trial before an Iraqi court and that the prosecutor has asked the death sentence for three of them. The radio broadcast, monitored in Beirut, was a review of the press. It did not say when the trial began, how many persons were charged or if any of them were Jews. The "foreign power" for whom they allegedly spied was not identified.

The broadcast said the defendants were accused of sending wireless messages abroad which gave a derogatory picture of the Iraqi economy. The Beirut weekly, Al-Sayyad, published an interview with Sidam Takriti, assistant secretary-general of the ruling Baath Party wing in Iraq, who is believed to be the man in charge of the current anti-spy campaign. He said the spy trials were held in order to "restore the confidence of the citizens in the regime and in the ability of the regime to carry out its decisions." He added that "many people doubted we would execute them (the spies) for fear the regime would expose itself to a violent confrontation with the forces of Zionism and imperialism."

2 Former British Cabinet Ministers Eulogize Eshkol At Zionist Federation Meeting

LONDON, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Two former British Cabinet ministers eulogized the late Prime Minister Levi Eshkol of Israel at a memorial meeting yesterday sponsored by the British Zionist Federation. Selwyn Lloyd, a Conservative Party Leader and former Foreign Secretary, declared that Mr. Eshkol was "a man of wisdom and courage who died in harness" and added, "may his lasting memorial be strength, security and prosperity for Israel for which he worked so diligently and ably." Enaueel Shinwell, a Laborite and former Minister of Defense and Minister of Labor, said he was authorized by Prime Minister Harold Wilson to convey to the people of Israel and Mr. Eshkol's family, "his deep and sincere sympathy and the sympathy of the Labor Party."

Soviet Union, Libya Try Unsuccessfully To Block UN Consultative Status For Groups

UNITED NATIONS, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- The Soviet Union and Libya continued yesterday attempting to block the granting to Jewish groups of consultative status before the Economic and Social Council--but without success. The Council's committee on non-governmental organizations, which is reviewing the status of organizations having a relationship with the Council, renewed approval of the International Council of Jewish Women as a consultant. Earlier Isa Babaa of Libya and N.I.O. Yevdokeyev of Russia objected to granting of consultative status to the World Jewish Congress and the Women's International Zionist Organization (Wizo). In all cases, they were outvoted by the other members of the committee. The organizations which serve as consultants have a voice but not a vote before the Economic and Social Council--that is, they may present positions on issues during debate but have no voice in UN decisions.

Conservative Leader Criticizes Christians On Israel, Negro Anti-Semitism Issues

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- A lay leader of Conservative Judaism claimed here today that Christian leadership in general has failed to understand and support the Jewish position on Israel or to speak out against manifestations of Negro anti-Semitism. Henry N. Rapaport, national president of the United Synagogue of America, made his charges at a press conference during a visit to Conservative synagogues in the Los Angeles area. He said these alleged failings on the part of Christian leadership could be remedied by a wide range of organizational and grass roots dialogues and educational programs on Israel. He also pleaded for a direct statement by the "voice of Christianity to squelch the militant hate-mongers in the Negro community who espouse anti-Semitic and unwarranted charges against Jews."

Mr. Rapaport said he was heartened by Pope Paul's recent vigorous condemnations of the hangings of alleged Israeli spies in Iraq. "I can only wish that American Christian institutions had spoken--or even whispered--as strongly," he said. He claimed that while many Christians supported and admired Israel for its achievements, "they fail to understand such questions as the peoplehood of Israel and the relationship between the Jews of Israel and their world-wide religious counterparts."

Sermon On Brotherhood Accepted By Jewish, Protestant, Catholic Clergy

NEW YORK, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Synagogue and church-goers throughout New York City will hear sermons on brotherhood this weekend and will join in a common prayer for spiritual help in relieving racial and religious tensions here. The text of the prayer was agreed to by leaders of the Jewish, Protestant and Roman Catholic faiths, a move that observers of the religious scene said was "unprecedented." Announcement of the prayer was made yesterday by Rabbi Gilbert Klapperman, president of the New York Board of Rabbis; the Rev. Norman Vincent Peale, president of the Council of Churches of the City of New York; and the Most Rev. Terence J. Cooke, Archbishop of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York. The three religious leaders urged that all sermons have a similar theme--"follow the way of love."

The original version of the prayer was composed by Msgr. Harry J. Byrne, chancellor of the Archdiocese. One of the verses reads, "Help us to talk to each other, to understand, to trust, to love, to work together. Open us to the workings of change so essential to life and growth. Make us know that there is no place for hatred, bigotry and racism, overt or subtle. Guard us against making any verbal or mental slight or insult, gross or sophisticated, against any person or group."

Rabbi Jacobs To Tour U.S., Rejects Equation Of Jewish Tradition And Reaction

NEW YORK, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- A London rabbi and author who was once the center of a controversy within the Orthodox establishment in Britain will go on a nation-wide lecture tour under the auspices of the Jewish communal affairs and community services department of the American Jewish Committee, it was announced here today. Rabbi Jacobs will discuss the meaning of Judaism to the modern Jew and to modern life at synagogues, colleges and rabbinical conferences. His latest book "Faith" has been published by Basic Books here.

Rabbi Jacobs told a news conference arranged by the AJ Committee and his publisher that in "Faith" he has tried to show "that intense loyalty to Jewish tradition and observance need not be synonymous with reaction and fundamentalism." He warned against allowing true religious feeling to degenerate "into mere mechanical observance and meaningless behaviorism." The Manchester-born rabbi whose pulpit is the New London Synagogue, figured in a controversy in 1961 with the then Chief Rabbi of Britain, Dr. Israel Brodie. The latter refused to endorse his appointment as principal of Jews College, London, because of a doctrinal dispute and later banned him from serving in congregations controlled by the United Synagogue in Britain.

"It was the same controversy that the Christian people engaged in at the turn of the century over fundamentalism," Rabbi Jacobs said today in discussing the episode. "In the light of present knowledge, we have to revise our whole conception of revelation. It is more divine-human encounter than divine dictation, and this ran against the Chief Rabbi's teaching."

Lindsay Will Serve As Honorary Chairman Of JNF Memorial Forest For Iraqis

NEW YORK, Mar. 6 (JTA) -- Mayor John V. Lindsay of New York will serve as honorary national chairman for the Memorial Forest For Iraqi Martyrs to be planted in Israel by the Jewish National Fund. The Mayor accepted the appointment at a City Hall conference with JNF leaders. The forest, according to Herman L. Weisman, president, and Dr. Milton Aron, executive vice president of JNF, will honor the memory of the Iraqi Jews executed by the Baghdad regime and "will ensure that the world will not soon forget the atrocities committed upon Jews in Iraq." Mr. Lindsay declared that "the issues involved in the brutal extermination of these Iraqi Jews far transcend any political implications. This is a tragedy for all humanity." Three New York businessmen, all natives of Iraq, will serve as co-chairmen of the committee. They are Stanley Nebi, Jacob Mukamal and Herbert Somekh.