

Fourth Annual Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run Another Smashing Success

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year's event. Just over 300 cars built before 1937 entered the run. To guarantee their place in next year's event, 60 participants wrote out their checks to pre-register before they left.

The route was the longest yet attempted in the annual Auto Run. Beginning at the hotel at the center of the Las Vegas Strip, the cars proceeded north through the Valley of Fire State Park and south along the shore of Lake Mead. The total was 144 miles, most of it before the

long, relaxed stop for a catered barbecue lunch at Boulder Beach on Lake Mead. The long run necessitated such an early start that when Johnny Jay's Band played THE NATIONAL ANTHEM, it really was "by the dawn's early light."

The first group of cars, those built from 1906 to 1927, left the hotel at 7:00 a.m. Second group (1928-1930) pulled out at 7:30, and the final starting class (1931-1936) at 8:00.

The festive weekend began with a welcome cocktail party. The Run was preceded by a "Start Up Breakfast." Also on the agenda was an Awards Banquet. Many guests wore costumes of their favorite era.

Dick Miller of Riverside, California, won the "Oldest Car" award for his 1906 Rambler Touring

Car. Robert Fithian's 1911 Cadillac was the car that traveled the farthest to get to Las Vegas. "Best Theme Carried in Car" was awarded to Art and Sharon Wahlers from Scottsdale, Arizona, who drove a 1935 Ford Phaeton.

Highlight of the annual affair is the lavish barbecue catered by the hotel. Johnny Jay's Band entertained the guests who ate and rested in giant tents erected for shade. Then the orchestra for the Imperial Palace show LEGENDS IN CONCERT played and four members of the LEGENDS cast sang for the appreciative throng. Performing were Shawn Bryant (who portrays Buddy Holly in the show), Randy Clark (John Lennon), Mack Jordan (Nat "King" Cole), and Jonathon Von Brana (Elvis).

Plans are underway already for the Fifth Annual Imperial Palace Antique Auto Run. Date set is October 23, 24 and 25, 1986. For registration information, contact Kris Engelstad at the Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino, Las Vegas.

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Israeli Officials Say There Is No Change In USSR Policy

JERUSALEM (WNS) — There is no evidence of an imminent change in the Soviet Union's policy on Jewish emigration, despite all reports and rumors that such change is im-

minent, Jewish Agency Executive chairman Leon Dulzin and Absorption Minister Yaacov Tsur said in separate statements.

Dulzin said, at a press conference, that it was "not possible" that World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman, who recently visited Moscow, was being "strung along" by the Soviets. Dulzin said that Bronfman, who was in the Kremlin in September and met with a number of officials, including one Politburo member, had been promised a "gesture" before Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev's visit to Paris last October. But nothing had materialized, Dulzin said.

There were reports that Gorbachev had asked France to fly several thousand Soviet Jews from the USSR to Israel on a special airlift, planned to precede his upcoming summit meeting with President Reagan in Geneva. The reports, from Paris, said Gorbachev had discussed this plan with President Francois Mitterrand but it has been dropped for the time being. There were also unconfirmed reports from Sofia, Bulgaria, that the Soviet Union was opening its gates to Jewish emigration. But nothing has materialized.

Tsur told the Knesset Aliya Committee that an artificial atmosphere of expectation might be deliberately engendered, since it served the interests of the USSR, especially at this time.

Canadian Visitor Wins \$17,400 On Nickel Slots At Imperial Palace



A nickel progressive machine at the Imperial Palace has paid a giant jackpot for the second time in eight weeks.

Catherine Kotun of Alberta, Canada, was enjoying her first visit to Las Vegas when she lined up four 7's to win \$17,400. An employee of the taxation department of the Canadian Federal Government, she plans to use the money to make her upcoming retirement more pleasurable. One thing she definitely will use the windfall for is a return trip to Las Vegas!

In August a Kentucky woman won \$18,200 on the same bank of nickel progressives.

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