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FORD'S CONGRESS SPEECH PLEDGES USSR DETENTE, MIDEAST PEACE

MICHAEL SCHINDLER BAR MITZVAH

Michael Schindler, son of Mr. William Schindler, who will become a Bar Mitzvah during services at Temple Beth Shalom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd. on Saturday morning, August 24, 1974.

Rabbi Philip Shnairson, spiritual leader of the Temple, will officiate and conduct the services, which commence at 9:00 A. M. Cantor Joseph Kohn will chant the liturgy. A Kiddush will be held.

FORD BUTTERING UP EGYPT

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- President Gerald Ford has sent a message to Egyptian President Anwar Sadat pledging that the achievement of peace in the Middle East will remain one of the foremost aims of U.S. foreign policy.

"I also hope that relations between our two countries will further develop and expand for the interest of our two peoples and their joint benefit and for the restoration of a just and permanent peace in the Middle East area," Ford said.



MICHAEL

WASHINGTON (WNS) -- President Gerald Ford in a 40-minute speech to a joint session of Congress pledged to pursue detente and trade with the Soviet Union and to continue peace efforts in the Middle East.

Ford, making his first major address since assuming the Presidency, spoke mostly about inflation. He was less specific about foreign affairs.

But on the Middle East he said "I pledge continuity in our vigorous efforts to advance the process which has brought hopes of peace to the region after 25 long years as a hotbed of war. We shall carry out our promise to promote continuing negotiations among all parties for a complete, just and lasting settlement."

At the same time, he warned that the change in Administration was no signal to test the strength and determination of American policies. "There are no opportunities to exploit should anyone so desire," he warned. He stressed that the U.S. stands "by our commitments and will live up to our responsibilities in our formal alliances, in our friendships and in our

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TELL TALES

"One Man Plus The Truth
Constitutes A Majority"

BY JACK TELL



Soviet Jewish Problem Solved?

In a joint statement Stanley H. Lowell, Chairman of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, and Rabbi Israel Miller, Chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, said:

"We are pleased at the progress reported as a result of the White House meeting this morning. In our continued contacts with Secretary Kissinger and Senator Jackson over the last several weeks, we have pressed for definitive assurances that harassment of Soviet Jewry will end and free emigration begin.

In behalf of the American Jewish community, we wish to express our deep appreciation to President Ford for the new initiatives undertaken by him. We also wish to restate our gratitude to Secretary Kissinger and Senators Jackson, Ribicoff and Javits for their constant efforts to achieve the purposes we all seek.

We are also pleased to note the cooperative attitude adopted by the Soviet leadership through Ambassador Dobrynin. In anticipation of a joint understanding, we hope that the number of exit permits will begin to increase at once and that harassment of those who wish to emigrate will end now."

This is encouraging.

At long last, top level officials are discussing the problem.

Members of the Senate and State Department have their heads together on compromise language in the Trade Reform Bill which would keep the Jackson Amendment, but would give Ford discretionary authority to negotiate with the Soviet government to end restrictions on emigration and harassment of applicants for exit visas.

Meanwhile, in the same vein but on another front, the Foreign Affairs Committee in the House of Representatives approved an amendment that none of the funds authorized in the foreign aid bill should be provided to any nation which denies its citizens the right or opportunity to emigrate. This move was directed at harassment of Jews trapped in Syria.

All in all the picture looks rosy on this score, which, at this time should alleviate all fears or doubts about our new President Ford.



RELIGIOUS SERVICES -- U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and his son David are all smiles after Bar Mitzvah services for David at Berlin Chapel at Brandeis University yesterday. The ceremony, marking the attainment of manhood of a Jewish male at the age of 13, was attended by Dr. and Mrs. Saul Cohen. Mrs. Cohen was the first wife of the Secretary of State. (UPI)

YAHREZITS TONIGHT AT BETH SHOLOM

(Friday, Aug. 23, 1974)

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