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Dear Dr. Wise:

June 1943

You no doubt have received our letter of the 16th notifying you of the unanimous election of Rabbi Herbert Friedman as assistant rabbi of our Temple. We are indeed grateful to you for your friendly interest and for your commendation of Friedman. We are eagerly looking forward to his residence in Denver.

We have some reason to believe that some influence may be brought to bear on the Replacement Committee of the J. W. B. with regard to Friedman's invitation to come to Denver, and we therefore wish you to be in possession of the facts. ~~if~~ It may be entirely possible that the above is only a rumor.

Our decision to have an assistant rabbi at this time met with the full approval of our Board and Rabbi Feinberg. ~~We~~ I shall try as briefly as possible to explain some of the reasons that resulted in this decision.

Our Temple Emanuel, with the exception of some very small Reform Temples located in Colorado Springs, Pueblo and Trinidad, is the only Temple of any size in this entire Rocky Mountain area. The only Jewish chaplain (Berkowitz) in this area is located at Lowry Field, Denver. The many other cantonments located throughout this area do not have the services of a Jewish Chaplain nor are they located near a city having a Rabbi. Consequently, the men and women of our faith in service in this region are not properly cared for in a spiritual way.

Last fall our Trustees and Sisterhood inaugurated a specially designed service for soldiers and they have been held continuously to the 1st of June. The services are followed by luncheon, entertainment and dancing; games, writing facilities, recordings, etc. As many as 300 to 400 soldiers attended regularly. We worked in close cooperating with the U.S.O. - J. W. B. Since June 1st this project has been transferred to one of the local Jewish centers with only fair success; that is, only about 75 soldiers attended the last two weeks. We intend to start the services again in a few weeks as soon as

some help can be secured for our Rabbi. You can easily realized that this alone is quite an undertaking for a rabbi expected to carry on his duties to his congregation. F

Following the success of the Sunday services and entertainments we received numerous requests from the boys attending them for regular visits to their camps by our Rabbi. This was followed by requests from Mr. Noah A. Adler chairman of the Rocky Mountain area for the J. W. B., Mr. Max Margules, Colorado Area Director and Mr. Joseph Raussen, Denver Area Director.

The Trustees, Rabbi and the J. W. B. with the approval of the commanding officers of this area agreed on a plan whereby Rabbi Feinberg would visit the camps regularly. It appears necessary for him to be away from Denver at least two Sabbaths a month and several times during each. He therefore asked for assistance and suggested the engagement of a young rabbi just of the Institute or Union who would be ineligible for the chaplaincy. Our Board responded ~~entire~~ whole-heartedly to the suggestion.

Unfortunately, we have fallen ~~down~~ down in fulfilling our promise for regular visits. In fact Rabbi Feinberg has been able to visit only twice since April because of a succession of colds and the press of his regular duties. Not only has his health interfered with his agreement to visit the camps but also kept him away from his regular Sunday services for several weeks. In this we were aided by ~~the~~ Chaplain Berkowitz and several laymen.

We have only today received several requests for a ~~rabbi~~ reform rabbi to visit Fort Collins and Camp Hale, at Pando. As you can readily see we are unable to comply with these requests.

This will give you some idea why we must have an assistant as soon as possible not only to carry on our contemplated enlarged war program but

also to supervise the operation of our religious school which we are very sorry to admit is in a run-down condition. I don't think I am ~~am~~ exaggerating our problem when I say it is imperative that we have a trained man superintend our School.

If we Coloradans are to hold up our heads as Americans and good Jews we must not fail our boys in these troublous days. I can confidently say that no Army ~~chaplain~~ Chaplain has ~~any more opportunity~~ any more opportunity for greater service than a Rabbi who will undertake this war program in this Rocky Mountain Region.

If our Rabbi Feinberg ~~will~~ cannot undertake this challenge in its entirety because of physical reasons or the stress of duties, we expect the ~~the~~ Assistant Rabbi not only to assist him in this war work but to make it possible for him to find more time for it.

If it becomes necessary to ~~explain this~~ explain this ~~unique~~ unique situation to the Committee you may use this letter if in your judgment it presents fairly our problem.

Assuring you of my appreciation, I am

Cordially yours,

Draft

November 30, 1943

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

Realizing your visit to Denver next Sunday will be only for a few hours, you probably will not have the opportunity to talk about a situation that may prove of some benefit to the Institute. Briefly this is the picture.

Quite a few years ago, there was a Rabbi Freudenthal in Trinidad, Colorado, who served several hundred Jewish families and also the neighboring communities. He passed away some years ago, leaving a son, Dr. Alfred Freudenthal. Dr. Freudenthal remained in Trinidad, enjoying a large practice. He died four years ago and left an estate of \$600,000.00 to \$800,000.00.

This estate was left in trust for the maintenance of the Temple in Trinidad, known as Aaron Congregation. Today, this congregation has about fifteen members, representing seven families. Mr. Gilbert Sanders, Attorney, Trinidad, is one of the trustees of the Alfred Freudenthal estate. He is very much interested in Jewish affairs--B'nai B'rith and other organizations.

The Trinidad Temple has been affiliated with the Union for many years. As a result, the Union has been receiving large contributions from the "Alfred Freudenthal Memorial Trust." From time to time Union men stop off in Trinidad for visits which extend over several days. (Occasionally, they visit us for a few hours or at the most one day.) On the High Holy Days, a rabbi, connected with the Union, not a student, conducts the services, largely attended by non-Jews. If my memory serves me properly, Rabbi Zipin spent the holidays there in 1941 or 1942. The Temple, of course, doing the right thing financially.

Since the budget of this small Temple is very modest, the interpretation of its Memorial Trust has been broadened to include other activities. It not only supports the Union, as it should, but also contributes to other religious organizations in Trinidad. This past week the "Trust" made a contribution of \$1,000.00 to a local Jewish Hospital. This information about the hospital is passed on to you very confidentially.

November 30, 1943

Through the process of education, regarding the work of the Institute and through the growing influence of Herbert, it may be possible to interest Mr. Sanders in doing something for the Institute. I must admit that since they have had no contact with the Institute or any of its men, it would probably be very difficult to get a contribution at this time. However, I feel that this is an unusual situation with possibilities that the Institute might share in the income of the trust which has been created for the perpetuation, not only of the Temple, but of Judaism.

As soon as some occasion arises calling for an outside speaker we will try to arrange to have Herbert invited. Herbert met Mr. Sanders in Denver, Saturday. He was in town as a result of an invitation to be the honored guest at the Hospital referred to above.

This whole thing may not work out at all. Herbert may decide to do something in the near future to get things started.

Looking forward to greeting you, I am

Cordially yours,

Sam Rose



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NEAR CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK

April 16, 1943

Mr. A. B. Cowen
Equitable Life Assurance Society
Security Building
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mr. Cowen:

I have read your letter of April 15th with great interest, and I wish first of all to commend Rabbi Feinberg and your congregation on the work that you are doing in serving the men in the armed forces located in your area. I can well understand that Rabbi Feinberg needs an assistant rabbi in order that he himself may be free to devote more of his time and talent for the welfare of the military groups in your region.

I believe that we have just the right man for your congregation. His name is Herbert Friedman. Before matriculating at the Institute, he received his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Yale University. He is now completing his third year at the Institute, and under our accelerated program he will become available for placement within the next month or two, if a call is extended to him. His formal ordination may not take place until a year or so, but he will be fully licensed in the meantime to perform all the functions and duties of a rabbi.

I commend Herbert Friedman to your congregation most enthusiastically. He is an excellent educator, a fine speaker, and possesses a warm personality that endears him to all those who come to know him. I feel certain that when you and your people and Rabbi Feinberg meet him and hear him, you will be eager to extend a call to him to serve on a permanent basis. In view of the fact that he is married, he would not be available for a temporary assignment.

Would you like to have Friedman visit your community in the near future? If that is your pleasure, may I suggest that you write to him in care of the Jewish Institute of Religion, 40 West 68th Street, New York, N.Y. Needless to say, I too shall look forward to hearing from you further about the matter.

With warm greetings to you and Rabbi Feinberg and your congregation,

Faithfully yours,


President

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June 21, 1943

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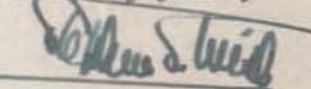
Mr. A. B. Cowen, President,
Congregation Emanuel
16th and Pearl
Denver, Colo.

Dear Mr. Cowen:

I cannot tell you how happy I am to have your note in which you tell me that Herbert Friedman has been unanimously elected to fill the position of Assistant Rabbi. I am glad that he made a favorable impression on all of you. You rightly describe him as having a "warm, friendly personality and a sincere enthusiasm for his calling". I am of the hope that you, the members of the Board of Trustees and Rabbi Fineberg will find him a valuable helper in the work of your congregation.

With warmest regard, dear Mr. Cowen, and commending him to you as one of my young friends,

Faithfully yours,



President

SSW:GS

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NEW YORK
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August 16, 1943

Mr. A. B. Cowen
Congregation Emanuel
16th and Pearl
Denver, Colorado

Dear Mr. Cowen:

I have your note and it makes me very happy to note the fine impression which my beloved young disciple, Herbert Friedman, has made upon your community.

As for the installation service, I will do my best to arrange for a date in December, but I am not able at this moment to fix a date. Will you let the matter rest a little longer and then I will reply to your suggestion. As I study my calendar, I think I could be with you Sunday, December 5th. Would that fit into your convenience? I have an appointment Monday evening, December 6th. Could the installation be held Sunday morning, so that I could be in Chicago by evening of Monday?

With warmest regards, believe me,

Faithfully yours,

SSW:HR

President

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NEW YORK, 23

September 15, 1943

Mr. A. B. Cowen, President,
Congregation Emanuel
16th and Pearl
Denver, Colo.

My dear Mr. Cowen:

AMERICAN JEWISH

As I wrote you some weeks ago when your letter came I am very anxious to be with you for the installation of Herbert Friedman. I find, however, that the only way I can manage, and that is what I made clear to our good friend, Louis Isaacson, would be if I could come to you Sunday, October 24. Whether I can come again later in the year for your Allied Jewish Campaign is a matter which can be settled later. I do know that I can come to you as I said, Sunday, October 24th. Mr. Isaacson seemed to think that Sunday morning would not do because you have a religious service for the men in the armed forces in the morning. If that be so, I would be glad to attend the service (though I would not be willing to give an address) that morning with the understanding that if Rabbi Friedman wished it, I would have part in the reading of the prayers. You could then have the service in the morning and the installation in the afternoon or evening so that I could stay over until sometime Monday and then take one of the fast trains to Chicago. I must be in Indianapolis Tuesday evening, October 26th. ✓

I had a good talk with Mr. Isaacson and he fully knows the thought of Rabbi Granison and myself with respect to the possibility of a lunch and the uses such a luncheon might serve in relation to the Institute, especially if to the lunch there were invited the heads of the Synagogue and some of the leading members of the Congregation.

I am really looking forward to my visit to your community since, as I wrote to you before, Denver is the only large city that has escaped me in the course of my life. I am anxious to come to you and to learn for myself how finely Rabbi Friedman is doing, as I understand not only from Isaacson but from others.

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I cannot close these lines without telling you how sorry I am about Isaacson and the great burden of fear and sorrow under which he

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Mr. A. B. Cowen

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rests. How one wishes one could help him. I am sure that young Friedman will be of every spiritual service to him.

With most cordial greeting,

Faithfully yours,

President

SSW:GS

P. S. I enclose herewith a statement which Mr. Isaacson thought might be useful to you in helping people to know something about me when I come to your community.

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P.S. 2 To show you how definitely I look forward to my journey to Denver, after waiting for nearly seventy years to make it, I have made reservations for Saturday evening, October 23, out of Chicago on the "Streamliner" and for Monday afternoon, October 25, returning!

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NEW YORK, 23

September 22, 1943

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
Temple Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

I just want you to know what, of course, you must have heard from Mr. Cowen, whose telegram I received today, that I am planning to be with you October 24th. I only hope that Mrs. Wise will be no worse and it will be possible, as I devoutly hope it will be, to come to you.

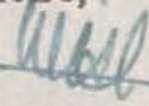
You know, of course, that I shall leave Chicago at 5:45 Saturday evening and arrive in your community 9:45 in the morning. Use me in any way you please but don't have any big meeting for me to address before the Installation. I must spare myself a little for the first time in my life. I have all the needed accommodations and will leave your community Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock in order to get to Chicago at 10:40 in the morning. I was to have been in Chicago on the evening of October 22 to inaugurate Morton Berman's service and to get his congregation's large help for the \$1,000,000 permanent fund for the Institute which I have set out to secure but they set the date forward by a week so I shall be making the trip really just to come to Denver.

I am glad that Mr. Cowen is satisfied with the arrangements which mean we might be able to arrange the second visit later but it is a little difficult for me in advance to plan two visits to Denver. Enclosed herewith is copy of letter to Mr. Cowen.

I was terribly sorry to learn of Elaine's brother's illness and I devoutly hope that he is better.

With affectionate greeting,

Yours,


President

SSW:GS
Encl.

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
WEST SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET
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NEW YORK, 23

September 22, 1943

Mr. A. B. Cowen, President,
Temple Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver, Colo.

Dear Mr. Cowen:

Thanks for your telegram. I am glad that my plans are satisfactory. I look forward with greatest pleasure to seeing Denver and being with you, Herbert and other friends on the 24th.

With heartfelt regard and taking it for granted that anything I write to you will be shared by you with Herbert,

Faithfully yours,

President

SSW:GS

September 22, 1943

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York

Dear Doctor Wise:

I have just read the letter which you wrote to our President, Mr. Cowen, and want to tell you how happy and honored I am at the prospect of your coming out here to conduct the installation services.

Much enthusiasm has already been generated in Denver at your acceptance. I am sure that the community will accord you a reception which will more than make up for the fact that you have never been here before.

In your letter you suggested that you would be willing to read part of the service. I think it would be very thrilling for the several hundred servicemen present to have an opportunity to see and hear a man whom they all respect, but might not have been privileged to meet personally. If you would consent to participate, no matter how briefly, in the Sunday morning service, we would all be very happy. Enclosed is a descriptive folder which is sent, through the offices of the J.W.B. to all Jewish servicemen in this area.

Looking forward with great appreciation to your forthcoming visit and wishing you a very Happy New Year, I am

Cordially yours,

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman

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NEW YORK, 23

November 1, 1943

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
Temple Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

I have written to Sam Rose and Henry Frankel suggesting the afternoon of December 5th which is the only possibility up to January and also to Mr. Cowen who will probably show you my letter. I write you now to ask that you send me immediately or as soon as you can a list of the people who subscribed the other day and tell me what further progress, if any, you have made in the matter of securing contributions. After you send me their names and addresses, particularly of Mr. Schneider, I will write to all of them reminding them of their pledges and invite their gifts.

By the way, it is settled, January 30th is to be the date of Commencement and I have written to Ace to that effect because he had mentioned to Miss Adelstein that he was coming to Commencement since that would be his chance to see you. I wrote to Ace about the installation and "our" receipt of his letter.

As I review the whole thing two things stand out,—one, my joy in the impression that you have already made upon the community. It has really been a grand beginning and if you will, as I am persuaded you will, hold their respect and their affection through the months and years, you and Elaine will be very, very happy there as indeed they already are. The other feeling I have is that it was a mistake to insist upon the installation now. We should have combined it with my address in December for the UJA. They would have known you still better and would have been still more grateful for the change from Feinberg to Friedman, from Tony to Herbert, in other words, and I think despite the inhibition of the new setup, it would have been more effective. But this can all be made up and I am sure you are planning and even, if necessary, plotting, to get maximum support from the community beginning with these honeymoon days and the ecstatic ardor of the community.

With much love to you and Elaine,

Yours,

President

SSW:GS

P.S. I haven't forgotten that I am to ascertain just what the allowance of Tony is to be but I can only send it to you after I get it and of course it isn't terribly important.

November 5, 1943

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

Sam Rose has sent out a letter to all the men who made pledges at the luncheon, the other day, and is now in process of collecting these pledges. He asks me to tell you that this is the reason why he has refrained from writing up to this point. When he does write, in a few days, he wants to be able to send you all the checks. He is also busily engaged in compiling a scrapbook for you as a reminder of this occasion, which is already being evaluated as an historic moment in the annals of Temple Emanuel. Mr. Rose is very enthusiastic about this little scrapbook and hopes that it will please you.

I have been talking about the Institute constantly since you left, and I find that people are very receptive, even eager for information about this new school of which they had never heard. Their respect for the Institute increases as they become aware, through various publications, of the widespread activities of its many graduates. In this month's issue of "Liberal Judaism", I have found two opportunities to underline the work of the JIR. There was an article by and a picture of Aaron Opher; and also the mention of a picture of Bloom, who serves as the chaplain at West Point. This type of publicity provides a technique for spreading information about the Institute in a concrete rather than an abstract manner.

As to your feeling that it was a mistake to insist upon the installation now, I do not think that any serious harm was done, or even that any loss was incurred. You made an impression upon this community which will never be forgotten. This impression will be translated, I feel sure, into material terms which will eventually redound to the benefit of the Institute. The job was done just as well now as later.

Sunday, October 24, you stood up on the heights of the Red Rocks without your coat, enjoying the sunshine. Just one week later, on the 31st, snow blanketed the mountains and covered all Denver. The climatic variations in this mountain area are astonishing. But there is a tang in the air now which invigorates and inspires. Elaine and I are very happy here and some day we shall write our paean of praise and thanks to you and the Institute for providing us with the opportunity to come here.

Yours sincerely,

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
WEST SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET
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NEW YORK, 23

November 9, 1943

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
Congregation Emanuel
16 Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver, 5, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

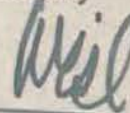
Delighted to have your letter and to learn from you that Sam Rose is in the process of collecting the pledges that were made and that he will soon be able to send me all the checks.

I shall be pleased to have the scrapbook which will ultimately be returned to the Institute as a part of the Herbert Friedman Dossier. I am glad you feel that it was not a mistake to insist upon the installation when we did or that any loss was incurred because of it.

What a glorious moment that was at Red Rock! Snow or no snow, I hope to see it again although there will hardly be time in the five or six hours I shall be in your town.

With affectionate greeting to you and Elaine,

Yours,



President

SSW:GS

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November 22, 1943

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
Temple Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

Just one word I want to say to you about going on with the collections for the Institute. I think I have a way to cover the situation,--namely, not to try to get annual contributions because that might interfere with the Frankel Plan or community plan--but suppose we try to secure gifts such as Mr. Schwayder's for the permanent, large funds. That would not conflict with anything else.

I wanted to write to you after last Thursday when I was in New Haven to tell you that I had the pleasure of meeting your Mother and Father. They came to a crowded meeting at the Jewish Center with an overflow attendance and it was a joy to see them and tell them about their big boy, that he is not doing so very badly at Denver, which, of course, is all that I could say.

Thanks for letting me see the beautiful letter of Bill Friedman. It almost reconciles me to it in the last fifty years.

With affectionate greetings to both of you and looking forward to seeing you a week from Sunday,

Yours,



President

SSW:GS

JOSEPH H. COHEN & SONS
71 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

November 26, 1943

Excerpt of letter from Wilfred Cohen to Dr. Wise

AMERICAN JEWISH

"When I was in Denver, I heard you expected to be there on the afternoon of December 5 to address them on the U.J.A.

I have some very good friends in Denver and if I can do you any good, don't hesitate to let me hear from you. When you get there, if you will particularly ask around for Mr. Joe Alpert, you will see a very good friend of mine, a very fine gentleman, and one interested in communal affairs.

I would appreciate it very much if you would look him up, as I think it would be beneficial to all concerned."

P. S. We still ain't got a good salesman for West Virginia. Are you ready to take a job?

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November 29, 1943

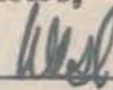
Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
Congregation Emanuel
16th Avenue at Pearl Street
Denver, 5, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

I just want you to know about this letter and to let me meet Mr. Alpert. A very good friend of mine, a dinner at whose home in Great Neck netted us between \$4,000 and \$5,000 for the Institute, writes in the terms contained in the enclosed letter. His postscript has reference to giving me a job as salesman for the Joseph Cohen Company but I prefer to be your Assistant in Denver.

With affectionate greeting to you and Elaine,

Yours,



President

SSW:GS
Encl.

November 29, 1943

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York City, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

AMERICAN JEWISH

Did you enjoy the Sunday Soldiers' Canteen well enough when you were here last to consider making another appearance next Sunday? I know that this trip will be even briefer than the previous one, and that you will be under a terrific strain, therefore, I do not even dare to suggest that you speak, but your very presence at the Sunday morning service, or at luncheon with the boys, will be so enthusiastically appreciated that I make this request for them.

We have been announcing, of course, your approaching visit and your speech at the mass meeting in the afternoon, but we have had no assurance about the morning, so we have told the boys only that you might come to the Temple.

If you think that this morning appearance will be overburdensome, we will all understand. We hope that you can come, and with that hope we eagerly await next Sunday.

Thank you very much for the regards you sent from New Haven. It was a great thrill for my parents to have had the opportunity to speak with you, and to receive a first-hand report of the welfare of their little boy. Such kindnesses are the most appreciated of all.

Regards from Elaine, Lou Isaacson, Sam Rose and others.

Sincerely yours,

P.S.--I do not know if you are aware of the existence of a very large sum of money held in trust down at Trinidad, Colorado under the name of the Freudenthal Foundation. This Foundation grants a large annual subsidy to H.U.C. I do not see why the Trustees could not be approached for a similar grant to the Institute. I shall tell you more about it all Sunday. The name of the chief Trustee is Gilbert Sanders of Trinidad.

Dear

Dr. Wise:

Do you want this letter mailed to Mr. Sanders
and a copy sent to Herbert Friedman or do you wish
to take the letter along with you to Denver?

G. J.

mailed copy for ~~Herbert~~

December 1, 1943

Gilbert Sanders, Esq.
Trinidad, Colorado

Dear Mr. Sanders:

I had hoped I might see you upon my recent visit to Denver upon the occasion of the installation of a graduate of the Jewish Institute of Religion, Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, but I had to hasten back to New York as will again be the case when I visit Denver on Sunday, December 5th.

If it happened that you were in Denver that day I wish I might discuss with you the possibility of a grant from the Freudenthal Foundation, which I understand is under your leadership, to the Jewish Institute of Religion. Our school was founded twenty-one years ago and up to a few months ago its Chairman of the Board of Trustees was that distinguished American jurist, Judge Julian W. Mack. I founded it and have presided over it since its founding and I think I have the right to say that the Institute is rendering an important service to American Israel, thirty-five of its men serving as Chaplains in the Army and Navy and ten or twelve in the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations in colleges and universities throughout the country.

I have set out to secure a permanent foundation for the Institute and am appealing to many cities throughout the country. If the Freudenthal Foundation, at your instance, could make an appropriation for the Institute, the annual budget of which runs about \$80,000, I should be most grateful, particularly if such arrangement could cover an annual contribution.

With warmest regard and wishing we might meet on Sunday,

Faithfully yours,

President

SSW:GS

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
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NEW YORK, 23

December 1, 1943

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
Congregation Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver, 5, Colo.


Dear Herbert:

Answering your letter: Yes, I will be at the Soldiers' Canteen and of course at your Sunday morning service, if the train arrives on time. But, you ought to arrange everything a little earlier than usual because I assume the afternoon meeting will be held at three o'clock so as to give me plenty of time before the train leaves. If you desire it I could preach briefly, say for ten minutes at the morning service, provided you have lox and bagel. I certainly expect to be called upon to say a word but I will leave at a quarter to three or two-thirty and have time to move around before the afternoon meeting.

Thanks for your hint about Sanders of Trinidad. I won't mail my letter to him but will bring it with me and let you and Sam, who may know Sanders, make any addition which you see fit to make.

With affectionate greetings to all of you,

Yours,


President

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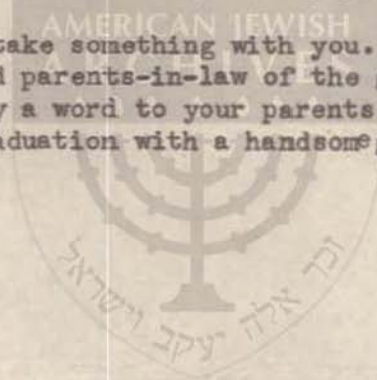
Here it is!

TO: HERBERT FRIEDMAN
FROM: DR. WISE

January 29, 1944

I want you to see this charming letter that has come from your congregation to which I have made reply.

Now I want to take something with you. I am going to write to all the parents and parents-in-law of the graduates and I want you to remember to say a word to your parents and Elaine's parents about marking your graduation with a handsome gift for the Institute.



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January 26, 1944

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

The Officers and Trustees join me in congratulations and best wishes to you and to the Institute on this occasion, the Commencement Exercises of the Class of 1944.

This particular class has special significance for Temple Emanuel as our Rabbi Herbert Friedman is one of its members.

During these dark days of war the difficult task that confronts Herbert and the other graduates challenges the very best that is in them. From our brief, but very close contact with Herbert we have come to realize how thoroughly he has been prepared by you and his professors to spend every effort to preserve the values that Democracy and Judaism represent.

We pray for your continued good health and prosperity for the Jewish Institute of Religion.

Very sincerely yours,

A. B. Cowen
President

(over)

January 29, 1944

Mr. A. B. Cowen, President,
Congregation Emanuel
16 Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver 5, Colo.

Dear Friend Cowen:

I cannot tell you how much satisfaction is brought to me by the reading of the letter which you sent on behalf of the officers and trustees of Congregation Emanuel of Denver, because, as you rightly put it, "the Class of 1944 has special significance for Temple Emanuel as Rabbi Friedman is one of its members".

With deepest appreciation of your message and congratulations and trusting that Rabbi Friedman may long serve your congregation and be blessed by his association with it, I am

Faithfully yours,

President

SSW:GS

(over)

February 21, 1944

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Chief:

This is not exactly in your department and so I would appreciate it if you would turn the matter over to Mrs. Wise.

There is a young soldier, stationed in Denver, who has been coming to our Sunday services quite constantly and with whom I have become friendly. He is a fine boy and we have had many conversations, mainly on general subjects. Yesterday he felt constrained to speak to me about something personal, something, it turned out, concerning which Mrs. Wise can give the best advice.

His sister and brother-in-law, aged 37 and 42 respectively, wish to adopt a child. They are in a middle-high economic bracket, amply able to support a child. The husband, who is graduated from C.C.N.Y., is in the machinery business.

I don't know what the procedure is in the Child Adoption Service, hence this letter asking for advice. Shall the couple write to the Bureau for an appointment? Are there application forms to be filled out? Would you prefer to send this information to me or directly to the couple themselves?

I know how busy Mrs. Wise is and I am indeed sorry to hear that her state of health has required her to curtail many of her fine activities, yet I would appreciate whatever consideration is possible in this matter. Thanking you very deeply, I am

Sincerely yours,

HAF:ss

P.S.--The couple who desire to adopt a child are Mr. & Mrs. Harry Perlman, 455 Ocean Avenue, Brooklyn, 26, N. Y.

March 3, 1944

Dr. Stephen W. Wise,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

Enclosed please find check for \$100.00, from Joe Alpert, 15th and Larimer Streets. I am sure you remember him. He is the big soft-spoken man with whom you had a few minutes of private conversation in the Brown Palace Hotel the morning of your second trip here.

His son Sheldon will be Bar Mitzvah in the Temple soon and so he makes this gift in honor of that event, as well as the occasion of your seventieth birthday.

Thus, as I wrote you before, even though we have accepted a grant from the Federated Campaign, there will be continuing opportunities for me to obtain, personally, such individual contributions.

I wish I could see you again and be with you at your great party, but that is impossible. Our kindest thoughts will be with you on that day and we will wish for you as many additional years of life and work as you would wish for yourself.

Best regards to Mrs. Wise, in which Elaine joins me most heartily.

Sincerely,

HAF:ss

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NEW YORK 23, N. Y.

March 10, 1944

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
16th Avenue at Pearl Street
Denver 5, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

I am delighted upon my return to find your note together with the gift from Mr. Alpert in honor of his son's Bar Mitvah. Yes indeed, I remember him and having a talk with him at the Brown Palace. I am writing to him.

I am sure there will be, as you say, "continuing opportunities" to get individual contributions despite the Federation Campaign.

I know you and Elaine will be thinking of me on my birthday. It was very sweet of your parents to send a gift for the Institute. Has Elaine no influence on the administration of ~~the gift of~~ her parents to whom I wrote simultaneously with my letter to your parents?

With warmest greetings to both of you,

Yours,

President

SSW:GS

P. S. What is the condition of Mrs. Isaacson? Has she survived up to this time? Give my warmest regard to her husband and my love to those dear children.

COPY FOR HERBERT FRIEDMAN

March 10, 1944

Mr. Joe Alpert
15th & Larimer Streets
Denver, Colo.

Dear Mr. Alpert:

May I not tell you how warmly I appreciate your gift to the Institute in honor of your son's Bar Mitzvah. May he be blessed all his days and may you have the richest joy at his side for many, many years.

Thanks at the same time for your remembrance of my 70th birthday.

With deep appreciation, believe me

Faithfully yours,

President

SSW:GS
Encl. - receipt

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March 24, 1944

Rabbi and Mrs. Herbert A. Friedman
930 Humboldt Street
Denver 3, Colo.

Dear Herbert and Elaine:

I cannot tell you how delighted I am to have your letter with its very sweet, generous tribute. I heard in such a nice way from your people Abe B., Sam Rose, Dr. Robert Levy, and indeed from the Congregation, but I know it is loyalty to you in large part that inspired all this.

You and Horace were the missing graduates at the party, Horace on less compelling grounds than you. It is rather far from New York to Denver as I have learned four times, and I suppose Horace could not come.

The dinner for my birthday was superb with I.A. acting as Chairman of the dinner, making a very delightful speech. Max Maccooby was a fine toastmaster and beautiful addresses were made especially by the Dean, Dr. Tchernowitz and Bernard Kligfeld, President of the Student Body, in addition to those of the alumni. It was a lovely party in every sense and you will be glad to hear that the Institute has been getting some very handsome gifts in preparation therefor and in consequence thereof.

With love to both of you and I almost forgot to say that the other night at Chester, Pa., I met a lady who proudly insisted her daughter was or was about to become engaged to your brother,

Yours,



President

SSW:GS

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April 18, 1944

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
Congregation Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver 5, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

Just a word to thank you for your gift to the Institute.
We have written out the letter to Mrs. Robbins and Mrs. Rosenberg
verbatim as you suggested. It was very well done and far beyond
anything I could have done myself.

With affectionate greeting to Elaine and you,

Yours,



President

SSW:GS

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
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May 2, 1944

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
930 Humboldt Street
Denver 3, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

I write for several reasons. First to say to you that I learned of the death of Rabbi William Friedman and in this way I send my sincerest sympathy to the heads of Temple Emanuel in which he served so long and faithfully. Secondly, I want to ask you whether that brings about any change in your status or whether you are Rabbi of the congregation without any reservations, etc.

In the third place, I want you to know that through a curious inadvertence a big package of mail was mislaid or stolen and found in the Anshe Chesed Synagogue at 100 Street and West End Avenue which contained, among other items, a letter from Elaine's parents with a generous check for the work of the Institute. Of course I could not acknowledge it before because it didn't reach me until a few days ago.

When you have time, write to me and tell me how things are. Do you plan to go to the CCAR in Cincinnati? What a shame to give up golden days in Denver for sultry, intolerable days in Cincinnati. I was on the way to Denver on Friday and Sunday when the Chicago Congress had a dinner of 1900 people at the Stevens Hotel. The enclosed "Chicago Beacon" will tell you something about it. They gave me a check of \$25,000 on account of \$70,00 which is to come from the Chicago Congress for the work of the Congress, including \$5,000 for the Institute.

With affectionate greetings to both of you and to your dear
President, A.B.C.,

Ever yours,



President

SSW:GS
Encl.

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PAY TRIBUTE TO DR. STEPHEN WISE AT BIRTHDAY DINNER, APRIL 30th

Fifteen-Hundred To Attend Banquet In Honor Of Dr. Wise This Sunday

The banquet, given in honor of Dr. Stephen S. Wise on Sunday, April 30, at the Stevens Hotel, promises to be the most outstanding affair in the history of the Chicago Division.

Dinner co-chairmen, Etta Nierman and Max Bressler, announced that reservations are coming in at a record rate and that the Grand Ballroom of the Stevens Hotel will be filled to capacity.

Most of the Districts reached their quotas already, but all of them will come through according to reports of the District chairmen and crew captains. They



MAX BRESSLER

are making an all-out effort in order to surpass their quotas and to use the remaining few days for having their members complete Honor Rolls and realize pledges.

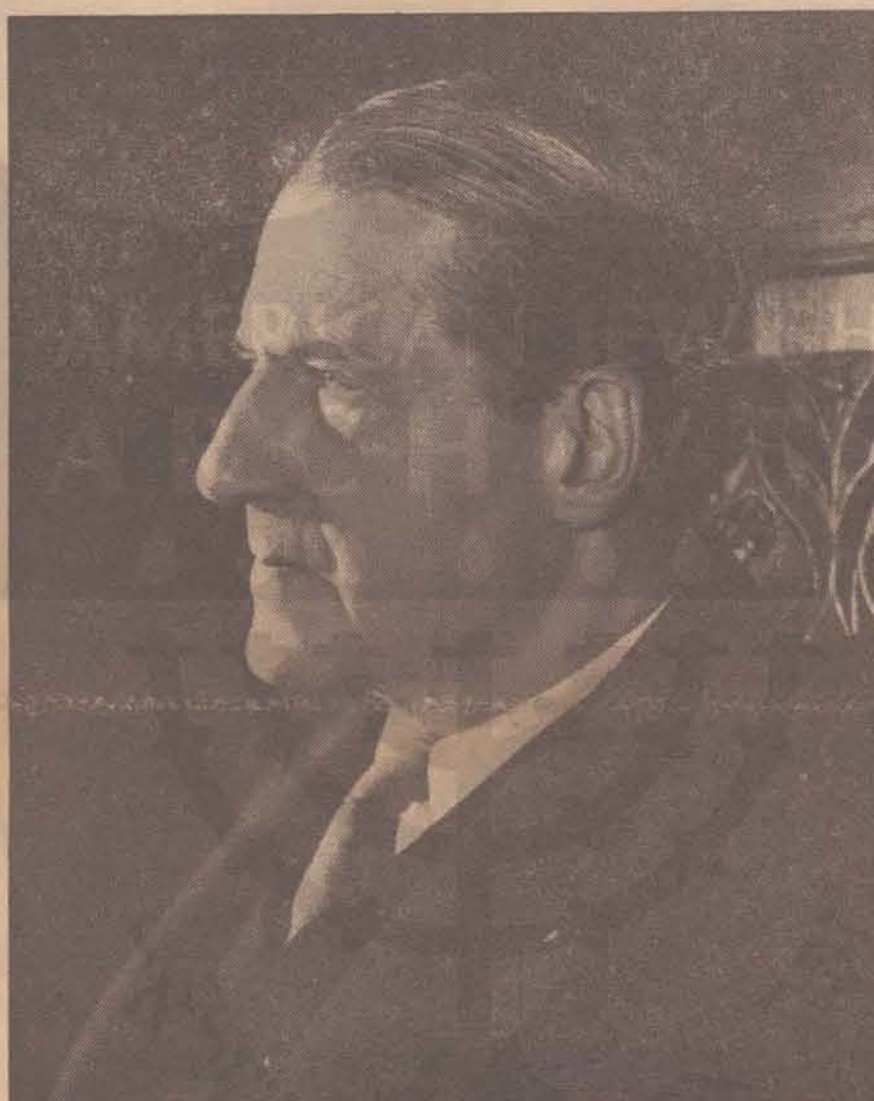
The affiliates are also hard at work and will have an impressive representation at the Dinner. Some of them, like the PRILUKOWER, THE FIRST GALICIAN AID SOCIETY AND THE IRISH-AMERICAN JEWS have pledged in for full tables while others are on their way to complete their scrolls and provide for really mass representation at the Stephen Wise banquet.

Many prominent Chicagoans from all walks of life will occupy the guest tables.



ETTA NIERMAN

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, the guest of honor, will also be the celebrated speaker



DR. STEPHEN S. WISE

of the evening. Greetings will be extended by two of his pupils, Dr. S. M. Blu-



MILTON J. KRENSKY
President, Chicago Division

menfeld, Dean of the College of Jewish Studies; and Rabbi Maurice Pekarsky of the Hillel Foundation, Northwestern University. Edward J. Kelly, the Mayor of the city of Chicago, has indicated his presence at the Stephen Wise celebration and will undoubtedly extend greetings in the name of the City of Chicago. The Chicago Division, American Jewish Congress, will be represented by its President, Milton J. Krensky, who will speak in the name of the Districts as well as for the affiliates of Congress in Chicago.

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Sun., April 30, 11:15 A. M.

"THE VOICE OF CONGRESS"
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Special Message of Dr. Stephen
S. Wise, delivered by:
HENRY WINEBERG

THIS IS the story of the great Humanitarian Dr. Stephen S. Wise, whom the Chicago Community will honor on April 30th, 1944, at the Stevens Hotel, on the occasion of his 70th Birthday.—Seventy years of life . . . Fifty years of it devoted to the service of his people! Our participation in paying tribute to this Sentinel of Jewry will serve as an expression of gratitude for the amazing and almost legendary contributions Dr. Wise has made to his People and humanity at large; it will also reaffirm our faith in him, and with it, our hope that through his leadership the deliverance of our People may be assured.

All the net proceeds of this dinner will be used exclusively for the combatting of Anti-Semitism in the United States

Sigmund W. David, Chairman of S. Wise Birthday Dinner

Sigmund W. David one of the founders of the Chicago Division and its first president, will be the chairman of the Stephen S. Wise



SIGMUND W. DAVID

70th Birthday Dinner on April 30, at the Stevens Hotel.

In commenting on his function at this unique affair, Mr. David issued the following statement:

"The Chicago Division of the American Jewish Congress is proud to be the means of enabling the Chicago Community to pay its respects to and show its regard for Dr. Wise — a great American and the foremost living Jew."

Announce Committee Of Tenth Annual Conference, June 4, 1944

The tenth Annual Conference of the Chicago Division, American Jewish Congress, will take place Sunday, June 4, 1944, at the Sherman Hotel. Panel discussions will start Saturday evening and will continue throughout Sunday.

Max A. Kopstein, past president of the Chicago Division and president of the Midwest Region, American Jewish Congress was appointed chairman of the Conference. Miss Adele Rabino has been appointed as co-chairman from the Women's Division.

The following will serve on the Conference Committee: Henry Wineberg, Morris Resser, Ben Lerner, Mrs. Mae C. Ticktin, Claude A. Benjamin, Joseph Chavkin, Samuel Miller, Nathan Kaplan, Mrs. Beatrice Krohn, Abner Rosenfeld, David Greenberg, Myron Hecht, Mrs. Milton J. Krensky, Harry Kliff, Adolph Lurie, Sol Garfinkel, Sidney Schonberger, Mrs. Oscar Hollander, Mrs. Henry Friedman, David Chaimowitz, Nathan Waldman and Oscar Turner.

The first meeting of the Conference Committee will take place soon and will be announced in the next issue of the Congress Beacon.

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Chicago Clergy To Pay Tribute To Dr. Wise At Luncheon, April 28

Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, national president of the American Jewish Congress and head of the World Jewish Congress, whose broad religious and civic leadership is recognized far beyond the synagogue, is coming from New York to Chicago to receive congratulations from the Christian pastors as well as the Jewish rabbis on the completion of his first half century in the rabbinate and the achievement of his three score years and ten.

The clergy luncheon, to be addressed by Bishop Shell of the Catholic archdiocese, Bishop Conkling of the Episcopal diocese, and Dr. Harold Ruopp, representing Protestant delegations, will be held Friday, April 28, at the Stevens Hotel. Rabbi Wise will respond as the voice of the synagogue, bringing assurance of brotherly good will to Christian forces of the Country.

A special reception committee, comprising women prominent in Chicago communal life, will welcome the guests attending the Dr. Stephen S. Wise Clergy Luncheon.

The committee includes Mrs. John Alden Carpenter, Mrs. Joseph Bowen, Mrs. Frank Bliss Snyder, Mrs. Frank P. Hixon, Mrs. Harold W. Ruopp, Mrs. Walter B. Wolf, Mrs. Frederick Woodward and Mrs. Louis L. Mann.

Invitations have been issued to one thousand clergymen of every faith, creed and color, who will gather to do honor to the internationally-known and loved Jewish saint. Acceptances have been received from as distant places as Texas and a representative gathering is anticipated.

Signatories of the invitation, who will speak at the affair include Bishop Bernard J. Shell, of the Catholic archdiocese, Bishop Wallace E. Conkling of the Episcopal diocese, Dr. Harold W. Ruopp, representing Protestant delegations, and Dr. Louis L. Mann, the Jewish faith. Rabbi Wise will make the principal address.

One of those curious coincidences which sometimes happen, arose this week in replies from Chicago ministers answering the invitation to be guests at a Clergy Luncheon (Stevens—this Friday) honoring Dr. Stephen S. Wise on his 70th birthday, his 50th year in the ministry—moreover as a young minister, he held a pulpit in Portland, Oregon nearly 40 years ago at the very time that Dr. Wise was a rising young rabbi in that city!

The subject covered is so huge that Rabbi Abramovitz suggested a further study to really comprehend the problems involved and the possible avenues of solution.

It was the opinion of the gathering that Rabbi Abramovitz be invited again to go into the subject of Palestine.

The meeting was further honored by the presence of Pfc. Howard Gurney (of the U. S. Marines) son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben J. Gurney of 7655 S. Crandon, who has seen action in Guadalcanal, Tulagi and Bougainville, and was decorated with the Purple Heart, the Silver Cross and has received the Presidential Citation. Pfc. Gurney has 29 Japs to his credit.

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CHANUTE FIELD, ILL.—Presiding at the Friday night Passover service held in a post mess hall at this field of the AAF Training Command, is Chaplain Isador Signer, Jewish Chaplain. The Seder festival attended by approximately 375 persons, consists of the Hag-gadah, a tale of the deliverance as recorded in Exodus, followed by the Passover meal. Among the guests of honor, were left to right, facing the camera, Mrs. R. E. O'Neill, Brig. Gen. R. E. O'Neill, commanding general of Chanut Field; Mrs. Mae C. Ticktin, chairman of the War Efforts committee, women's auxiliary of the Chicago branch of the American Jewish Congress; Chaplain Signer; Lt. Col. William E. Bleakley, post Executive officer.

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Civil Liberties Lecture Series On Anti-Semitism And Race Relations

Monday, May 1—8:00 p. m., Curtis Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., 410 South Michigan, Earl Brown, (Editorial Staff, Life and Time Magazines) "Why Race Riots?"

Monday, May 15—8:00 p. m., Curtis Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., 410 South Michigan, Alfred McClung Lee, (Head of Sociology Dept. Wayne University, Detroit; Author, "Race Riot" and "The Fine Art of Propaganda") — "Subversive Groups and Race Riots."

Monday, May 22—8:00 p. m., Curtis Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., 410 South Michigan, Frances Sweeney, (Exec. Secy.,

Irish-American Assn. of Boston, Mass.)

"The Techniques of Combatting Anti-Semitism."

Monday, May 29—8:00 p. m., Curtis Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., 410 South Michigan, Dr. Robert C. Weaver, (Exec. Director, Mayor's Committee on Race Relations and for past 10 years race relations executive in federal agencies at Washington, D. C.), "Racial Tensions in the United States."

Monday, June 5—8:00 p. m., Curtis Hall, Fine Arts Bldg., 410 South Michigan, Joshua Trachtenberg, (Rabbi of Temple Covenant of Peace, Easton, Pa. Author of "The Devil and the Jews")

"The Role of the Jews and Anti-Semitism in the Modern World."

"JEWISH-ARABIC UNITY" STRESSED BY RABBI ABRAMOVITZ

The need of Jewish-Arabic unity was the keynote of Rabbi Abraham Abramovitz address before the south side forum discussion group Wednesday evening, April 19th, at the Windermere West Hotel.

Rabbi Abramovitz who officiates at the Albany Park Hebrew Congregation, was born in Palestine, gave a first hand discourse on the existing conditions relative to the Jewish and Arabic population and enlightened those present on many phases of accord and discord that exists between Jews and Arabs—facts that have not been publicised.

Rabbi Abramovitz enlightened the meeting on the fact that Hebrew, which the Jews have endeavored to establish as the language of Palestine is spoken only by Jews, while Arabic is spoken by the Arabs, and English by the British—creating a language problem that is still acute even to this date.

"The Arabs were once a great and civilized people and should not be belittled," said Rabbi Abramovitz. "Arabs in general are in favor of the Jews settling in Palestine, and are looking for the liberation of the orient, and when that comes, Jerusalem will be the strategic gateway to the orient."

"While the native newspapers preach the union of Jews and Arabs, the subsidised press fans the hatred of Jews and Arabs."

"The Jewish Labor Federation has taken the Arab Unions into their organization, thereby offering the sole means of cementing Arab-Jewish relationship."

Youth Division

Sunday (the 30th) is the big day! and we hope to see many, many of you present. Of course, the event is the testimonial dinner for Dr. Stephen S. Wise to be held at the Stevens Hotel. It is for the youth of this country and all over the world for which Dr. Wise and Congress are fighting, and it is, therefore, up to us, the youth, to help in this struggle for freedom and democracy. You can help show your appreciation of Dr. Wise's wonderful work on behalf of all humanity, by being present at this dinner to honor him. We expect to see you!

CORRECTION! TO OUR FAITHFUL READERS WHO READ OUR COLUMN LONG ENOUGH LAST WEEK TO REACH THE END OF THE SECOND PARAGRAPH:—

We really know nothing of Mrs. Lewisohn's literary abilities. The sentence should have read: Edward George Earl Lytton said, "The pen is mightier than the sword," and MR. Lewisohn's pen is mighty strong.

And it's worth repeating. We again suggest that you read "Breathe Upon These."

ADVANCE NOTICE!

Hold the evening of Sunday, May 14, free for the MAY OPEN MEETING. An interesting and entertaining evening is being planned.

"THE JEW IN UNIFORM"

Theme of Annual College of Jewish Studies "Melaveh Malkah"

The ninth annual community "Melaveh Malkah" of the Alumni Association of the College of Jewish Studies, will have as its theme this year "The Jew in Uniform." Tribute will be paid to the heroic achievements of men and women of Jewish faith who are in uniform.

The Melaveh Malkah will be held in the Grand Ballroom of the Standard Club, on Saturday evening, May 13th. The guest speaker of the occasion will be Dr. Barnett R. Brickner, chairman of



Chaplain Albert A. Goldman, Alumni of the College of Jewish Studies, holding the first Seder Torah to arrive in Greenland.

the committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities of the Jewish Welfare Board, who travelled some thirty-five thousand miles to visit our fighting men at various war fronts. David Moll, violinist, of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, will be the guest artist. Students of the College of Jewish Studies will present a dramatic skit depicting heroic achievements in the field of battle. The evening will conclude with the serving of refreshments.

This annual community project of the College is an unique institution. It utilizes the old, beautiful ceremony of bidding farewell to the Sabbath Queen

"A CALL TO HONOR THE DEAD AND PAY TRIBUTE TO THE LIVING FIGHTERS FOR FREEDOM"

The AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE has issued a call to the Jewish Communities of America to observe the first anniversary of the uprising of the Jews in the Warsaw Ghetto against the Nazis.

MONDAY, MAY 1, 1944

has been designated by the Chicago Delegation to the American Jewish Conference as a day for commemorating the heroic struggles of the Heroes of the Polish Ghettos.

8 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

a meeting will be held at Orchestra Hall to "Honor The Dead and Pay Tribute to

(The following Resolution was passed at the American Jewish Conference Meeting at Carnegie Hall, April 19, 1944).

"One year ago tonight, the Jews of the Warsaw Ghetto rose in battle against the Nazi terror, threw themselves heroically against the Nazi hangmen, resolved to die fighting for their honor, determined to humble a brutal and barbarous enemy which has scourged all mankind.

"For days and nights of fire and flame, the ghetto fighters kept the armies of Hitler at bay. Death and defeat were inevitable, but they did not fight for their lives; their fate was sealed. They fought for life for all people. And none who fell in that battle will ever die. They live forever in the memory of the Jewish people, their great struggle a symbol of an unconquerable spirit, which will never surrender to oppression and tyranny.

"We honor the roll call of resistance. We salute the martyrs of the ghetto. We stand at their graves in humility and reverence.

"Millions of Jews have perished, victims of hunger, of torture, of the most fiendish persecution in history. But a small remnant remain—helpless and hunted—doomed to extinction unless the democratic world acts.

Our own country has risen to meet the challenge. President Roosevelt has created the War Refugee Board, a signal advance in the war against Nazism, and the United States now leads the United Nations in the task of liberating an oppressed people.

The heroes of Warsaw who were drilled by Nazi machine guns and crushed by Nazi tanks died with a prayer that humanity might awaken to the horror of the overwhelming disaster that has overtaken the Jewish people.

In their name, in the name of humanity, in the name of ideals for which the United Nations are fighting, we plead for the speediest possible action by the democracies to rescue those who may yet be saved.

1. We ask that the democracies recognize and proclaim the right of temporary asylum for every surviving Jewish man, woman and child who can escape from the Hitlerite fury into the territories of the United Nations. In this connection, we strongly urge the establishment of refugee rescue camps or free ports, a proposal now under consideration by the War Refugee Board.

2. We ask that the gates of Palestine be opened wide and we call for reassertion of the right of every Jew who can reach Palestine to find a haven and a permanent home in that country.

3. We ask that continued encouragement be given to neutral nations to secure the release of Jews, especially children, and to grant them hospitality in their lands or the right of transit to havens of refuge.

We address a most earnest appeal to the United Nations not to suffer democracy to go down to moral defeat on the first front opened by Hitler in his war on civilization. We pray that democracy may yet deny victory on this front to Hitler and take the fate of the Jewish people out of his hands.

The battle cries that sounded in the ghettos of Warsaw one year ago will echo through the years to come. They spur us to dedicate ourselves anew, to deepen our sacrifice, to mobilize our strength to win the victory that must come to democracy's banner.

On every battle front, Jews fight in the armies of the United Nations. Everywhere in the world, Jews are enlisted in the cause of humanity.

Our people, more deeply wounded than any other in the long struggle against Hitlerism, are pledged to victory for the survival of civilization, are resolved to survive, with civilization, over the forces of despotism and death.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CHICAGO RABBINICAL ASSOCIATION

It is a source of great joy to us all that Dr. Stephen S. Wise, after a most remarkable career of leadership in behalf of our people covering a period of fifty years, still remains the active and courageous leader. Words are futile in attempting to evaluate all that Dr. Wise has meant to the Jewish people throughout this long period. Particularly in this trying day do we recognize his outspoken and fearless qualities that have made him beloved by all Israel.

May he be spared for many years and continue to be the matchless leader in the battle against the forces of reaction and may he witness the realization of the high hopes that he has entertained throughout his career of leadership.

upon the termination of the Sabbath day. It is a form of artistic Jewish expression.

This annual event is open to the community. Reservations are being received at the office of the College of Jewish Studies, Telephone Harrison 5570. Ger-

trude Bruckner is President of the Alumni Association of the College of Jewish Studies, and serving with her on the committee are Bert B. Weinstein, chairman for the event, Mrs. Robert L. Aron-

son, Public Relations, the Living Heroes" of those Ghettos.

The admission fee is 50 cents. Box seats are \$2.00 and you may obtain tickets by communicating with

Orchestra Hall, 220 South Michigan Avenue.
American Jewish Congress, 8 So. Dearborn Street.
B'nai B'rith, 100 N. LaSalle St.
Hadassah, 8 South Dearborn Street.
Jewish Labor Committee, 3234 W. Roosevelt Road.
American Fed. Polish Jews, 176 W. Adams St.
Mizrachi Organization, 123 W. Madison St.

ORCHIDS TO SAMUEL BOOTH

Of the many ardent workers on the Stephen S. Wise Dinner Campaign, special credit should be given to SAMUEL BOOTH, a man who is with the Chicago Division, American Jewish Congress for only a few years and has obtained for himself a prominent place among those who are mobilizing moral and financial support for the Congress movement.

Especially for the Stephen S. Wise Dinner, Samuel Booth has devoted much



SAMUEL BOOTH

of his time and his energies in order to live up to his pledge "of soliciting \$100.00 for each of the 70 years of Rabbi Stephen S. Wise's life."

Due to changing general conditions recognizing the danger confronting the Jewish people and all democratic institutions, Samuel Booth gave continually less and less of his time to business and directed more of his energies to such progressive organizations as the American Jewish Congress, Chicago Civil Liberties and other institutions fighting for the equal rights of men.

As he puts it "I feel that from a selfish standpoint, it is to the best interests of business people to direct their thinking and efforts toward the safeguarding of our democratic way of life, securing our social and political institutions. I also get a great deal of satisfaction, knowing that I am able to do other things than work for purely personal gains."

The Chicago Division is proud to present one of its most ardent workers to its membership and to the Chicago Jewish community in general—ORCHIDS TO SAMUEL BOOTH!

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Glorious Musical Masterpiece.

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Schubert Melodies—Rombert Music. Great Singing Cast. Evs. (ex. Sat.) \$1.20, \$1.80, \$2.40, \$3.00. Saturday evenings, \$1.20, \$1.80, \$2.40, \$3.00, \$3.60. Wed., Sat. and Sun. Matinees, \$1.20, \$1.80, \$2.40. (Inc. tax).

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Theatre Guild National Company presents:

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Evening incl. New Tax, \$4.20, \$3.60, \$3.00, \$2.40, \$1.80, \$1.20. Matinees, \$3.00, \$2.40, \$1.80, \$1.20. Stamped addressed envelope must accompany Mail Orders.



STEPHEN WISE 70th BIRTHDAY DINNER, APRIL 30, 1944, STEVENS HOTEL

WOMEN'S DIVISION

WE CANNOT STOP! WE MUST NOT STOP!

We are on the eve of Chicago's outstanding communal event, and I can say without hesitation that the Chicago Women's Division of the Congress has done its part nobly in behalf of the Dr. Wise Tribute Dinner to be held on Sunday evening, April 30, at the Stevens Hotel. The quota assigned to the Women's Division has been overreached, and that has been due to the intensive work and the remarkable cooperation given by the District Presidents, Crew Captains and every member of the Women's Division. The response has been most inspiring, and has meant that our membership appreciates the importance of strengthening the hands of our great leader, Dr. Wise.

However, even though quotas have been over-subscribed, I feel confident, knowing the spirit of our women, that nobody will stop, but will continue to do everything possible until the very last moment of the Dinner. Hitler has no other quota in his process of extermination other than of the complete annihilation of our co-religionists in Europe. We have no quota but that of complete support of the Congress movement and of our leader, Dr. Wise. That can only be accomplished by every atom of strength being put into the present Dinner campaign to ensure the strong continuation of our rescue work in Europe and of our combatting of anti-Semitism in this country. Even after the campaign, we cannot stop, and will not stop our work.

I feel certain that there will be an outpouring of good will from the Women's Division next Sunday evening!

HANNAH RASOF,
Co-Chairman, Women's Division,
Dr. Wise Dinner

ALBANY PARK

Installation Meeting

The regular board meeting was held Thursday, April 20, at the home of Mrs. M. L. Minkus. Plans were discussed for the regular monthly meeting, and it was announced that Mr. Henry Wineberg, Vice President, and Organization Chairman of the American Jewish Congress, will act as Installing Officer at the meeting, which will take place Wednesday, May 10. Mrs. Oscar Hollander will give her annual report. Refreshments will be served.

Membership Drive

All members who have brought in three or more new members on their Honor Rolls, will be invited to attend a luncheon on Saturday, June 10, at 1:00 p. m., at the Home of Mrs. Jack Cohen, 6107 North Talman. Mrs. Oscar Hollander, President, and Mrs. Jack Cohen, Hostess, urge all those who wish to attend, to be sure to get in their three new members. Our hostess promises a very sociable afternoon for all those who will earn the invitation.

LOGAN SQUARE

Luncheon Installation

The annual Installation of Officers will be in the form of a luncheon complimentary to the membership by a number of hostesses at the Daughters of Zion Nursery, 1400 North California Avenue, on Wednesday afternoon, May 10, 1944. The Committee has arranged for luncheon to be served at 12:30, and cordially invites members and friends to come promptly at that time, to enjoy an afternoon replete with interesting events. The officers will be installed by Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, President of the Chicago's Women's Division. They include Mrs. Field, President; Mrs. Jack Weinberg, Mrs. George Schneider, and Mrs. B. Rosen, Vice Presidents; Mrs. M. Myers, Recording Secretary; Mrs. M. Shuwal, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. H. Perlmutter, Financial Secretary.

Mrs. Ruth Schlossberg Hyman, one of the prominent North Side members and well-known for her interpretation of books, will review the best seller "Strange Fruit," by Lillian Smith. This book has received wide acclaim everywhere.

B. & P. CHAPTER

Installation, May 9

In arranging its plans for the next season, the B. & P. Chapter realizes that careful adherence to the broad principles of Congress must be observed, and every effort in arranging its programs will be made to strengthen the Chapter's participation in the national and interna-

tional program of Congress.

The final open meeting for the season, at which there will be installation of officers. Plans are now under way for a most interesting program under the chairmanship of Mimi Sklan. At that time Ida Berke, Fund Raising Chairman, hopes to make an excellent report of the response by the Chapter to the Dr. Stephen S. Wise Birthday Dinner.

Study Group

Mrs. Benjamin Fain substituted for Mr. Fred White at the last Study Group meeting, which took place on April 17. Genevieve Blumenthal, Education Chairman, was hostess to the group that evening.

SOUTH SIDE

Election of Officers

The Nominations Committee of the South Side District is now happy to announce the slate of District officers for the year 1944-5. The Nominating Committee is headed by Mrs. Maurice Solovy. The officers nominated are Mrs. Meyer Kaufman, President, Mrs. Mandel Herman, and Mrs. S. J. Lerner, Vice Presidents, Mrs. E. Kohn, Recording Secretary, Mrs. Jack Mandel, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. Joseph Weinstein, Financial Secretary. Under the Constitutional By-Laws, if there are to be any other nominations, they may be submitted in writing to the secretary at the Congress office by a petition of at least 50 members.

Installation Meeting May 10

Both the elections and installation will take place at the next meeting, which will be held on Wednesday, May 10, at the Windermere East Hotel, East Lounge, 1642 E. 56th Street. At the meeting on May 10, annual reports will be rendered by the various Committee Chairmen, headed by Mrs. David Sossion, outgoing District President. It will open at 1:30 p. m.

Mazeltoy

The District congratulates Mrs. Sossion on her being elected to the Vice-Presidency for the Chicago Women's Division. The District is also delighted to extend its "Mazeltoy" to Mrs. I. Harris, outgoing Corresponding Secretary, who has been recently elected to the Financial Secretaryship of the Chicago Women's Division.

NORTH SIDE

The last Open Meeting of the North Side District resulted in the election of the officers for the District for the coming season. Mrs. William Gordon heads the corps of officers, which also includes Mrs. A. Berger, Mrs. Herman Rosen, and Mrs. Louis Byron, Vice Presidents, Mrs. L. Schienberg, Recording Secretary, Mrs.

Joseph Nierman, Corresponding Secretary, and Mrs. Henry Friedman, Financial Secretary.

The newly elected officers will be installed at the next meeting of the District on Monday evening, May 15, at 8:00 p. m. Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, President of the Women's Division, will be the Installing Officer. Featured will also be an outstanding musical program.

Further plans as to the District's activities will be discussed at the next Board of Directors' meeting on Monday, May 8, at the home of Mrs. L. Margolis, 1252 Pratt Boulevard. Mrs. Henry Friedman, the outgoing District President, who has been recently elected to the Corresponding Secretaryship of the Women's Division, urges all Board members to come promptly at 1:00 p. m. The District extends its good wishes to Mrs. Friedman in her new office.

Women's Election

Meeting Well Attended and Enthusiastically Received

The election meeting for the Women's Division, an annual event, was one of the most enthusiastic meeting of the year. It was well attended, and the program was received with a great deal of interest.

Mrs. Benjamin J. Rasof, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the slate of officers for the year 1944-45. They are: Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, President; Mrs. Oscar Hollander, and Mrs. David Sossion, Vice Presidents; Mrs.

Henry Friedman, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Samuel Schrero, Recording Secretary; and Mrs. Isadore Harris, Financial Secretary. The slate was unanimously approved.

The Reverend Archibald J. Carey Jr., Negro Minister of the Woodlawn AME church, was presented by Mrs. Morris Lieff, Program Chairman. The audience listened with rapt attention to his remarkable address, in which he challenged those present to a true understanding of race relations.

Glorious reports were heard from all District Presidents, and Mrs. Rasof, Chairman of the Women's Division for the Dr. Wise Dinner, called upon the Crew Captains to be presented to the audience. Gratification was expressed with the splendid contributions of the Women's Division towards the Dr. Wise Dinner. The closing message was delivered by William Jay Robinson, Chairman of the Governing Council. He spoke feelingly on Dr. Wise, and paid tribute to the participation of the Women's Division in the communal event to take place on April 30.

The meeting was held at the Standard Club on Wednesday, April 19, and was presided over by Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, President.

BUY YOUR BONDS AT CONGRESS OFFICE

Women's Division Calendar

April 30—
Sunday—6:30 P. M.

Chicago Division, Dinner in honor of Dr. Wise, Stevens Hotel.

May 1—
Monday—7:30 P. M.

West Side District Board of Directors Meeting, Crawford Hall, 4003 W. Roosevelt Road.

May 1—Monday
Come and help cut and paste.

Knapsack Library—Highland Park, U.S.O.

Every Tuesday—7:30 P. M.
Come and help cut and paste

Knapsack Library, Mrs. Wm. Rosenberg, 7444 Euclid Parkway.

May 3—
Wednesday—10:30 A. M.

Board of Directors Meeting, Women's Division, Standard Club.

Every Wednesday—1 to 4
Come and help cut and paste

Knapsack Library, Winnetka Community House.

Every Thursday—1 to 4
Come and help cut and paste

Knapsack Library, Home of Mrs. Joseph Gray, 5133 Ellis Ave., Home of Mrs. Johnson, 312 Greenbay Road, Glencoe.

Every Friday—1 to 4
Come and help cut and paste.

Home of Mrs. Cohn, 177 Franklin Rd., Glencoe.

May 6—
Saturday—1:30 P. M.

Home of Mrs. P. Paisner, 4820 North Central Park, Mrs. S. Schrero, Education Chairman, Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, Leader.

May 8—
Monday—1:00 P. M.

North Side Board of Directors Meeting, Home of Mrs. L. Margolis, 1252 Pratt.

May 10—
Wednesday—1:30 P. M.

Albany Park District, Installation of Officers, Temple Beth Israel, 4850 N. Bernard Street, Henry Wineberg, Installing Officer.

May 10—
Wednesday—12:30 P. M.

Logan Square District, Luncheon and Installation of Officers, Daughters of Zion Day and Night Nursery, 1400 N. California Avenue, Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, Installing Officer.

May 10—
Wednesday—1:30 P. M.

South Side District, Installation of Officers, Windermere East Hotel.

May 15—
Monday—8:00 P. M.

North Side District, Installation of Officers, Ms. Robert L. Aronson Installing Officer.

May 16—
Tuesday—8:00 P. M.

West Side District, Installation of Officers, Crawford Hall, 4003 W. Roosevelt Road, Mrs. Robert L. Aronson, Installing Officer.

May 17—
Wednesday—1:30 P. M.

Chicago Women's Division, Installation of Officers.

May 24—
Wednesday—1:30 P. M.

North Side District, Study Group, Hostess Mrs. Herman I. Rosen, c/o Wolfson, 1639 W. Chase, Mrs. Benj. J. Fain, Leader, Mrs. H. Rosen, Education Chrm.

June 3-4—
Saturday, Sunday

Chicago Division, American Jewish Congress, Sherman Hotel, Annual Conference.

May 17, 1944

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

The congregation is grateful for your fine expression of sympathy over the death of Rabbi William S. Friedman. We are planning to issue, sometime in the future, probably next fall, a memorial bulletin and wonder whether you would care to write a paragraph appropriate for publication in this bulletin. I have extended your sympathy to Mrs. Friedman, who is at the present temporarily residing in Denver, and she wishes to indicate her deep thanks.

As far as my status is concerned, I am now Rabbi of the congregation without any reservations. As you have probably heard from Abe Granison, they voted sometime ago an increase of \$1200.00, to begin on August 1st. Also on that date they are finished with Feinberg, and so it is assumed, without anything even being said about it that from thence forth Emanuel has only one rabbi.

The reason I have not answered your letter sooner is due an unexpected trip down into the wilds of Texas for the purpose of officiating at the marriage of Elaine's brother, who is assigned to an armored division. We came from Denver one thousand miles; Elaine's mother came from Connecticut, two thousand miles, all this on one day's notice. Now that the excitement is over I have gotten down to work again.

Oh, yes - there is another request which I have been asked to forward to you. Our venerable and beloved Dr. Levy, in whose home you drank milk punch, will be celebrating his eightieth birthday on Decoration Day. The Board of Trustees is tendering a Testimonial Dinner on the night of May 29th, and the committee incharge of arrangements is preparing for that occasion a souvenir menu. It would be perfectly grand if you could write some remarks which would be included in this menu. Time is short. Could you find a few moments to do this and respond by return mail?

Dr. Stephen S. Wise

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May 17, 1944

The news about the huge and successful dinner in Chicago certainly sounds swell. I hope it won't be long before Denver will also be collecting many thousand dollars for the Institute. We were thrilled at the fact that you even considered dropping in on Denver, and although it didn't materialize, you know that our hearts are eagerly open to receive you whenever you come.

Greetings to Mrs. Wise and continued good health for you. Elaine and I anticipate seeing you again within six weeks.

Ever yours,

HAP:ss



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JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
WEST SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET
NEAR CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK 23, N. Y.

May 22, 1944

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
Congregation Emanuel
16th Avenue & Pearl Street
Denver 5, Colo.

Dear Herbert:

I am delighted to have your letter and I thank you for having conveyed my sympathy to Mrs. William Friedman, temporarily resident in Denver.

I understand clearly now about your status and that Emanuel has only one rabbi, whose name is Herbert Friedman.

My heartfelt congratulations upon the marriage of Elaine's brother which I take it for granted is to bring happiness to her parents. What an exciting thing it must have been and what joy you must have had performing the ceremony.

Yes, indeed, I am delighted to send a message for Dr. Levy's birthday on Decoration Day. Here it is!

I know you will be glad to know that Los Angeles, Chicago and Boston have each given me \$5,000 for the Institute in connection with my birthday. Some day before my seventieth is over, Denver ought to do something of the kind.

With love to you and Elaine,

Yours,



President

SSW:GS

Encl. - letter to Dr. Levy

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
WEST SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET
NEAR CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK 23, N.Y.

May 24, 1944

Dear Friend:

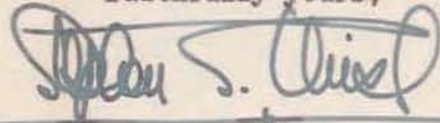
Under a recent amendment of the Constitution of the Jewish Institute of Religion under which contributors of Twenty-Five Dollars and over have been admitted to its membership, it is my pleasure, as President of the Institute, to invite your presence at its annual meeting to be held at the Institute auditorium, Sunday, June 4th, at two-thirty o'clock.

While it is your privilege to vote by proxy, if you so desire, I am looking forward to your personal participation in the election of trustees and such other proceedings as may come before us.

Rabbi Philip Sidney Bernstein, a distinguished alumnus of the Institute and Executive Director of the Committee on Army and Navy Religious Activities of the National Jewish Welfare Board, who has just returned from a memorable visit, in his official capacity, to the Aleutians, will be among those to address the members.

I shall truly look forward to greeting you at this meeting.

Faithfully yours,



President

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P. S. There will, of course, be no solicitation of funds.

JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
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NEAR CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK 23

November 7, 1944

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
930 Humboldt Street
Denver 3, Colorado

Dear Herbert:

A serious question has arisen with respect to your community, perhaps not so serious as I may think now, whether or not there is no possibility of our getting a renewal of the larger gifts which came to us from individuals in your community. Are we bound because of the Federation gift of Five Hundred Dollars, which after all is very modest, to refrain from appealing to the individuals? Is that nominated in the Federation bond? Some of our friends, particularly those who are not as sympathetic as others, may insist upon that. Do think it over and talk it over with a few of my good friends, including Sam Rose, Dr. Levy, Mr. Isaacson and one or two other friends, and give me the benefit of your collective judgment.

I ought to have told you as I began this letter that we are really setting out now to get an endowment fund of One Million Dollars, the income of which is to meet twenty or twenty-five per cent annually of the budget of the Institute. We might not be free to ask for current support from the men who contributed last year, but do you not think we might be free, even under the terms of the Federation, to appeal for gifts for a capital fund -- the endowment fund -- and not for current support, the current support contribution coming from the Federation? Think it over and discuss it carefully with some of your, and I hope I have the right to say some of my friends.

With affectionate greeting to both of you and trusting that the year is beginning finely in your community. I wish I could make two such lovely trips as I did last year to Denver.

Yours,



SSW:HR

President

November 28, 1944

Dr. Stephen S. Wise,
Jewish Institute of Religion,
40 West 68th Street,
New York 23, New York.

Dear Dr. Wise:

I have taken so long answering your letter of November 7th because I have been busy making inquiries as to what can be done.

We discussed the matter at our monthly Board meeting last week, and it was decided that the best procedure would be to submit a request to the Allied Campaign for an increase in the allocation to the Institute. Last year we received \$500.00. This year, backed by a resolution of approval from the Board, I shall ask for double that amount. I think it will be possible to obtain a full one thousand this year and subsequently each year.

It was further felt that a steady income of \$1000.00 per year from Denver would represent the equivalent of \$50,000.00 capitol fund invested at five percent.

The Allocations Committee will be meeting shortly and I shall submit my request for the sum indicated. As soon as I have some definite word I will let you know.

How are you and Mrs. Wise feeling. Elaine and I send our fondest regards to you both, as well as to Dr. Slonimsky and Rabbi Granison.

Cordially,

HAF:ss

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December 7, 1944

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman
930 Humboldt Street
Denver 3, Colorado

Dear Herbert:

I wish you could have been with us at the Atlantic City Conference. It was a great and noble meeting. I am sorry to say that I can't say quite as much for the Pittsburgh meeting, which seemed bitter and insistent upon organizational prestige after the nobleness of the Atlantic City Conference,--I need hardly say quite apart from the honor the War Emergency Conference chose to do me.

Yes, a steady income of \$1,000.00 per year from Denver would be a real help. I wish we might get it, and it would, as you say, represent the equivalent of a \$50,000.00 capital fund invested at 2%, not as you put it, at 5%.

Yours,



President

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