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AM ATTEMPTING TO SECURE MR MORGENTHAUS CONSENT TO VISIT
TULSA AND OKLAHOMA CITY ON OCTOBER FIRST AND SECOND WOULD
IT BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO JOIN HIM HOPE YOU ARE ACCLIMATING
YOURSELF REGARDS=

LEO BERNSTEIN.

By H also Mexico

THE COMPANY WILL APPRECIATE SUGGESTIONS FROM ITS PATRONS CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

Night letter sent Aug. 26, 1947

Mr. Leo Bernstein United Jewish Appeal 165 West 46th Street New York City, N. Y.

WILL BE HAPPY TO JOIN MORGENTHAU TULSA AND OKLAHOMA
CITY OCT 1 AND 2nd. HOWEVER, CANNOT STAY LATER MUST
BE IN DENVER BY NOON OCT. 3d. IS THIS TRIP NECESSARY.
REGARDS

RABBI HERBERT A. FRIEDMAN



### UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine

on behalf of JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL UNITED SERVICE FOR NEW AMERICANS

> 165 West 46th Street, N. Y. 19, N. Y. Bryant 9-6950 Cable Address, UJAPPEAL, New York

October 14, 1947

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Rabbi Herbert Friedman Temple Emanuel 1595 Pearl Street Denver, Colorado

Herb! Dear Mabbi Friedman:

You have been of great help to us in Oklahoma City and Tulsa. Both Mr. Solow and our National Field Representative, Mr. Harry Feldman, sent in highly commendatory reports concerning your visits to these communities, for which please accept our thanks. We realize that you undertook these engagements despite the pressure on your own calendar, and needless to say, you have the warm appreciation of the officers of the United Jewish Appeal for your cooperation.

We are pleased to enclose our check in the sum of \$73.45 in reimbursement of your expenses incurred.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leo Bernstein

Director, Speakers Bureau

LB: dmb

P.S. If you could agueze some dates in November it would be most helpful.



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November 3, 1947.

Rabbi Herbert Friedman 1595 Pearl Street Denver, Colorado

Dear Herbert:

You lucky stiff. I was able to get you out of Wichita, but I will mark this up as one you owe me.

Thanks for your willingness to go if needed.
Regards.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Bernstein Director, Speakers Bureau

LB:RC



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November 17th, 1947

Rabbi Herbert Friedman Temple Emanuel 1595 Pearl Street Denver, Colorado

Dear Rabbi Friedman:

It was splendid of you to make the trip to Pueblo in order to address the Big Gifts Meeting on November 9th. I understand from Mr. William H. Schwartz, our National Field Representative, that excellent results were achieved at this function. We know that your participation was in large measure responsible for the increase in the gifts announced. Although it isn't surprising to learn of the stimulating effect of your message, it was gratifying to know that you are continuing your devoted efforts on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal.

If you have incurred any out-of-pocket expenditures in connection with this visit, please do not hesitate to let us know so that we can reimburse you.

With deep appreciation again and with kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Lee Bernstein

Director, Speakers Bureau

LB: drp

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on behalf of JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE. UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
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Cable Address, UJAPPEAL, New York

November 21, 1947.

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman 1595 Pearl Street Denver, Colorado

Dear Herb:

I am sorry for the delay in answering your letter of November 13th.

I have been trying to figure out a way to solve the question you raise and getting the viewpoints of others in an effort to see whether a solution can be found.

I regret that I must advise that policies and procedures are such that it will be impossible for UJA to finance the trip in for the Atlantic City Conference. I hope that you can find some way to solve it because I agree with you that it would be most valuable to have you there.

Best regards.

LB: RC

Sincerely,

Leo Bernstein

Director, Speakers Bureau

P. S. Your wire came just as I dictated the above

reply.



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## AMERICAN JEWISH ARCHIVES December 8th, 1947

Rabbi Herbert Friedman Temple Emanuel 1595 Pearl Street Denver, Colorado

Dear Rabbi Friedman:

We are pleased to enclose herewith our check in the sum of \$12.65 covering your expenses incurred in connection with your trip to Colorado Springs, Colorado on November 19th.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leo Bernstein Director, Speakers Bureau

LB: ja Enc.

NATIONAL CONFERENCE Dec. 12 to Dec. 15, 1947 Chelsea Hotel ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

December 12, 1947 Mr. Leo Bernstein, Director, Speakers Bureau, United Jewish Appeal, 165 West 46th Street, New York 19, New York. Dear Leo: This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 8th, in which was enclosed check for \$12.65 covering my expenses on the trip to Colorado Springs on November 19th. Apparently the field man, William Schwartz, did not send in the expenses on my trip to Pueblo on November 9th. Those expenses are as follows: Plane fare - - - - - - - - 13.40 Cab - - - - - - - - 1.40 Total \$16.10 If he did turn in this account, and it is being processed through your administrative channels, please disregard this note. As ever. Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman HAF: EW

Headquarters
Land Upper Austria Area Command
APO 174 c/o PM NY, NY

13 December 1947

Mr. Leo Bernstein United Jewish Appeal 250 West 67th Street New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Bernstein.

It is on the advice of Rabbi Saul Teplitz that I write this letter declaring my intention to be made available for a lecture tour for the UJA during the months of April. May and June.

I've been overseas for a period of 26 months during which time I have been a part of every major DP development. When the enormous infiltration of Polish Jews was taking place I was helping in the establishment of several camps in order to help absorb them. A full year I spent in Berlin where I worked with the DP set up there as well as with the Jewish community of the city which is the largest German Jewish community in post war Germany. Berlin was an extremely important set up then, since it was the first hop in the pipeline from Poland to the American zone. It was also in Berlin that I got myself into a bit of trouble with my command by opposing fraulein marriage and which resulted to a big spread of unwarranted publicity for me.

It was Rabbi Bernstein, Advisor to General Clay on Jewish Affairs, who sent me up to Berlin and it was he who recommended I be transferred to Austria when the crisis developed there as a result of the huge infiltration of Roumanian Jews. Austria, was the place where I got on the inside track of this problem and got all the inside dope. Judge Levinthal, successor to Rabbi Bernstein sent me down here and in the past few months, I became a part of every problem of the present crisis. I know this problem from the local camp level to the highest army echelon in Keys' office. The Roumanian infiltration deffers from all others because it brought with it special problems, bigger heartaches and utterly worse situations than anything in the past.

If you will pardon the personal note, I might add that it was in between assignments that I was married to a IP girl from one of the IP camps in Berlin.

I feel that I know what the UJA needs in its campaign drive and believe that I can be of help. However, I will expect a fee of \$125. per lecture including expenses. As references for my personality and speaking ability I submit Rabbi Philip Bernstein's name and also Rabbi Herbert Friedman of Denver, Colorado, who was Rabbi Bernstein's aid here in Germany.

Awaiting your reply so that I could plan my itinerary, I remain,

Sincerely yours

MAYER ABRAMOWITZ Chaplain (1st Lt.) USA Mr. Leo Bernstein, Director Speakers Bureau, United Jewish Appeal, 165 West 46th Street, New York 19, New York.

Dear Leo:

What's the deel on Duluth for January 14th? Connections between here and there are extremely complicated, and I am already up to my neck in fantastic statistics involving airplanes, excarts and motor boats. So I don't want to fool around any more unless I know definitely whether it's going to be necessary to make the trip.

I am now leaving all reservations in abeyance until I hear from you, so please give me a quick answer.

Sincerely,

Rabbi Herbert A: Friedman

HAF: EW

AIR MAIL

0 0 UNITED JEWISH APPEAL P OF GREATER NEW YORK - 250 West 57th Street New York 19, New York January 2nd, 1948 Mr. Leo Bernstein United Jewish Appeal 165 West 46th Street New York, N.Y. Dear Leo: Rabbi Teplitz, who recommends Mayer Abramowitz, is an ardent worker for us in Laurelton, Long Island, and I value his opinion highly. The fellow who wrote the enclosed letter seems to have the kind of background that is needed and is arrogant enough to put the story over. It might be worth your while to get in touch with him. Cordially, Leo Bernstein Assistant Director LB:MB Enc.



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January 7th, 1948

Rabbi Herbert Friedman
Temple Emanuel
1595 Pearl Street
Denver, Colorado

Dear Herb;

Enclosed are copies of exchanges of correspondence concerning Mayer Abramowitz.

I agree with my namesake at the city office that Chaplain Abramowitz, though an arrogant sort of a guy, might prove valuable for UJA speaking engagements during the heavy campaign months. I do think, however, that his request for fee is completely exorbitant. Please let me know what you think of him so that we can be guided accordingly.

With best regards.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Bernstein Director, Speakers Bureau

LB: drp

Mr. Leo Bernstein, Director, Speakers Bureau, United Jewish Appeal, 165 West 46th Street, New York 19, New York.

Dear Leo:

Received this morning your letter of January 7th concerning Mayer Abramowitz.

I know Mike very well. He was probably my best friend overseas among all the chaplains. I suggested him for the job in Berlin because I knew he had the qualifications to handle what was the toughest assignment in Germany at that moment.

Let me try to supply you with some of his background, so you will understand what sort of a fellow he is.

Mike is tremendously energetic, dynamic, and the most cocky guy you ever hope to see. He is absolutely overwhelming in the impression which he makes upon people. He is small, wiry, talks like a machine-gun and, in my judgment, would be very, very effective.

He was born in Tel-Aviv, where his parents still live. He came to the States when he was a kid, studied here, graduated from the (Conservative) Jewish Theological Seminary of America in New York, and was assigned a pulpit in Montreal, Canada. He served there for a year, while waiting to get into the army. We went overseas together and have been pretty close ever since.

Mike speaks Hebrew fluently, which might make him valuable in certain circles, and also, of course, speaks English perfectly. His method of delivery is such as to win the enthusiasm and sympathy of audiences. The story he has to tell is even more up-to-date than mine, due to the fact that he remained in the theater several months longer than I did, serving most recently down in Austria where there is tremendous activity.

Mr. Leo Bernstein -2- January 13, 1948 You mentioned the fee which he expected, and you passed judgment on that fee as being "completely exorbitant". There is something I think you should know, in attempting to make your decision. Mike has spent out of his own pocket several thousands of dollars for the DP's. I am not examperating. I do not know exactly what the amount is, but I do know that he is completely broke. As he told you in his letter, he married a girl from the DP camp in Berlin. His ultimate desire is to go back to Palestine to live. But he would like to return to the States when his tour of duty is finished sometime in March, in order to do two things: first, to tell the story as he knows it to American Jews; and second, to recoup some of the money which he spent out of his own pocket. This, I imagine, is the reason why he indicated to you the amount which he thinks he must receive as compensation. He intends to remain in the States only through the summer probably, and it is therefore necessary for him to accumulate as much as he can, so that he can take something with him to Palestine when he goes. He is terrifically idealistic, was beloved by the DP's, and I really think has a story to tell in the 1948 campaign. My own judgment is that he could be one of your most valuable speakers during the few hectic months of the spring effort. My recommendation would be that you should grab him if you can get him. If there is anything else you want to know, I'll be glad to supply additional information. As ever. Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman HAF: EW



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Cable Address, UJAPPEAL, New York

April 9, 1948.

#### AMERICAN JEWISH

Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman Temple Emanuel 1595 Pearl Street Denver, Colorado

Dear Herb:

Dave Uchill, as you are probably aware, has accepted the Chairmanship of the Mountain States Region. Off the record, I would like to enlist your cooperation.

I think that Uchill is a terribly sincere person with a good story based on his recent overseas visit.

It would be most helpful if you found the time to occasionally visit with him in order to give him a fuller UJA and campaigning background which, I am sure, would increase his effectiveness many fold.

Regards.

Sincerely yours,

Leo Bernstein Executive Assistant

LB:RC

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