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The letter, dated Feb. 8, 1972, purports to be a Forward endorsement of complaints by the Lubavitcher Rebbe against alleged mistreatment of religious Jews in Israel. The forged letterhead does not correspond to the actual Forward letterhead. The typed signature is "Shimon Weber." The written one is illegible. The letter contains a number of misspellings of simple words. According to Shapiro, "It ought not to be too difficult to find the swindlers because the drawings have been used previously by the Satmarer enemies of Israel."

### WZO EXECUTIVE CALLS ON ZOA TO RECONSIDER WITHDRAWAL FROM AZF

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--The World Zionist Organization Executive called today unanimously on the Zionist Organization of America to reconsider its decision, announced last week, to withdraw from the American Zionist Federation. The Executive met under the chairmanship of Aryeh L. Dulzin, treasurer of the Jewish Agency and president of the World Union of General Zionists with which the ZOA is affiliated.

The Executive expressed sorrow over the ZOA's decision and "resolved unanimously to call upon the ZOA to reconsider its decision and return to the ranks of the AZF." The resolution added that "The Zionist Executive sees in Zionist unity and the fullest cooperation of all the organizations affiliated with the AZF, the essential prerequisite for the fulfillment of the task and challenges which confront the American Jewish community and the State of Israel."

### KNESSET EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER RELEASE OF FORMER NAZI WAR CRIMINALS IN HOLLAND

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Abba Eban informed the Knesset today that the Israeli Ambassador in The Hague has been instructed to convey to the Netherlands government the concern of the Jewish people over its

decision to free three former Nazi war criminals serving life sentences in a Dutch prison. Eban said, "In such a case the rule of non-intervention in the internal matters of another country must be set aside." He spoke in reply to agenda motions submitted by Gideon Hausner, an MK who was Attorney General of Israel during the Eichmann trial and Zalman Shoval, of the State List.

The three ex-Nazis are the last of the World War II war criminals still in Dutch prisons. The government intends to release them after 25 years in jail but seeks parliamentary approval. According to a report from Amsterdam today, if the Dutch parliament, which debates the matter tomorrow, rejects a collective pardon for the prisoners, the government will free them one-by-one at short intervals. According to official sources in Amsterdam, that would correspond to the stand of the "main representatives of Dutch Jewry" which objected to a collective pardon but did not oppose freeing aging prisoners on humanitarian grounds.

#### Unofficial State Department View: PROXIMITY TALKS A 'DEAD HORSE'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Officially, the State Department says the possibility of proximity talks looking towards reopening the Suez Canal remains alive, but unofficially, the Department is understood to agree with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat that the idea is "a dead horse."

State Department spokesman Charles Bray reiterated today the Department's long-held position in replying to a newsman's question about Sadat's reported comment by saying "we remain available if the parties wish us to play a role." But Bray would not comment on whether the US has approached the Egyptians on an interim agreement nor on whether Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring, the United Nations mediator, has "enlightened us" on his latest activity in the Middle East.

Bray also refused to answer a question on whether the US has temporarily deferred putting forward the idea of reopening the canal pending Dr. Jarring's initiatives for a full settlement. Sadat was quoted in an interview with Newsweek Magazine as rejecting an American proposal that Joseph Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for the Near East, serve as an intermediary at indirect talks in New York or elsewhere between Egyptians and Israelis.

#### Sadat: Direct Talks Possible

"Insofar as the so-called 'proximity talks' or hotel talks with Mr. Sisco are concerned, it's a dead horse," a Newsweek senior editor, Arnaud de Borchgrave, quoted Sadat as saying. According to de Borchgrave, who has interviewed Sadat before in Cairo, Sadat also hinted his government might engage in direct talks with Israel.

He was asked whether he would object to direct negotiations with Israel at the same table in Dr. Jarring's presence. Sadat replied, according to Newsweek, "Jarring's mission is to implement the UN resolution of November 1967, which Egypt interprets as calling for Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories in return for Egyptian recognition of Israeli sovereignty. Whenever Jarring feels this can be done, we will come to the table."

#### JARRING RETURNING UNEXPECTEDLY TO UN; TO CONSULT WITH BIG FOUR ENVOYS

UNITED NATIONS, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Eyebrows were raised here at noon today when a United Nations spokesman announced that Dr. Gunnar V. Jarring, the UN's special Middle East representative, was to arrive back in New York this evening.

The spokesman reported that Dr. Jarring and Secretary General Kurt Waldheim had agreed in Geneva yesterday that the envoy's mission continued to be "very useful," but it was a fact that no Mideast principals were in New York today and none was immediately due.

Waldheim was still in Geneva, with no announced plans to return here; Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah was in Israel and not due to return here until next weekend; and the arrival date of the new Egyptian ambassador, Esmat Abdel Maguid, was uncertain, with an Egyptian spokesman saying it might be around mid-March.

Israeli officials said Dr. Jarring would not be meeting with any Israeli representatives until Tekoah returned. The UN spokesman, asked to explain Dr. Jarring's decision, said only that "this was left wide open pending the Secretary General's conversations (in Geneva) with Ambassador Jarring after his visits to Egypt and Israel." Dr. Jarring was last in New York Jan. 27, when he flew to Dakar, Senegal, for his talks with African leaders, after which he went to Cairo, Amman, Jerusalem and Geneva.

American officials here pointed out that Dr. Jarring, having conferred with Israeli and Egyptian leaders and with Waldheim in recent days, would use the next few days in New York for consultations with US, British, French and Soviet representatives. The Americans noted that the outgoing Egyptian ambassador Dr. Mohammed H. el-Zayyat, who has been promoted to Minister of State for Information, was still in New York this week.

#### 40,000 DEMONSTRATE AGAINST PLANNED PARDON OF NAZIS

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Approximately 40,000 people demonstrated here Friday night against the plans of Queen Juliana to pardon the last three Nazis still in Dutch jails. The occasion for the protest against the pardons was the annual commemoration of the "February Action" of the Nazis 31 years ago, when the first deportation of Jews from Holland took place.

Meanwhile, it was learned that the three ex-Nazis--Franz Fischer, 70, Joseph Kottaella, 65, and Ferdinand Aus Den Fuenten, 73--had sent a joint letter from jail expressing regret for their crimes and asking for clemency. During their trials in 1948 and 1949, the three war criminals had denied their guilt, and apparently their recent self-critical letter altered the Dutch government's attitude toward pardoning them.

Premier Barend Biensheuvel said on Friday that a Parliamentary rejection of the government's decision to pardon the three would not be considered by the Cabinet as a vote of "no confidence" and would not result in the resignation of either the government as a body or of Justice Minister Andries Van Agt.

On Thursday, 41 organizations testified before a committee for juridical affairs which began hearings dealing with the planned pardon. Thirty-five organizational representatives opposed the release of the Nazis and six favored it, but political circles here pointed out that many of the organizations expressing their views on the matter lack influence or importance. One of those who opposes keeping the three Nazis in prison is the veteran Zionist leader, author and lawyer, Abel Herzberg, who spent 15 months in Bergen-Belsen. He said the best thing for all concerned would be to free the three and expel them from The Netherlands.

### ADL URGES BAN ON SABBATH ANTI-POVERTY ELECTIONS; CALLS FOR FINE OR IMPRISONMENT IF BAN IS VIOLATED

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Holding Saturday elections for the board members of the city's 26 anti-poverty agencies would be "blatantly discriminatory" to Jews in the areas of those community corporations, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith charged today. The League asked the City Council to take "speedy, affirmative action" to ban Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday local elections for nonpublic offices in which the general public participates.

Referring to its recent request to Mayor John V. Lindsay to rescind a decision by the city's Council Against Poverty (CAP) to hold the elections on either a Tuesday or a Saturday in April, the ADL protested that "past experience has shown that when there is an option, Saturday is usually the day chosen."

Earlier last week Lindsay announced his opposition to Saturday elections because, a spokesman said, he "considers it a clear and unacceptable infringement upon freedom of religion to hold public or quasi-public elections on the Sabbath." The Mayor's office also said the administration would not defend CAP against a suit by Rabbi Sholom B. Gorodetsky of Brooklyn, a CAP delegate who opposes Saturday elections.

The ADL proposed to the City Council an amendment asserting that "the holding of elections on days of worship is unfair to those citizens who observe such days of worship in that they are unable to participate fully in the election process on an equal basis unless they violate their religious precepts." This, it continues, "poses a threat to the free exercise of religion and equality of access to the electoral process." On the other hand, "bigotry, prejudice and intolerance will be discouraged if such elections are forbidden on those days of worship," and "holding elections on other days will permit the participation of a greater number of people."

The proposed amendment would provide for a fine of up to \$100 or imprisonment up to 10 days or a combination of both on conviction of violation. Milton A. Seymour, chairman of the ADL's New York Board, said the measure was drafted following requests from the League and "other concerned groups."

### LZA REAFFIRMS SUPPORT OF AZF

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (JTA)--"As the leading ideological movement within Zionism, the Labor Zionist Alliance reaffirms its support of the American Zionist Federation with the conviction that a close relationship with the Zionist movement as a whole enhances its opportunities for furthering its own outlook, and strengthening all phases of Zionism," Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, president of the Alliance, stated yesterday at a meeting of the organization's National Executive Committee.

That committee endorsed this stand in a resolution passed unanimously which pledges the continued affiliation of the Alliance with the AZF as well as aid in the development of its program throughout the country as called for by the World Zionist Congress. In other action, Jacob Katzman, executive vice-president of the Alliance, reported that the National Executive Committee of the LZA completed the formation of its national committee structure, following the unification of Farband, Poale Zion and the American Habonim Association in December.

In opening the weekend meetings, Dr. Shapiro called for developing the structure of the LZA in

such a way as to make it possible to deal effectively with the many challenges to the organization. "This is especially important," he said "in developing relationships with the substantial Jewish membership in professional labor unions and associations, to encompass the interests of youth, to interpret Zionism, to expand educational and cultural programs, and to develop opportunities for public affairs action."

### JERUSALEM EXHIBITION AT JEWISH MUSEUM Commemorates Hadassah's 60th Anniversary

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (JTA)--To commemorate its 60th anniversary, Hadassah is sponsoring an exhibition at the Jewish Museum which opens to the public tomorrow and continues through March 26. The exhibition, "The Word From Jerusalem," will be concerned both with the city of Jerusalem and the history of Hadassah. Following the New York premiere, the exhibition will tour in major cities of the United States through 1972--Hadassah's sixtieth anniversary year.

The exhibition will occupy the entire first floor of the Jewish Museum and one large gallery on the second floor. The first large gallery will include: a video tape greeting from Teddy Kollek, Mayor of Jerusalem; enlarged photographic reproductions of old views of the city relating to its history; a large screen for special slide and audio tape programs, which will present images of the city, its life, its people, its activities, its architecture and the total environment. In another gallery, the program will focus on the different kinds of people who compose the population of Jerusalem and will provide more dramatic details of sectors of the city's life.

A third gallery will be devoted to Hadassah, whose work in Jerusalem began during the Turkish rule and extended through the British Mandate, both World Wars and the Israeli War of Independence, to the present. The second floor will feature a new kind of library--a large number of different communications media, video monitors and audio listening headsets. There will be a current selection of newspapers and magazines from Jerusalem available to read. The video monitors will contain edited interviews with people in Jerusalem in which the Americans will ask questions and answers will be provided by people in Jerusalem.

Feedback and personal involvement techniques will be created which provide the opportunity for every visitor to the Museum to be able to relate to other people in the Museum and to people in Jerusalem. Visitors will be encouraged to write letters to people in Jerusalem to get further answers to their questions. The Jewish Museum is under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

### MOSLEMS PROTEST WALL EXCAVATIONS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--The Jerusalem Moslem Council (Wafq) protested today to the government against excavations near the Western Wall which they said were damaging Moslem religious sites and residential buildings tenanted by Arabs. The protest was contained in a memorandum delivered yesterday to Acting Premier Yigal Allon by a delegation of four prominent members of the Wafq. The delegation was the first sent by the Wafq for official talks with a high ranking government official. The excavations in question were temporarily halted recently by order of Premier Golda Meir. The group also reportedly requested tax exemption on all equipment required to renovate the El Aksa Mosque which was gutted by fire two years ago.



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Simon Weber, editor of the Forward, told the Jewish Telegraphic Agency that "some of the leaders and rabbis of the various synagogues that received the forged documents have been inquiring as to the meaning of the Forward 'change of policy.'" Forward columnist Dr. Judah J. Shapiro believes the source of the forged mailings to be followers of the Satmarer Rebbe, leader of a Hassidic sect in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn which denies the legitimacy of Israel's existence on religious grounds.

The letter, dated Feb. 8, 1972, purports to be a Forward endorsement of complaints by the Lubavitcher Rebbe against alleged mistreatment of religious Jews in Israel. The forged letterhead does not correspond to the actual Forward letterhead. The typed signature is "Shimon Weber." The written one is illegible. The letter contains a number of misspellings of simple words. According to Shapiro, "It ought not to be too difficult to find the swindlers because the drawings have been used previously by the Satmarer enemies of Israel."

### WZO EXECUTIVE CALLS ON ZOA TO RECONSIDER WITHDRAWAL FROM AZF

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--The World Zionist Organization Executive called today unanimously on the Zionist Organization of America to reconsider its decision, announced last week, to withdraw from the American Zionist Federation. The Executive met under the chairmanship of Aryeh L. Dulzin, treasurer of the Jewish Agency and president of the World Union of General Zionists with which the ZOA is affiliated.

The Executive expressed sorrow over the ZOA's decision and "resolved unanimously to call upon the ZOA to reconsider its decision and return to the ranks of the AZF." The resolution added that "The Zionist Executive sees in Zionist unity and the fullest cooperation of all the organizations affiliated with the AZF, the essential prerequisite for the fulfillment of the task and challenges which confront the American Jewish community and the State of Israel."

### KNESSET EXPRESSES CONCERN OVER RELEASE OF FORMER NAZI WAR CRIMINALS IN HOLLAND

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Foreign Minister Abba Eban informed the Knesset today that the Israeli Ambassador in The Hague has been instructed to convey to the Netherlands government the concern of the Jewish people over its

decision to free three former Nazi war criminals serving life sentences in a Dutch prison. Eban said, "In such a case the rule of non-intervention in the internal matters of another country must be set aside." He spoke in reply to agenda motions submitted by Gideon Hausner, an MK who was Attorney General of Israel during the Eichmann trial and Zalman Shoval, of the State List.

The three ex-Nazis are the last of the World War II war criminals still in Dutch prisons. The government intends to release them after 25 years in jail but seeks parliamentary approval. According to a report from Amsterdam today, if the Dutch parliament, which debates the matter tomorrow, rejects a collective pardon for the prisoners, the government will free them one-by-one at short intervals. According to official sources in Amsterdam, that would correspond to the stand of the "main representatives of Dutch Jewry" which objected to a collective pardon but did not oppose freeing aging prisoners on humanitarian grounds.

#### Unofficial State Department View: PROXIMITY TALKS A 'DEAD HORSE'

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Officially, the State Department says the possibility of proximity talks looking towards reopening the Suez Canal remains alive, but unofficially, the Department is understood to agree with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat that the idea is "a dead horse."

State Department spokesman Charles Bray reiterated today the Department's long-held position in replying to a newsman's question about Sadat's reported comment by saying "we remain available if the parties wish us to play a role." But Bray would not comment on whether the US has approached the Egyptians on an interim agreement nor on whether Ambassador Gunnar V. Jarring, the United Nations mediator, has "enlightened us" on his latest activity in the Middle East.

Bray also refused to answer a question on whether the US has temporarily deferred putting forward the idea of reopening the canal pending Dr. Jarring's initiatives for a full settlement. Sadat was quoted in an interview with Newsweek Magazine as rejecting an American proposal that Joseph Sisco, Assistant Secretary of State for the Near East, serve as an intermediary at indirect talks in New York or elsewhere between Egyptians and Israelis.

#### Sadat: Direct Talks Possible

"Insofar as the so-called 'proximity talks' or hotel talks with Mr. Sisco are concerned, it's a dead horse," a Newsweek senior editor, Arnaud de Borchgrave, quoted Sadat as saying. According to de Borchgrave, who has interviewed Sadat before in Cairo, Sadat also hinted his government might engage in direct talks with Israel.

He was asked whether he would object to direct negotiations with Israel at the same table in Dr. Jarring's presence. Sadat replied, according to Newsweek, "Jarring's mission is to implement the UN resolution of November 1967, which Egypt interprets as calling for Israeli withdrawal from occupied territories in return for Egyptian recognition of Israeli sovereignty. Whenever Jarring feels this can be done, we will come to the table."

#### JARRING RETURNING UNEXPECTEDLY TO UN; TO CONSULT WITH BIG FOUR ENVOYS

UNITED NATIONS, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Eyebrows were raised here at noon today when a United Nations spokesman announced that Dr. Gunnar V. Jarring, the UN's special Middle East representative, was to arrive back in New York this evening.

The spokesman reported that Dr. Jarring and Secretary General Kurt Waldheim had agreed in Geneva yesterday that the envoy's mission continued to be "very useful," but it was a fact that no Mideast principals were in New York today and none was immediately due.

Waldheim was still in Geneva, with no announced plans to return here; Israeli Ambassador Yosef Tekoah was in Israel and not due to return here until next weekend; and the arrival date of the new Egyptian ambassador, Esmat Abdel Maguid, was uncertain, with an Egyptian spokesman saying it might be around mid-March.

Israeli officials said Dr. Jarring would not be meeting with any Israeli representatives until Tekoah returned. The UN spokesman, asked to explain Dr. Jarring's decision, said only that "this was left wide open pending the Secretary General's conversations (in Geneva) with Ambassador Jarring after his visits to Egypt and Israel." Dr. Jarring was last in New York Jan. 27, when he flew to Dakar, Senegal, for his talks with African leaders, after which he went to Cairo, Amman, Jerusalem and Geneva.

American officials here pointed out that Dr. Jarring, having conferred with Israeli and Egyptian leaders and with Waldheim in recent days, would use the next few days in New York for consultations with US, British, French and Soviet representatives. The Americans noted that the outgoing Egyptian ambassador Dr. Mohammed H. el-Zayyat, who has been promoted to Minister of State for Information, was still in New York this week.

#### 40,000 DEMONSTRATE AGAINST PLANNED PARDON OF NAZIS

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Approximately 40,000 people demonstrated here Friday night against the plans of Queen Juliana to pardon the last three Nazis still in Dutch jails. The occasion for the protest against the pardons was the annual commemoration of the "February Action" of the Nazis 31 years ago, when the first deportation of Jews from Holland took place.

Meanwhile, it was learned that the three ex-Nazis--Franz Fischer, 70, Joseph Kottaella, 65, and Ferdinand Aus Den Fuenten, 73--had sent a joint letter from jail expressing regret for their crimes and asking for clemency. During their trials in 1948 and 1949, the three war criminals had denied their guilt, and apparently their recent self-critical letter altered the Dutch government's attitude toward pardoning them.

Premier Barend Biensheuvel said on Friday that a Parliamentary rejection of the government's decision to pardon the three would not be considered by the Cabinet as a vote of "no confidence" and would not result in the resignation of either the government as a body or of Justice Minister Andries Van Agt.

On Thursday, 41 organizations testified before a committee for juridical affairs which began hearings dealing with the planned pardon. Thirty-five organizational representatives opposed the release of the Nazis and six favored it, but political circles here pointed out that many of the organizations expressing their views on the matter lack influence or importance. One of those who opposes keeping the three Nazis in prison is the veteran Zionist leader, author and lawyer, Abel Herzberg, who spent 15 months in Bergen-Belsen. He said the best thing for all concerned would be to free the three and expel them from The Netherlands.

### ADL URGES BAN ON SABBATH ANTI-POVERTY ELECTIONS; CALLS FOR FINE OR IMPRISONMENT IF BAN IS VIOLATED

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (JTA)--Holding Saturday elections for the board members of the city's 26 anti-poverty agencies would be "blatantly discriminatory" to Jews in the areas of those community corporations, the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith charged today. The League asked the City Council to take "speedy, affirmative action" to ban Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday local elections for nonpublic offices in which the general public participates.

Referring to its recent request to Mayor John V. Lindsay to rescind a decision by the city's Council Against Poverty (CAP) to hold the elections on either a Tuesday or a Saturday in April, the ADL protested that "past experience has shown that when there is an option, Saturday is usually the day chosen."

Earlier last week Lindsay announced his opposition to Saturday elections because, a spokesman said, he "considers it a clear and unacceptable infringement upon freedom of religion to hold public or quasi-public elections on the Sabbath." The Mayor's office also said the administration would not defend CAP against a suit by Rabbi Sholom B. Gorodetsky of Brooklyn, a CAP delegate who opposes Saturday elections.

The ADL proposed to the City Council an amendment asserting that "the holding of elections on days of worship is unfair to those citizens who observe such days of worship in that they are unable to participate fully in the election process on an equal basis unless they violate their religious precepts." This, it continues, "poses a threat to the free exercise of religion and equality of access to the electoral process." On the other hand, "bigotry, prejudice and intolerance will be discouraged if such elections are forbidden on those days of worship," and "holding elections on other days will permit the participation of a greater number of people."

The proposed amendment would provide for a fine of up to \$100 or imprisonment up to 10 days or a combination of both on conviction of violation. Milton A. Seymour, chairman of the ADL's New York Board, said the measure was drafted following requests from the League and "other concerned groups."

### LZA REAFFIRMS SUPPORT OF AZF

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (JTA)--"As the leading ideological movement within Zionism, the Labor Zionist Alliance reaffirms its support of the American Zionist Federation with the conviction that a close relationship with the Zionist movement as a whole enhances its opportunities for furthering its own outlook, and strengthening all phases of Zionism," Dr. Judah J. Shapiro, president of the Alliance, stated yesterday at a meeting of the organization's National Executive Committee.

That committee endorsed this stand in a resolution passed unanimously which pledges the continued affiliation of the Alliance with the AZF as well as aid in the development of its program throughout the country as called for by the World Zionist Congress. In other action, Jacob Katzman, executive vice-president of the Alliance, reported that the National Executive Committee of the LZA completed the formation of its national committee structure, following the unification of Farband, Poale Zion and the American Habonim Association in December.

In opening the weekend meetings, Dr. Shapiro called for developing the structure of the LZA in

such a way as to make it possible to deal effectively with the many challenges to the organization. "This is especially important," he said "in developing relationships with the substantial Jewish membership in professional labor unions and associations, to encompass the interests of youth, to interpret Zionism, to expand educational and cultural programs, and to develop opportunities for public affairs action."

### JERUSALEM EXHIBITION AT JEWISH MUSEUM Commemorates Hadassah's 60th Anniversary

NEW YORK, Feb. 28 (JTA)--To commemorate its 60th anniversary, Hadassah is sponsoring an exhibition at the Jewish Museum which opens to the public tomorrow and continues through March 26. The exhibition, "The Word From Jerusalem," will be concerned both with the city of Jerusalem and the history of Hadassah. Following the New York premiere, the exhibition will tour in major cities of the United States through 1972--Hadassah's sixtieth anniversary year.

The exhibition will occupy the entire first floor of the Jewish Museum and one large gallery on the second floor. The first large gallery will include: a video tape greeting from Teddy Kollek, Mayor of Jerusalem; enlarged photographic reproductions of old views of the city relating to its history; a large screen for special slide and audio tape programs, which will present images of the city, its life, its people, its activities, its architecture and the total environment. In another gallery, the program will focus on the different kinds of people who compose the population of Jerusalem and will provide more dramatic details of sectors of the city's life.

A third gallery will be devoted to Hadassah, whose work in Jerusalem began during the Turkish rule and extended through the British Mandate, both World Wars and the Israeli War of Independence, to the present. The second floor will feature a new kind of library--a large number of different communications media, video monitors and audio listening headsets. There will be a current selection of newspapers and magazines from Jerusalem available to read. The video monitors will contain edited interviews with people in Jerusalem in which the Americans will ask questions and answers will be provided by people in Jerusalem.

Feedback and personal involvement techniques will be created which provide the opportunity for every visitor to the Museum to be able to relate to other people in the Museum and to people in Jerusalem. Visitors will be encouraged to write letters to people in Jerusalem to get further answers to their questions. The Jewish Museum is under the auspices of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

### MOSLEMS PROTEST WALL EXCAVATIONS

JERUSALEM, Feb. 28 (JTA)--The Jerusalem Moslem Council (Wafq) protested today to the government against excavations near the Western Wall which they said were damaging Moslem religious sites and residential buildings tenanted by Arabs. The protest was contained in a memorandum delivered yesterday to Acting Premier Yigal Allon by a delegation of four prominent members of the Wafq. The delegation was the first sent by the Wafq for official talks with a high ranking government official. The excavations in question were temporarily halted recently by order of Premier Golda Meir. The group also reportedly requested tax exemption on all equipment required to renovate the El Aksa Mosque which was gutted by fire two years ago.