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SOVIET GOVERNMENT PRESENTS MODEL JET PLANE AS GIFT TO NASSER

LONDON, May 21. (JTA) -- Egyptian Premier Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser will be presented with a Soviet Ilyushin 14 jet plane as a gift by the Soviet Ambassador tomorrow. The plane is the same type used by Soviet leaders Bulganin and Khrushchev on their recent trips abroad.

An officer of Radio Cairo withdrew last night a report broadcast earlier by the station to the effect that Egypt and Poland had signed an agreement under which the Communist state would sell arms to the Arab state. In a dispatch received here from Cairo, the station official is quoted as saying that the report of the agreement was withdrawn because it "apparently was a mistake." At the Polish Embassy in Cairo, an Embassy spokesman said that Poland had trade pacts with Egypt but not an arms agreement.

(In Washington it was reported that intelligence reports reaching the United States capital had placed total Egyptian arms contracts with Czechoslovakia at \$250,000,000. The pact of last September has been followed by two or possibly three others, the reports said.)

An Egyptian newsman newly returned from a legal visit to Israel declared today Israel is aiming, with American backing, at economic domination of the Middle East. The newsman is Ibrahim Izzat, diplomatic correspondent for the Cairo weekly *Rose al Youssef*. He is the first Egyptian to enter Israel on a non-war mission since the Jewish State was founded in 1948.

The Egyptian journalist reported in his first article today that the Arab boycott in effect since the Palestine war of 1948 was essential for protection of the Arabs against Israeli dumping. He wrote that "the day Israel is permitted to smell the air in the Arab states" -- by the lifting of the boycott -- it would start a dumping program sufficient to kill any Arab local industry.

Describing Israeli industry as flourishing and expanding, largely supported by American capital, Mr. Izzat said: "All this greatness in Israeli industry and this huge industrial effort point to one target -- to pave the way for economic domination of the Middle East. But this effort is not Israeli alone. It is really an American aim working through Israel.

"Peace with Egypt is the hope, dream and target of every Israeli from Premier David Ben Gurion down," the Egyptian journalist wrote, "but this hope does not reduce Israeli preparations for an offensive." He added that there were "wide-scale preparations for war and incessant military movements in Israel."

Egypt to Sell Israeli Vessel Seized at Suez Canal

JERUSALEM, May 21. (JTA) -- The Cairo radio announced today that Egypt would place on sale the Israeli vessel *Bat Galim* which was seized when it attempted to sail through the Suez Canal nearly two years ago. The crew was eventually returned, after pressure from the United Nations, but the vessel was not returned because the Israelis would not accept it unless it was allowed to continue its journey through the Canal.

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Zionist Organization, today categorically denied a charge by Egyptian Premier Nasser to the effect that the Zionist Congress had demanded the "liberation" of the "Israeli homeland" between the Nile and the Euphrates rivers. The proceedings of the Zionist Congress, Dr. Goldmann pointed out, were open to the Israeli and foreign press. "Our resolutions were made public property and there was not the slightest hint in them justifying Col. Nasser's charges," he said.

SECURITY COUNCIL UNANIMITY ON HAMMARSKJOLD MESSENGER REPORT SOUGHT

UNITED NATIONS, N.Y., May 21. (JTA) -- Negotiations to achieve unanimity of action on the report by United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjold on his Middle East mission are currently in progress, Dr. Joza Brilej, Security Council president, indicated today.

After conferring with Mr. Hammarskjold today, Dr. Brilej told newsmen that his consultations on a date for the next Council session were not yet complete. He will continue the consultations, he said, and hopes to finish them by tomorrow, after which he will announce the time of the Council session.

ISRAEL CABINET APPROVES PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO PAY WAGES ON TIME

JERUSALEM, May 21. (JTA) -- A measure providing penalties for failure to pay wages on time and calling for the payment of six months' wages to every worker in the event an employer goes into bankruptcy or liquidates his business was adopted by the Israel Cabinet today. The provision against withholding an employee's wages is in keeping with Jewish Biblical tradition.

A Ministerial Committee will decide the extent of the penalties for late payment of wages and other details. It has been instructed to decide also which deductions may be made by the employer from wages without prior consent of the employee. So far the only automatic deductions recognized are those for income tax and for national insurance. A draft bill embodying these principles was introduced two years ago by Hapoel Hamizrachi deputy Moshe Uss.

FRENCH FIRM OFFERS PLAN FOR CONSTRUCTION OF RAILROAD IN NEGEV

TEL AVIV, May 21. (JTA) -- Plans to construct a railroad between Beersheba and the phosphate mines of the deep Negev and an aerial railway for the transportation of chemicals from the potash plant at Sdot to the port of Eilat were placed before the Israel Government today.

The plans were prepared by Compagnie Dunkerquise, a French construction company which has signed a contract to build a subway in Haifa and has prepared a plan for a subway in Tel Aviv. The plan calls for completion of both Negev projects within two years at a cost of \$10,000,000. The government is expected to give the company a reply within a month.

ISRAEL'S HOUSING NEEDS REPORTED AT MEETING OF U. N. ECONOMIC GROUP

GENEVA, May 21. (JTA) -- Israel needs about 400,000 new housing units in the next decade, David Tanne, director of housing of the Israel Ministry of Labor, reported today to a meeting of the United Nations Economic Commission on Europe.

Mr. Tanne told the meeting that Israel has not yet been able to achieve the necessary construction level of 40,000 homes a year. In 1952, he reported, Israel built 20,000 housing units, and last year 25,000. He said that Israel planned to disperse its population throughout the country and offset the present "dangerous trend of congestion."

YUGOSLAV PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION HONORED IN ISRAEL; FRIENDSHIP HAILED

JERUSALEM, May 21. (JTA) -- The Yugoslav Government's permitting Yugoslav Jews to leave the country as immigrants to Israel was highly praised here last night by Joseph Sprinzak, Speaker of the Knesset, in an address at a state banquet given for a touring Yugoslav parliamentary delegation.

Mr. Sprinzak expressed Israel's admiration for Yugoslavia's fight against the German occupation and its "colossal" work in rebuilding the country after the war. Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett, who also spoke at the banquet, hailed the friendship between the peoples and governments of the two countries.

TURKEY STARTS "GET TOUGH WITH EGYPT" CAMPAIGN; ISRAEL LAUDE IN PRESS

ISTANBUL, May 21. (JTA) -- The Turkish Government today embarked on a "get tough with Egypt" campaign while three prominent Turkish newspapermen, just back from Israel, started a series of articles in their newspapers praising what they saw in the Jewish State.

The campaign against Egypt was launched with a broadcast over the government-controlled Ankara Radio charging Egypt with creating discord in the Middle East and with serving Communist ends. "The Egyptian leaders are behaving like the last adherents of an imperialism which is going out of fashion," the Turkish broadcast said.

The three Turkish journalists, in their articles on Israel, are unanimous in their opinion that Israel wants peace, is friendly toward Turkey and is a positive factor for progress in the Middle East. The newspapermen--Fahri Rifki Atay of Dunya, Burhan Felek of Cumhuriyet, and Mithat Perin of the Istanbul Express--compared Israel with Turkey and suggested that this country could learn many things from Israel. Mr. Atay suggested a student exchange with Israel rather than with the United States or European countries.

HOLLAND AND ISRAEL CONCLUDE \$11,000,000 TRADE AGREEMENT

THE HAGUE, May 21. (JTA) -- A new Israel-Holland trade pact covering the exchange of about \$11,000,000 worth of goods has been concluded, it was announced here today. The agreement covers the year between May 1, 1956 and April 30, 1957.

KING OF IRAQ MEETS WITH GEN. FRANCO IN SPAIN ON ARAB-ISRAEL ISSUE

LONDON, May 21. (JTA) -- The Israel-Arab dispute and the Middle East security situation were discussed by Generalissimo Franco and King Feisal of Iraq at a meeting in Madrid yesterday, the Times of London reported today from the Spanish capital.

Col. Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egyptian Premier, is expected to visit Madrid within the year, the Times reported. It noted that for some years now Gen. Franco, who believes that Spain could serve as a link between Islam and the West, has been assiduously cultivating the Arab states. Franco's concern with Communist influence in the Arab states was heightened, the Times indicated, by Egypt's surprise recognition of Communist China.

FIRST JEWISH PHYSICIANS INDUCTED INTO MOROCCAN ARMY; CHOSEN BY LOT

CASABLANCA, May 21. (JTA) -- The first three Jewish doctors have been inducted into the new Moroccan Army, it was revealed here today. The Jews, chosen by lot from among doctors with less than five years of practice, were all given the rank of lieutenant. They will be part of a group which will make up the Moroccan Army Medical Corps.

BELGIUM DEMANDS \$20,000,000 FROM GERMANY AS COMPENSATION FOR JEWS

BRUSSELS, May 21. (JTA) -- A demand for \$20,000,000 as compensation for families of 21,000 Belgian Jews murdered in German concentration camps will figure high in the list of demands to be made by the Belgian Government to the Bonn regime in connection with claims arising out of the German occupation of this country. The Belgian claims will be examined in Bonn on June 19, together with similar claims put forward by the Netherlands, France and Italy.

A "Camille Huysmans Forest" will be planted in Israel to mark the 85th birthday of the president of the Belgian Chamber of Representatives, long noted as a fighter against racial discrimination and a warm friend of Israel. The committee to honor the Belgian elder statesman will act under the patronage of Belgium's Prime Minister, Israel Minister Joseph Ariel, Cabinet ministers and leading Belgian personalities.

GERMAN SOCIALIST WOMEN DENOUNCE LENIENCY SHOWN TO NAZIS IN COURT

FRANKFURT, May 21. (JTA) -- The leniency shown by German courts on the rare occasions when Nazi crimes still come to trial is denounced in a resolution adopted by a regional conference of Social Democratic women.

One of the cases cited in the resolution is that of ex-Wehrmacht Captain Karl Friedrich Noell and ex-Sergeant Emil Zimmer, the former a school teacher near Darmstadt and the latter a postwar member of the Freiburg police force. They had been indicted for "participation in murder" because they ordered the slaughter of at least 250 Jews in a village near Smolensk, during the German advance on Moscow in 1941.

The sentences handed down by a Darmstadt court last March were three and two years of imprisonment, respectively. Thus, the penalty for each murdered Jewish infant is just a few days in jail, the resolution points out.

JEWS WAR VETERANS REFUSE TO SUPPORT REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF NAZIS

WASHINGTON, May 21. (JTA) -- The Jewish War Veterans refused today a request from a German army veterans group asking the JWV to use its influence to free 21 Nazi war criminals still held in prison.

"These men," the JWV said, "are responsible for the death and destruction of millions of innocent humans, and that various boards which acted on their appeals had commuted the sentences from death--a merciful one in comparison with the tortures which they inflicted--we are convinced that it would be inconceivable to us to return them to a decent society."

CONGRESS OF JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN ITALY HEARS PLEA FOR RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

ROME, May 21. (JTA) -- The Fifth Congress of Italian Jewish Communities opened here today with delegates from 23 different Italian Jewish communities participating. The congress is held every five years.

Sen. Ugo della Seta, one of the speakers at the opening session, called for stricter adherence to the Italian constitutional guarantees of religious freedom for minorities. Dante Lattes, renowned Jewish scholar and vice-president of the Union, said that the greatest danger to the Jews today was their ignorance of the moral and spiritual values of Judaism.

The congress was greeted by Harold Trobe, director of the Joint Distribution Committee in Italy, who pledged his agency's assistance to Italian Jewry's cultural, social and religious activities. Gerhard Riegner, World Jewish Congress representative, reported on Jewish emigration from North Africa. Ambassador Eliahu Sasson brought Israel's greetings to the delegates.

B'NAI B'RITH CHARGES "EXCLUSIVE" SOCIAL CLUBS WITH FOSTERING BIAS

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KIAMESHA LAKE, N. Y., May 21. (JTA) -- "Exclusive" social clubs have become a powerful social force which "patternizes and perpetuates discrimination in business, education, housing and civic affairs," Henry E. Schultz, chairman of the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League, told the 104th annual convention of B'nai B'rith District I last night. The convention, at the Concord Hotel here, is being attended by 1,600 delegates and guests.

Mr. Schultz charged that "social separatism" practiced by country and luncheon clubs has kept members of minority groups from the leadership councils of their community. He said: "No one can deny a man's right to choose his friends and social companions. But when this becomes an organized subterfuge for gaining or retaining power and special privilege in his community, it is a serious attack on democratic society and contradicts the equally inviolable right of all men to equal opportunity."

BIAS IN EDUCATION TO BE CHECKED IN MASSACHUSETTS BY STATE COMMISSION

BOSTON, May 21. (JTA) -- Governor Christian A. Herter of Massachusetts has signed into law a bill placing the Fair Educational Practices Act under the jurisdiction of the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination. The bill passed both the Senate and House without opposition.

It transfers the duties accomplished by Dr. Franklin B. Hawkes of the Department of Education who administered the Fair Educational Act since it came into being in 1949, to the MCAD, a state agency. Sponsors of the measure, with which the Department of Education concurred, who urged the change before the Legislative Committee of Education, praised the efforts of Dr. Hawkes, but requested the transfer to the MCAD as a means of coordinating all discrimination matters under one agency.

BALTIMORE JEWISH CHARITIES TO RAISE \$2,000,000 FOR YOUTH BUILDINGS

BALTIMORE, May 21. (JTA) -- The Associated Jewish Charities here announced today the launching of a \$2,000,000 Youth Fund Building campaign to provide new buildings in northwest Baltimore for the Jewish Community Center and the Baltimore Hebrew College.

It is estimated that the new Jewish Community Center building will cost in the neighborhood of \$1,500,000 and the Baltimore Hebrew College approximately \$500,000. The new buildings will replace the "Y" building of the Jewish Community Center, which was opened 26 years ago in 1930, and the reconditioned private home which has housed the Baltimore Hebrew College and the Board of Jewish Education for thirty years.

CANADIAN JEWISH CONGRESS TO SUPERVISE KASHRUTH IN TORONTO

TORONTO, May 21. (JTA) -- The Canadian Jewish Congress here has completed arrangements to supervise kashruth in local Jewish butcher shops. The representative Jewish organization here will issue certificates of kashruth to butchers who undertake to abide by regulations and to submit to supervision by rabbis named by the Congress.

The arrangements are being put into effect following protracted study and negotiation with rabbinical authorities and the butchers. Final arrangements have been worked out with Rabbis David Ochs and Abraham A. Price who will cooperate in the licensing of Jewish butchers.

CANADIAN JEWS SEEK RIGHT TO VOTE ON DAYS PRECEDING HOLIDAYS

MONTREAL, May 21. (JTA) -- A proposal that Jews and others who do not choose to go to the polls on any specific election day because it conflicts with a religious holiday be given the opportunity of casting their ballots at an earlier date, has been submitted to the Secretary of State by the Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai B'rith. The proposal followed a conflict between the celebration of Yom Kippur last year and a by-election in Quebec.

10,000-YEAR OLD TOMB UNCOVERED IN ISRAEL; BELIEVED TO BE OLDEST

JERUSALEM, May 21. (JTA) -- What may well be the oldest tomb yet uncovered in Israel has been discovered at the village of Mahalla in the Huleh region, it was reported here today. The tomb is believed to be 10,000 years old. The excavations are proceeding under the direction of Jean Perrot, French archaeologist.

GERMAN CITY HONORS JEWISH WOMAN IN "MORAL INDEMNIFICATION" GESTURE

KASSEL, Germany, May 21. (JTA) -- The Kassel City Council has unanimously conferred honorary citizenship upon 87-year-old Mrs. Sara Nussbaum, in a considered gesture of "moral indemnification."

Together with her husband Rudolf, Mrs. Nussbaum operated a furniture store in this city until the advent of Nazism. Although her husband was a leading local citizen, head of a Red Cross department and an active member of the volunteer fire brigade, brown-shirted SA Storm Troopers beat him to death in 1934. After the war's outbreak, Mrs. Nussbaum was sent to the Terezin concentration camp.