

JEWISH NEWS BRIEFS


PARIS (WNS) — Francois Bernard, long active in the French Jewish community and on behalf of Israel, has been appointed Secretary-General of the Defense Ministry. Bernard, 51, was a member of the executive committee of the Representative Council of Major French Jewish organizations (CRIF) and served as a vice president of the French section of the Jewish National Fund.

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Premier Shimon Peres, his status as a leader of the Socialist International notwithstanding, believes the best way to induce workers to leave the bloated civil service for more productive sectors of the economy is to cut their pay. Peres told an advertising industry convention that pay cuts were preferable to firing workers. He said he would also consider a five-day work week. Most Israelis have only one day off — Saturday.

TEL AVIV (WNS) — Israel's championship basketball team Maccabi beat the Soviet champions, CSKA Moscow, 87-81 in the second of their two European championship games played in Antwerp, Belgium. The Russians have always refused to come to Israel to play matches against the local teams and have not allowed the Israelis to play inside the Soviet Union.

KINDLE THE SHABBAT CANDLES

Friday, Jan. 25.....	4:42 P.M.
Friday, Feb. 1.....	4:49 P.M.
Friday, Feb. 8.....	4:57 P.M.
Friday, Feb. 15.....	5:04 P.M.



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BONN (WNS) — Syria has yet to respond to a West German request for the extradition of alleged Nazi war criminal Alois Brunner who served as a top aide to Adolph Eichmann and was responsible for the deportation of thousands of European Jews to Nazi death camps during World War II, according to Justice Ministry officials here.

BUENOS AIRES (WNS) — President Raoul Alfonsin has assured the Argentine Jewish community that there is "no possibility" that the PLO will be allowed to open an office in Argentina. A delegation of DAIA, the representative body of Argentine Jewry, was received by Alfonsin for an hour-long meeting described afterwards as "very cordial."

NEW YORK (WNS) — Six New York City area rabbis were arrested and charged with criminal trespass stemming from a nearly two hour demonstration at the offices here of the Soviet news agency Tass. They were protesting the Soviet Union's treatment of its Jewish population. The six were released without bail and ordered to appear in court on January 24.

JERUSALEM (WNS) — Encouraging figures on Israel's export performance in 1984 were released recently. They showed an overall rise of 13 percent in exports compared with 1983. In terms of cash, Israel exported close to \$5.50 billion worth in 1984.

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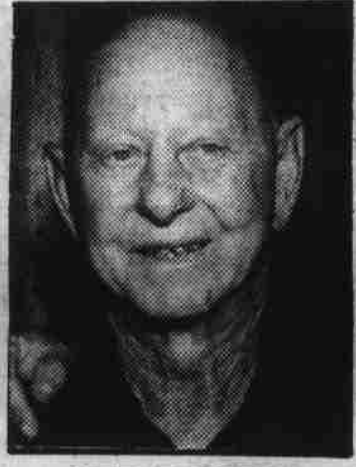
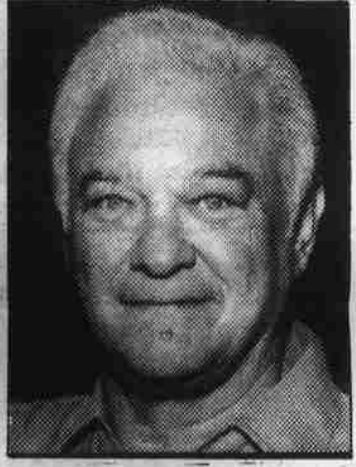


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