

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS

NEW YORK (WNS) -- Theodore Mann, chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, reported that only 288 Jews arrived in Vienna during April. This figure represents a 93 percent plummet from the 4,296 Jews who departed from the USSR that month in 1979, a peak year for Jewish emigration.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- May Day celebrations throughout Israel were in a lower key than usual this year because of the Sabbath. The largest demonstration and workers' rally was in Tel Aviv where some 35,000 members of the Socialist Zionist youth movements marched along Ibn Gevirol Street, virtually cutting the city into two for several hours. Slogans carried by the marchers denounced settlements in Arab areas of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

PARIS (WNS) -- A Jewish art museum will be set up in Paris with the help of the Ministry of Culture and the Paris municipality. Cultural Affairs Minister Jack Lang told the National Assembly that his department will cover the museum's operating costs and is currently negotiating to help in its creation. It was announced earlier that the municipal council is prepared to put at the museum's disposal the Hotel de Saint-Aignan, a historic building situated near the traditional Jewish "Platzl."

Kindle the Shabbat Candles
MAY 21ST
7:48 P.M.

NEXT WEEK
7:52 P.M.
 Temple Services:
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 (1600 East Oakey)
Fri. Nite: 8 PM
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Daily: 7:30 AM

JERUSALEM (WNS) -- The president of Israel's Supreme Court, Justice Moshe Landau, has retired from the bench upon reaching the mandatory retiring age of 70. He served as a judge for 40 years and is considered the last of the founding generation of Israel's legal system and judicial establishment. Landau is succeeded as president by Justice Yitzhak Kahan.

TEL AVIV (WNS) -- The United States has passed information to Israel that "several score" Soviet advisors are presently operating in Jordan, according to Israeli military sources quoted by Israel Radio. The sources expressed hope that the Jordanians were fully aware of the dangers arising from the presence of Soviet advisors on their soil.

LONDON (WNS) -- Leaders of Anglo-Jewry have received abusive letters and telephone calls following press reports of Israeli arms supplies to Argentina, which have caused strains between London and Jerusalem. Unlike the DAIA, the central Jewish community organization in Argentina, which had hailed the Argentine occupation of the Falkland Islands, the Board of Deputies of British Jews has refrained from issuing unqualified support for the government of Britain in the Falkland's crisis. Greville Janner, the president of the Board and a member of Parliament, justified this caution by noting the absence of unanimity in the Jewish community, as in Britain as a whole, about the government's handling of the crisis.


TORONTO (WNS) -- A decision by the mayor of Sarnia in Ontario Province that an Israeli flag could not fly over City Hall during Israel Independence Day celebrations in that city, was overruled by the City Council. When the Mayor was asked by the Jewish Community leadership for permission to raise the flag as has been done in previous years on the occasion of Israel's anniversary, the mayor refused saying that he was of Lebanese descent and that Israel has indiscriminately bombed his parent's homeland for which Israel had been condemned by the UN. The City Council overruled the mayor by a vote of 6-1.

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