

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- Israelis lined up by the thousands to receive the just-published booklet, "The Book of the Dead," which lists the names of the 2522 Israelis killed in the Yom Kippur War.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The 35th birthday of Soviet ballet star Valery Panov was celebrated here with a birthday party at Plaza Square on Fifth Avenue in which several hundred people, including celebrities from the world of arts, gathered to proclaim their support of Panov and his ballerina wife Galina.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The apathy of the majority of Jewish youth abroad to Israel and their own Jewishness was revealed during the Yom Kippur War, according to Mordechai Bar-On, head of the World Zionist Organization's Youth and Halutz Department.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- An American Catholic priest, the Rev. Joseph Konrad, pastor of St. Matthias Church, Queens, N.Y., has returned from Israel saying he "was favorably impressed by the good care and privileges Israel gives the Syrian POWs, the type of care and privileges apparently not received by Israeli soldiers captured by Syria."

PARIS (WNS) -- French military security officials are investigating a suspicion that Jewish engineers working in the aeronautic and armament industry are leaking technical information to Israel.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- The American Jewish Congress has voiced "profound concern" over a report by the civil rights committee of the New York Bar Association supporting voluntary racial quotas by employers, college admission officers and housing developers.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Israel's political leadership badly needs young blood, according to Mrs. Yael Dayan-Sion, an Israeli novelist and daughter of Defense Minister Moshe Dayan.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Finance Minister Pinhas Sapir has introduced into the Knesset a record budget of \$8.4 billion, of which \$3.5 billion is for defense.

VIENNA (WNS) -- Amnon Lev, the Israeli Embassy's press attache, has reported that only 4000 Soviet Jews came through Austria on their way to Israel in January and February.

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the World Jewish Congress, has announced the creation of a new advisory council to look beyond the day-to-day problems of Jewish communities, to try to predict the impact of social, economic, and political trends on the Jewish future, to identify and analyze the likely problems of the next five to 10 years and to suggest priorities.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The Central Conference of American Rabbis (Reform), which is holding its 85th annual convention here, hopes to be able to work with the two other branches of Judaism to solve the conversion problem.

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren has denounced the National Religious Party for failing to heed his injunction against joining the Labor-led coalition.

NEW YORK -- The National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs, an association of Conservative synagogue brotherhoods, will hold its 45th annual convention in Los Angeles at the Ambassador Hotel, July 14-18.

WASHINGTON, D.C., -- Dr. Maury Seldin has been named resident director of The American University's study abroad program in Israel at Tel Aviv University for fall 1974.

WASHINGTON -- Emma Lazarus, whose Statue of Liberty sonnet has welcomed millions of immigrants to America, is honored in a new first-day cover from the B'nai B'rith Philatelic Service, 1640 Rhode Island Ave., N.W., Wash. D.C. 20036.

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