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## BRITISH PRIME MINISTER MAY VISIT ISRAEL; INVITED BY BEN-GURION

LONDON, March 20. (JTA) -- British Prime Minister Harold Macmillan may visit Israel as a result of an invitation extended to him by Israel's Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion during their talk here last Thursday, it was indicated here today.

Mr. Ben-Gurion was resting today in Oxford as the guest of Sir Isaiah Berlin, noted British-Jewish statesman and Professor of Political Theory at Oxford University. The Israel Prime Minister visited the Blackwell bookstore in Oxford and purchased there a number of books dealing with philosophy and political subjects.

The Israel Prime Minister is expected to extend his stay in England till Wednesday. Yesterday he met with Hugh Gaitskell, leader of the Opposition in the British Parliament, and discussed with him Middle East issues.

At a press conference here, Mr. Ben-Gurion revealed that he had made two attempts prior to his departure from Israel for the United States to arrange a meeting with Nikita S. Khrushchev, the Soviet Prime Minister. He said he still wanted to meet Mr. Khrushchev and hoped the meeting could be arranged.

He told the press representatives that he had informed the Soviet envoy in Israel, Michael Bodrov, that he wanted to see the Soviet leader and the envoy promised him an answer. When this was not forthcoming before his departure for the United States was scheduled, Mr. Ben-Gurion recounted, he raised the issue once again with Mr. Bodrov. This time he was told that the matter could be discussed after Mr. Ben-Gurion's return from his tour of the Western capitals.

Asked what he expected President Eisenhower and Mr. Macmillan to do about the Middle East at the forthcoming summit conference, Mr. Ben-Gurion said he expected the Big Two leaders "to strengthen peace in the area." He stated that he was ready to meet United Arab Republic President Gamal Abdel Nasser "at any time, any place."

Mr. Ben-Gurion denied reports that either Mr. Eisenhower or United Nations Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld had pressed Israel, during his recent talks with these leaders, to alter its plans for use of Jordan River waters for irrigation purposes.

## Britain Reported Planning to Sell Anti-Aircraft Weapons to Israel

LONDON, March 20. (JTA) -- Britain contemplates releasing new weapons to Israel, probably furnishing Israel with new anti-aircraft defenses, the Sunday Observer here reported today.

Stating that Britain's permanent policy vis-a-vis the Middle East entails the maintenance of "some kind of a balance" of arms, the Observer declared that, in the present situation regarding armaments held by the United Arab Republic and by Israel, more arms aid for Israel is called for.

The newspaper said that, according to estimates accepted by British military authorities, "the UAR now has a slight edge over the Israeli forces." This is true, the newspaper declared, "even if one allows for what British military authorities consider Israel's superior technical training and combativeness."

On the other hand, the Observer stated, Britain discounts as propaganda "inspired" Israeli reports about a major Soviet build-up of the Egyptian Air Force in their last few months. The newspaper dismissed as "ridiculous" reports that the Egyptians are about to receive Russian, MIG-19 fighter-bombers.

## Ben-Gurion to Report on His Trip to Special Cabinet Meeting

JERUSALEM, March 20. (JTA) -- Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion may convene a special meeting of the Cabinet, as soon as he returns, to report on his conversations with President Eisenhower in Washington and with Britain's Prime Minister Harold Macmillan in London, it was reported here today after the regular weekly meeting of the Cabinet.

Today's Cabinet meeting received preliminary estimates of the damage caused by the recent drought. The damage may reach 80,000,000 pounds (\$44,000,000), the Cabinet was informed.

### SOVIET DIPLOMAT ADMITS ARABS ARE GETTING LARGE QUANTITIES OF ARMS

JERUSALEM, March 20. (JTA) -- A high-ranking Soviet diplomat in Israel was reported here today as having stated that Israel has no chance of receiving from the West the same quantity of arms that the Arabs are getting from Soviet bloc countries. The unnamed Soviet diplomat made this statement to a representative of Haaretz, one of Israel's leading daily newspapers.

According to Haaretz, the Soviet diplomat said: "We have attained supremacy over the West in armaments. Missiles and other modern weapons that we have developed have made conventional weapons obsolete. We don't know ourselves what to do with those conventional materials. We must either throw them away, for smelting, or sell them to less-developed countries and thus win friends."

The diplomat indicated that the Soviet Union would not agree to an arms embargo or to disarmament limited to the Middle East. "The entire problem," he is quoted as saying, "can be solved only through a general disarmament agreement."

The Soviet representative also reportedly confirmed earlier reports to the effect that, at the forthcoming summit meetings, the USSR will not be ready to guarantee the status quo in the Middle East.

Addressing himself apparently to Israel, the Soviet diplomat told the Haaretz representative: "Abandon your exclusive ties with the West, change your policy-- so that you will receive arms both from us and from the West, like the Arabs get. Why are you stubbornly leaning on one foot only?"

### JEWISH GROUPS IN FRANCE URGED NOT TO APPROACH KHRUSHCHEV IN PARIS

PARIS, March 20. (JTA) -- French Jewish organizations were urged today by the Representative Council of Jews of France against approaches to Soviet Premier Nikita Khrushchev about the situation of the Jews in the Soviet Union when he arrives for a state visit Wednesday.

The Council was understood to be anxious to avoid a situation developing in France similar to the one which occurred in the United States when the Soviet Premier visited that country last autumn. At that time, there were announcements by certain Jewish organizations that Mr. Khrushchev had agreed to a meeting but it never happened.

It was reported that it was unlikely that any French Jewish organizations or individual would make a direct approach to the Soviet Premier during his visit. The question may, however, be taken up with him by non-Jewish personalities who will be in touch with him during his visit.

### TRACING SERVICE OF AGADIR JEWISH VICTIMS AND SURVIVORS ESTABLISHED

PARIS, March 20. (JTA) -- A tracing service to collect and disseminate information about Jewish victims and survivors of the Agadir disaster, has been established in the Jewish community school of Casablanca, it was reported here today. The address of the service is 174 Boulevard Ziraoui in Casablanca.

The Alliance Israelite Universelle issued a call for help for all the victims of the earthquake in Agadir, Morocco. Several Jewish organizations in France have already joined the efforts on behalf of the Agadir victims. Among these organizations are the Consistoire Central of France, the Representative Council of French Jews, and the Unified Social Fund.

### POLAND ALLOCATES FUND FOR MEMORIAL AT TREBLINKA DEATH CAMP

VIENNA, March 20. (JTA) -- The Polish National Council has allocated 15,000,000 zlotys to the Warsaw District for the erection of a memorial on the site of the Treblinka death camp, according to a report in the Warsaw Folkstimme, a Yiddish newspaper.

Numerous documents relating to Nazi crimes perpetrated at Treblinka, will be collected and housed in a museum to be built for the purpose, the report stated. It is also planned to renovate and maintain the mass graves in the area and repave the road leading to the camp site.

### SCORE OF JEWS LISTEN TO BILLY GRAHAM'S 'WORDS OF JESUS' IN HAIFA

HAIFA, March 20. (JTA) -- More than 1,000 people, most of them Jews apparently motivated by curiosity, gathered here last night to listen to a sermon by the American evangelist, Billy Graham. The sermon, delivered in English, was translated simultaneously into Hebrew.

Following his sermon, Dr. Graham asked those who "want to listen to the words of Jesus" to remain. Only about a score of the listeners stayed awhile longer, but most of these left the hall after a short time.

# JEWS IN UKRAINE AND IN BALTIC STATES DENIED RIGHT TO BAKE MATZOT

NEW YORK, March 20. (JTA) -- Jews in Kiev, Odessa, Kishinev, Riga and smaller cities and towns in the Ukraine and in the Baltic states are being denied the right to bake matzot for the forthcoming Passover. The New York Times reported today on the basis of information received from foreigners who recently visited the Soviet Union. In Moscow, Leningrad and Tiflis the Jews have been permitted to bake matzot, the report states.

"In some cases," the Times report says, "Soviet authorities have refused permission on the ground that the Jews would not be able to do so under sanitary conditions. But in these cases the authorities have apparently made no effort to make available bakeries owned by the state." Last July Frol R. Kozlov, a First Deputy Premier, disclosed that Soviet Jews needed special permission to bake matzot.

# GERMANY TO START LEGAL ACTION AGAINST NAZI JUDGES, MINISTER ASSURES

BONN, March 20. (JTA) -- Legal action against judges suspected of passing terror sentences during the Nazi regime will be started before May 8 even if police investigations of their cases are not completed, Justice Minister Fritz Schaefter told a press conference.

Such action will void application of the statute of limitations which will protect former Nazis from prosecution after that date, the Bonn Minister said. It was also disclosed that the Ministry of Justice of Bavaria had completed preliminary examination of charges against 92 Bavarian judges and lawyers. The charges were contained in a recently published Czechoslovak booklet, "Criminals in Judges Robes."

The investigations indicated that 55 of the 92 did not hold the offices attributed to them, the Bavarian Ministry said, and that the sentences charged against the 92 were not of the kind that would serve as grounds for legal proceedings.

# BRITISH AIRMEN ORGANIZE TO COMBAT CLUBS DISCRIMINATING AGAINST JEWS

LONDON, March 20. (JTA) -- Bomber Command airmen who conducted hazardous operations during World War II, running an organization for the rescue of men from Nazi prisons, will start a campaign to fight clubs in Britain that discriminate against Jews, Reynolds News reported here today.

Headlining its report under the banner-line of "Heroes Versus Anti-Jew Clubs," the newspaper declares that there are nearly 100 clubs--most of them in London, Manchester, Birmingham and Leeds--that discriminate against memberships for Jews. The airmen states the newspaper, plan on putting up for membership in one of the "anti-Jew" clubs one of their own Jewish members who holds the coveted Victoria Cross for heroism.

In the same context, the Sunday Times today ran an article declaring that "the Jews in Britain are far and away the most law-abiding persons in Britain." Stating that "the unique strength of the Jews is their faith," the article refers to British Jews as "brilliant, complex and volatile."

# FRENCH BUTCHER SENTENCED TO SMALL FINE FOR TORTURING JEWISH BOY

PARIS, March 20. (JTA) -- The Amiens Court of Appeals rejected yesterday a demand that a case of anti-Semitic violence by a Saint Quentin butcher against a six-year-old boy, for which the butcher was fined \$15, be dealt with by the criminal rather than the police court.

The butcher had called Henri Jacobat a "dirty Jew" and a "dirty Polack" and locked him in his refrigerator after smearing the boy with blood. The fine was imposed by the Saint Quentin police court. Attorneys for the family considered the punishment inadequate and appealed for re-trial in the criminal court which would have involved much stiffer penalties. A civil suit brought by the family against the butcher will be heard June 7.

# DR. GOLDMANN LEAVES FOR ARGENTINE TO ADDRESS JEWISH CENTENNIAL

NEW YORK, March 20. (JTA) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, President of the World Jewish Congress and of the World Zionist Organization, is leaving tomorrow for a one-week tour of Latin America where he was invited by the Council of Jewish Communities of the Argentine to attend the centennial celebration marking the 100th anniversary of the founding of the first Jewish community in that country.

From Argentina, Dr. Goldmann will proceed to Sao Paulo where he will attend the conference of the Union of Jewish Communities of Brazil. He will also visit Rio de Janeiro at the invitation of the Brazilian Zionist Federation.

During his stay in Argentina and Brazil, he will discuss with representatives of the local Jewish communities the possibility of their joining the World Zionist Organization under the terms of the new constitution adopted at the last session of the Zionist Actions Committee last December.

## 750 JEWISH SURVIVORS OF AUSCHWITZ LAUD U.S. AND UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

NEW YORK, March 20. (JTA) -- More than 750 survivors of the infamous Nazi concentration camp of Auschwitz, where an estimated three million persons--most of them Jews--were put to death by Hitler's forces, met here tonight in their first reunion since their liberation by Allied armed forces 15 years ago this spring. The reunion took the form of a memorial dinner at the Concourse Plaza Hotel.

The one-time slave-laborers of Auschwitz paid tribute to the United States Government, and to the United Jewish Appeal which helped to bring them here following World War II and start life anew as free men. They were addressed by United States Senator Jacob K. Javits who represented President Eisenhower, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency, and Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, executive vice-chairman of the UJA.

In a scroll to the United Jewish Appeal, the Auschwitz survivors declared that their first contacts in the spring of 1945, with the UJA and its beneficiary agencies, made them "realize that we had not been forgotten and sustained our belief in a better future." The citation went on to state that "with the financial help and moral support" of American Jews through the United Jewish Appeal "we were able to return to a life of dignity and take our place as equal citizens in a free country."

The scrolls were presented by Norbert Wollheim, who is chairman of the Auschwitz-Buna Memorial Scholarship Fund. The Fund will be made up of contributions by the survivors out of monies which they will receive from an \$8,000,000 settlement secured from I.G. Farben, German firm which operated a slave labor synthetic rubber plant at Auschwitz during World War II. All the survivors at tonight's dinner were employed in the Farben plant.

### Sen. Javits Accepts Scroll for Eisenhower; Advocates Immigration

In accepting the scroll presented to the American people for President Eisenhower, Senator Javits made a strong plea for the enactment of suitable civil rights legislation by Congress and support of the President's recent call for more liberal immigration laws. The Senator declared that to have the kind of world in which an Auschwitz cannot occur, it is necessary for free countries to provide "freedom of movement and the relief of those who are refugees or escapees from tyranny."

In accepting the scroll awarded to the United Jewish Appeal, Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman pointed out that this was the first time in its 21-year history that the UJA has ever received such a formal expression of gratitude "although I am sure that in millions of hearts these sentiments have always existed." Stressing that "we are still suffering from the legacy of Hitlerism," he said:

"It is a heritage of problems which it will take the Jewish people many years to solve to completion. The UJA has resettled more than 1,300,000 Jews in Israel and other free lands, all of them victims of oppression, fear and poverty whose roots lie in Hitlerism and related movements. But to this day we must continue to bring help to hundreds of thousands who are still suffering from the after-effects of the worst holocaust ever directed against a single people."

Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency, addressing the audience, warned that "the world has to continue to be watchful against the dangers of the resurgence of the Nazi tendency." He told the group that as survivors of Auschwitz, they should be prepared to fulfill two important tasks. "The first of these," he declared, "is to be a living example of the heroism and stubborn will to survive which is characteristic of the Jewish martyrs of the Nazi period."

"The second," he stated, "is to continue to be a reminder to the world of what intolerance, aggressive nationalism, brutal race superiority and the callous attitude of the free world may bring about for humanity. The world has to continue to be watchful against the dangers of the resurgence of the Nazi tendency, and who can warn the world with more authority and dramatic impact than the survivors of the Nazi horrors themselves."

Senator Javits and Dr. Goldmann received, as mementos, genuine examples of the famous "Yellow Stars" bearing the word "Jude" (Jew) which Jews under Hitler had to wear. The stars they received were mounted on black backgrounds.

### JEWISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE DEDICATES ITS OWN HOME IN NEW YORK

NEW YORK, March 20. (JTA) -- Education of Jewish youth must be the task of the entire Jewish community, Dr. Salo W. Baron, professor of Jewish history at Columbia University, declared here today. He was addressing an audience of 600, gathered to dedicate the new home of the Jewish Education Committee of New York.

The Jewish Education Committee of New York is the central Jewish communal agency for Jewish education in this city, conducting a consultation and supervisory program that reaches 700 Jewish schools and 145,000 children. The program reaches schools conducted by Orthodox, Reform and Conservative groups, as well as Talmud Torahs and Yiddish schools.