

HARRY FAGEL BAR MITZVAH

Harry Fagel, son of Mr. & Mrs. Howard Senter, and Jim Fagel, will be called to the Torah and become a Bar Mitzvah during services at Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvds., on Saturday morning, May 9, 1981.

Rabbi Kalman Appel, spiritual leader of the

Temple, will officiate and conduct the services which commence at 9:30 A.M. Cantor Simon Bergman will chant the liturgy. The parents of the Bar Mitzvah will host the congregation to a Kiddush in the Temple's Entratter Social Hall immediately after the conclusion of services.

BAT MITZVAH AT BETH SHOLOM

Robbin Reeves, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Reeves, recited a portion of the Haftorah and became a Bat Mitzvah during services at Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd., on Friday evening, May 1, 1981.

Rabbi Kalman Appel, spiritual leader

of the Temple, officiated and conducted the services. Cantor Simon Bergman chanted the liturgy.

The parents of the Bat Mitzvah were host to the congregation to Oneg Shabbat refreshments in the Temple's Entratter Social Hall after the services.

BAR MITZVAH AT BETH SHOLOM

Michael Matusow, son of Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Matusow, was called to the Torah and became a Bar Mitzvah during services at Temple Beth Sholom, 1600 E. Oakey Blvd., on Saturday morning, May 2, 1981.

Rabbi Kalman Appel, spiritual leader of the

Temple, officiated and conducted the services. Cantor Simon Bergman chanted the liturgy.

The parents of the Bar Mitzvah hosted the congregation to a Kiddush in the Temple's Entratter Social Hall immediately after the conclusion of services.

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BY PRESIDENT NAVON

To Jewish communities everywhere we send from Jerusalem heartfelt greetings on Israel's Independence Day.

What was not given to our forefathers in 2000 years of exile has been granted to our generation; the ancient dream has been realized; we have achieved independence.

Independence means being able to shape our own destiny; ceasing to be an object manipulated by others. Independence means that we can develop our country and our culture in accordance with our spiritual legacy, our history, our desire to create a society of which we can be proud - a society which will realize the biblical vision that Torah will come forth from Zion.

When Israel achieved its independence in 1948, there were 650,000 Jews in the country. Today there are three and a quarter million.

In our first year of independence, our exports consisted of citrus fruit, false teeth and heads for primus stoves. Today we export, among many other items, helicopters, electronic instruments, excellent and diversified agricultural produce.

These are unparalleled achievements, but there are still difficult and most significant challenges that we have to meet: settlement of the desert area that represents 60 per cent of Israel's territory; moulding one nation out of immigrants who have come from 102 countries and speak 81 different languages; solving the social problems with which we are now grappling; completing the peace process begun with Egypt and, at the same time, guarding our own security. And the chief task to be carried out by the Jewish people is and remains - Aliya!

Till their actual Aliya, Jews in their communities should study Hebrew, visit Israel, strengthen Jewish education. All of us must do all in our power to enable the Jews of Soviet Russia and Syria to leave their countries in freedom, and, we trust, join us in rebuilding the homeland of our people.

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Loud and Clear

The Jewish community leadership, which is usually quite vocal in its criticism of Administration policies it considers harmful to Israel is strangely silent in the main about the proposal by the Reagan Administration to sell AWACS (Airborne Warning and Control Systems) and other advanced weaponry to Saudi Arabia. Few national Jewish leaders have issued more than token statements deploring the proposed sale and warning of dire consequences to Israel should

the sale take place.

The paucity of any concerted action by Jewish leaders to help stop the sale was noted recently by Sen. Howard Metzenbaum (D. Ohio). He declared: "The time has come for American Jews to dig in their heels and say "no -- this is wrong. This is dangerous and we're not going to sit idly by while the survival of Israel is threatened."

The relative silence of the Jewish leadership may, in part, be attributed to the fact that Israel's top leadership is holding back from attacking the Reagan Administration on this issue at this time. They have their own reasons, but it is their reasons and these do not necessarily have to inhibit a storm of protest by the American Jewish community against the sale of AWACS and advanced weapons.

If the sale of these highly sophisticated military goodies is objectively wrong, then let the organized Jewish community say so loud and clear. There is no point in equivocating about the issue as some Jewish leaders are doing by claiming that the sale of AWACS and other military hardware should not proceed until and unless the Saudis commit themselves to the Camp David peace process and end their aid to the Palestine Liberation Organization.

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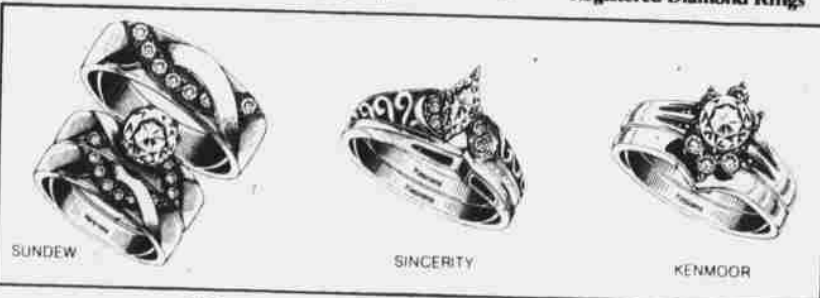
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