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American Jewish Conference, 1943-1945.

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~~Mrs. Elkan C. Voorsanger~~ - 2302 East Wyoming Place - Milwaukee, Wis.

Dear Attx:

The Milwaukee Journal is the paper, not only ⁱⁿ Milwaukee but it is the outstanding paper in the state and in Michy. They are a high class outfit - supposed to be liberal, but we think they are ~~very~~ reactionary. Their attitude towards the Zionist question has been one of indifference and when they covered an outstanding event, like the Zionist Emergency Meeting they handled it in a manner which was offensive to us. Then they gave a prominent spot to an article titled "Lance of Goshia in Shorts" by the ~~great~~ Englishwoman who is supposed to be an ~~great~~ propagandist. One of my friends who is connected with the paper ~~advised~~ that Elkan see the City Editor and ask that in all fair play, the Zionists

side of the story he gives. My destiny
happened to be in town for 2 days, the tail
end of her 6 weeks trip for the Emergency
Committee, and the Journal sent their young
reporter (one of their Croch men) Doyle K.
Geller to interview me. He came at 1.30 and
left at 6.15. He said it was a course in
Jewish History. We loaded him down
with material and I gave him Von Passen's
book. When the article was written - the

Editorial only refused to print it - they
didn't think the Arab side was fairly
and adequately presented. For a moment
or so you should have listened in on the
strategy. Geller moved Case ^(in confidence) me - I'd call
Elkan, Elkan'd call the City Editor. We
advised Geller to remain adamant -
either it went in his way or not at all -
when we had given up all hope - it was
in last Sunday's paper and I think it's the
best thing I've seen so far. Do you agree?

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
for the organization of the
AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

May 7, 1943

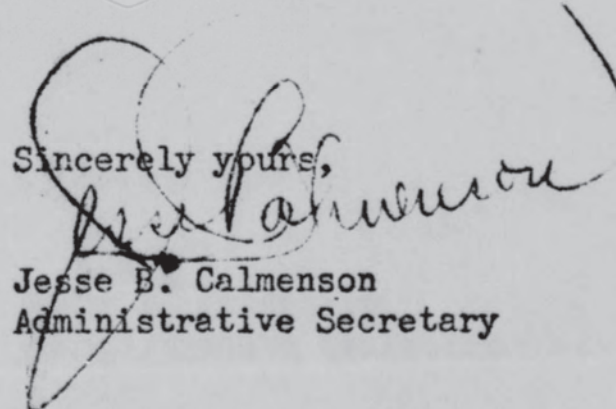
NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Dear Friend:

At the direction of Mr. Henry Monsky, Chairman, a meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Conference will be held on Saturday evening, May 15th, commencing at 8:00 o'clock in Room 128 of the Hotel Biltmore. Sessions of the committee will be continued on Sunday morning and during the remainder of the day, until all business necessary to be transacted has been completed.

Please note this in your calendar so that you will be sure to be present.

Sincerely yours,


Jesse B. Calmenson
Administrative Secretary

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
for the organization of the
AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 21, 1943

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Please be advised that the next regular meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Conference will take place in Room 119 at the Biltmore Hotel, New York City, on Monday, June 7, 1943, commencing at 10 A.M. Sessions will continue throughout the day until the agenda of the meeting is completed.

Kindly note this date so that you may arrange, in advance, to be present at the meeting.

By direction of Henry Monsky, Chairman.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

Jesse B. Gelmenson
Jesse B. Gelmenson
Administrative Secretary

JBC:ve

P.S. The date of June 7th was fixed by Mr. Monsky following conference with members of the Administrative Committee at press conference last Tuesday. We are sending this notice at this time so that members will receive as long a notice as possible, and be able to arrange their affairs accordingly.

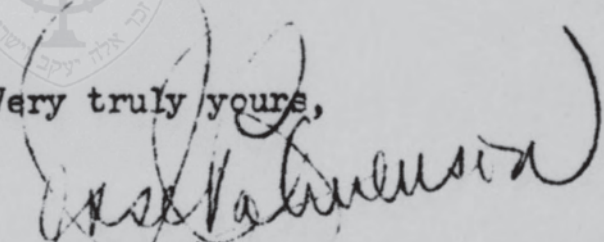
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for the organization of the
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521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 24, 1943

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

For your information, enclosed herewith I
send you copy of letter received by Mr. Monsky, as
Chairman, which was written by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
to Mr. Sidney Hollander under date of May 14th, 1943.

Very truly yours,


Jesse B. Calmenson
Administrative Secretary

JBC:ve

May 26, 1943

Mr. Jesse B. Calmenson
Administrative Secretary
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Calmenson:

I received this morning the letter enclosing a copy of my letter to Mr. Monsky which you circulated to the Executive Committee. I am sorry that you did it. The letter to Mr. Monsky was for his personal information, else I would have informed Mr. Hollander that I am writing an open letter to him for circulation among the Executive Committee of the American Jewish Conference.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
for the organization of the
AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 26, 1943

Dr. Abba Hilel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, OHIO

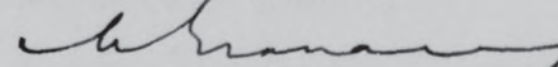
Dear Dr. Silver,

A number of Yiddish dailies and Anglo-Jewish weeklies plan to issue special numbers devoted to the American Jewish Conference, and the problems before it. They have indicated to this department that they would like to have brief statements from members of the Executive Committee as to what they consider the main task of the forthcoming Conference to be.

This department will be grateful if you would let us have such a statement as soon as possible -- June 4th at the very latest. We would also appreciate receiving from you a recent photograph, preferably a few of them. They should be glossy prints suitable for newspaper reproduction.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

Sincerely yours,



M. Grossman
Public Relations Department

The questions asked:

- 1- What do you consider the main task of the Conference to be?
- 2- What are the principal issues to be discussed and decided upon by the Conference?

CLEVELAND ELECTION COMMITTEE -- AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
320 Chester Twelfth Bldg -- Cherry 8176

Dear Friend:

You have been chosen by your organization to serve as an elector in the Cleveland elections for the American Jewish Conference.

Cleveland is entitled to elect nine delegates to the Conference. The Conference will bring together Jewish leaders from all parts of America for joint planning and action with regard to the critical post-war problems of Jews.

Within a few days you will receive a list of the nominees for Cleveland's delegates. The election will be held Sunday afternoon, June 13, at The Temple. This is the schedule for that day:

- 1:00 p.m. -- Registration of electors. (In Assembly Hall, Ansel Road entrance.)
- 2:00 p.m. -- Election meeting - discussion of the purposes and problems to receive action by the national body. (Mahler Hall)
- 3:00 p.m. -- Voting.

The enclosed credential will admit you to the meeting and will enable you to obtain an official ballot at the registration desk.

Sincerely yours,

Abraham J. Haber

Ezra Z. Shapiro

Co-Chairmen

June 8, 1943

PLEASE NOTE: If you cannot attend the election, please notify Mr Bernstein at Cherry 8176 immediately, so that a substitution may be made and your organization will not lose your votes. If you discover after Friday that you cannot attend, please contact the president of your group to arrange this. No changes can be accepted after 1:30 p.m. Sunday.

CLEVELAND NEWS

EDITORIAL OFFICE

Associated Press... A. P. Wirephoto
International News Service

May 26, 1943

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A conference of representatives of all local Zionist groups last night agreed to support a slate of nine Zionist candidates for the American Jewish Conference.

Besides yourself, the slate includes:

Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner, Rabbi Armond Cohen, Rabbi Rudolph Rosenthal, Rabbi S. M. Zambrowsky, Mrs. A. F. Mellman, Ezra Z. Shapiro, either Dr. I. Milcoff or Mrs. Rose Kauffman (labor will decide tomorrow night) and myself.

The conference unanimously instructed me to request each of the nominees to respond to the following three questions:

Will you consent to stand on our slate? Will you attend the conference if elected? Will you pledge yourself to support the Biltmore platform unconditionally?

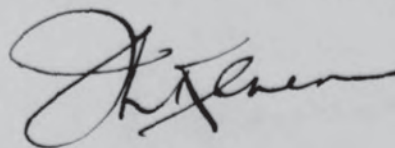
The conferees intend to work for all nine candidates, to secure the nomination of these nine in as many organizations as possible and to campaign for their election among the organization delegates. A committee headed by Mrs. Mellman is in charge of the canvass.

We hope that you will use your personal influence in organizations with which you are affiliated to obtain support for the entire ticket.

It is our belief that there will be a great many candidates in the field. If the strength of Zionist groups, sympathetic organizations and congregations is concentrated in behalf of our nine, we believe that we can win.

May we have a reply from you within the next few days.

With Zion's Greetings,



V I C T O R Y I S O U R B U S I N E S S

May 28, 1943

Mr. I. L. Kenen
Cleveland News
1801 Superior Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Kenen:

Thank you for your letter of May 26.
To the three questions contained in your letter I
answer in the affirmative.

I shall do my best to suggest to
whatever organizations I can reach to vote for the
Zionist slate. I have been asked about cumulative
voting and I am not clear in my own mind whether
the Zionists can select their entire slate if they
vote for all nine, and some other organizations
combine to vote cumulatively for a few of their
candidates. I suppose your committee has given
full consideration to this plan.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS HOTEL NEWYORKER=

PLEASED TO INFORM YOU THAT YOU HAVE BEEN APPOINTED TO
PRELIMINARY STUDIES COMMITTEE OF AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE.
HAVING SENT LETTER TO YOUR RESIDENCE I THOUGHT IT BEST TO
WIRE YOU DURING YOUR STAY IN NEWYORK THAT AN ORGANIZATION
MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN SET FOR JULY FIRST ELEVEN
AM AT BILTMORE HOTEL NEWYORKCITY REGARDS=

THI MAURICE BISGYER SECRETARY. CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

June 28, 1943

Mr. Maurice Bisgyer
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Ave.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Bisgyer:

Thank you for your kind letter of June 23 and for your telegram informing me that I have been appointed a member of the Committee of Preliminary Studies for the Conference. I shall be very happy to serve. I shall try to attend the meeting of the Committee on July 1 although I am not at all sure I will be able to get away inasmuch as I have just returned from a week's stay in New York City.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

ALLOCATION OF DELEGATES TO NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

At a full session of the Executive Committee for the Organization of the Conference, the allocation of 125 delegates was made among the national membership organizations participating in the Conference. The allocation is as follows:

<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>NUMBER OF DELEGATES</u>
American Federation for Polish Jews, Inc.	1
American Federation of Jews from Central Europe	1
American Jewish Committee	3
American Jewish Congress	3
American Jewish Congress - Women's Division	3
B'nai B'rith	3
B'nai B'rith - Women's Supreme Council	3
Central Conference of American Rabbis	2
Council of Jewish Fraternal Federations	1
Free Sons of Israel	3
Hadassah	3
Hapoel Hamizarachi of America	2
Hashomir Hatzair	1
Histadruth Ivrit, Inc.	1
Independent Order Brith Abraham	3
Independent Order Brith Sholom	3
Independent Order Brith Sholom of Baltimore	1
Jewish Educational Organizations (3 groups)	1
Jewish Labor Committee and Affiliates	16
Jewish National Workers' Alliance	3
Jewish War Veterans	3
Jewish War Veterans Ladies Auxiliary	2
Jewish Writers and Journalists (2 organizations)	1
League for Labor Palestine	1
Mizrachi Organization of America	3
Mizrachi Women's Organization of America	3
National Council of Jewish Women	3
National Council of Young Israel	3
National Federation of Jewish Men's Clubs of the United Synagogue of America	1
National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods	3
National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods	3
New Zionist Organization (Revisionist)	1
Order Sons of Zion	3
Pioneer Women's Organization	3
Poale-Zion - Zeire-Zion	3
Progressive Order of the West	2
Rabbinical Assembly of America	2
Rabbinical Council of America	2
Union of American Hebrew Congregations	3
Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations	3
Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations-Women's Branch	2
Union of Orthodox Rabbis	2
Union of Sephardic Congregations, Inc.	1
United Galician Jews of America	1
United Roumanian Jews of America	1
United Synagogue of America	3
United Synagogue of America - National Women's League	3
Youth Organizations (13)	4
Zionist Organization of America	3

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

DLR ANSEL & EAST 105TH ST THE TEMPLE CLEVE=

HAVE CANVASSED HOTEL SITUATION IN NEWYORK. FIND ONLY ADEQUATE ACCOMMODATIONS AVAILABLE AT WALDORF. ALTERNATIVE TO WALDORF IS TO CANVASS POSSIBILITIES ATLANTICCITY. HAVE TALKED WITH A NUMBER OF NEWYORK MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE WHO HAVE SUGGESTED THIS POLL. PLEASE WIRE IMMEDIATELY WHETHER YOUR CHOICE IS WALDORF OR ATLANTICCITY. IF CANVASS SHOULD INDICATE ACCOMMODATIONS POSSIBLE IN ATLANTICCITY.

IMPERATIVE WE RECEIVE YOUR REPLY NO LATER THAN TOMORROW= SECRETARIAT AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE 521 FIFTH AVENUE.

July 21, 1943

SUGGEST YOU CANVASS ATLANTIC CITY FOR ACCOMMODATIONS. REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

SECRETARIAT 521.

11-3-18
16 Portland St.,
Dartmouth, N.S.
August 13, 1943.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi;

The autographed copy of your most inspiring address arrived a few days ago. It will remain a treasured possession. The news that a great many of your friends were drafting you for the presidency of the Z.O.A. sent a thrill of enthusiasm through me, and I am sure effected every true friend of the Zionist Movement. The time for a change in the tactics as well as the personnel of the leadership is long past due. I hope and pray that nothing will happen to interfere with your acceptance of the responsibility of the leadership at this time.

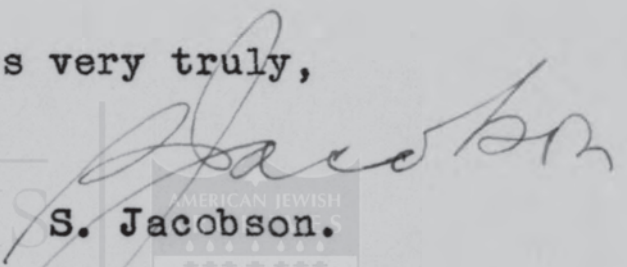
For years I have been agitating for an aggressive policy of education among our own people as well as among the general public, for a better understanding of the Zionist problem. Only recently have I begun to see any support to these ideas. It appears necessary to-day that all the resources of our movement be concentrated in an effort to win over the public opinion of the American masses, for the main street of America controls the destiny of the world.

One of the first things the American Jewry should do, is to show the repugnance at the appointment of Mr. Sulzberger as head of the American Red Cross. Under the sanctimonious cloak of a life-saving movement, this man has already condemned, and is daily putting to death, literally, thousands of human beings, by his policy and intrigue against the Jewish Homeland. It is

most disgusting to see the indifference of the Jewish press and leadership towards this impossible situation. If a petition were circulated among the liberal element in America demanding his removal, it would be a political act of the first importance, as it would reveal the anti-Zionists in their true light-- inhuman supporters of a policy that is working hand in glove with Hitler's extermination program. This, supported by flimsy excuses which are really based on their own selfish desire to maintain a certain social prestige.

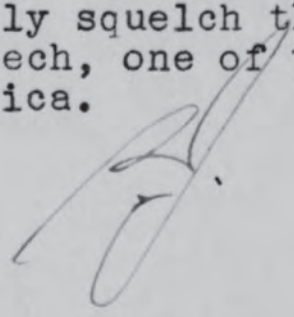
Wishing you the best of luck, I remain,

Yours very truly,


S. Jacobson.

PS. I have just finished reading the J.F.A. bulletin of August 10th, and noticed the movement to bar further discussion on the Palestine situation. This strikes me as being a diplomatic non-intervention program similar to that enforced by the Spanish War. Behind the official screen of this program, the opponents of liberty could interfere freely without the embarrassment of their dark deeds being brought to life. It would be very easy to liquidate Jewish problem with the sanction of official secrecy, as were the Iraci Christians, about 10 years ago.

A spontaneous movement through the Civil Liberties League, and the Press, could easily squelch this attempt to rob the freedom of speech, one of the four freedoms, from the people of America.



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DETROIT 26, MICHIGAN

Randolph 7956

Sept. 1, 1943

Dear Dr. Silver

You vindicated our faith with the great stand you took in behalf of our position at the Conference.

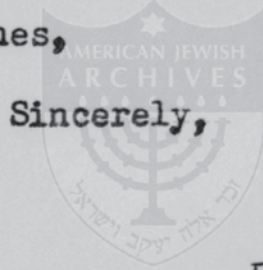
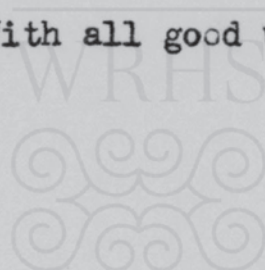
I wrote to Mr. Neumann today informing me of an important statement I received from Senator Vandenberg. I believe that it may require action by the Zionist Emergency Committee. If Mr. Neumann has not spoken to you about it, it may be advisable to wait until the convention in Columbus to discuss it.

I am happy to have been among those who wanted to draft you for leadership. It was totally unnecessary, as you are now the acknowledged leader.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely,

Philip Slomovitz



JOHN SPARGO
"NESTLEDOWN"
OLD BENNINGTON, VERMONT

Sept. 2 - 1943

Dear Dr. Silver:

My congratulations upon
your election as head of the American
Jewish Conference. It is an
important job, especially at this
time, and I pray for you the
largest possible measure of
success -

Very cordially,

John Spargo

Rev. A. H. Silver

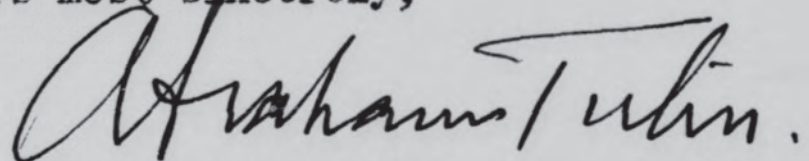
ABRAHAM TULIN
COUNSELOR AT LAW
521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

September 2, 1943

Dear Doctor Silver:

I did not have the opportunity while at the Waldorf to congratulate you on your superb address on Monday night and on your valiant and successful work afterwards resulting in the Resolution which was adopted last night. From what I have heard from a number of persons, the chief credit for the final adoption of this Resolution belongs to you. I will only add my earnest hope that this constitutes but the beginning of your vitalizing Chairmanship of the Executive Committee of the Emergency Committee.

Yours most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Abraham Tulin", followed by a period.

AT:ROC

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs
41 East 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

September 7, 1943

Mr. Abraham Tulin
521 Fifth Ave.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your kind note. I appreciate greatly your thoughtfulness in writing to me. I thought that the Conference rose to the challenge of the hour in a splendid way, and I hope that great good will follow from it. I am happy that I have had the opportunity to help along in its good work.

I hope that I will have frequent opportunities to talk to you about our work. I shall be in New York often in connection with the Emergency Committee.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

September 9, 1943

Mr. John Spargo
Nestledown
Old Bennington, Vermont

My dear Mr. Spargo:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in writing to me. What you probably read was that I was elected head of the Executive of the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs, not head of the American Jewish Conference. The American Jewish Conference is still to select its presidium.

I am deeply grateful to you for your good wishes and I trust that I may have the privilege of turning to you from time to time for counsel and advice in the grave problems confronting us.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BK

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WINIFRED FRYER

2077 East Fourth Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Oct. 16th, 1943.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for sending me the release from the Independent Jewish Press Service. I am not at all surprised for Mrs. Goldman was not exactly "confused, saddened or fearful." She was just furious.

In the first place she has not any Jewish background that would give her a sympathetic understanding of what was involved in the whole Conference. She represents the Assimilationist Group which abhors everything that smacks of Oriental custom. I am sure she does not know the difference between Hebrew and Yiddish. I am sure that she read the translation in the Conference Record just as I did and found that there was some very fine material in some of the Yiddish addresses.

Had the same addresses been given in French or any language other than Yiddish, methinks Mrs. Goldman would not have been so horribly embarrassed.

I am looking forward with a great deal of interest and misgiving to the sessions of the Triennial to be held in Chicago next month. Katherine Bang and I are delegates from Cleveland and while it will be very difficult for me to get away at this time, I feel that the Palestine Resolution will need a protagonist to face the kind of sentiment that Mrs. Goldman has expressed in the San Francisco address.

From Edgar Kaufman, I get a very different expression of interest. He is definitely worried about the implementation of the proposed plans. Before answering him, I want to spend a short time with you so that the information I give him will be authentic. He took exception to my statement that I felt that the establishment of Commonwealth was the answer to the Jewish problem. He thinks it is only one of the answers. I shall discuss this with you later.

If you get any more choice tidbits similar to today's, pass them along please.

With cordial greetings,

Yours,

Winnie

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November 1, 1943 19__

To Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

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WANT A REPLY?

"Answer by WESTERN UNION"
or similar phrases may be
included without charge.

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE INTERIM COMMITTEE WILL BE
HELD ON SUNDAY NOVEMBER SEVENTH 10 A.M. BILTMORE HOTEL TO DISCUSS IMPLICATION
OF AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEES RESIGNATION AND TO PLAN IMPORTANT WORK IN ORDER
TO FURTHER ACTION FOR STRENGTHENING THE CONFERENCE. PLEASE INDICATE ACCEPTANCE.

Dr. Stephen S. Wise

Henry Monsky CO-Chairmen

Sender's Name

Address

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AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

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Seifert, Joseph I.		Milwaukee, Wisc.
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Shapiro, Rabbi Max	Belmont Plaza	Cleveland, O.
Shapiro, Morris	Belmont Plaza	Miami, Fla.
Shaw, Rabbi Abraham	Belmont Plaza	St. Louis, Mo.
Sherman, B.	175 E. Broadway	Baltimore, Md.
Sherman, Hon. Carl	51 Madison Ave.	New York, N.Y.
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Shulman, Mrs. Herman	Dorset House, 30 W. 54th St.	Boston, Mass.
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Silber, Rabbi Saul		Chicago, Ill.
Silk, Rabbi Morris	Belmont Plaza	Providence, R. I.
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Silver, Abraham	Waldorf Astoria	Philadelphia, Pa.
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Silverman, Archibald	Waldorf Astoria	Providence, R. I.
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	40 Central Park South	
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Stone, Elihu D.	Hotel Edison	Boston, Mass.
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Tucker, Maurice	Waldorf Astoria	South Bend, Ind.
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Umansky, Samuel	Waldorf Astoria	New Britain, Conn.
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Weinberger, Hon. Jacob	Waldorf Astoria	San Diego, Calif.
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White, Saul E.	1566-47 St.	San Francisco, Calif.
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Winter, Benjamin	331 Madison Ave.	New York, N. Y.
Wise, Dr. Stephen S.	40 W. 68th St.	New York, N. Y.
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Wohl, Rabbi Samuel		Cincinnati, Ohio
Wohlgelernter, Rabbi Max J.	Governor Clinton Hotel	Detroit, Mich.
Wohlgelernter, Rabbi S. P.	Governor Clinton Hotel	Seattle, Wash.
Wolberg, Samuel		Chicago, Ill.
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PROGRESSIVE SYNAGOGUE

1515 FORTY-SIXTH STREET

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK

RABBI
DR. THEODORE N. LEWIS

November 5th, 1943

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:-

As president of the Emergency Zionist Committee, you will be disturbed by the following story:-

The New York Federation of Reformed Synagogues is planning a Maccabbean Rally on December 26th at Temple Emanuel, without authorization from anyone. Jonah Wise, who is chairman of the committee on Public Relations invited Arthur Hays Sulzberger to be one of the principal speakers that afternoon.

At the meeting last night, Louis Newman and I strongly protested and the matter awaits a final decision. I am sending this information on to you so that you can communicate with some of your friends in New York and also with some of the Union officials at Cincinnati, so that the invitation may be recalled.

It will be a true misfortune for Reformed Judaism and a grave injury to the Zionist cause if Sulzberger is permitted to speak under such important auspices. We should prevent it at all costs.

With kindest regards and best wishes in your new post as Chairman of the Emergency Committee, I am,

Cordially yours,

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HAROLD KORZENIK
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51 Chambers Street New York , 7

November 10th, 1943

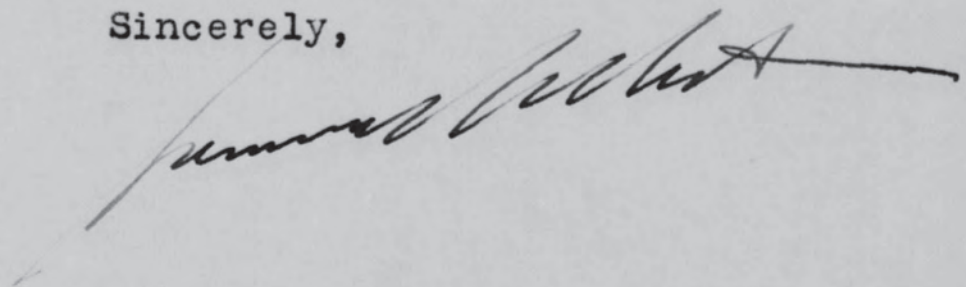
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:-

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a resolution which was adopted at a meeting of the Executive Council of the United Synagogue of America last night.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely,



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RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT MEETING OF
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF UNITED SYNA-
GOGUE OF AMERICA ON NOVEMBER 9th, 1943.

WHEREAS the American Jewish Conference was convened for the purpose of creating a common instrument of action for American Jews in dealing with the problems of the rights and position of Jews in Europe and Palestine, and

WHEREAS the United Synagogue of America shared in the calling of the Conference, participated in its deliberations and joined in formulating its decisions in the belief that the best interests of the Jewish people would be thus served, and

WHEREAS, the American Jewish Committee, one of the bodies which participated in the Conference, has voted to withdraw from it because of the adoption by the American Jewish Conference of a resolution favoring the establishment of Palestine as a Jewish Commonwealth and has thus dissociated itself from the action of the overwhelming majority of American Jews in supporting the efforts to provide the strong economic and legal foundations for the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine through the creation of a Jewish Commonwealth, to whose purposes the United Synagogue of America is pledged,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the United Synagogue of America that it express its keen disappointment and regrets in the action of the American Jewish Committee in severing its relations from the body of American Jewry at a time when unity and harmony are vital, because only through unity in action can we best serve and save the Jewish people, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United Synagogue of America withdraw from affiliation with the American Jewish Committee.

November 12, 1943

Mr. Samuel Rothstein
51 Chambers Street
New York 7, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rothstein:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the Resolution which was adopted by the Executive Council of the United Synagogue of America. It is a splendid statement, dignified and timely.

The American Jewish Committee has been tragically misled by a small group of irreconcilables in its midst. I hope that it will reconsider its action soon.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

AHS:DB

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THE UNION OF
AMERICAN HEBREW CONGREGATIONS

34 West Sixth Street

Cincinnati, Ohio

November 19, 1943

Miss Ann Jarcho, Office Manager
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, N.Y.

Dear Miss Jarcho:

I have your letter of November 12 with reference
to a recommendation for the personnel of the Palestine
Commission.

In reply I wish to say that we are not quite ready
to take action in this matter. You will hear from us in
the course of the next two weeks.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) ADOLPH ROSENBERG

President

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CONGREGATION RODEPH SHOLOM
SEVEN WEST EIGHTY THIRD STREET
NEW YORK

November 19, 1943

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Let me thank you for your friendly word to the Bloomfield family. I officiated at Edith's marriage last Sunday afternoon.

You may be interested to know that Arthur Hays Sulzberger was invited to speak at the Maccabean Rally, December 26th, at the Temple Emanuel, without authorization by the Committee of the New York Federation of Reform Synagogues. Jonah Wise brought this about. In order to offset any impression in the minds of the public that Sulzberger's viewpoint was sanctioned by the Federation, an invitation was also extended to Nathan Straus. If you are interested, I will tell you more of the circumstances on some other occasion. Now it remains to be seen whether Sulzberger will hold fast to the purpose of the Maccabean Rally -- namely, a tribute to the Men in Service, or whether it will be necessary for Nathan Straus to correct anything that may have been previously said.

Sulzberger's letter to you figured in the discussion regarding the whole matter, when it was sent back to Committee.

With cordial greetings, believe me to be

Sincerely yours,

Louis Newman

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
for the organization of the
AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

Telephone MUrray Hill 2-7197

November 22, 1943

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Hotel Commodore
42nd Street & Lexington Ave.
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

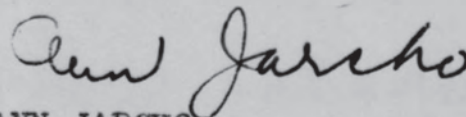
Attached herewith please find the list you requested.

You will note that the Reform Religious Group has not designated its basic member and I am also attaching copy of a letter, in this connection, which is self explanatory.

The Religious National Orthodox Bloc informs me that Mr. Bublick has been ill, which is the reason their appointment to this Commission has not been made.

As for cooptions, I understand you have the recommendations of the Congress. As for B'nai B'rith, I am certain Mr. Monsky or Mr. Bisgyer will submit same before tomorrow's meeting. Although I phoned, the other Groupings were not prepared to submit their cooptions at this time.

Cordially yours,


ANN JARCHO
Office Manager

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NEW YORK OFFICE
385 FIFTH AVENUE

Indianapolis, Indiana
November 24, 1943.

MILLS
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.
GRENADA, MISS.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple, E. 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Last night I attended a meeting at the home of Mr. J. J. Kiser to hear Mr. Morris D. Waldman of the American Jewish Committee explain why they had withdrawn from the conference.

Twenty-four of the leading Indianapolis Jews were present, the majority of them being either non-zionists or anti-zionists.

The meeting lasted four hours and Mr. Waldman went into considerable detail to explain two of the major reasons they withdrew from the conference.

As I understood it, one reason was they felt the conference was an unrepresentative body, on account of the methods used by which the delegates to the local elections were selected, and that the conference was not a true conference in that the delegates were all instructed, so they had to vote in a body and there was very little opportunity for any expressions of opposition.

The second reason, as I got it, was that the American Jewish Committee did not feel that they could go along with the conference on their Palestine Commonwealth Resolution at this particular time. Mr. Waldman did not say that the American Jewish Committee is absolutely opposed to a Jewish Commonwealth such as covered by the resolution but that they felt that the action at this time was most untimely and inadvisable.

Mr. Waldman made one statement that created a profound impression on all present, - that the leaders of the American Jewish Conference, including yourself, had been informed prior to the conference by Judge Proskauer, that the administration in Washington felt that if the conference passed the Palestine Resolution it would consider it a "very unfortunate thing at the present time".

- 2 - Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver November 24, 1943.

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When some members of the group assembled last night, who were very much disturbed over this remark - asked Mr. Waldman whether or not the action of the conference in passing such a resolution could be classed as "unpatriotic" and whether or not Mr. Waldman felt that you, Dr. Silver, were unpatriotic in your action, Mr. Waldman hastened to say that he emphatically did not consider you unpatriotic, but did feel that your action was very unwise.

My own attitude at this meeting last night was expressed in the statement that while I felt it was a good thing for Mr. Waldman to present the American Jewish Committee side of their case since our local community needs its interest stimulated on this subject, - at the same time I urged all present to keep an open mind on the subject until they would have an opportunity to hear the other side of the story presented by someone equally as well qualified as Mr. Waldman.

There seemed to be a strong sentiment at the meeting last night on the part of many present to want to hear all of the facts and particularly more detail with regard to the "behind-the-scenes" negotiations which Mr. Waldman had referred to so frequently, and which interpretations we all know from experience, can vary.

I do wish, however, that you would write me at once giving me specific information particularly with regard to the attitude of the administration toward the conference resolution before and after it was passed.

I am sending a copy of this letter to each of the men who were present at the meeting and wish to inform you that a copy of any letter that you write me will be distributed in the same manner.

Sincerely yours,

Lazare Goodman
L. L. Goodman

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November 24, 1943

Dr. Louis I. Newman
Congregation Rodeph Sholom
7 West 83rd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Newman:

Thank you for your note of November 19.
I have asked Mr. Montor to send a copy of my reply
to Mr. Sulzberger to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

November 24, 1943

Mr. Maurice Bisgyer, Secretary
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Bisgyer:

Mr. L. L. Goodman, of National Hosiery Mills, Indianapolis, Indiana, phoned me twice concerning a meeting which Morris Woldman addressed in Indianapolis. Woldman is now on a tour for the American Jewish Committee to explain and justify the action of the Committee. In Indianapolis, he addressed a gathering of the leading Jews in a private home. Mr. L. L. Goodman was present and gave me the account. I suggested to him that I would send him the booklet which the American Jewish Conference issued on the withdrawal of the Committee, and he undertook to distribute it to those who attended the meeting. Please send him forty or fifty copies.

I understand that Mr. Woldman was also in Cleveland. Having just arrived, I have not yet been able to check up on where the meeting was held, and who attended. I will also send copies of the Conference booklet to those who attended the meeting as soon as I get them from you.

It might be well for you to find out the itinerary of Mr. Woldman and arrange to have those booklets distributed in those communities. It might also be advisable for Mr. Monsky to make a similar tour through those communities. Woldman, according to Mr. Goodman's report, attacked the election set-up of the Conference, the lack of freedom of expression, etc. etc. and of course the Palestine Resolution.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Dr. Silver: When we mailed your letter, as well as the three copies of the ditto letter, we did not notice that there was an error in the salutation. It has been corrected on the balance of the copies that went out to the men mentioned in this letter.

Indianapolis 2, Indiana
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L. L. Goodman

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CONGREGATION RODEPH SHOLOM
SEVEN WEST EIGHTY THIRD STREET
NEW YORK

November 26, 1943

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The story of the Sulzberger matter here is as follows: Jonah Wise on his own, arranged for an invitation, without placing it before the Committee on Public Relations, to go to Arthur Hays Sulzberger, to be the chief speaker at the Maccabean Rally, to be held in Temple Emanuel on Sunday afternoon, December 26th. The delegates to the Federation of Reform Synagogues asked that the entire matter be referred back to the Committee.

When the Committee met, I was disposed to cooperate in securing the consent of a speaker known to be a Zionist. Just before the second meeting of the Committee, however, I learned of Sulzberger's letter to you, and therefore declined to take any responsibility with respect to the meeting whatsoever. It was arranged, however, that Nathan Straus be the "offset" speaker, and Straus accepted Jonah's invitation.

Wednesday of this week, however, we were called into Committee session again, and informed that Sulzberger, in view of the circumstances, did not wish to speak. The Committee is apprizing Nathan Straus of the situation. It was decided to ask a Chaplain to be the speaker at the Maccabean Rally. It is regrettable that, any invitation in the first instance should have been issued, without the approval of the Committee in charge. Now, however, Sulzberger is out of the picture, with respect to the Maccabean Rally, at least.

I suppose you know that some time ago, he presented his resignation as a member of the Executive Committee of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, because of its decision to participate in the sessions of the American Jewish Conference.

CONGREGATION RODEPH SHOLOM
SEVEN WEST EIGHTY THIRD STREET
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I look forward to reading the text of the correspondence to which you refer. Dr. Wise mentioned it to me yesterday, but I have not yet seen it.

With cordial regards, believe me to be

Sincerely yours,

Louis Newman



November 26, 1943

Mr. Lazure L. Goodman
National Hosiery Mills, Inc.
Indianapolis, Indiana

My dear Mr. Goodman:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of November 24 and for bringing to my attention the meeting addressed by Mr. Morris D. Waldman in your community to explain the reasons why the American Jewish Committee has withdrawn from the Conference. A complete answer to the charges of the American Jewish Committee which Mr. Waldman reiterated at this meeting has been given by the Conference itself. It is now available in booklet form and can be sent to the men who attended the meeting if they are interested in receiving it. I will therefore refrain from commenting on Mr. Waldman's arguments which are covered in the Conference rejoinder.

I feel, however, that I should make an observation on a statement which you reported as having been made by Mr. Waldman to the effect that "the leaders of the American Jewish Conference including yourself (meaning Dr. Silver) had been informed prior to the Conference by Judge Proskauer that the Administration in Washington felt that if the Conference passed the Palestine Resolution it would consider it a 'very unfortunate thing at the present time'", and that furthermore, "when Mr. Waldman was asked what was the attitude of the Administration when the Conference Committee actually presented the Resolution to Washington -- Mr. Waldman said that the 'State Department was very much perturbed'".

All of which, my dear Mr. Goodman, is I am afraid made out of the whole cloth. There were all sorts of rumors circulating during the Conference to the effect that this man or that man in the Administration had said this or that about the attitude of the Administration towards the Palestine Resolution. As chairman of the Commission on Palestine, I made a particular effort to trace down the authenticity of these rumors -- who in the Administration had said it, and

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what it was that was said. The closest inquiry by myself and by others of the Palestine Commission yielded absolutely no authentic information that we could put our fingers on. When I was in Washington on Tuesday, October 12, I had an hour's conversation at the White House with Judge Samuel J. Rosenman who told me quite categorically that he was not authorized nor did he speak for the President at any time on matters connected with the American Jewish Conference, nor to his best knowledge had the President expressed any opinion about the American Jewish Conference whatsoever.

As far as the attitude of the Administration when the Conference Committee actually presented the resolution to Washington, which attitude Waldman characterized as being "very much perturbed", I can only say that I was a member of that Conference Committee which called upon Secretary of State Hull and which included Dr. Solomon B. Freehof, President of the Central Conference of American Rabbis, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Mr. Louis Lipsky and Mr. Goldman, National Vice-President of the B'nai B'rith. Secretary Hull was not only not disturbed, but was most friendly and sympathetic, and our intimate half hour conversation in which the Palestine Resolution was discussed in great detail was carried on in a most cordial spirit. The Secretary asked for additional data especially on the absorptive capacity of Palestine which we have since made available to him. I have had other contacts since with the highest officials of our Government, and I have yet to find one unfavorable reaction to the Resolution on Palestine which was adopted by such an overwhelming majority by the American Jewish Conference.

You may make this letter of mine available to the men who attended the meeting and you may also send a copy of it to Mr. Waldman.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

DRAFT OF LETTER TO DELEGATES TO THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

Dear _____:

At a meeting of the Interim Committee of the American Jewish Conference held in New York on November 23, 1943 the following resolution was adopted, summoning the Jewish communities of America to effective action to bring about the abrogation of the British White Paper on Palestine which is due to go into effect on March 1, 1944. The White Paper is in clear violation of the intent and purposes of the Balfour Declaration and the Palestine Mandate which calls for the establishment of the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

The Interim Committee of the American Jewish Conference directs its Palestine Commission to undertake immediately a program for the mobilization of American public opinion against the British White Paper of 1939 on Palestine.

The Palestine Commission is authorized to set up such machinery and to take such steps as will reflect the unanimous decision of the American Jewish Conference as expressed in its Palestine Resolution, to use its utmost resources to bring about the withdrawal of the White Paper.

All delegates to the American Jewish Conference are urged in the local communities to bring about the most effective cooperation in order to achieve this result.

An Emergency Committee on Palestine has been formed in your community which will be charged with the responsibility of defending the rights of the Jews in Palestine and the interests of the Jewish National Home. If you, as a delegate to the American Jewish Conference, have not already been coopted in the membership of this Committee, may we suggest that you make known your willingness to serve so that the benefit of your counsel may be placed at the disposal of the local Emergency Committee.

From time to time the Palestine Commission of the American Jewish Conference will communicate with you and inform you of any future action which the Commission deems advisable to undertake.

Cordially yours,

Meier Steinbrinck Abba Hillel Silver
Co-Chairmen
Palestine Commission

Dr. Silver

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DAY LETTER

NOVEMBER 26, 1943

AM ARRANGING FIRST SESSION OF PALESTINE COMMISSION OF AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
FOR LUNCHEON AT BILTMORE HOTEL, NEWYORK, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER FIRST, TWELVE THIRTY
PM. EARNESTLY HOPE YOU WILL MAKE ALL ARRANGEMENTS TO ATTEND, SINCE WISH TO
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ABBA HILLEL SILVER
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NEW YORK CITY

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November 27, 1943.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple, E. 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You can see that I have circulated a copy of your
letter of reply.

Will you now send me 40 or 50 of the conference
booklets that I can distribute.

With kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Layne Goodman

L. L. Goodman/kc

✓ cc Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple, E. 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Indianapolis 7, Indiana
November 29, 1943.

American Jewish Committee
386-4th Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:

A few days ago Mr. Waldman spoke in Indianapolis, as a result of which it provoked an exchange of correspondence between Rabbi Silver and the writer.

I enclose two copies of the exchange of letters and you will note that Dr. Silver has requested that a copy of his letter be forwarded by me to Mr. Waldman.

Not knowing where he may be located, I am sending these copies to you so that you can forward one set to him and keep one set for your New York files.

Will you please acknowledge receipt of this letter, to me, and let me know whether or not you have been able to carry out my request of forwarding one copy of my letters to Mr. Waldman, as I know he will be happy to receive them?

Yours very truly,

L. L. Goodman/kc

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December 2, 1943

Miss Ann Jarcho
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Jarcho:

Thank you for the pamphlets which you sent Rabbi Silver on the withdrawal of the American Jewish Committee from the American Jewish Conference. Can you send us about fifty additional pamphlets at your earliest convenience?

If you haven't already send some of these pamphlets to Mr. L. L. Goodman of Indianapolis, Indiana, Rabbi Silver would appreciate your doing so at once.

With best wishes, and thanking you kindly for your cooperation, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

December 4, 1943

American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Attention: Mr. Perlman

My dear Mr. Perlman:

Have we obtained the consent of Judge Steinbrink to act as co-chairman of the Palestine Commission? That should be attended to at once. Dr. Wise or Mr. Monsky or both should contact him urging acceptance.

Have the pamphlets of the Conference on the withdrawal of the American Jewish Committee been given wide distribution? That should be attended to at once. The American Jewish Committee has recently circularized the whole country with a pamphlet giving its reasons for withdrawal. It is particularly important that members of boards of federations throughout the country should receive the Conference pamphlet.

Have you printed stationery for the Palestine Commission of the American Jewish Conference? That should be done, and I should like to receive such stationery to be used on official business.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:DB

December 7, 1943

American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Attention: Mr. Perlman

My dear Mr. Perlman:

Please send copies of the Conference booklet answering the American Jewish Committee to all the members of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. You can obtain the addresses by consulting the Union Annual Report.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
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521 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

Telephone MUrray Hill 2-7197

December 7, 1943

Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Rabbi Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

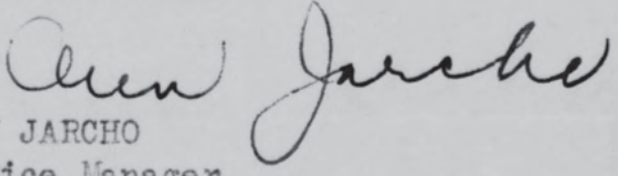
Thanks for your kind letter of December 2nd.

As per your request, we are immediately forwarding fifty additional pamphlets under separate cover.

I don't know whether Mr. Goodman received the pamphlets or not. In any event, he can no doubt use some additional copies which we are forwarding today under separate cover.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,


ANN JARCHO
Office Manager

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JOE WEINGARTEN
HOUSTON, TEXAS

Dec. 9, 1943.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Chairman,
Executive Committee,
American Zionist Emergency Council,
New York, 17, N. Y.

Dear Doctor:

Referring to yours of November 23 and your telegram of Dec. 4th, I have, as you know, already talked to you over the telephone and expressed to you my deep regret for not being able to be in Cleveland, as much as I would like to, as I just returned from a trip and it is very hard for me to get away again. I sent you a wire suggesting that Mose Feld be invited in my place. I do not know whether he can make it or not, but he is a swell fellow, a leader in our community and is a wholehearted Zionist, and I would like to see him there.

In my telephone conversation, I urged you to come down here in person and hold a regional meeting, either in Houston or Dallas. Frankly, I believe this would get better results than anything else, as it seems to me that the White Paper can best be combatted by people who are strongly opposed to it, getting in touch with their senators and congressmen, and possibly by getting the help of their non-Jewish friends in this matter, which might be a very effective approach, in addition to the other.

Doctor, I am afraid that I still cannot entirely agree with you in the matter of ignoring the non-Zionist and the Anti-Zionist in this fight against the White Paper. After all, it has not been won yet, by a long-shot, and it seems to me that we should concentrate all of our efforts on winning this fight and on knocking out this White Paper before making the attack for recognition of a Jewish Commonwealth. Of course, I realize that I am not fully informed about this whole matter, and if I were, possibly my views might be different, but from what I do know about it, I personally feel that now is the time to get together and knock out the White Paper and not to be fighting among ourselves as to the status of a Jewish Commonwealth. Both you and I know that if the White Paper is knocked out and full immigration restored, that the Commonwealth will come along in a natural way and no one can stop it.

Therefore, I am again taking this opportunity to urge that we take these non-Zionists and Anti-Zionists at their word that they are opposed to the White Paper and will help to destroy it by requesting this full help immediately, and let's see just how sincere they are.

JOE WEINGARTEN
HOUSTON, TEXAS

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As you know, these people, while comparatively few in number, are really quite vocal and in many cases representative, as far as our non-Jewish friends are concerned, who consider them good, representative Jews, whether or not they are.

The above is my reaction and I am giving it to you for whatever it might be worth, as I feel that you are entitled to know how I feel about it, even though I may be entirely wrong. However, regardless of whether we should call these people in or not, I still feel that a lot of good could be accomplished by holding a regional meeting and possible another on the coast and in one or two other regional spots, and if this is done, it should be done quickly, so that we can get in touch with our representatives and senators while they are at home for the holidays.

With kindest personal regards and best wishes, I am as ever

JW:b

Cordially,

Joe Weingarten



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December 10, 1943

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 105th St. & Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In reply to your letter of December 8th, I have the draft of the letter which you turned over to Mr. Montor. I believe that it will be possible to send it out next week.

Neither of the two Committees you appointed have, as yet, met. Mr. Lipsky is away in Mexico at this time, and as soon as he returns his Committee will meet to draw a list of suggested names for cooption. May I personally submit to you some suggested names, and I should like to have your reaction:

Milton Kutz, Wilmington, Delaware. He is a non-Zionist, an important official of Dupont and the key person in Delaware. To my knowledge he has shown an open mind in recent months to the problem of Palestine. You probably know him yourself.

Israel November of Richmond, Virginia; President of the Community Council, a member of Dr. Callish's Congregation, a delegate to the Conference, and he has developed positive Zionist viewpoints. He is being developed as the center of opposition to Callish domination in Richmond.

I further suggest David M. Watchmaker of Boston who, I am sure, you know. Would it not be advisable to bring into the Palestine Commission Mr. Edwin J. Schanfarber of Columbus? I also suggest that Detroit be brought into the picture, either through Rabbi Glazer or Henry Weineman.

The other Committee you named - the Committee on Program - will probably meet following the Interim Committee meeting on Wednesday. I felt it rather important that Judge Levinthal participate in the discussion of this committee, and in order that he may definitely be at such meeting, I thought that since he is coming to the Interim Committee meeting, we might conveniently have this committee meet in the evening, so as to have a full attendance.

You will note that in presenting these suggestions for the Palestine Commission, I have in mind bringing so-called non-Zionists in who, none-the-less, to my knowledge have shown a healthy appreciation of Jewish aspirations in Palestine.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

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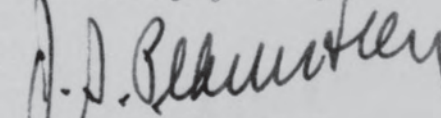
The draft of a statement in expose of the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe is now in preparation, and since we are so close to the Interim Committee meeting, it will be presented to that meeting and released immediately thereafter.

Incidentally, the ^{initial} official statement to the delegates is also in preparation, and that too will go out immediately following the Interim Committee meeting. After mailing this official statement to the delegates, the Palestine Commission Statement will follow.

I regret to advise you that Judge Steinbrink definitely declined to accept the co-chairmanship of the Palestine Commission. I understand he indicated a definite preference to serve on the Rescue, Relief and Rehabilitation Commission. Both Dr. Wise and Mr. Shulman are of the opinion that there is no hope for a change of mind on his part. May I then suggest to you that you offer your own suggestions for the co-chairmanship and wire me, so that I may present your suggestions to the Administrative Committee which is meeting jointly with the Co-Chairmen on Tuesday afternoon, December 14th? We should name and obtain the acceptance of the co-chairman as quickly as possible. Is it necessary to have a co-chairman from New York for the Palestine Commission? Would it not be desirable to have someone from the "interior"? How do you feel about a man like Edgar Kaufmann of Pittsburgh?

This is all for the time being. I shall keep you advised and please do not hesitate to communicate to me any thought pertaining to the Commission.

Sincerely yours,



J. E. Pearlstien
Administrative Secretary

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SCHANFARBER & SCHANFARBER
Attorneys and Counselors at Law
150 East Broad Street
Columbus 15, Ohio

December 27, 1943

Mr. Sidney Kusworm
Attorney at Law
Keith Building
Dayton 2, Ohio

Dear Sid:

Although I spoke to you yesterday about your note and a telegram from J. S. Pearstein with reference to the co-chairmanship of the Palestine Commission, I think the matter is of sufficient importance for me to directly answer your note.

I have delayed replying to the same as I was very seriously considering the matter, due to the great importance of the assignment but have finally concluded that I am physically unable to take the responsibility of this important task at this time but you can assure the interim Committee, and especially those who are responsible for suggesting my name, that I appreciate the honor and the compliment and that I am tremendously interested in the program of the conference and will do everything in my power to see that it is made as effective as possible.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
I am,

(Signed) E. J.

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Dec 29/43.

Dear Dr. Selver: -

Fourteen years ago, when I was in Cleveland, I recall that we worked well together — we saw eye-to-eye and collaborated on the reorganization of the Bureau of Jewish Education and the child care program. I am hopeful that you will confirm this.

With this in mind, I want to ask of you a personal favor: can you arrange to see me privately before the Palestine Commission meeting on Monday noon?

Cordally,

J. S. Pearlstien

RESOLUTION ON PALESTINE OF THE COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN
TRIENNIAL CONVENTION IN CHICAGO

The convention adopted the following recommendations of the board of directors on the Palestine question:

"1. We record ourselves in favor of and urge the immediate abrogation of the White Paper of 1939. 2. We record ourselves in favor of the unrestricted immigration of Jews into Palestine. 3, We record ourselves in favor of the uninterrupted and continued upbuilding of Palestine in the spirit of the Balfour Declaration."



December 29, 1943

Mr. J. S. Pearlstien, Administrative Secretary
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Pearlstien:

Just a slight correction. I note that in the last letter which you sent out for the Interim Committee, certain Rabbis are referred to as Rabbis and others are referred to as Doctor. I do not know what the particular measuring rod is. In my case I have three Doctor degrees and yet I am titled Rabbi. I believe that in future correspondence you should either designate all Rabbis as Rabbis or make sure that those who have Doctor degrees should be designated as such.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

P.S. I assume that the letter of the Palestine Commission is going forth within a few days.

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Have arranged staff meeting of Emergency Council for Monday at ten. I could see you at 9 a.m. Commodore Hotel.
Kindest regards.

A. H. Silver

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January 5, 1944

Mr. Jacob Fishman
77 Bowery
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Fishman:

I am sorry that I did not get a chance to see you in New York early this week. I wanted to ask you to take over the chairmanship of the Press Committee of the Zionist Emergency Council. This, as you readily realize, is a tremendously important part of our activities. The professional set-up of the Press Committee is rather satisfactory. We have at the head of it a very energetic and capable newspaper man, Mr. Manson, who stepped in when his predecessor, Mr. Kenen was lend-leased to the American Jewish Conference. But we need a lay-chairman and a small but active lay committee of newspaper men to guide him on general policies and to explore areas of greater usefulness. The committee should include some leaders in the field of English, Anglo-Jewish and Yiddish journalism. The committee needs to be built up although we already have some acceptances.

I know of no one better qualified to take over the direction of this responsible service than you. It will not involve you in day by day activity. The committee need meet no more than once or twice a month, but Mr. Manson will have someone of experience to consult whenever he needs advise and counsel. I would greatly appreciate it if you would accept this post which would also give the Emergency Council the benefit of your regular attendance at its meetings.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Please reply to
The Temple
Ansel Rd. and E. 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

January 5, 1944

Mr. J. E. Pearlstien, Administrative Secretary
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Pearlstien:

I am sorry that we did not get to have the conference that you requested. I waited for a call from you on Tuesday. Can you tell me by letter what you have in mind? I will probably not be back in New York before the 20th of this month.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Please reply to Dr. Silver to
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

January 6, 1944

Mr. Joe Weingarten
Houston, Texas

My dear Joe:

Many many thanks for the lovely gift of a crate of grapefruit which the entire family deeply appreciates.

Under separate cover I am sending you a reprint of two lectures on Zionism which I recently delivered at The Temple in Cleveland. Copies may be obtained for some of your "chatesim" friends in Houston.

On the subject of the White Paper -- the whole country has rallied as one man to fight it. You need make no concessions to anybody in order to get him to oppose the White Paper. My own feeling is that some new plan for the permanent solution of the Palestine problem will be announced before long which will automatically liquidate the White Paper. It is important that we concentrate our efforts to see that the final solution is a just one and will do no violence to our rights in Palestine. In this final solution for which we must work now the anti-Zionists can only prove a severe liability.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

January 8, 1944

Mr. I. L. Kenen
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Kenen:

I am sending you a copy of the Cleveland Review and Observer and I call your attention to the way in which the release of the Conference was handled. The man responsible for it is a Mr. Taslitt who writes the editorials for the Review and Observer and also a column. You will find his column on page 5. I spoke to the editor, Mr. Wertheimer, and he suggests that you get in touch with Mr. Taslitt who lives at 35 Clinton Place, New Rochelle, N.Y. I think it is desirable that you should do so at once so that he corrects his bias and has a proper comment to make on the next release which is to be made by the Zionist Emergency Council.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
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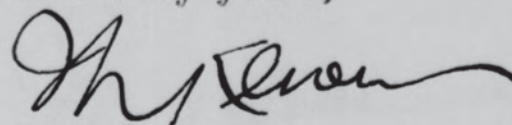
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the Jewish Review and Observer.

I have today written Wertheimer in criticism of the headline and to inform him that Mr. Taslitt is one of the propagandists connected with the Emergency Committee to Save the Jewish People of Europe. When he came to New York this year he became an associate editor of The Answer. He works in the Emergency Committee office and I doubt very much whether I can change his mind about his committee or the Conference.

Sincerely yours,



I. L. Kenen

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January 14, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed find copies of two communications which require acknowledgment - at least one appears to be urgent, and that is from the American Federation of Jews from Central Europe.

1. I believe it is important that we establish a modus operandi. Do you want me to acknowledge and handle such matters from this end or shall I forward them to you, and you will answer them directly? Some things are, of course, very routine and I hate to think of bothering you with them. Obviously such matters as the one from the American Federation of Jews from Central Europe should require your personal attention. At any rate, I wish you would advise me your thinking in the matter

2. May I again remind you that it is highly desirable to contact Mr. Schanfarber and clear up the matter of the Co-Chairmanship before the Interim Committee meeting on the 25th?

3. Are you planning to attend the Interim Committee meeting?

4. Is it possible to arrange for us to get together on your regular visits to New York?

I am more than eager to take hold as secretary of the Commission, but obviously it will not be possible without some definite working arrangements with you. This is one of the things I was anxious to discuss with you - and it is best to discuss these things personally than write about them.

Very sincerely yours,

J. S. Pearlstien
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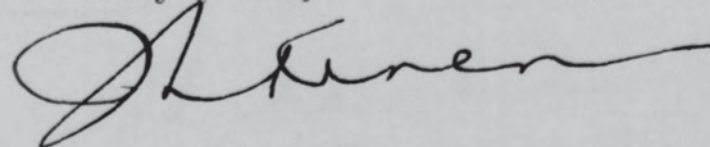
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing a note which I received today from the OWI in connection with the statement requested yesterday.

You will note that some information is requested on your books, your trip to England, your title and the offices you hold.

This request comes as a result of an arrangement I made some time ago with OWI to count us in on this type of broadcast.

Sincerely yours,



I. L. Kenen

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enc.

AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL
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MEMORANDUM

To DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Date

From *Mr. L. L.* Kenen - American Jewish Conference (Relayed thru Department of Information of AZEC)

The Office of War Information requests that you prepare a brief statement - 200 words at most - for overseas broadcast and domestic propaganda purposes in connection with the anniversary of birthday of Gotthold Ephraim Lessing (January 22)...

Theme of statement should dwell on the idea that although Lessing's works have been burned in Germany, his books, as well as those of other liberals, are very much alive here, etc...

OWI wants the statement in their hands in two days.

American Jewish Conference
521 5 Advance

Dear Si:

Here's the dope on Gottold Ephraim Lessing., born Jan. 22, 1729
requiescat in pace.

"The enlightenment of the 18th century did not take hold in Germany as it did in France. There are few German names that can be placed along side those of the great French thinkers such as Motesquieu, Diderot and Voltair. Perhaps the one German writer and thinker who deserves to rank in the company of those is Lessing, who in the range of his interests and in his firm belief in the power of human reason ~~unxx~~ upheld a point of view similar to theirs.

Lessing was born of Jewish parents in Kamenz, Saxony. While studying at the U. of Leipzig, he became interested in drama, to which he was later to devote a part of his energies. Lessing's range of interests was wide. His greatest influence probably resulted from his criticism, especially from his ideas on poetry and its relations to the other arts.. His dramatic criticism clarified certain preconceptions taken over from the French dramatists, and opened the way to a freer development. He was also a creator--three best-known plays, Minna von Barnhelm, Emilia Galotti and Nathan the Wise, he introduced characters from everyday life, a distinct innovation in the German literature of the time. In Nathan the Wise he developed some of his most cherished beliefs on racial and religious tolerance. The words that Lessing placed in the mouth of Nathan need to be emphasized in Germany today even more than when Lessing first wrote them:

"What is race forsooth?

Are Jews and Christians Christians and Jews
Rather than men?--oh, if I've found in you
One more forwhom it is enough to be
A man".

That's the background dope I have on him. It should lend itself beautifully to commentary by Silver or Kenen. Carry out the line that in addition to the fact that freedom of thought and freedom of people is the Allies paramount aim, we also admire the music, art, and literary contributions of the really great free-thinking Germans. Hence we have no idea of carrying on war against the people of Germany once their rabid militarist leaders and the Master Race idea are obliterated.

Please send on Silver's proper title, and if you can remember, just what that mission was that took him to England last year. Also what books he has authored. Does he not hold a position, honorary or co-chairman or something of that peacecommittee in Cleveland headed by Philip Smead Bird?

W

You're sell to do it--thanks loads. Told you I'd callon you when I saw a good opening, and will again. I appreciate your cooperation, on behalf of me and Elmer Davis. Tell Silver this will go out in 26 languages, shrot wave and cable.

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January 15, 1944

Mr. I. L. Kennen,
American Jewish Conference,
521 Fifth Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Kennen:

At your request, I am sending you a brief statement on the birthday anniversary of Lessing, as well as other information which you requested about myself.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:NEK

121 9th Street, New York, N.Y. 10014
Office of War Information

From the darkness, intolerance and brutality which is Germany today, it is a relief and a hope for the future to turn to another Germany, whose inspiring symbol is Gotthold Ephraim Lessing, the anniversary of whose birthday occurs on January 22nd.

The Nazis have had the books of this world-famous poet, critic and humanist burned, for they feared what was in his books - the great soul of a gloriously free human being. Lessing despised and excoriated in his day - the middle decades of the 18th century - what the Nazis have come to represent in our day, - vicious bigotry, social reaction, false pride of race and national aggression.

Lessing was a rarely endowed artist and used his literary gifts to preach liberalism, freedom for the human mind and human brotherhood. Every form of injustice and prejudice aroused his mighty spirit and he valiantly championed their victims. His noble and extraordinary defense of the Jewish people in such plays as "The Jews" and "Nathan the Wise" marked a decisive turning point in the attitude of Christian Europe towards the people which had for centuries been misrepresented and subjected to all the indignities of the ghetto. Lessing's lifelong friendship with the pious Jewish sage and philosopher, Moses Mendelssohn - an inter-racial friendship as rare in those days as it was beautiful - was prophetic of a new comradeship which would come to exist among good men everywhere, regardless of their ancestry or different religious creeds.

Lessing maintained that all religions are good and true if they lead their adherents to a life of goodness and truth. Conversely, all religions are false if they lead their adherents to hatred, fanaticism and meanness of heart. Of this exalted teaching of Lessing, and her great German poet, Goethe, said: "May this absolutely divine idea of tolerance and forbearance ever remain holy and dear to the nation." Unfortunately, it has not! A vicious generation, led by men of violence and darkness, has shamelessly desecrated this divine idea and has made of Germany, the land of Lessing, Schiller and Goethe, a land of torture chambers and concentration camps, wherein scourges have been set over the free mind of man and wherein the cruelest forms of racial persecution have been practiced.

If Germany is ever to be saved, it will be saved only by Germans who will some day recapture for it the prophetic spirit, the broad humanity and the gracious tolerance that was the genius of Gotthold Ephraim Lessing.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

January 17, 1944

Mr. J. S. Pearlstein,
American Jewish Conference,
521 Fifth Avenue
New York City, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Pearlstein:

I telephoned Mr. Schanfarber this morning. He regrets deeply that he cannot, at this time, accept the office. He is terribly burdened with work and he is hoping to leave soon for a much needed rest.

If the office can be kept open for some time, he may reconsider his decision later on.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:NEK

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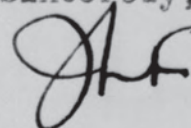
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Your statement on Lessing brought a most enthusiastic response when I sent it over to OWI this morning, and I was told that we would be called upon again.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



I. L. Kenen

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February 2, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You undoubtedly have learned by this time that a resolution on Palestine has been introduced both in the Senate and in the House of Representatives. I am enclosing herewith a copy of the resolution. The Senate resolution was introduced by Senator Robert F. Wagner of New York and Senator Robert A. Taft of Ohio, and the House resolution was introduced by Congressman Ranulf Compton of Connecticut and Congressman James A. Wright of Pennsylvania. The resolution is nonpartisan and has been endorsed most warmly by the majority and minority leaders of both Houses of Congress.

This is an event of utmost significance and the passage of the enclosed resolution will be of tremendous importance for the securing of Jewish rights in Palestine and for the opening of the doors of the Jewish National Home to unrestricted Jewish immigration. The American Jewish Conference at its great gathering last September adopted a Palestine resolution by an overwhelming vote of the delegates. Its principal ideas are reflected in the resolution now introduced in the Congress of the United States.

May I in my capacity of Chairman of the Palestine Commission of the American Jewish Conference urge upon you to write immediately to your local Congressman and Senators bespeaking their support for the resolution. It would be helpful, too, if you wrote letters of appreciation to the above mentioned Congressmen and Senators who introduced the resolution. We would also suggest that you meet with the Zionist Emergency Council in your community, if there is such a Council, or with the heads of Jewish organizations, to mobilize support for the resolution by the adoption of appropriate resolutions by your local community and its several organizations and the transmission of these resolutions, as well as of individualized letters, to your local Congressmen.

Time is of the essence and quick action is highly desirable.

With all good wishes, I am

Cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver

Abba Hillel Silver
Chairman, Palestine Commission

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Enc.

C O P Y

February 4, 1944

AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

Mr. Henry Monsky
William Penn Hotel
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Monsky:

I am enclosing herewith drafts of the two letters which we discussed over the telephone this morning.

I intend to have these letters multigraphed and individually addressed. It will not be possible to get started on this until Monday and if you have any changes that you would like to suggest, I would appreciate your mailing the redrafts to the Conference office.

I will write to Dr. Silver at once to suggest that speakers at the Tuesday hearing identify themselves with relation to the Conference.

Sincerely yours,

I. L. KENEN
Public Relations Director

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DRAFT OF LETTER TO BE SENT TO EDITORS OF ALL LEADING NEWSPAPERS
IN THE UNITED STATES:

Dear Mr. :

The Wagner-Taft and Wright-Compton resolutions, calling for the opening of Palestine's doors for the free entry of Jews and full opportunities for colonisation "so that the Jewish people may ultimately reconstitute Palestine as a free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth", express the spirit of a resolution adopted by the American Jewish Conference at its five-day session in New York last fall.

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We appeal to you for your editorial support of the Wagner-Taft and Wright-Compton resolutions, hopeful that their adoption will help to restore a people, uprooted by the war and threatened with total extermination by the Nazi terror, to freedom and security in a self-governing homeland where it may take its rightful place in tomorrow's world.

Yours very sincerely,

ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN

HENRY MONSKY
CO-CHAIRMEN, INTERIM COMMITTEE

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Honorable John H. Jones
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

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March 1st, 1944

Mr. Nathan D. Kaplan
220 South State St.
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Kaplan:

At the request of Mr. Meites I am enclosing herewith a letter addressed to him by Mr. Enelow together with an open letter addressed to Dr. Silver.

Mr. Meites feels that you are thoroughly interested in this subject and will give the matter the attention it merits.

H. L. asks that I convey his warmest personal regards to you.

Very truly yours,

(Signed)
L. Saperstein
Secretary to Mr. Meites

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B. F. ENELOW
Westminster Building
CHICAGO

H.L.Meites,
Editor Chicago Jewish Chronicle,
City.

Dear Mr.Meites;-

I have always admired the sound common sense which you exhibit in your column, and wonder if you could allow yourself to publish the enclosed Open Letter. I realize that you are piously devoted to the promotion of Zionism, and am sure that you will render the Zionist cause a genuine service by urging the Zionist Leaders to answer the questions I have posed. I have repeatedly tried to have them answered by direct appeal to several of our Zionist luminaries, but have only succeeded in evoking their vicious abuses and name-calling. Such is the usual reaction of one who is unable to answer a simple question rationally. Since there are so many millions of Jews who would like these matters cleared up without accepting the pontifical infallibility of a few ever-so-zealous leaders, I hope you will see fit to force the issue out into the open.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)
BEN F. ENELOW

February Twenty Second
1944

C O P Y

AN OPEN LETTER TO DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER.

I read with a mixture of chagrin and dismay your recent testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, and wonder if there is really no rational argument to sustain the plea for a Jewish National Homeland. All the sentimental eyewash of the professional fanatic could be easily ignored, but when a man of your intellectual stature stoops to the same trite and evasive phrases, we must pause in astonishment. You proclaim in one breath that you have "no desire to set up a theocracy in Palestine, but to create a Jewish state like that of the French and the English." In this statement you imply the same hackneyed argument that Judaism is a nationality temporarily dispossessed of its homeland. In the comprehensive treatise on Judaism by the Encyclopedia Britannica there is nowhere the slightest implication that Judaism is a nationality. I quote, "Judaism, therefore, denotes a religion maintained by the Jews and offered to the world. It is nothing but the declaration of the function of the Jew and the duty assigned to Judaism".

Thus it is apparent that Political Zionism attempts to convert Judaism into a nationality contrary to the age-old acceptance of its function. Now then, if that is your aim, well and good. But please explain to me as one of the millions of Jews who are frankly confused, how you propose to solve the question of a dual nationality for the American Jew. If Judaism becomes a nationality then you and I automatically owe allegiance to the Jewish State, and, by the simple rules of logic, cannot simultaneously owe allegiance to the American Constitution. On the other hand, if we prefer to remain loyal to our American citizenship we must automatically renounce our Judaism, if it be a nationality and not purely a religion. I know you are about to tell me that the Irishman can be a good American and still be loyal to his homeland. But such a silly argument smacks of the tricks of a political spellbinder, who is always ready to distort the truth in order to stir the emotions of the befuddled masses. The plain truth is, as every child knows, that the Irishman renounces all allegiance to his homeland the moment he takes the oath of allegiance to our constitution. He may still retain his brogue, but by nationality he is an American and no longer an Irishman.

If, God forbid, England could be induced to set up a Jewish State, and America were to become embroiled in a war with Palestine, pray tell me to whom the American Jew would owe his allegiance. Before we try to convert the ancient mission of Judaism into a chauvinistic state these simple questions must be answered clearly, without equivocation or mental reservation. Unless you can reduce your proposals to an appeal to reason rather than the emotions you will continue to aggravate the dissensions among our people, and progressively increase the jeering and scoffing among our enemies the world over.

I shall deeply appreciate your elucidation without rancor or recriminations as a respected teacher in Israel.

Faithfully yours,

(Signed) . Ben F. Enelow

February 22nd, 1944.

C O P Y

4-1-59

March 2, 1944

Mr. B. F. Enelow
Westminster Building
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

My attention has been drawn to a letter you addressed to Mr. H. L. Meites, Editor of the Chicago Jewish Chronicle enclosing an "Open Letter to Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver"; and as a Zionist I feel impelled to convey to you my reaction upon having read your communication.

You say in your letter to Mr. Meites that you are sure he will render the Zionist Cause a genuine service by urging the Zionist Leaders to answer the questions you have posed, and that your repeated trials to procure answers have only succeeded in evoking vicious abuse and name-calling. Yet it appears to me that your OPEN LETTER to DR. SILVER is of the character which your foregoing remarks condemn.

Your last sentence in your OPEN LETTER says that you would appreciate "elucidation without rancor or recriminations". May I endeavor to offer some "elucidation" without rancor or recrimination?

First, your letter states that an assertion by Dr. Silver, referred to in your letter, implies "the same hackneyed argument that Judaism is a nationality temporarily dispossessed of its homeland." I am sure that you will not find in any Zionist leader's speech or assertion the reference to "Judaism" as a nationality; you will find the statement that the Jewish People is a nationality. In the very quotation from the Encyclopedia Britannica which you refer to, you can note the distinction that "Judaism denotes a religion maintained by the Jews" and in the last sentence of your quotation:- "It (Judaism) is nothing but the declaration of the function of the Jew and the duties assigned to Judaism". Note the distinction in both sentences between the Jew and Judaism.

While purporting to ask questions, your OPEN LETTER asserts strong argument, the logic of which is challenged by every Zionist exponent in history. Your statement that "Political Zionism attempts to convert 'Judaism' into a nationality contrary to its age-old acceptance of its functions" is fallacious and historically untrue. Zionism attempts to do nothing with "Judaism" but to preserve it; and attempts to create a Jewish Commonwealth where the Jewish People may be free to practice Judaism without the economic, social, political and other handicaps which compel ~~either~~ the abandonment by the Jew of the observance of Judaism or its distortion into such observances and practices as necessitates modification of the character of Judaism by such adjectives as "Reform", "Conservative", "Orthodox", and the like.

March 3, 1944

When you refer to yourself as "one of the millions of Jews who are frankly confused", I believe you are overmodest. I am convinced that there are not so many of you as your exaggerated figure would indicate.

The question of a "dual nationality for the American-Jew" is one that persists at being raised from time to time with the ^{JAME} persistancy and periodic recurrence as the story of the "Protocols of the Elders of Zion". The late Justice Louis D. Brandeis, the late Judge Julian W. Mack, every president of the United States from Woodrow Wilson to Franklin Delano Roosevelt, the United States Congress in 1922, the leaders of both parties in both Houses of the present Congress have all found no problem of dual nationality in the adherence to or endorsement of Zionism in its aim for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine.

You state:- "If Judaism becomes a nationality, then you and I automatically owe allegiance to the Jewish State". That statement is absolutely untrue. You and I owe allegiance to the state of our citizenship. Only Jews who shall become citizens of the Jewish State will owe allegiance to the Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine. You say:- "If we prefer to remain loyal to our American Citizenship, we must automatically renounce our Judaism if it be a nationality not only a religion". Again you are wrong. American citizenship gives us the right to retain our Judaism which is a religion. The Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine should also be a democracy where religious freedom will prevail and where Judaism may be the predominating religion as Christianity is the predominating religion in America.

Your paragraph about the Irishman, calling the argument "silly", uses phraseology such as you condemn in your complaint about name-calling, etc. For isn't it true that no American has ever found fault with the patriotism of an Irish-American who campaigned in this country for Home Rule in Ireland in earlier days and for Irish Independence at this present time? Whoever insinuated that an Irishman who became an American citizen was obliged to abandon the religion that was his as an Irishman, or, whoever would think that the Irishman's Oath of Allegiance to our Constitution would bar him from actively interesting himself in Ireland or the Irish People?

It seems trite to be obliged to say that in the event of war between one country and another each individual owes his allegiance to the land of his citizenship; we constantly have instances of brother fighting brother. In prior wars, Jews were among the fighting forces of contending belligerents and Germans of American nationality have proven themselves patriotic citizens in our war with Germany. I venture to say you will find American citizens of Japanese descent in our fighting forces today.

If you would but remember that Judaism is a religion, that the Jewish People should be the exponents of that religion (many of them forget that they are or should be) and that the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine for the Jewish People is not an attempt to "convert the ancient mission of Judaism into a chauvinistic state", as you so sarcastically assert, but

Mr. B. F. Enelow

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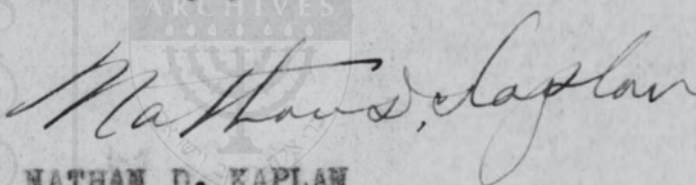
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to create a Homeland where the "mission of Judaism" may find more free expression than is possible in surroundings where Jews constitute a minority of the population, then you would understand that you have been laboring under a confusion of terms; that is to say, you have confused the term "Judaism" with the expression "the Jewish People". Please stop and find among your own acquaintance how many define "Judaism" or its requirements for due observance, in the same manner. I venture to say your acquaintance, taken individual by individual, may run the gamut from extreme fanaticism, through Orthodoxy, moderate and immoderate, Conservatism, Liberal, Reform and even unto Agnosticism and Atheism; not to speak of Christian-Scientists, Ethical culturists and apostates to other religions. All of these are of the Jewish People. To all of these I could not attribute the religion of Judaism nor trust them with its "mission."

I hope you will find the foregoing to be an endeavor at "elucidation without rancor or recriminations". On that level I will be pleased to pursue the discussion.

With Zion's Greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,



NATHAN D. KAPLAN
President, ZOC

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B. F. ENELOW
Westminster Building
CHICAGO

Nathan D. Kaplan, Esq.,
President ZOC,
City,

Dear Mr. Kaplan; -

Thank you very much for taking the trouble to express your reactions to my recent letter to Dr. Silver, but regret that I have long ago given up hope of trying to debate this vital and highly controversial question with a devout Zionist. One may as well try to debate religion with a devout Catholic. You expect me to believe in the infallibility of Brandeis, Roosevelt, Wise, Goldman &c., just as the Catholic is expected to believe in the infallibility of the Pope. Unfortunately I happen to be an inveterate iconoclast and no hero-worshipper, and expect a controversial question to be answered on the basis of simple logic, refusing to be guided by what others say or think.

Only for that reason I asked Mr. Meites to allow the subject to be debated in his columns. Allow him to print both sides of the controversy and let the reader form his own conclusion. That is the democratic way. Unless perhaps you prefer the totalitarian methods of the Daily Worker or the New Deal, who will allow only their side of a question to be published. If you really believe that your logic is sound why not allow the reader to judge in open forum? Such an attitude certainly weakens the Zionist cause, just as in any debate a one-sided argument would fall flat if its proponent refused to allow the other side to be heard.

With kindest personal regards, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) B.F. Enelow

March Fourth
1944

C O P Y

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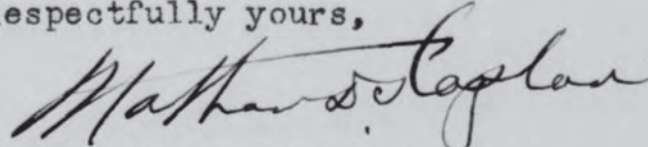
Dear Doctor Silver:

I am taking the liberty of sending you herewith copies of three communications which are self-explanatory, together with a copy of my reply to Mr. B. F. Enelow, which I trust will meet with your approval. *also his comeback to my letter.*

Permit me at this same time to express to you my enthusiastic appreciation of your splendid address last Wednesday evening before the Electors of the American Jewish Congress in Chicago. I have no doubt that the lasting impression of its inspiring influence will prove beneficial to the work before us in our city.

With best wishes

Respectfully yours,



NATHAN D. KAPLAN, President,
Zionist Organization of Chicago

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Encl.

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March 15, 1944

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
PALESTINE COMMISSION:

At the request of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Chairman, the Palestine Commission will meet
MONDAY, MARCH 20, 1944 - FOR LUNCHEON
BILTMORE HOTEL - 12:30 -

Since the Interim Committee meets the
following day, at which time a report by the Palestine
Commission will be rendered, it is important that we
review recent developments and outline a course of
action.

Sincerely yours,

J. S. Pearlstien
Administrative Secretary

JSP:AJ

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March 27, 1944

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Dear Dr. Silver:

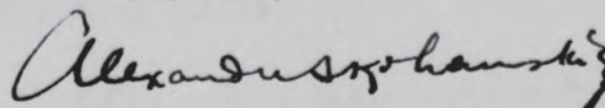
I am writing to you now about an item concerning the transactions of the Palestine Committee at a Conference Session.

At the last meeting of the Palestine Committee, Rabbi Heller asked about the disposal of the Union and the Non-Partisan resolutions. To this you replied, "I believe I am authorized to answer that the second resolution introduced by the Reform religious group has been withdrawn." As for the third resolution, Mr. Schaffer said that it, too, had been withdrawn. You also stated at the Plenary Session that these two resolutions had been withdrawn. In a communication from Rabbi Eisendrath to Miss Evans, I found that the Reform resolution was not officially withdrawn. I am sending you herewith a copy of Rabbi Eisendrath's letter. As you will see from this letter, the Union feels very strongly about this matter. Would it then be advisable to add a footnote in the proceedings, somewhat as follows:

"Rabbi Eisendrath, Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, was not present at this meeting (referring to the last meeting of the Palestine Committee) and did not, himself, officially withdraw his resolution."

Please advise me on this matter.

Cordially yours,



ALEXANDER S. KOHANSKI, Director
Research Department

ASK:FS

Enc:

Note: Copy sent to 342 Madison Avenue, New York City.

EXCERPT FROM LETTER OF RABBI EISENDRATH TO MISS EVANS
DATED MARCH 17, 1944:

I hasten to reply to your specific inquiry concerning what actually took place with regard to the Union resolution presented to the American Jewish Conference. It never was actually officially "withdrawn" by any of the Union delegates. What really took place was this: Just prior to the presentation to the Palestine Commission of the final draft of the Palestine resolution, Mr. Rosenberg and I were in conference with Dr. Silver in his room. Following the last-minute emendations, Dr. Silver went down to the Palestine Committee meeting, while Mr. Rosenberg and I remained in Dr. Silver's room to discuss just what action we would take when the resolution was presented at that final session when the resolution was actually presented, although I do think that Mr. Goldman was there at that time. In reading the stenographic report of that session, I see that Dr. Heller specifically asked whether the other resolutions were withdrawn, and I note that the sponsors of the non-partisan resolution answered to the effect that they had withdrawn their resolution. No further question was asked, and no definite word was spoken regarding the Union resolution.

I don't think that the point is terribly important, as it really doesn't matter to the Conference itself, or to world Jewry, whether the Union did or did not withdraw its resolution; but I do think that within our own Union family it is rather important to stick to what actually did take place, in view of the fact that a formal withdrawal might seem to indicate acquiescence in the final draft of the resolution. This was certainly not the case, as both Mr. Rosenberg and I indicated that we were not satisfied with this particular resolution and that we would refrain from voting for it. Consequently I do believe that any report of the Conference should omit any specific reference to the withdrawal of the Union resolution.

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AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
BALANCE SHEET - MARCH 31, 1944

A S S E T S

Cash	\$12,064.82	
Furniture and Equipment	1,035.75	
Petty Cash on Hand	41.04	
		<u>\$13,141.61</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>\$13,141.61</u>

L I A B I L I T I E S

Loans from Organizations	\$ 6,000.00	
Notes Payable	10,000.00	
Accounts Payable	6.75	
		<u>\$16,006.75</u>
Operating Surplus - 1944		564.98
		<u>\$16,571.73</u>
OPERATING DEFICIT - 1943		3,430.12
		<u>\$13,141.61</u>

OPERATING STATEMENT

JANUARY 1, 1944-MARCH 31, 1944

Income

Contributions from Organizations	\$ 1,950.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	331.28	
Community Fund-Raising	17,900.00	
		<u>\$20,181.28</u>

Disbursements

Administrative	\$ 9,162.08	
Public Relations	4,913.64	
Research	1,733.10	
Commissions	2,790.71	
Campaign and Fund-Raising	1,016.77	
		<u>19,616.30</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS		<u>\$ 564.98</u>

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Milton Solins
Attorney and Accountant

April 7, 1944

Mr. J. S. Pearlstien
American Jewish Conference,
521 Fifth Avenue,
New York City

My dear Mr. Pearlstien:

I am under the impression that I asked Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt to serve as a member of the Commission on Palestine. He was to be a "coopted" member. I have since heard that he was put out over the fact that he was not included. What happened?

I would suggest that he be "coopted" and that he be so notified. His address is 80 Broad St.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:NEK

Abba Hillel Silver

American Jewish Conference

521 FIFTH AVENUE
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April 20, 1944

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TO THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE and
CHAIRMEN OF COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES:

We have not received the return postcard,
indicating that you will attend the meeting of the
Executive Committee scheduled for Wednesday, April 26th,
10 A.M. at the Hotel Biltmore, New York City.

May we hear from you by return mail?

Sincerely yours,

J. S. Pearlstien
Administrative Secretary

JSP:FS

AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE
521 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

To: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Date: APRIL 24, 1944

From: MR. J. S. PEARLSTIEN, Administrative Secretary

Subject: SUMMARY OF COMMITMENTS TOWARD 1944 BUDGET

1. The following are commitments secured to date:

Los Angeles (WF) \$2,500-- emergency allocation, final allocation still pending; San Jose (WF) \$100-- emergency allocation, final allocation still pending; Stamford (WF) \$300; New Britain Region: Meriden (WF) \$150; Delaware State Region (Comm.) \$400; Washington, D.C. (WF) \$1,000; Florida State Region: Lakeland (Temple Emanuel) \$50, Pensacola (WF) \$50, St. Petersburg (WF) \$200; Illinois State Region: Peoria (WF) \$250-- emergency allocation, Quincy (WF) \$100; Rockford (WF) \$75; Chicago (Comm.) \$15,000; Indiana State Region: South Bend (WF) \$600, Evansville (WF) \$150, Gary (WF) \$250, Michigan City (WF) \$100, Shelbyville (WF) \$100, Terre-Haute (WF) \$150; Iowa-Illinois: Tri-Cities Region (Comm.) \$600; Kentucky State Region: Lexington (WF) \$200, Henderson (Congregation) \$25, Owensboro (Congregation) \$50, Paducah (Congregation) \$50; Louisville (WF) \$500; Shreveport (Individual) \$100; Maine State Region (Comm.) \$700; Boston, Chelsea and Malden (WF) \$10,000; Lowell Region: Lowell (WF) \$200; Michigan State Region: Jackson (WF) \$100, Mt. Clemens (WF) \$75, Battle Creek (WF) \$25; Detroit (WF) \$2,500--not final; Minneapolis (WF) \$1,200; Duluth Region: Duluth (WF) \$250-- emergency allocation; Mississippi State Region: Vicksburg (WF) \$50, Greenwood (WF) \$50; Kansas City, Mo. (WF) \$750; St. Joseph Region: St. Joseph (WF) \$100-- emergency allocation, final allocation still pending; Sedalia (WF) \$25; Omaha (WF) \$1,000; New Hampshire State Region (Comm.) \$1,000; New Jersey: Hudson County Region (Comm.) \$750; Plainfield Region: Plainfield (WF) \$300; Ocean and Monmouth Region (Comm.) \$600; Bergen County Region (Comm.) \$600; Mt. Vernon (Comm.) \$750; Syracuse (WF) \$200-- emergency allocation, final allocation still pending; Schenectady Region (Comm.) \$600; Peekskill Region (Comm.) \$600; Cleveland (WF) \$3,000; Columbus (WF) \$500-- allocation not final; Dayton (WF) \$300; Tulsa (WF) \$500; Harrisburg (WF) \$300-- allocation not final; McKeesport (WF) \$200; Wilkes-Barre (WF) \$700; Tri-Cities Region: Easton, Pa., (WF) \$200; Western Region: Johnstown, Pa. (WF) \$500; East Central Region: Pottsville, Pa. (WF) \$50; Providence (WF) \$1,000-- allocation not final; South Carolina State Region (Welfare Fund) \$900; Chattanooga and Knoxville Region: Chattanooga (WF) \$350; Memphis (WF) \$500; Nashville (WF) \$400; San Antonio (WF) \$600; Austin Region: Austin (WF) \$150, Lockhart (B'nai B'rith) \$25, Brownsville (B'nai B'rith) \$100; Fort Worth Region: Ft. Worth (WF) \$300; Vermont State Region (Comm.) \$600; Norfolk (WF) \$450; Wisconsin State Region (W.F.) \$600; New York City (Campaign) \$8,000.

Memorandum to: Executive Committee
April 24, 1944

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2. The following are communities in which the Conference budgetary request was referred to the local Welfare Funds and action is now pending:

Alabama: Birmingham, Montgomery, Selma; Arizona: Tucson;
Arkansas: Fort Smith, Helena; California: Oakland, San Francisco,
San Jose (emergency allocation of \$100 made--final allocation pending;
San Diego; Colorado: Denver; Connecticut: Bridgeport, Hartford, New Haven,
Waterbury; Florida: Jacksonville, Miami; Georgia: Atlanta, Savannah;
Illinois: Aurora, Champaign, Elgin, Joliet, Springfield, Southern
Illinois Federation, Peoria (emergency allocation of \$250-- final
allocation pending); Indiana: Indianapolis (refused once-- is being
reconsidered), Fort Wayne, Lafayette; Iowa: Des Moines, Sioux City,
Cedar Rapids; Louisiana: New Orleans; Maryland: Baltimore; Massachusetts:
Brockton, Lynn, New Bedford, Springfield, Worcester; Michigan: Bay City,
Flint; Minnesota: St. Paul, Duluth (emergency allocation \$250-- allocation
pending); Mississippi: Meridian; Missouri: St. Louis, St. Joseph (emergen-
cy allocation \$100-- final allocation pending), Joplin; Nebraska: Lincoln;
New Mexico: Albuquerque; New Jersey: Atlantic City, Bayonne, Camden,
Elizabeth, Newark, Jersey City, New Brunswick, Passaic, Patterson,
Trenton, Perth Amboy; New York: Albany, Rochester, Syracuse (emergency
allocation \$200-- final allocation pending until after campaign),
Yonkers, Portchester, Utica; Ohio: Canton, Toledo; Oklahoma: Oklahoma
City; Oregon: Portland; Pennsylvania: McKeesport, Philadelphia, Pittsburg,
Scranton; Rhode Island: Woonsocket; South Carolina: Charleston, Sumter,
Greenville; Tennessee: Knoxville; Texas: Houston, Corsicana, Corpus Christi,
Galveston; Washington: Seattle.

3. The commitments total \$65,700 against which \$22,412.50 has been remitted.

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April 27, 1944

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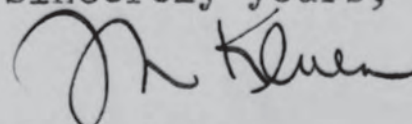
Dear Dr. Silver:

I have a note from Dr. Wise who encloses a letter from Rabbi Nussbaum of Los Angeles in which Rabbi Nussbaum expresses disappointment over the fact that he was not coopted to any of the commissions. Dr. Wise suggests that Rabbi Nussbaum be made a member of the Palestine Commission, and if you will give your approval, I will notify Rabbi Nussbaum of his cooption. I do not think that any formal action is required.

When is it possible for you to schedule a meeting of the Palestine Commission? The executive committee of the Conference met today to discuss plans for the second session of the Conference and it was voted to refer the matter to the Interim Committee meeting May 16th. I think that it would be desirable to have a meeting of the Palestine Commission before May 16th so that we might have some report to make to the Interim Committee.

Incidentally, you and I became members simultaneously of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance when Mr. Louis Segal presented both of our names. Thus at one stroke from the eloquent Mr. Segal, the Jewish National Workers' Alliance acquired the chairman and secretary of the Palestine Commission, the president of the Cleveland Zionist Society and the former president of the Cleveland Zionist District, and at least one good orator.

Sincerely yours,



I. L. Kenen

ILK:s

April 29, 1944

Mr. I. L. Kenen,
American Jewish Conference,
521 Fifth Avenue,
New York 17, N. Y.

My dear Friend:

In reply to your letter of April 27th, it is perfectly agreeable to me to add the name of Rabbi Nussbaum to the membership of the Palestine Commission. I don't know whether that is quite parliamentary and whether the Commission needs to vote on it at its next meeting.

Please arrange a meeting of the Palestine Commission during the lunch hour of May 16th.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:NEK

Abba Hillel Silver

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Administrative Secretary

May 4, 1944

To Members of the Palestine Commission
of the American Jewish Conference:

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, chairman of the Commission, has
called a meeting of the commission to be held on Monday,
May 15, at 12:30 p. m. at the Hotel Biltmore.

Will you please let me know whether you will be able to
attend this meeting, so that we may make luncheon reserva-
tions.

Sincerely,

I. L. Kenen
Secretary to the
Palestine Commission

American Jewish Conference

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Administrative Secretary

May 23, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing the minutes of the Palestine Commission meeting.

You will recall that the commission authorized the appointment of a committee of five to begin preparation of a report to the next Conference.

The Administrative Committee, at its meeting on Wednesday, May 17th, called on the commissions to prepare reports on past activities and on recommendations for future action to implement the Conference resolutions.

Whom do you wish to name to membership on the committee?

Sincerely yours,

I. L. Kenen

I. L. Kenen

per A. S.

ILK:s
enc.
(Dictated but not read)

May 28, 1944

Mr. I. L. Kenen, Public Relations Director
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Kenen:

I would suggest that the following five
be invited to prepare the report of the Palestine
Commission of the American Jewish Conference for the
next session of the Conference.

Jane Evans
Carl Sherman
Rabbi A. Simon Federbush
Isaac Hamlin
Mrs. Judith Epstein.

I assume that you will act as secretary of the
committee.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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June 2, 1944

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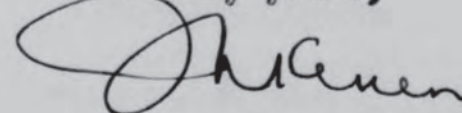
Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been instructed by the Administrative Committee to assume responsibility for the publication of the reports of the three Commissions and the Interim Committee, which are to be sent to the delegates.

In order that this material may be printed in time for distribution by mid-July, it will be necessary to have the reports completed by June 30th.

I am hopeful that we can keep this deadline in mind in the compilation of these reports.

Sincerely yours,



I. L. Kenen

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THE INTERIM COMMITTEE WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE DELEGATES OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK, SEPT. 2, 1943, TO IMPLEMENT ITS RESOLUTIONS ON: THE RESCUE OF EUROPEAN JEWRY; THE RIGHTS AND STATUS OF JEWS IN THE POST-WAR WORLD; THE RIGHTS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE WITH RESPECT TO PALESTINE.

June 9, 1944

Dr. Alexander S. Kohanski, Director
Research Department
American Jewish Conference
521 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Kohanski:

I am returning herewith the galley proofs which you kindly permitted me to see. I have made some typographical corrections in the proofs of my own address before the Conference.

The whole makes a very imposing story of what took place and you are to be congratulated on the manner in which you made abstracts and condensed the statements, addresses and discussions and organized the whole into a most informative and readable document.

You asked me to write an introduction. I am really at a loss to know just what is expected of me. Perhaps you will give me a few suggestions as to what I am to incorporate in the introduction. My own thought is to write just a paragraph or two in praise of the high tone of the discussions, its comprehensive character, etc.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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My dear Dr. Silver:

Complying with the suggestion of the Office of Defense Transportation, the Interim Committee decided to postpone the date of the holding of the second session of the Conference. Consideration will probably be given to the question of fixing another date at the meeting of the Interim Committee, which is to be held in New York on Tuesday, August 1st.

In the extended interim between the date of setting up the re-organized Administrative Committee and the date of the holding of the second session, the Interim Committee agreed that within the Administrative Committee should be centralized all executive activities, and to that end, the Chairmen of the Commissions of the Interim Committee are to be added to the membership of the Administrative Committee; and the Commissions shall report their activities and actions to the Administrative Committee, which shall implement and activate their programs, subject always, of course, to the review of the Interim Committee.

In the case of the Chairman of the Palestine Commission, it was agreed that you, who might not be able to attend the regular meetings in New York, be permitted to designate a representative to act for the Palestine Commission at the meetings of the Administrative Committee, that representative to be either a member of the Interim Committee or a delegate to the Conference.

Will you please, therefore, take notice of the date of the next meeting of the Administrative Committee, which is Thursday, July 6th, at 6:00 P.M., at the office of the American Jewish Conference.

Hoping that either you or the representative you may designate may be able to attend the meeting, I am,

Very cordially yours,

Louis Lipsky

Louis Lipsky, Chairman,
Administrative Committee

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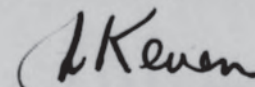
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am still waiting for comment from you on the draft of the Palestine Commission Report.

I have not yet called the meeting of the sub-committee, nor have I distributed any copies, and I should like to proceed with this as soon as possible because I suspect that there will have to be substantial changes.

Inasmuch as the Interim Committee yesterday voted to postpone the second session for sixty to ninety days, it seems to be more important than ever to print our reports, since something will have to be furnished to the delegates very shortly.

Sincerely yours,



I. L. Kenen

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DISCUSSION ON PALESTINE

AT THE FIRST SESSION OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

Symposium on Palestine

Opening Remarks by the Chairman

Address by Dr. Nahum Goldmann

Address by Israel H. Goldberg

Address by Dr. James G. Heller

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Committee on Palestine

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Concluding Remarks

Text of Resolution on Palestine

Statements on the Palestine Resolution

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I see that our letters crossed.

Thank you for returning the draft and your suggestions.

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July 10, 1944

ANNOUNCEMENT

At an earlier date we announced the publication of

The Proceedings
of the American Jewish Conference

that was expected to be forthcoming at the end of June. Due to technical matters, the publication has been delayed and is expected to come off the press on July 24th. Accordingly, we have extended the offer of a discount of 25% for advance prepaid orders until the date of publication.

Those who have not yet ordered their copy may avail themselves of the offer for a reduced rate until July 24th. Please order your copy now on the attached blank.

The Administrative Committee
American Jewish Conference

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October 23, 1944

Mr. Sidney N. Weitz
Leader Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Sidney:

I would appreciate it if you would let me have four or five paragraphs on Proskauer's address at the luncheon. I am trying to get a composite picture of what he said both at noon and in the evening. Evidently there was no transcript of his addresses. I want to be fair in my discussion next Sunday morning and I'd like to base it on as accurate a report as I can get. I am asking three or four other people who were present at the meetings to give me their accounts. I am particularly desirous of knowing what he said about the American Jewish Conference, about my role in the Conference, etc. Did he quote me? And what did he quote? What did he say about Zionism and Zionists? All pertinent facts would be greatly appreciated.

I do not, of course, intend to quote you or any one else. I will be gone tomorrow, in New York, but will return Wednesday morning.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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November 20, 1944

PERSONAL

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Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

In connection with the matter we discussed relative to Mrs. Fryer's substitution, I enclose herewith two copies of the rules governing the situation which I just received from I. L. Kenen of the American Jewish Conference. The present Rule 30, as amended by the Interim Committee on May 12, is slightly different from the old Rule 30, which is as follows:

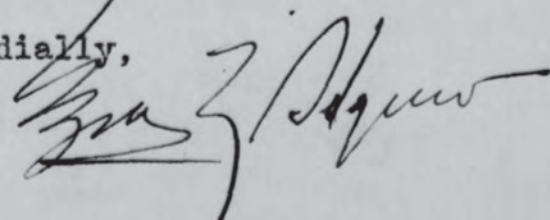
"30. In the case of a vacancy occurring for any reason in any election district or region, a delegate elected to the American Jewish Conference may choose his successor from among the other non-elected candidates on the ballot; or if there are none, then from the organization which he represents."

As I remember it, the Council of Jewish Women, as such, nominated only Mrs. Fryer so that there were no non-elected candidates on the ballot nominated by her organization. Under the circumstances, Mrs. Fryer could cause her organization to propose someone. I presume they would follow her suggestion. In the event she failed to do anything about it, the Local Election Committee would be empowered to fill the vacancy.

It would seem reasonable for Mrs. Fryer to designate Mrs. Mellman, especially in view of the fact that she herself heartily and fully endorsed the Conference Palestine Resolution.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially,



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RULES GOVERNING THE FILLING OF DELEGATE VACANCIES
for the
SECOND SESSION OF THE CONFERENCE
ADOPTED BY THE INTERIM COMMITTEE
MAY 12, 1944

Charles P. Kramer, Chairman,
Committee on Credentials

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Rule 30: In the case of a vacancy occurring for any reason in any election district or region, a delegate elected to the American Jewish Conference must choose his successor from among the non-elected candidates on the ballot nominated by the same groups or organizations; or if there are none, then a person to be proposed by the organizations or groups which had nominated him; in the event the delegate cannot or will not act, then the local Election Committee shall be empowered to fill the vacancy.

RULE 30A: If the vacancy be due to death of the elected delegate or in case the delegate vacating his seat shall fail to act, and name a successor within the rules, not later than 5 days before the American Jewish Conference, the vacancy shall be filled by the local Election Committee, by a majority vote of its members with due regard for the intent and purpose of Paragraph 30.

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DANIEL SHERBY
2020 WEST THIRD STREET
CLEVELAND

Feb. 6, 1945.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I have just read the enclosed report of the meeting of the A.J.C. in New York & would appreciate your comment or criticism of this resolution with respect to Palestine - also Sumner Welles statement, which seems to be along the same lines.



Since I am interested both in Palestine & the work of the A.J.C., I have been trying to reconcile some of these differences of opinion in my own mind. As for this report, I can't see where the A.J.C. has taken a stand

DANIEL SHERBY
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inimical to Zionist hopes
& aspirations.

This is purely personal,
Rabbi, between you & myself.

Sincerely,

 
Dan

P.S. May I have the enclosed
report when you are
through with it?