

TEL AVIV

Tues. June 8-'71,

to The Middle East, ^{From} ~~the~~ Tel Aviv ^{comes} a report ~~today~~ that

Egypt is ready to make a key concession - in order to obtain

a reopening of the Suez Canal. This ^{we learn from} ~~is~~ ^{according to} the Israeli

newspaper Ma'Ariv, which says that Cairo will now agree to an

open-end cease-fire in the Canal Zone - in return for an

Israeli commitment to complete withdrawal from occupied Arab

territory.

~~And now this:~~ An Israeli military sources ^{are} quoted

as saying - "in exchange for a real and full peace - and all

that goes with it - Israel is willing to withdraw many tens of

kilometer" from the Suez Canal.

SPACE

About a hundred and fifty miles up - a new, improved orbit for Russia's Salyut space station; ^{with} ~~whereupon~~ a couple of new words ~~were~~ added to the Russian space vocabulary.

The Soviet news agency Tass - ^{tells the world} ~~proclaiming~~ that "the first ^{put out there - in space} ~~cosmodom~~" - or space house - ^{"has been founded"} Russian

scientists later stating that this will serve as the cornerstone

^{for} the planet earth's first space colony; to become eventually -
- no not Leningrad,
a space city named "Cosmograd." We are also told to expect

an additional one or more manned Russian space launches -
within the next few weeks.

MOSCOW FOLLOW SPACE

~~A related item.~~ ^{And} The Kremlin today propos^{ed}~~es~~ the adoption of a new moon treaty, ^{to} ~~one that would~~ bar from the lunar surface - any military bases or "weapons of mass annihilation; and also preserve it - from so-called "ecological abuse."

The Kremlin going on to say that "the moon - as the only natural satellite of the earth - plays an important part in the exploration of outer space;" and should be used ^e therefore, "exclusively in the interests of peace - and for the good of all mankind." Of the fact that we've been there - and they haven't - ^{oh no they don't mention what our} ~~no mention though~~ ^{astronauts have done,}

JEMEZ MOUNTAINS

In the Jemez Mountains of Central New Mexico - the fourth straight day of ^araging forest fire; with more than a thousand firefighters - attempting to contain the blaze; one that has already consumed - an estimated five thousand acres of prime timberland. And the cause - - apparently - an illegal campfire.

WHITE HOUSE FOLLOW JEMEZ MOUNTAINS

~~At the same time~~ ^{While from} the White House ^{comes} a Presidential proclamation designating the week of October Third - as National Fire Prevention Week.

The President noting that fires claim about twelve thousand lives a year - and also cause about Two Billion in damages. "The most shameful aspect of this terrible waste - is that it is so unnecessary" - said he. Adding that "most fires are caused by carelessness, by lack of knowledge, or by hazardous conditions - all of which can be eliminated."

FBI

Elsewhere in Washington - an attempt "to put the record straight." FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover reporting Federal authorization - for forty-seven telephone wiretaps and six hidden microphones, as of March Seventeen. These - all in cases involving ■ security or organized crime. But not now - or ever - said he - against a member of Congress.

J. Edgar also citing "an unprecedented number of disturbances and incidents - of student-connected violence" last year. Caused chiefly - said he - by the pro-Soviet Students for a Democratic Society - and the Peking-oriented Progressive Labor Party.

CALCUTTA

Southeast Asia again - tons and tons of additional medical supplies - were arriving today at Calcutta. Plane after plane - bringing in vaccine, medical equipment, hospital tents; intended for the use of those tens of thousands of cholera victims - mainly refugees from nearby East Pakistan. Part of a U.N. - sponsored relief movement - now said to be gaining worldwide momentum.

LONDON

At Sotheby's of London - a world record price ~~today~~

for a miniature; a circular portrait of a British countess -

Painted around ^{the year 1600} ~~1600~~ by the ^{eminent} ~~great~~ miniaturist Isaac

Oliver; ^{Today} ~~which was~~ sold at auction - for the equivalent of a

Hundred and Fifty-Six Thousand ^{bucks.} ~~American~~

This more than tripling - the previous record price

for a miniature. ^{This tiny} ~~with its~~ portrait measuring just five-and-a-

half inches across. - ^{So, that comes out at} ~~averaging out to~~ better than Twenty-Five

Thousand a square inch.

Here in New York - the second day of a wildcat work stoppage by municipal employes; today forcing the city to begin dumping raw sewage - into surrounding waterways; at a rate of about - one-point-three billion gallons a day.

This - according to Federal officials - a clear "threat to health and safety" - and a "violation of Federally-approved water quality standards." But how to stop it - well, that's ~~still~~ the question.

MURCHISON FALLS PARK

From Murchison Falls National Park in Uganda ^{comes}

report ~~today~~ that game officials are considering the possible destruction of some four thousand elephants; or nearly half - the park's entire elephant population.

This - we are told - to preserve the herd from a steady decline; the result of being crowded together - with too many other animals - in too little space. A condition already said to have to led to later puberty - a lengthening of calving intervals - a higher mortality rate among the young.

Says Park director Roger Wheeler - a Briton; - ~~admitting~~:

"Some people are critical of this approach." ^{They} he adds that

the only alternative - ^{would be to let} ~~that of letting~~ "nature take its course" -

^{Which} ^{Don Robertson} could mean that ^{the} elephants would simply "vanish from the area by the turn of the century."

WOLF CREEK PASS

Here's one - a story of big game hunting in ~~the~~ U.S.

high country. ~~With~~ a circus truck - filled with big cats -

was bound for Durango, ~~Colorado,~~ ^{a picturesque city near the S.W. Cor. of Colorado,} when it suddenly crashed - atop

~~at~~ ^{lofty} Wolf Creek Pass, one of the highest passes in the West.

The driver - killed instantly. ~~And~~ ^{Next} a Bengal tiger

that bounded free - was struck shortly thereafter by a passing

car. But a jaguar, a leopard, three African lion and four

cougar - all escaped ^{ed} into the ~~state~~ ^{rather remote San Juan Mts.} There, ~~foamed~~ free -

till the arrival of big game specialist Richard Denney of

Denver, ^o who finally cornered eight of the cats - all but the

jaguar. ^{he brought} With the aid of tranquilizer darts ~~bringing~~ 'em back

alive.