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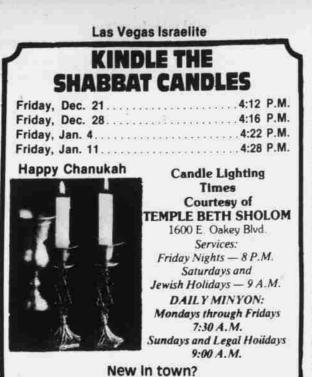
## Happy Chanukah

## **JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS**

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Premier Shimon Peres warmly congratulated both Labor and Likud members of the unity Cabinet Sunday on the success of his visit to France, informed the Orthodox ministers in particular that during his three-day stay in Paris, all meats were kosher, including his lunch with President Francois Mitterrand - the first time kosher food was served in the Elysee Palace. He also said that on Friday night he walked for nearly a half hour for a visit with Simone Signoret, the French film actress who is Jewish.

JERUSALEM (WNS) — The Association of Social Workers has warned Prisons Commissioner Moshe Wertheimer -- and his boss, Police Minister Haim Barlev -- that they had better ready cells for 900 more prisoners in the coming year if proposed cuts in social services are implemented. According to the social workers, the cuts would force judges to send more offenders to jail than out on probation.

TEL AVIV (WNS) — About 300 of the young Israelis recruited into the army each year are rejected because they can neither read nor write, Defense Minister Yitzhak Rabin was informed during a visit December 11 to the Israel Defense Force special training center. He was told that about 90 percent of the illiterates are native-born.



ROME (WNS) — A new library dedicated to the heroes and martyrs who fought and died for democracy and freedom will be named in memory of Stefano Michael Tache Gaj, the twoyear-old Jewish child killed in the terrorist attack on Rome's main synagogue on October 9, 1982, in which 37 other persons were wounded. The library, containing bocks on the Mussolini era and the Nazi occupation of Italy, was to be inaugurated on December 1.

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NEW YORK (WNS) — Two Tel Aviv University scientists have been awarded the 1985 Israel Prize - the country's most prestigious award - in medicine, according to Leonard Strelitz, chairman of the University's International Board of Governors. The laureates are Prof. Henry Neufeld, selected for his achievements in cardiology, and Prof. Baruch Padeh, for his pioneering achievements in public health. The Israel Prize, presented annually on Independence Day by the President, is given in the fields of science, medicine, the humanities, biblical studies, and the performing arts.

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Key members of Peace Now are seeking to form a new political party which would embrace their movement and include Mapam and the Citizens Rights Movement (CRM), leftist opposition factions with a combined total of seven seats in the Knesset. The three groups have already formed a joint committee which plans to hold a forum in January that could lead to the creation of a new party.

JERUSALEM (WNS) — The Cabinet, overriding protests from the religious parties, has voted to extend daylight saving time next year on a permanent basis as an economic measure. It will be in effect from April 13, 1985 to September 14 and is expected to yield a saving in energy of some \$3.5 million. The move, introduced last year as an experiment, was opposed by Orthodox Jews who will have to rise an hour earlier for their morning prayers.

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