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My dear Syd,

In the old days there were more things happening and there were, therefore, more chances for bell-ringing interviews.

It is perhaps a fortunate thing for the country, that nowadays we in this country try to get into the news on our terms.

London and NY are beginning to suspect that Eliav Simon is getting old and blasé. Particularly so because my people cite a list of interviews which have appeared in the world press.

I appreciate your problem and would have done just what you are doing. It's true that there hasn't been a big story except for one about which the government would rather say nothing.

This is not meant to reverse my theory that I would rather have no interview than have a few question-and-answer paragraphs story of no consequence.

Many thanks.

Mr. S. Appelbaum,
Jerusalem.

Sincerely,
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