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Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Dr. Goldstein, our president, has appointed me chairman of the committee in charge of our forthcoming Convention, scheduled to be held in New York City on October 14, 15 and 16th.

In order to assure a well-planned and constructive Convention, I am most anxious to have the guidance and advice of men occupying key positions in American Zionism.

Cognizant of your zeal and understanding, I am confident that you can be most helpful by giving these matters some thought and sending me your ideas as to how they can be effectuated:

A. One of the major considerations confronting us is the integration into Zionism of the large percentage of our present membership who became affiliated with the Organization during the current year. What can we do to make them conscious of the significance of their affiliation?

B. How can we utilize outstanding lay leadership at this Convention thus giving the Organization the benefit of their experience and at the same time giving the delegates a real sense of participation in our deliberations and decisions?

C. What should in your judgment, be the "theme" of this Convention - a) The American-Jewish scene? b) The political situation? c) The cultural aspect of our movement? or d) Combatting the anti-Zionists within our community?

May I hear from you soon?

Yours for Zion rebuilt,

Daniel Frisch

DF:hb



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June 15th
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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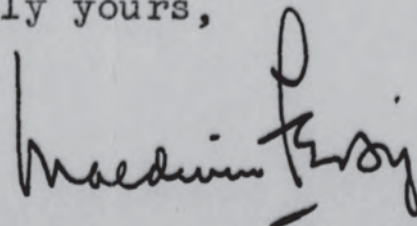
My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am not given to the habit of adding to the burdens of the Post Office by making my contribution to fan mail, but I cannot resist making this instance an exception in connection with your address delivered before the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare, which appears in the current issue of the New Palestine. I shall forego the temptation to indulge in adjectives, difficult as it is to repress them. There is just one that I cannot keep down altogether, which perhaps sums it all up, namely, superb.

One part of the paper registered perhaps more deeply than others. It is that portion of the paper which deals with our failure to save as many as might have been and the utter ineptness in utilizing precious weeks and months in the most ghastly period of Jewish extermination in Hitler Europe. This particularly so because throughout that period I did my utmost to go all out in an endeavor to stir public opinion and save lives. There were many evening meals uneaten or undigested following hectic meetings where it seemed impossible to obtain that "measure of wisdom, vision and competence" needed in such a dire hour.

I have drawn heavily upon your thinking in the talks I have made since reading it. You have given eloquent and unanswerable expression to what is or should be in our minds and hearts.

Sincerely yours,



MMF:BG

June 29, 1944

Mr. Suggs Garber, President
Cleveland Zionist District
Hippodrome Annex
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Garber:

Rabbi Silver requested me to send you
the enclosed copy of a letter which he wrote to
Mr. Joshua Epstein regarding the radio program of
the ZOA.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK



July 3, 1944

Mr. M. Maldwin Fertig
84 William Street
New York 7, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Fertig:

Just a brief note to tell you how much I appreciated your thoughtfulness in writing to me about my Paper which appeared in the New Palestine. I have been pleased to have received so many favorable comments.

You must be delighted, as I am, at the very fine plank on Palestine which was included in the Republican Platform. I am now hoping that the Democratic Platform will include a similar one.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Philadelphia, Pa.
July 7, 1944

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Your stimulating letter was forwarded to me here. Thank you for same.

Whatever recriminations may follow my determination to see to it that the lay leadership gets a play at the forthcoming convention, it shall come to pass, if I can help it.

I am one of those who, the phrasing of the Palestine resolution adopted by the Republican party, notwithstanding, look upon it as an achievement of great value in the arena of contemporary political endeavor in behalf of Zionism.

As to Welles, I shall convey your opinion to the Committee.

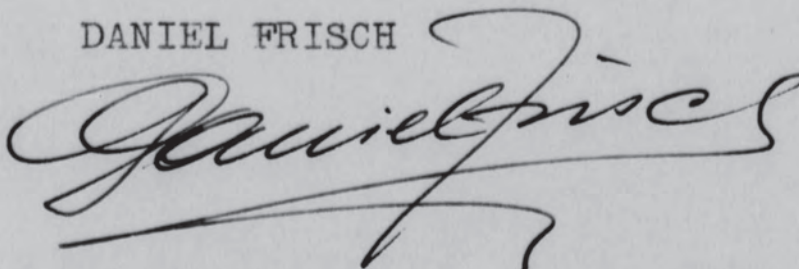
You know, of course, that the entire business of holding the convention in October is subject to the decision of the administrative committee scheduled for this Sunday here, in view of the fact that we were asked by the Government to postpone the holding of the convention.

With personal good wishes, I am,

Most cordially yours,

DF:R

DANIEL FRISCH

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Daniel Frisch", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

A. B. FREY
Suite 1514
Federal Commerce Trust Bldg.
Saint Louis 2, Missouri

7-16-44

Dear Rabbi Silber:

I enjoyed greatly your
statement before the Congressional
Committee on Resolutions 418 & 419.
It was lofty, inspiring and
convincing.

Both Mrs. Frey and I are
indebted to you.

With appreciation

Yours

AB Frey

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silber
Cleveland Ohio.

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URGE YOU ATTEND MEETING SUNDAY JULY 23RD 2:00 PM MORRISON
HOTEL DELEGATES TO AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE FROM CHICAGO
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THEIR DECISIONS REGARDING DEMOCRATIZATION OF NEXT SESSION
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AUGUST 1ST. WILL YOU ATTEND WIRE ME 3740 LAKE SHORE
DRIVE CHICAGO. WILL RESERVE HOTEL ROOM UPON REQUEST=
JUDGE HARRY M FISCHER.

23 2:00 PM 3740.

July 19, 1944

Mr. A. B. Frey
Federal Commerce Trust Bldg.
St. Louis 2, Mo.

My dear Mr. Frey:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in writing to me about my statement before the House Foreign Affairs Committee. I am pleased that you liked the presentation. We are hoping to have action on the resolution some time in the Fall.

With all good wishes to you and Mrs. Frey for a pleasant summer, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

American Zionist Emergency Council

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July 19, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

In your letter of the 17th, addressed to Mr. Arthur Lourie, you inquired about Irving Zieman of Boston.

As a Bostonian, I can give you full information on this gentleman. He is undoubtedly the person you have in mind, who has sent vicious anti-Zionist communications to English periodicals. He has been doing this thing for sometime. He is rabid on the subject and has not only sent letters to the Jewish Advocate of Boston, but has also succeeded in inserting quite a bit of nasty, anti-Zionist material in that paper, as paid advertising.

He also started to make trouble in Boston with a radio station which was carrying a program of the Rabbinical Association because, during several of the broadcasts, Rabbi Herman H. Rabinovitz and other Rabbis have spoken favorably of Zionism. He complained to the radio station that, since Zionism was a controversial subject, he must be given an equal amount of time to that given to the Rabbinical Association in order to answer it. In this he was not successful.

He is a man of considerable means, a real estate man, and he and one other person have been financing some agitation for the Council of Judaism.

Among other things, he was responsible for getting a hearing for Lessing Rosenwald before the Brotherhood of Temple Israel of Boston. However to counteract this, our people arranged to have Lessing Rosenwald's lecture followed by Dr. Nahum Goldmann, and from the reports I have heard, Rosenwald didn't make a particularly good impression, - the attendance being made up largely of people who wanted to see what a millionaire looked like, while Dr. Goldmann made a very fine impression.

With all that I gather, Mr. Zieman is not taken very seriously in Boston, but so long as he has means and is willing to spend, he will be able to fill up some space in the local Jewish Advocate, and of course there is nothing to prevent him from sending out the kind of thing which you received.

Enclosed please find the letter and the article sent by Mr. Zieman.

(Mr Lourie is on vacation)

Cordially yours,

Adolph Hubbard
Adolph Hubbard

AH:BI - Encls.



STATE OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF LAW
ALBANY

NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN
ATTORNEY GENERAL

July 19, 1944.

Dear Dr. Silver:

If you intend to be in New York City on Monday next, I should like to have the pleasure of lunching with you.

Mrs. Ellis, my Secretary in New York, will telephone the Hotel Commodore during the morning to make the necessary arrangements. I trust you are well.

With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Nathaniel L. Goldstein", written over the typed name.

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

C O P Y for Dr. Silver

July 29, 1944

MEMORANDUM relative to interview with Charles Gradke, Foreign Editor
Christian Science Monitor, regarding item in Christian
Science Monitor, June 28th.

To Harry L. Shapiro

From Adolph Hubbard

I saw Mr. Gradke and showed him the article which appeared as a report from their Washington correspondent on June 28th and also a subsequent article which appeared on July 25th as coming from their Cairo correspondent. The first item purported to represent the views of the American State Department and was the item denied by the State Department. The general tone of the second article was much the same as the first one and made the point that Lord Gort was in for a lot of trouble but that the whole matter might come to naught because it is quite possible that there will be no Jewish immigration to Palestine after the war.

Mr. Gradke made the point that since the first item originated in this country it was really something that did not come out of his department and that it being so near his work, he would check into it. I showed him the photostat of the letter of the State Department denying the matter in the item but he tried to minimize the statement saying that he had information that it represented the real view of the State Department.

In the course of the discussion an additional fact came out to confirm the idea that I expressed in my report of the former interview that Gradke is a "meshumed" or a son of a "meshumed". He said that his solution of the Jewish problem is that the Jew should not be segregated but should be assimilated among the other nations of the world and that he had written considerable material in his paper to help in this line, although it had not appeared editorially.

He did make note of the dates of the two items involved and took the photostat of the letter and said he would check into the matter. This is the final word which can be amplified verbally as to the details of the conversation had with him.

It is therefore obvious that we cannot do much with Gradke, as he is clearly an opponent and not a very scrupulous one.

As you are probably aware Elihu Stone has another contact in the Christian Science Monitor. I have reported to Elihu and he will follow up his contact this week.

Regards to yourself and the staff

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August 1, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Pilgrim Hotel,
Plymouth, Mass.

Dear Rabbi:

You are probably wondering what has happened after the bother to which I put you to in regard to reservations at your hotel. The answer is simple. The rates are much beyond our reach. They wanted \$12.00 per day per person which would have meant \$36.00 per day for Hortense, Leon, Jr. and myself. However, Hortense's mother, Mrs. Morgenstern, who has been ordered by her doctor to go to the seashore and who has been trying, without success, to get reservations in Atlantic City, may come to Plymouth for a week or two.

We are going this week to a place where we went two years ago. It is a very nice place and the only reason I hesitated to go this year is because it requires a rather complicated train trip to get there, but we finally decided to do it, mainly because I need to get away and get a rest rather badly if I am going to be of any use to anybody next season. However, I think a couple of weeks of being out in the sun getting some swimming and some relaxation, will fix me up.

If you need me for anything you can reach me at Omena Inn, Omena, Mich., and do not hesitate to call me.

The family join me in sending our love to Virginia and yourself.

As ever,

Leon

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Zionist Organization of America
1720 - 16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

August 3, 1944

Dr. Abba H. Silver
American Zionist Emergency Council
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am handing on to you a suggestion made
by Judge Levinthal in a recent letter to me:

"It occurs to me that it would be worthwhile considering the advisability of advertising in key newspapers of the country both the Republican and Democratic Party planks on Palestine (exclusive of the last sentence of the former). The Emergency Committee might sponsor the advertising, or it might be done in the name of the American Palestine Committee. The ad. need not be very large. It might quote Roosevelt or Dewey, the American Jewish Conference Resolution, and the pending resolution in Congress. The Philadelphia Palestine Open Door Committee is planning to advertise along these lines in all the Philadelphia newspapers."

In reply to Judge Levinthal, I stated as follows:

"As to your suggestion to advertise the planks, I am not sure that I can see any special purpose in it. After all, our next step is the Congress Resolution and the Congressmen certainly are aware of the Palestine planks. I am, however, handing on your suggestion to Dr. Silver."

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Israel Goldstein

P.S. Judge Levinthal also sent me the enclosed Kiplinger letter which contains a portion that may be of interest to you.

MEMORANDUM

To DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER.

Date August 8, 1944.

From Mr. Hubbard.

Subject: Relative to interviews with Charles Gradke, Foreign Editor of the
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR.

I have had two interviews with Mr. Gradke, both of them rather lengthy. The first was brought about because of a discussion that I had in this office with the Christian Science Advertising Representative relative to the attitude that the Monitor is taking towards the Zionist Movement. This first interview was rather general in its nature, in which I discussed our Movement with Mr. Gradke. It appeared that he was very familiar with all the Arab arguments and he presented them. I believe I met every one of them. The impression that I came away with at that time was that he was either a "meshumed" or the son of a "meshumed", although there is nothing about his appearance or his accent to give this impression.

The second interview which I had on July the 29th dealt with the statement that appeared in the Christian Science Monitor on June 28th, purporting to be the view of the State Department. First, I pointed out to him that the facts were incorrect, and then showed him the letter of Mr. Stettinius on the subject. At the same time I spoke to him about an article, in the same strain, that appeared in the paper on July 25th, under the heading, "Arab-Jew Tension Increases Over Palestine as Homeland" by William Stringer, as the Cairo Correspondent. The second article was similarly antagonistic and dealt with the problem that Lord Gort would have to face in Palestine. This Cairo article raises some doubt on the Lowdermilk project, which it refers to as statements by "American development experts".

Mr. Gradke insisted that this article of the 28th represented the view of the State Department, and he was not affected by the Stettinius letter.

I asked whether he would print any material that we would send in and he refused to make any commitments, saying that whatever would be sent in would have to be submitted to various tests as to whether it was correct and whether it conformed to the policy which the paper had set up.

During the course of the discussion he made the remark that he was quite ready to agree that our people suffered terrible injustices in Europe and when he advanced this, I answered him by saying that since he agreed to that point, and if he did not agree that the Jew should be sent to Palestine, what did he have to offer in place of it - and ruling out anything like Madagascar, Uganda and British Guiana, which I characterized as pure conversation to confuse the issue, - his answer was that he felt, and he had written to this effect in the Christian Science Monitor, that the Jew should not be segregated in any one place but that they should be assimilated among the other nations of the world. Of course my answer to this is the obvious one, but this has confirmed the view that I have taken about him as being a "meshumed". It is very evident that he is an anti-Zionist and all of the trouble in the paper stems from him. I have looked into the American Who's Who, and while in Boston, into the Massachusetts Who's Who and the New England Who's Who, and do not find him listed in any of these documents so that I am not in position to give his background.

TO: DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER.

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August 8, 1944.

When I realized that nothing could be accomplished with him, I ceased to be aggressive so as not to create a difficult situation for Elihu Stone, who has another contact of a person higher up in the Christian Science Monitor.

Immediately after leaving Mr. Gradke, I reported in detail to Mr. Stone and suggested to him that he make immediate contact with this Mr. Richardson, to whom he spoke on the train to Chicago, and who has represented himself as being the Chief Editor of the Christian Science Monitor. Mr. Shapiro has written to Stone, in accordance with the enclosed letter, to follow up on this matter.

AH:BI
Encl.



August 8th, 1944

Mr. Elihu D. Stone
44 School Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Elihu:

Hubbard has told me that you made a contact with one of the more important officials in the Christian Science Monitor. It is important that you get in touch with him and see what progress can be made. This ought to be done as soon as possible.

Under separate cover, we are sending you twenty-five (25) copies of the Testimony on the Palestine Resolution before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives.

Trusting to hear from you, I am with kindest regards

Sincerely yours

Harry L. Shapiro
Director

HLS:HIS

COPY OF CABLE FROM CHIEF RABBI JOSEPH HERTZ - LONDON - DATED 8/9/44

WEIZMANN c/o JEWISH AGENCY 77 GREAT RUSSELL STREET LONDON

POSITION PARENTLESS REFUGEE CHILDREN ARRIVING PALESTINE STILL UNSATISFACTORY
STOP SELF DETERMINATION AT AGE OF 15 AND GIVING RELATIVES IN PALESTINE POWERS TO
DECIDE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ORTHODOX CHILDREN IS CAUSING GRAVE CONCERN THROUGHOUT
JEWRY STOP VIEW MY LIFELONG LOYALTY AND SERVICES ZIONIST CAUSE BEG YOU NOT
W EAKEN THROUGH ANTI-RELIGIOUS POLICIES MY POSTWAR CHAMPIONSHIP URGE
CATEGORICAL DECLARATION THAT AS IN ENGLAND ALL PARENTLESS CHILDREN ARRIVING
PALESTINE SHALL RECEIVE RELIGIOUS TRAINING MIZRACHI SCHOOLS SATISFACTORY

JOSEPH HERTZ CHIEF RABBI

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Rabbi Wolf Gold
Mizrachi Org. of America
1133 Broadway
New York City
August 21st, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o Emergency Committee
342 Madison Ave.
New York City

My Dear Dr. Silver,

I am sorry to disturb your vacation by bringing to your attention the enclosed booklet issued by the British Information Service, 30 Rockerfeller Plaza, New York City,--"Fifty Facts About The Middle East."

In fact 30, speaking of Palestine, the Information Service mentions that Palestine is smaller than Maryland in area, has a unique place in the history of Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Under the Balfour Declaration, made in 1917, while Britain was liberating Palestine from Turkish rule, Britain stated it favored the establishment in Palestine of a Jewish National Home. etc. This Home was established.

According to my interpretation, and I believe you will agree with me, it was the intention of the Information Service:

- 1) To point out the limited area of Palestine.
- 2) That Palestine is sacred to two other Religions-Christianity and Islam.
- 3) That the Balfour Declaration did not intend Palestine as a Jewish State, but that in Palestine a Jewish Homeland could be established.
- 4) That the said Declaration was issued during a time when Britain was engaged in a war against Turkey. Therefore it should be considered as a war measure to win the sympathy of the Jews.
- 5) Which is most significant, that the Home was established.

In fact 32, it relates the proposal of Partition in 1937 which failed and as a consequence the British Government put forward a plan for a self-governing Palestine setting 75,000 as limit for further Jewish immigration without Arab consent.

Finally, in fact 33, the Information Service states that

MEMORANDUM ON MEASURES OF RELIEF AND RESCUE
OF JEWS SURVIVING IN AND DEPORTED FROM HUNGARY

We welcome with gratitude the announcement by the Governments of the United States and the United Kingdom that "they have accepted the offer of the Hungarian Government for the release of Jews and will make arrangements for the care of such Jews leaving Hungary who reach neutral or United Nations' territory, and also that they will find temporary havens of refuge where such people may live in safety."

We express our appreciation for the untiring efforts of the War Refugee Board, which led to the offer made by the Hungarian Government and its acceptance.

It is our conviction that steps must be taken without delay to implement this announced policy for the following reasons:

1. The offer of the Hungarian Government may be countermanded at any time by the Nazis and the deportation of Jews from Hungary, which we understand is still continuing, may be resumed on a large scale. Such a course is likely in the light of past experience and because of the danger that the Nazis may launch reprisals against the Jews as Allied successes mount.

2. Evacuation of a number of Jews from Hungary will not only mean salvation for those who are removed, but will make it clear to the people of Hungary and other countries in Axis dominated Europe that the Allied powers are determined to protect the Jewish people from further Nazi excesses, and thus ameliorate the conditions of the Jews who cannot be brought out.

3. Any indication on the part of the United Nations that they are not prepared to take full and immediate advantage of the Hungarian offer would have a disastrous effect, for it would negate the warnings and the appeals which have been directed to the people of Hungary since the beginning of the Nazi occupation, and it would discourage neutral nations who have repeatedly demonstrated their willingness to come to the assistance of the victims of Nazi persecution. We therefore urge the immediate adoption of the following measures of rescue:

I. RESCUE OF CHILDREN

At the outset, we stress the urgency of transferring children from Hungary inasmuch as a number of neutral and Allied governments have expressed a willingness to grant havens to them.

Since the Swedish Government has offered to receive 10,000 children from Hungary, we urge that a number of airplanes be placed at the disposal of the Swedish authorities and that the children be flown from Hungary to Sweden. Planes might also be placed at the disposal of Switzerland, Spain and Turkey should they be willing to undertake similar action.

The fullest cooperation of the International Red Cross should be enlisted to guarantee these planes safe transit.

It is our conviction that public opinion would hail these flights of mercy with gratitude. Moreover, the psychological effect on the people of occupied Europe would be overwhelming, for this would impressively signify the intention of the United Nations to liberate the victims of Nazi tyranny and persecution.

II. RESCUE OF ADULTS

The possibilities offered by the available Palestine certificates should be utilized to their fullest extent. Roumanian and Bulgarian efforts to win the favor of the United Nations, Turkey's non-belligerency, the reported withdrawal of the German armies from the Turkish-Bulgarian border, call for the utilization of land routes as lifelines of escape. However, transportation should not be limited to railroads. All available vehicles should be employed.

Steps should also be taken at once to provide sea transportation facilities for escaping refugees by placing suitable boats at the disposal of rescue organizations.

III. THOSE WHO REMAIN IN HUNGARY

As for the Jews who remain in Hungary and who are deprived of their freedom of movement, we urge that the United States and the United Kingdom join in making available to the International Red Cross the necessary means for providing them with food and clothing. In a cable dated August 4, 1944, which has been communicated to us, the International Committee of the Red Cross complains that "for months past" it "has submitted to Allied governments, especially with view to relief measures, concrete proposals which for economic reasons could in part not yet meet with approval." May we recall that on November 26, 1943, Mr. Breckinridge Long, Assistant Secretary of State, informed the House Committee of Foreign Affairs that the United States and Great Britain would each contribute four million dollars to finance the rescue program of the International Committee of the Red Cross? We request that this proposal soon be carried into effect.

IV. THOSE DEPORTED FROM HUNGARY

The Jews already deported from Hungary must not be written off. According to the Agence Telegraphique Suisse, of July 13, 1944, the Budapest government has contended that no Jews have been deported from Hungary to Germany and Poland, but that actually Jewish manpower has been placed at the disposal of the Reich in accordance with a recently concluded German-Hungarian agreement. May we urge that the Hungarian government be requested by an official note, presented through the protecting power, to state what action it has taken and intends to take to insure that this Jewish manpower will be entitled to the same care and protection as the Hungarian workers of Christian faith who have been sent to Germany. At the same time, suggestions should be made that in the light of the physical danger of Jews in Germany, Jewish manpower be returned from Germany and be utilized for public work in Hungary proper.

This memorandum is submitted by the American Jewish Conference, in behalf of the national membership affiliates listed below, and by the following non-affiliated organizations:

Agudas Israel of America, American Jewish Committee, Jewish Peoples Committee, Jewish Peoples Fraternal Order, New Zionist Organization, Union of Orthodox Rabbis, Vaad Hahatzala.

The World Jewish Congress joins these American Jewish organizations in the presentation of these proposals.

The organizations affiliated with the American Jewish Conference in whose behalf this memorandum is submitted include:

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Rabbinical Council of America
Union of American Hebrew Congregations
Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations
Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations - Women's Branch
Union of Sephardic Congregations, Inc.
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August 24, 1944

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

Dear Rabbi:

Received your letter. I quite agree with you about the third paragraph in the formula. If it is permitted to stand, it will make the matter of procedure even more confused than it is now. You will have to be constantly bickering with Goldmann, and since this paragraph provides that the "Co-chairmen of the Council" shall confer with Goldmann, it means that you will find Wise ranged against you. Without the third paragraph, the power to direct procedure is in the hands of the Executive Committee which virtually puts it into your hands.

Everything else being equal I will come to Cleveland on Sunday to confer with you. I will get there some time in the afternoon and give you a ring as soon as I arrive. In the meanwhile will you have Miss Klein make sure that my reservation from Cleveland to New York is held for me until Sunday. Meanwhile, I am getting in touch with Harry Shapiro and asking him to arrange a meeting of the staff members indicated in your letter.

Will try to see you Sunday.

With kindest regards, I am,

As ever,

Leon

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer



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Dear Rabbi:

You have probably already thought of it, but I should like to suggest a piece of strategy with regard to the Congressional resolutions. The time is growing very short, Congress is talking about recessing in a few days and there may not be a chance to carry through all of the negotiations with the War and State Departments. What would you think of getting in touch with Leo Sack and having him sound out Congressman Sol Bloom as to whether or not he might be willing to take unilateral action with regard to the resolution. Sack might base his discussion with Bloom on the following points:

1. It would be a fine thing for him personally to get the resolution through his committee and the House of Representatives before election. It would make him a hero in the eyes of the Jews of America and would make a fine New Year present which he could present to them.
2. If the resolution does not go through now quickly, it will be dead as far as this session of Congress is concerned. That will necessitate our introducing the resolution at the next session and this time we will present it in exactly the same language as the democratic platform. This will mean that he will have all that trouble to go through again and he might as well get it over with now.
3. Sack might also tell Bloom that we intend to poll all candidates for Congress with regard to their standing on the resolution. If he sees that we are determined to keep the thing alive it might persuade him to take action.

If the resolution is to be acted on at this session, it is my opinion that there should be no tampering with its phraseology. If we start monkeying around, it will open the door to all kinds of amendments and then you can never tell what will come out. At this session of Congress it seems to be much safer to stand on the wording as it is. It seems to me it would be a distinct gain even if we could only get the resolution through the House of Representatives.

The family joins me in wishing Virginia, yourself and the boys a very Happy New Year.

LIF-s

As ever,
Leon

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October 3, 1944

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
Collingwood Avenue Temple
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Toledo, Ohio

My dear Leon:

In connection with a political report which I plan to give at the ZOA Convention -- provided that sufficient time will be allotted for such a report -- I am now gathering the material. I should like to include two or three pages on the job which we did during the year in connection with winning public opinion, especially the job which was done in Washington among senators and congressmen in connection with our Resolutions, along the lines of the comprehensive report which you made before the Emergency Council, but in broader outline. Could you send me such a report in the next few days? I would then supplement it with what was done in the field of publications, etc., and the work in connection with the planks in the Party Platforms of both political parties.

I hope that you have had, and are having, a pleasant Holiday season. With all good wishes to you and yours, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 105th & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

I am enclosing herewith the report which you requested. Since I did not have the benefit of having my previous reports and data at hand (they are in my files in New York and Washington) I had to reconstruct the story from memory but I think it is fairly accurate and in sequence. I hope this is what you wanted.

We had a very nice holiday season.

With best wishes for the New Year, I am,

As ever,

LIF-s



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Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

So many important things are happening in Toledo this weekend that much to my very great disappointment I will not be able to go to the convention in Atlantic City. I know you can readily understand how these things happen to a rabbi.

I feel very badly because I was looking forward to being there with you and I hate to disappoint the boys in New York who have been calling and wiring to make sure that I am coming.

I need not tell you how much I hope that things will work out to your satisfaction. Please continue to count on me as usual for any way in which I can be of assistance. If for any reason you feel that it is really urgent for me to be in Atlantic City, give me a ring and I will do my best to shift things around so that I can at least get there for Saturday and Sunday.

With kindest regards, I am,

As ever,

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer

LIF-s

October 11, 1944

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
Collingwood Avenue Temple
2335 Collingwood Avenue
Toledo 10, Ohio

My dear Leon:

Thank you for your letter of October 10. I am sorry that your crowded schedule will keep you from going to Atlantic City. I should very much love to have you come, if at all possible. Not that I expect any slugging, but we are making an attempt to accomplish a few things: (1) an Executive Committee which will have more of our friends on it, (2) the selection of the ZOA representatives on the Emergency Council by the Convention itself instead of by Goldstein, and (3) the shifting of my political report from the tail end of the convention to which it has been relegated to a more central position on the program so that the delegates will have an opportunity to learn of the work of the Emergency Council and to discuss the political situation.

We are going to propose your name for the Executive Committee, and I think it would be nice if you would be at the Convention. Otherwise they will say that we are proposing a Zionist who does not even attend the Convention.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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Dear Rabbi:

Congratulations on a swell job! I have just had a complete report on how you walked away with the Zionist Convention and also how you outsmarted the "boys" by getting the Dewey statement first. That was a beautiful piece of work. What we have to do now is spend this year organizing our forces so that we can clean them out "kit and kaboodle" at the next ZOA Convention.

If Bloom means what he says we ought not to have much trouble in getting the resolutions through. I suppose I better arrange to spend a little time in Washington in November. Let me know what your plans are.

With kindest regards, I am,

As ever,

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer

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Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
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My dear Leon:

Thank you for your kind note. I am sorry that you were not at Atlantic City. You would have enjoyed the meetings.

The present plans call for getting action on our resolutions immediately after Congress reconvenes. This session of Congress will probably last no more than four or five weeks, adjourning around Christmas time. If we are to act, we shall have to act quickly. The members of both the Foreign Relations and Foreign Affairs Committee are being seen during the recess by our community contact people. There should be no trouble.

Senator Taft addressed the Cleveland Zionist Society last evening and gave a perfectly magnificent Zionist speech and said that he will press vigorously for the resolutions as soon as Congress assembles.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BK

OCTOBER 21, 1944

DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN
ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
41 EAST 42 STREET NEW YORK

REGRET CANNOT ATTEND EXECUTIVE MEETING SUNDAY 29th
MUST OCCUPY MY PULPIT IN THE MORNING SCHEDULED TO
BE IN NEW YORK ON THE 30th FOR MEETING OF EMERGENCY
COUNCIL AND COULD HAVE REMAINED OVER FOR A MEETING
ON THE 31st.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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

Dear Rabbi:

In order to take every possible precaution, may I suggest the following procedure.

We ought to contact some of our influential people through the country immediately. We ought to take five or six Republicans and five or six Democrats, preferably from states from which the members of the Foreign Affairs Committee come. We ought to arrange with them to hold themselves in readiness to come to Washington. As soon as we ascertain definitely when Bloom is going to call his meeting of the Foreign Affairs Committee to consider the Resolution, we ought to invite these men to come to Washington two or three days prior to that date and make a final contact with the members of that committee. This may not be in the least necessary but I think it would be a wise precaution.

As ever,

Leon
Rabbi Leon I. Feuer

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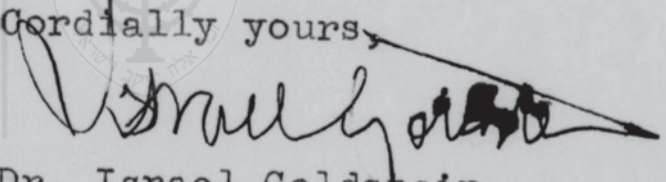
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Dr Abba Hillel Silver
Emergency Council
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

I learned to my regret that you cannot
be with us at the Carnegie Hall meeting
Wednesday evening. We would appreciate
receiving a message from you to be read to
the meeting.

Cordially yours,


Dr. Israel Goldstein

Sent telegram ~~to~~ New York

October 31, 1944

Judge Harry Fisher
County Building
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Judge Fisher:

Following our telephone conversation last night, I am writing on behalf of the Zionist Emergency Council to invoke your good offices in connection with the Aviation Conference taking place in Chicago. I understand that the key official in the British delegation is a Mr. T. E. Gore-Booth. Probably some member of the British delegation is specifically charged with Colonial possessions and Mandated territories.

Our interest is to see that Palestine is included as a stop on one of the main trunk routes that will presumably be determined upon at the conference.

I have asked Mr. Oscar Gass of Robert Nathan's office in Washington, to prepare some material for you for the purpose of any written memoranda that you may find it necessary to submit, and he will be sending you this direct in the course of the next day or two. The general line of our argument is that Palestine has a larger per capita trade than any neighboring country. It is an area with an increasing population and a rapidly developing industry and agriculture. With the great improvement in world communications it is likely both because of its biblical and historical associations and because of the great interest in developments there of Jews abroad to become an ever more important center of the tourist traffic.

I am afraid this is a little sketchy, but I hope it will provide you with something to work with.

I look forward to hearing whether you have been able to make any contact with members of the conference.

With warm thanks for your kind cooperation

Yours sincerely

AL:CK

Arthur Lourie

November 15, 1944

Mr. Mendel N. Fisher, Director
Jewish National Fund
41 East 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mendel:

I am enclosing a letter which I received from Mr. A. Berkman, who is a retired businessman from Texas, anxious to render volunteer service to the Zionist cause. He has been a Zionist all his life, and is a cultured Jew with some Hebraic background. He makes a good appearance and might be able to render the Jewish National Fund good service in some of the communities in the southwest. You might wish to get in touch with him and learn more about him. I have known Mr. Berkman for a good number of years.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Note on Telephone Conversation with Judge Fisher
Re International Aviation Conference in Chicago,
November 16, 1944.

Judge Fisher telephoned me from Chicago to report on further action with regard to the Aviation Conference. Following his conversation with the Secretary-General of the Conference (Dr. Telsner?), he had sent him a copy of the memorandum on Palestine's needs. He has now had a reply from the Secretary-General in which he excused himself for delaying to answer earlier and stated that the question as to whether any group should be heard had been discussed, but the answer had been in the negative. The Conference was limited to representatives on a national basis.

Judge Fisher then got into touch with Lord Swenton, the head of the British Delegation. Lord Swenton, who was Secretary of State for the Colonies in 1933-34 and accordingly has some knowledge of Palestine, suggested that Judge Fisher send him a note on the subject in writing and that if there was anything that required further discussion, they would take it up again in another meeting. Judge Fisher subsequently sent Lord Swenton a copy of the memorandum.

Judge Fisher also had occasion to meet the Chairman of the Mexican Delegation with whom he discussed our problem. The latter doubted if the subject matter of the memorandum would be treated by the present Conference, which was concerned more with questions of general policy and the kind of organization that is to be set up. It was his view that such questions as routes and stops on the main trunk lines would be taken up by the new organization to be established, rather than by the present Conference.

A.L.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY
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C. J. FRIEDRICH, *Director*

16 QUINCY STREET
CAMBRIDGE 38, MASSACHUSETTS

November 18, 1944

Dr. Emanuel Neumann
Commission on Palestine Surveys
Room 1903
521 Fifth Avenue
New York 17, New York

Dear Dr. Neumann:

Thank you for your letter of November 13th, I am glad that you think the article for the New Leader will be all right.

I do not know whether you have heard about the new series of volumes on American foreign policy which the Harvard University Press is planning to publish under the general editorship of Sumner Welles, with Professor Donald McKay acting as associate editor. In going over their plans with Professor McKay, I noticed that Palestine was not provided for. I took the occasion to point out to him that in view of the interest of both political parties as well as Congress, it seemed highly desirable to devote a separate volume to this problem. Here's hoping that Sumner Welles will respond to this suggestion, but you may have other ways of reaching him. I am enclosing a page describing this particular project.

Sincerely yours,

C. J. Friedrich

C. J. Friedrich

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לכבוד
הרב דר. אבא-הלל סילבר,
ניו-יורק, ארצ"ב

ידיד יקר לגן חב"מים ורז"ל,

זכורה לנו ההתעניבות המרובה של כב' בעבודותינו בכלל, ובמיוחד בגן-חב"מים ורז"ל. כיום יש בידינו לכשרך בשמחה, כי אנו עומדים במניחלת החשמה של תחזון הזה.

בשנים האחרונות התפתחו עבודותינו והתרחבו מאוד, ונוספו לנו לעבודת שני כחות צעירים וחשובים: בתנו, גב' אילת-חשור ובבנו, חא' נגה, אשר ספגו את אורית מחקרינו משנות ילדותם ועבדו אתנו זה כמה שנים בכל סעיפי המחקר והרסומ, וכן בעבודת החוראה העממית שלנו בעבודות השונות שבארץ.

בזמן האחרון נאשנו ארבעתנו במרץ מחודש לפעול למען הגשמת גן חב"מים ורז"ל והקמתו באחת מאבני היסוד של המדע והתרבות במדינת העברית החממית. כתוצאה מפעולה אחרונה זו השגנו בשביל הגן מאת הקרן הקיימת לישראל קצטה בן 234 דונם על החר היפה ביותר בין חרי ירושלים, המסקיף מצדיו השונים על חרי יהודה וחרי אש"ם, ועל כל שטלת יהודה והשרון מן עזה ועד לכרמל, עם מרחבים עצומים של חים חתיכו.

עם השגת הקרקע הבהיר לגן ייסדנו ועד ציבורי שקבל על עצמו לחיות המוסד האחראי לגן ולקיומו. ועד זה מורכב משובי אישי תציבור העברי בארץ-ישראל בכל זרמיו, הועד הזה גרסם בממשלה בשם האגודת גן חב"מים ורז"ל, ומסר לארבעתנו (שנינו, בתנו ובבנו) את הבחלת הגן ומחלך ביצורו.

גן חב"מים ורז"ל יחיה גן לאומי בביר בעל תוכן ישראלי עמוק, שאוב מתוך דברי נביאי ישראל ומוריו הגדולים, אשר השפיעו על כל מחלך תרבות העולם. בגן זה ייבשעו כל צמחי התניך והשטרות התלמודית בצדושים ובתפוחות מיוחדות אשר יביעו את רעיונות חב"מים ומורי ישראל כפי שרצו הם להראותם לעם בעזרת צמחי המולדת. הגן יראה בעליל כי עם ישראל קשור קשר כל יינתק עם ארצו ותופעות השבע שבה מקדמת-דגא, לא רק עיי זכרונות בוממשיים, אלא קשר ממשי, שזור בתוך כל תרבותו העמוקה.

גן חב"מים ורז"ל יקרב את לומרי השבע אל מקורות העם העברי ואת לומדי התורה יחזיר ליצוק מן השפע הטוב של שבע ארצם הברוכה. הגן יחמם יום מאלפי מבקרים ובני בוער, מלומדים-אנשי-מדע ואנשי-תרבות, אשר יבואו ללמוד מתורותיו החיות וליחנות מימיו זמן אחד הבסוך עליו, וימשיך אליו חמוגי תורים מכל קצות העולם, אשר יבואו לראות במו עיניהם את הגן תיחיד בעולם כולו, שהקים העם העברי בשונו אל אדמתו.

בגן יוקמו גם שני צנינים ראשיים: האחד בבין סמלי גדול, אשר יכיל אולם לכינושים גדולים, ועל גגו יתנוסס גן תלוי בחדר שייבשעו בו הצמחים אשר בעזרתם תביעו פביאנו את רעיונות האור והשלום, ובמרכזו תתנוסס מגורת אירא, מגורת ישראל שלא נשבתה מעולם ולא תישבת ערי עד. סביב המגורה הענקית הזאת ירובזו הצמחים - שחם מן הימים ביותר בארץ ישראל-אשר לחם קשר לתבנית המגורה הנבואית ולקישושיה. הבנין השני יחיה היכל צמחי חב"מים ורז"ל, אשר יכיל בתוך אולטיו מוזיאון ממואר של כל צמחי התניך והשטרות התלמודית בצורה חנושה, למי שיטות מיוחדות שפציאה גב' חנה הראובני, השומרות את הצבע, הצורה וחריית השבעיים של הצמח, ושאיבן ידועות עדיין בשום מקום בעולם. היכל זה יסייע ללימוד ולחממת הידיעות על ידי כך, שהמבקר יוכל לראות בו את הצמחים החנושים בכל תקופה בשנה,

גם בתקופה שהצמח תדרוש לו איצו יכול להתקיים בגן בצורה חיה או שדרגת
החיים המסוימת תדרוש ללימוד אינה יכולה להתקיים בגן ~~במסגרת~~ או בשבע
באותה תקופת השנה. בהיכל להתייבז גם סמריית לכל המדעים הנוגעים
לענייני הגן והמוזיאון, ואף סמריית צלומים מדעיים של צמחי הארץ וציורים
טבעיים של מרשי הייחם.

חשיבות מיוחדת נודעת לדאוג להקמת הגן דוקא כעת, בעת שארץ-ישראל
עומדת בפני הכרעות גדולות. צ ~~במסגרת~~ בצמיחת הגן הזה בחרי יבוסלים
תהיה גם הדגשה, כי אין כוח בעולם שיוכל לו לעם הזה חבונה טוב על משואותיו
את ארצו ואת תרבותו הנפלאה במלוא חיקם. בשורת הגשמת הגן תביא גם עידוד
רוחני רב לכל יהודי באשר הוא שם, ואף תמשוך לבבות רבים לארץ-ישראל
ולעזרה לה, ותעורר יחס של כבוד בין שובי האיסים של גדולי אומות העולם.

מחושב הקרקע לגן מאת הקהקסיל וחוקם הועד הצבורי האחראי לו,
הנו עומדים בפני ההגשמת הממשית, אם אך נמצא מיד את הכספים הדרושים לכך.
לשם הגשמת החזון כולו דרושים, כמובן, אמצעים כבירים, וללא ספק הם
יזרמו לאחר שתחיל העבודה במלוא הקצב והחיקה הדרוש. לשם התחלת כזאת
של העבודה בשנה הראשונה דרוש סכום של 10.000 (עשרת אלפים) לירות ארץ-
ישראליות. כמובן, שאם נקבל למעלה מסכום זה תהיה התחלת העבודה בקצב מהיר יותר.

בזכרנו את ההגשמת ~~הממשית~~ של כב', כי יעשה לעזרה ממשית לגן בכל
יבלתו מיד בשבועי לו שאנו עומדים בפני ההגשמת - החלטנו לשנות אל כב'
בקשה לדאוג לסכום הזה של התחלת העבודה ולהעבירו אלינו בהקדם האפשרי.
כממצינו זה יעשה כב' שרות גדול וחשוב לכנין ארץ-ישראל העומד להתחדש
עתה בתנופת כבירה ולתרבות וכבוד ישראל המתחיים על אדמת האבות.

כל סכום אפשר להעביר אל בנק אמגלו-פלסתינה ירושלים, על שם
אגודת גן הנביאים ורז"ל. ~~המסגרת~~ חסון למכתבים: אגודת
גן הנביאים ורז"ל, רחוב החבשים ירושלים.

- גן הנביאים ורז"ל מצפה לעזרה המלאה של כב'.

בכל הכבוד
ובברכה בנין עם ישראל במולדת,

בשם אגודת גן הנביאים ורז"ל,



חנה ואמרים הראובני

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November 24, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105 Street and Anzel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

As you know, because the supply of AMERICA AND PALESTINE has been exhausted, I have induced the Herald Press Company to publish a second revised edition of it. This has been done with the consent of the American Zionist Emergency Council. Certain changes in the book will be made which, it has been agreed, will be submitted for approval to the Council.

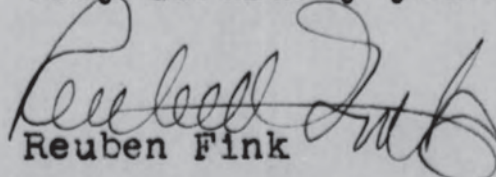
The publisher intends to advertise the book in Zionist and other magazines, including some of the more liberal publications, as well as the New York Times.

As part of our literature, we intend to use some letters giving favorable expressions of the book, ~~some~~ ^{from} Zionists, non-Zionists, and others. I would appreciate it very much if you would see your way clear to send me such letter as you may deem proper, which we may use in our advertising material. As the head of the American Zionist Emergency Council, your letter would be of special value to me.

I understand that you have been receiving quite a number of letters from various people regarding the book. I wonder whether any excerpts of such letters may be used in our literature. Would you permit me to use such excerpts? Is it necessary to get the consent of the writers?

I take this opportunity to thank you for your very gracious letter of October 16, in which you inform me of the resolution of the Executive Committee of the Council.

Very cordially yours,


Reuben Fink

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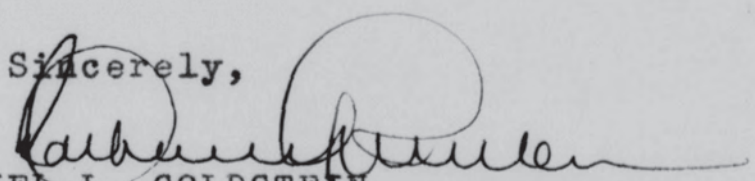
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing an interesting
bulletin which may or may not have been brought
to your attention and which is getting wide
distribution in New York City.

I trust you are well.

Sincerely,


NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN
Attorney General

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

November 28, 1944

Professor C. J. Friedrich
16 Quincy Street
Cambridge 38, Mass.

Dear Professor Friedrich:

I acknowledge, somewhat belatedly, your letter of November 18th in which you refer to the series of volumes on American foreign policy to be published by the Harvard University Press. I think your idea of a volume on Palestine is excellent. I may write to Sumner Welles about it or it may be done by someone else. You would be, of course, the ideal person to undertake such a volume if you could manage the time.

By this time you have probably received a copy of Frankenstein's book "Justice for My People", which I think is a good piece of work. May I also call your attention to an article in the current number of the American Economic Review containing a 22 page article entitled "Palestine: A Problem in Economic Evaluation" by a brilliant young economist, Dr. Alfred E. Kahn. He was associated with me for a few months in the work of the Commission on Palestine Surveys. Some reprints have been made and I am sure a copy will be sent to you.

I notice by today's Times that the Arabs are trying to organize a propaganda campaign in this country.

With kind regards, as ever

Cordially yours,

Emanuel Neumann

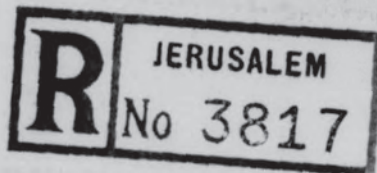


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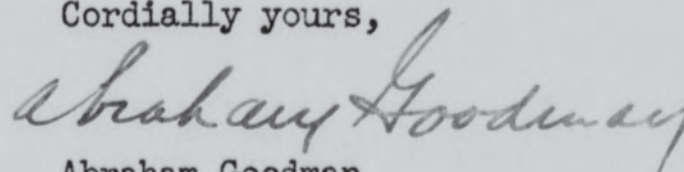
Dear Dr. Silver:

I should very greatly appreciate the privilege of having you as my guest at a limited dinner meeting at the Hotel Roosevelt on Tuesday evening, December 12th, at 6:30 o'clock.

I have agreed to arrange this meeting at the request of a member of prominent Jewish leaders who are keenly concerned about the grave crisis which has developed in the affairs of the Independent Jewish Press Service. This project, which is so vitally essential to Jewish public opinion in America, is faced with immediate collapse unless prompt action is taken by the right-thinking Jews of this community. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver has decided to put aside other urgent activities in order to attend this dinner so that he may discuss this problem with us in an intimate manner.

Will you be good enough to let me know by return mail whether I may look forward to the pleasure of your joining us?

Cordially yours,



Abraham Goodman

AG:MLM

November 28, 1944

Dear Dr. Hoffman:

During the I.L.O. Convention which met in Philadelphia last May or June, the head of the Australian delegation, the Honorable P. J. Clarey, President of the Australian Council of Trades Unions, got in touch with me as he wanted to know something about the various trends and tendencies in the Labor Movement in the United States.

We dined together on three different occasions and talked intimately on all sorts of matters. Inasmuch as Mr. Clarey was one of the leading sponsors of the so-called Kimberley Project and addressed one or two important groups in New York on the subject, at the request of Mr. I. N. Steinberg who is the projector of the Freeland League for Jewish settlement in Australia, I naturally subject^{ed} Mr. Clarey - a truly humane and lovable man - to a catechism. Suffice it to say that on the strength of what Clarey had to say to me - and he was so sanguine about the possibility of the Kimberley Project - I concluded that the whole thing was another one of those Utopian schemes which could not possibly be realized. A mere phantasmagoria, if you please. I did not argue the matter with Clarey but merely asked a number of questions and formulated my opinion on the basis of his replies.

In a recent article Dr. Steinberg stated that among the sponsors of the Kimberley Project are such British Jews as Sir Robert Waley Cohen, Lt. Colonel Stanley Cohen, the Hon. Mrs. Franklin and others. Long ago I have ceased to attach any importance to big names.

All this is written in view of your article in the Forward of Saturday, November 25th, regarding the Kimberley Project which we now know is not favored by the Australian Government.

Let me say in passing that I read your articles occasionally with great appreciation.

Hoping you are well and with kindest regards.

Cordially yours,

Dr. Ben Zion Hoffman

November 28, 1944

Dear Milton:

On more than one occasion you have spoken to me in glowing terms about Oscar Cox with whom you were associated either in Lend Lease or some other project. I know you are an ardent Zionist - a hundred percent for a Jewish Commonwealth - and I am wondering what Oscar Cox's views are on the subject. This I ask because I take it that Oscar is very, very close to Stettinius and, of course, our new Secretary of State can be either helpful or retard the aspirations of the Zionists.

Have you had a chance yet to speak to Professor Chamberlain regarding Richard Morris' book?

Do let me hear from you.

Kindest regards. As ever

Yours,

Professor Milton Handler

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December 7, 1944

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

Dear Friend:

I have a letter from the Zionist Organization of America, suggesting a telegram to be sent to the members of the U. S. Senate Foreign Relations Committee, which asks for certain changes to be made in the wording of the Resolution as approved by the House Foreign Relations Committee.

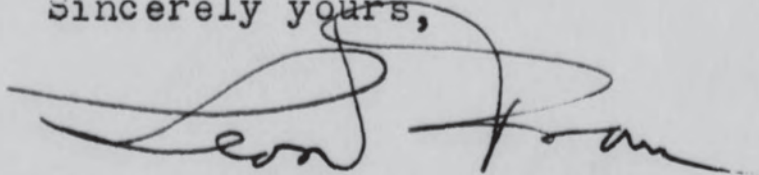
I remember reading in the J.T.A. and hearing you say at the American Jewish Conference that you fully approved the changes in wording made by the House Foreign Relations Committee.

What, then, does the Goldstein telegram mean?

Are the president of the Zionist Organization and the chairman of the Executive Committee of the Zionist Emergency Council conducting two separate campaigns on this matter, or was the Goldstein telegram composed with the cooperation of the Emergency Council? I shall, of course, be very much interested to know.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,



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December 8, 1944

Personal

Rabbi Abbe Hillel Silver
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

After the opening of Congress next month, legislation will be introduced immediately on the proposed compulsory military training program, and it will be ~~the~~ main subject of domestic discussion through all channels.

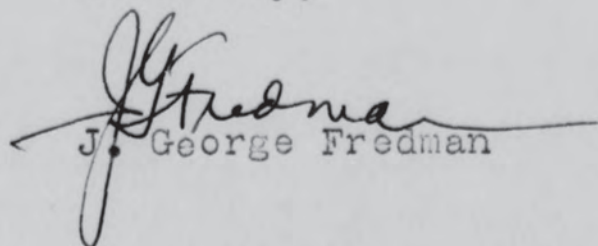
In addition to the other valid reasons for such a program, I think we should take into consideration the fact that a well-organized international military force would be the best protection for world Jewry. I do not know of any other way that the United States can contribute its allotment to this international army except through a compulsory military training program.

As you know, the Secretaries of War and the Navy, as well as the President of the United States, have already approved such a program. I think it would be very helpful and desirable for several of our leading Rabbis to take an affirmative stand on this matter, and I am wondering if you would not be good enough to let me have a statement which the Jewish War Veterans could use when appearing before Congress and for its other releases in behalf of the subject.

That was a great address you made Sunday night!

With warm personal regards, I am,

Sincerely,


J. George Fredman

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REUBEN FINK

151 West 40th Street New York

December 13, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
American Zionist Emergency Council
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Like every other Jew and Zionist I was mortified to learn of the cruel action of the State Department on the Wagner-Taft Resolution. I know how you, who have given so much of yourself to this cause, must feel about the tragic result.

This latest "double-cross" should teach us to tread on our path with more daring steps, demanding what is due us. To trust and to depend upon the promises of politicians who have no honor, no matter how lofty their positions, has always proved inadequate and not infrequently dangerous. We should have insisted upon action BEFORE the elections, when the elusive and petty appeasers were more respondent to reason.

In any event I want you to know that I am with you. You may count on me to do everything within my power for the Cause.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) REUBEN FINK.

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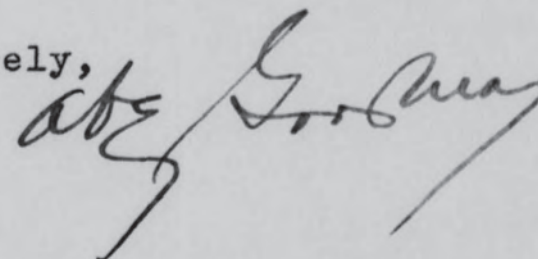
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
American Zionist Emergency Council
342 Madison Ave.
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

In case I do not have a chance to have a personal chat with you on your present visit to New York, I am using this means of acknowledging check for \$500 received from you by Mr. Neumann to my order, which I have endorsed to the Independent Jewish Press Service.

Let me take this occasion to assure you of my loyalty and support in the present crisis, and in the days to come.

Sincerely,



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
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Dear Rabbi:

You will by this time have received a letter from Mr. Leroy Newmyer inviting you to address the Annual Scout Area Banquet here. I don't imagine that you are much in the mood for taking on additional speaking engagements, but I promised him that I would put in a word and so I am doing it.

I hope you haven't forgotten that you are to spend the evening of Tuesday, January 16th with me, helping celebrate my 10th Anniversary. I am looking forward to it with a great deal of eagerness.

If it is at all possible we should love to have Virginia come and spend the evening with us here.

As ever,

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Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

Emanuel sent me a copy of his December 22nd letter to you.

I am frankly torn between two conflicting emotions. On one hand, as a friend, I do not like to see you embark on a campaign which is bound to be so disturbing to your peace of mind and perhaps, aggravating to your health. As it is, I feel sort of responsible for what you have gone through during the past few months, because I urged you last summer to remain instead of going through with your resignation, as you wanted to. On the other hand, as a Zionist, I am terribly disturbed about the progressive corruption of the movement under its present leadership, which is as "rotten" as it can be. It is a movement which has to be purged from top to bottom and quickly, and I know, looking at it realistically, that it can only be done if you take the active leadership.

I am not going to advise you one way or the other, but if you do decide to make a fight of it, you know that I am in it with both feet.

If you decide to go ahead, may I suggest that it is not necessary to go in for any of Emanuel's elaborate and fantastic schemes. I think the direct method is the best one, namely, that of waging a frontal campaign to capture control of the Zionist Organization. The specific plan, however, is for you to decide and to let us know what you want us to do.

As ever,

Leon
Rabbi Leon I. Feuer

LIF-s

December 26, 1944

Mr. Reuben Fink
151 West 40th Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

Your kind letter of December 13 was forwarded to me here. I need not tell you that I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in writing to me. Your support and your confidence in me are greatly heartening.

You did a perfectly magnificent job for our cause in editing the volume, "America and Palestine." The book will continue for a long time to come to have real political value for us.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

RABBI ABRAHAM J. FELDMAN
145 BALLARD DRIVE
WEST HARTFORD, CONNECTICUT

December 29, 1944

Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
E. 105th St. and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Abba:

I am terribly distressed by your resignation from the chairmanship of the Zionist Emergency Committee. A lot of gossip has reached me as to what has gone on "behind the veil". The whole ~~order~~ ^{matter} adds up to me to a somewhat vicious bureaucracy that has grown up in and about the Z.O.A.

For a long time I have felt that there are a number of things that are rotten in that situation. Amongst those I would count also what I suspect is a certain moral and financial irresponsibility, a desire to feather their nests not only by dipping into the Zionist trough, but also playing politics in terms of secular political plums, such as judgeships, etc.

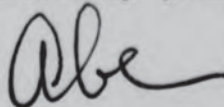
I am wondering whether the time has come for some thorough housecleaning, and I am wondering how that housecleaning may be effected.

Frankly, I feel keenly enough on the subject to resign my membership in Z.O.A. and to urge others to do likewise, to do our Zionist work through some other medium. I have the feeling that the bunch in New York and Washington is essentially a cowardly group, and that an effective demonstration of dissent on the part of many of us might quickly bring them to terms.

At any rate, you have the great satisfaction of knowing that in a very critical hour in our history, you, and you alone, despite the back-biting and sniping of the cheap politicians in the organization, have placed Palestine in the center, not only of Jewish life, but have made the whole country aware of Palestine and of the Jewish claims to and need of Palestine.

Blessings upon you! With warmest greetings to Virginia and yourself, in which Helen joins me, I am,

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman, D.D.

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December 29, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have received many communications and calls from persons who are bewildered by the deferment of passage of the Palestine Resolutions in Congress.

I do not wish to take a stand in the Examiner denouncing the President and the State Department without being sure of my ground.

A statement from you in the forthcoming edition of the Examiner presenting such facts as you are in position to reveal with respect to this matter would undoubtedly enlighten a great number of people and would serve to strengthen Jewish morale which has suffered a severe blow in consequence of the failure to approve the Resolutions.

Publication deadline is Tuesday,
8:00 P.M.

The courtesy of your response will be appreciated.

Cordially yours,

THE EXAMINER

Louis D. Gross
Rabbi Louis D. Gross
Editor

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Dr. N. Feinberg
P.O.B. 140
Tel Aviv

Tel Aviv, December 31, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
R a b b i
C l e v e l a n d

Dear Dr. Silver,

I enclose herewith two articles which I published a short time ago in connection with the "Biltmore Resolution", in which, possibly, you may find some interest.

I follow with great interest all the steps taken in America in the Zionist cause, and would be very grateful to you if you could give the necessary instructions for the regular dispatch to me of the material connected with the political activities of the Zionist Emergency Committee, insofar, needless to say, as they are for publication.

With my best thanks in advance and all good wishes,

I remain

Very cordially yours

N. Feinberg

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January 5, 1945

Mr. Jacob Ginsburg
185 Walnut Ave.
Roxbury, Mass.

My dear Mr. Ginsburg:

It was indeed very kind and thoughtful of you to write to me and to send me a copy of the letter which appeared in "The Day." I read your printed letter with the keenest of interest, as well as your beautiful Hebrew letter, and they both moved me deeply. I have been greatly heartened by the expressions which have come to me from all parts of the country and from all sections of American Zionism during this unfortunate controversy. The attitude of the Jewish press has been particularly gratifying. I hope that as a result of this storm of controversy there will emerge a clearer line and a firmer attitude on the part of American Zionism in our political work. I shall contribute my utmost during the coming days to this end.

I hope that when I am next in Boston or your vicinity, I may have the pleasure of seeing you and of talking things over with you. With all good wishes, and again thanking you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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January 15, 1945

Rabbi Louis D. Gross, Editor
Examiner
186 Joralemon Street
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My dear Rabbi Gross:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I appreciate your request for a statement on the issues involved in the controversy which has developed as a result of the deferment of the Palestine Resolution in Congress. I do not know whether you have received the enclosed statement of mine. It will give you most of the pertinent facts. I am also enclosing copies of the letters of Mr. Shapiro, former executive director of the Emergency Council and of Mr. Manson, its former director of information. The Yiddish press of New York has, during the last few weeks, carried a great number of articles and editorials which cover practically every phase of the subject.

I trust that you are well, and I hope to have the pleasure some day soon of seeing you and talking things over with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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ALBERT GOLDMAN ❖ ~~620 HARVARD STREET~~ ❖ ROCHESTER, NEW YORK

January 19th 1945.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver;

It is with deep regret and heavy heart that I review the conflict that you are part of.

As a past member of the Administration Council, I am well posted on the methods and workings of those that are on the opposing side. To be honest with you-because and only because of my observations of their unwise interest in our noble cause-did I resign from the council.

Zionism is so dear to me and means so much to our people to consider personalities first-cause last. I know that you feel the same way towards our noble cause- for I know that if you didn't you would not be an opponent but in line with them.

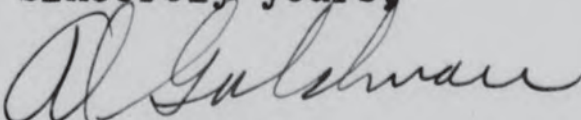
I do trust that I am correct when I answered a question to-day as follows: "Will Rabbi Silver withdraw from the Zionist effort and forget the cause"- my reply was: "If Rabbi Silver didn't feel the cause above himself, he would not have been in this conflict-so I honestly feel that he will fight harder than ever-and will have my support"-This party a former officer of our district said-"Mine aswell"-

Rabbi, I stand ready to do whatever you justifiable request for the good of ZION-

COUNT ON MY SUPPORT FOR TRUE ZIONIST EFFORT.

With the hope for ZION'S REDEMPTION SOON-

Sincerely yours,


AL GOLDMAN.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I returned just the other day from a visit to several colleges in Missouri, among them the Negro State University at Jefferson City. There I met a member of the faculty who gave me a glowing report of your address at the dinner meeting in St. Louis, of the American Palestine Committee. He was quite thrilled by the whole experience and felt that your address was the highlight of the evening.

I am deeply distressed by the turn of events in the Zionist Emergency Council. It is very difficult for one at such a distance from the hub of events to gather an accurate picture of the situation. However I want you to know that my impression of the recent conflict is that you are entirely in the right and that you have acted clearly within the limits of propriety as well as your responsibility as co-chairman of the Council and chairman of the executive.

I regret the whole nasty business, particularly the inevitable personal differences that were aired. Frankly, I fail to see how the present course of the Council differs from the actions for which you were rebuked. But then, I suppose politics, even Jewish politics, require a special frame of mind and a distinct set of standards. I hope that in any case you will continue to exercise your influence toward the achievement of our all important goal.

With kindest personal greetings, I am

Cordially yours

Theo Gordon
(Rabbi) Theodore H. Gordon

January 25, 1945

Rabbi Theodore H. Gordon
B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
University of Wisconsin
508 State Street
Madison 3, Wisconsin

My dear Rabbi Gordon:

It was indeed very thoughtful of you to write to me, and I deeply appreciate the sentiments expressed in your letter. It has been very heartening to me to receive so many expressions, from Zionists all over the country, of confidence and approval. The Jewish press particularly has been fine and understanding.

With all good wishes, and again thanking you for communicating with me, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN
ATTORNEY GENERAL

At 80 Centre Street
New York City

January 25, 1945

PERSONAL AND
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I had hoped that you and I could lunch in New York and talk about many things. However, I suppose that you are not spending much time in the City, these days. If you do come in, please call me.

I am taking the liberty of enclosing a copy of the Address which I am to deliver on Sunday evening the 28th, before the United Palestine Appeal.

I trust you are well. Kind personal regards.

Sincerely,

Dr. Abba H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

ADDRESS BY HON. NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK,
BEFORE THE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL, ON
JANUARY 28th 1945, AT THE BILTMORE HOTEL
NEW YORK CITY.

Palestine has ceased to be a Jewish problem. It lives as part of a world problem, for peace is indivisible and can only be preserved on a global plan.

We are in the first truly world war in history. All civilization is in flames. This is the first conflict that concerns the life and the happiness of every being on the face of the earth. Our greatest reward in victory will be to establish patterns of a fruitful, decent and harmonious interchange between all peoples. No generation of men are offered so great an opportunity to think justly and nobly as are those who will frame the peace.

The full implementation, in letter and in spirit, of the Balfour Declaration, of the Mandate, of the Resolution of 1922 of the Congress of these United States, of the Anglo-American Convention of 1925, of the platform pledges of the Democratic and Republican parties, of the President himself, is an act of faith. The reconstitution of Palestine rests upon the conscience of the United Nations - upon the international conscience of America, of England and of Russia.

Palestine is vibrant, potent and exciting. Its 50,000 in 1918 becomes 650,000 in 1945. To its cities have been given new life and new color. The dead soil has been revitalized - out of the dirt, neglect and stagnancy, there has arisen a new life, molded by the sweat, blood and tears of these pioneers. Experts have increased its fertility - machinery has multiplied its productivity. Side by side with its agricultural rebirth, Palestine has progressed industrially and in this great world war has already proven itself as the military arsenal for democracy. The waters of the Jordan have been harnessed and electrified; great chemical plants draw minerals from the Dead Sea - life has been breathed into the dead. The vista is wide open. If

humanity is to progress, this rebirth must continue, unabated, with all the support and force of democratic government.

I cannot conceive that those valiant Russians who fought at Stalingrad, who fought for their own liberty, would deny to others the right to live. I cannot conceive that the brave English who bled at Dunkerque, bled for a cause they held so holy, would deny to others the right to live. I cannot conceive that those of our own, Americans, who so gallantly fought at Bastogne, who tonight are dying on all of the battle fronts of the world, to preserve our way of life, would deny to others the right to live.

Yes, they also have a right to live; they, who are wandering over the highways and byways of Europe, who are unwanted, who cannot turn back, but look with pitying eyes toward Palestine. Are they to be denied the right to live?

The answer rests in the conscience of the Great Powers. And in appealing to their conscience we must invoke the moral law - the law that is recognized by all races and religions the world over as the Esparanto of the universe. When Moses brought the Ten Commandments from the Mount, he promulgated a rule of justice that has endured for more than three thousand years. In a later generation, Christ proclaimed that he had come not to destroy but to fulfill that law, and it is still graven on the hearts of His believers. The Mohammedans likewise acknowledge the supremacy of the moral principles in life.

In the East, the Chinese accept the teachings of Confucius who impressed the standards of morality, indelibly upon the face of Chinese civilization, and even the Buddhists treat their moral code as a sacred part of their way of life. When we ask fidelity and justice to our aspirations for Palestine, we speak in the universal language of all mankind - the law of morality. The right to dictate peace must come not from power, but from a desire to make a peace based upon the principles of justice, grounded in the moral law. Power

and law that are independent of the immutable principles of morality cannot long endure.

Before all humanity, lies an adventure, a quest to make the whole world safe, now and forever - and in that quest America must take the lead. The America which was founded by those who fled from tyranny and oppression - the America which gave to us the Declaration of Independence, which "hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator, with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. That to secure these rights, governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed, . . ."

As Wendell Willkie well said in his conclusion to the "One World" - People are waiting for us to accept the most challenging opportunity of all history - the chance to help create a new society in which men and women the world around can live and grow invigorated by independence and freedom.

On the planning boards and blueprints of the architects who are to draw the peace - there must be the free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth of Palestine. Just as frontiers all over the World will be moved, so must the Great Nations return to its own, those fertile coastlands of the blue Mediterranean, where forty centuries ago, the Jews built a nation dedicated to the worship of God and the practice of His moral laws.

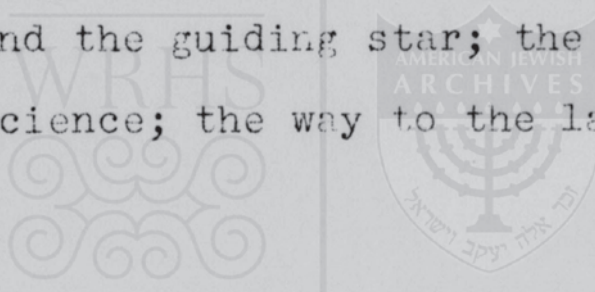
There is room in this great wide world for all. Free people are fighting to safeguard its security and ensure its future peace; they are fighting to give democracy another chance to develop a finer culture. If we fail this time, we may never get another chance. Aviation with its terrifying future possibilities has already destroyed any geographic immunity from attack.

As a result of the radio, the electronic and the other technological miracles, the earth has shrunk. If the

democracies refuse to accept the implication of modern invention, if they refuse to fuse its economic life with that of other countries or to assist in far reaching international rehabilitation, then a large segment of the post war world will again fester in strife, ruin and stagnation.

In this pattern of things to come, in which there will be major changes in social and political geography, the masters of the world are being asked to provide free passage to the promised land, to the refugee, to the wayfarer who wants to relive and rebuild.

The framers of the peace must look for their solution in the minds and the hearts of all the free people of the world. Out of their courage, good sense and fundamental decency, the all important answers will be forged. It is there they will find the guiding star; the road to the international conscience; the way to the law of morality.



January 30, 1945

The Honorable Nathaniel Goldstein
80 Centre Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of the address which you delivered before the UPA on Sunday evening, January 28. I read it with keen joy. It is a splendid statement.

I hope to be in New York soon again and I shall give myself the pleasure of calling on you. I should like to share with you some impressions and some information.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 13, 1945

Mr. I. R. Goodman
International Building
722 Chestnut Street
St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Mr. Goodman:

I promised to send you a copy of the enclosed letter. After you have read it, please return it to me. It is quite revealing, don't you think?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
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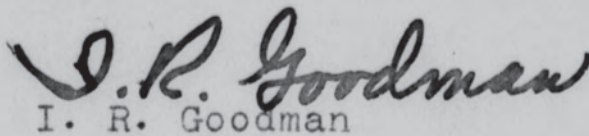
February 15, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for allowing me to read the enclosed copy of Dr. van Paassen's letter. It is most revealing I assure you. This is another concrete example of the many vicious things that I had observed and witnessed being practiced by those who hope to force you into the background at the expense of our great cause at the most critical moment in the history of our people.

Yours devotedly,


I. R. Goodman

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Enclosure

RABBI LEON I. FEUER
2335 COLLINGWOOD BLVD.
TOLEDO, OHIO

February 16, 1945

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

Dear Rabbi:

I have begun contacting a few people to raise some money. I am doing it very quietly because for the present I want to avoid an open conflict with the Conservative Rabbi Goldberg, who is a Goldstein adherent. I am, therefore, talking to people individually and I do not anticipate any difficulty raising a fairly substantial sum, although it may take a little more time than if I did it at one crack. Mel is helping me.

I am enclosing herewith checks which I have already gotten and as they come in will send them on to you.

Kindest regards.

As ever,

Leon

P.S. By-the-way, I have received an invitation to go to England this summer for the United Palestine Appeal. Do you think I ought to go or will I be needed here in connection with our work?

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February 21, 1945

Mr. Emanuel Neumann,
521 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Dear Emanuel:

This is in reply to your letter of February 15th and also to give you a report of my visit to Detroit. I had conferences with Phil Slomovitz and Leon Kay. The result of these conferences and my size-up of the situation is as follows:

1. As everywhere, mass sentiment is pro-Silver but needs to be crystallized.
2. Fram is with us, but is personally too wishy-washy to push the matter. He was out of town but I had talked to him on the telephone the day before. He told me that he would call a meeting of the Executive Board in the near future and invite me to address it. I was not clear as to whether he meant that I was to appear alone or along with a representative of the Administration. I am inclined to think that the latter would be the case because Crohn would probably insist on it and he has Fram somewhat scared.
3. Slomovitz wants to push the issue and said that he would put pressure on Fram to have a meeting of the Executive Board and put through some kind of Resolution similar to those which have been passed by other Districts. Failing to get such a meeting he said that he would try to do the same thing through the medium of the Detroit Zionist Council. My impression of Slomovitz from this conversation is that he is heartily with us but I do not think that he occupies a sufficient position of influence in the community to assume any active leadership or to get any tangible results.
4. My conference with Leon Kay was on a little more productive and sensible level. It was his opinion that it would not be prudent to have a showdown in the Executive Board of the District at the present time, that it would be much better to get pro-Silver sentiment crystallized, a pro-Silver block organized and then have a showdown. I said that I was inclined to agree with him but that I thought immediate steps should be taken to do this crystallizing. I also told him that we wanted some money out of Detroit. He therefore agreed to have a private meeting in his home some time within the next two or three weeks. To this meeting he would invite those leading Zionists of whom he was confident and such others who he thought might be switched from a neutral to a pro-Silver position. I am to address this group, present our side of the story and our program and at the same time make an appeal for funds with which to carry on our work.

As the result of all this, I feel that the situation in Detroit can be turned in our favor if we follow the proper strategy and take our time. I think it would be very important for you to follow me in Detroit after I have done the preliminary spade work, particularly if there is to be any kind of a controversial public discussion.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer

LIF-s

February 22, 1945

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
2335 Collingwood Blvd.
Toledo, Ohio

My dear Leon:

Thank you for your letter of February 16 and for the checks which you sent me. I am happy to know that you are making progress in enlisting financial support. We have been receiving gratifying responses from many parts of the country. I have just returned from Miami where I opened the UJA campaign and where I interested quite a few in our work. It would be nice if you could run up the Toledo contributions to a thousand or fifteen hundred dollars.

The invitation which you received to go to England intrigues me. Emanuel Neumann has received an invitation to go to Montevideo in South America. I had received an invitation from England some five or six weeks ago. I think the board of strategy of the opposition is endeavoring to scatter our forces so as to break up, if possible, the movement against them. I would suggest that you find out more details about the invitation. When are you to go? How long are you to stay away. If it is for a few weeks in the summer, I do not know why you should not go. I believe that you will enjoy the experience as I did two years ago.

With all good wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

AHS:BK



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

Dear Rabbi:

I am enclosing an additional check. Within the next week or so, I am meeting with another small group from whom I expect to get pretty good results. I think we will raise a fair amount of money in Toledo.

When I received the invitation to go to England it immediately occurred to me that something of the strategy was being employed which you suggest in your letter, of dividing our forces at a time in our campaign which is likely to be crucial. That is why I asked you whether you thought I ought to go. Thus far I have been somewhat non-committal about the invitation. I wrote to Montor that it might be difficult for me to get away for any length of time, no more than six weeks, the early part of the summer. The invitation which I received asked me to arrive in England around the first of June and to remain for ten weeks. Such a protracted visit, I told Montor, was definitely out of the question and that if the people in England felt that it was not worthwhile for me to come over for a shorter time, they better pass me up. So thus far nothing definite has been decided.

I am enclosing herewith copy of a report which I sent to Emanuel Neumann on the visit I made to Detroit last week, which I think you will find of interest.

As ever,

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

Phil Slomovitz, one of our good friends in Detroit, has written me asking that I write to you and urge you to consider favorably the acceptance of an invitation to speak on Sunday evening, April 8th, for the Gewerkshaften Campaign. Detroit is overwhelmingly pro-Silver, as far as mass sentiment is concerned and I think a public appearance by you would result in the demonstration of support which would prove irresistible.

If it is at all possible I think you ought to go, particularly since I am going to lay the groundwork for you. I wrote you that I was arranging to meet privately with a group of people from whom I hoped to raise some money in Detroit. Since then I have received an invitation to present our point of view before the Executive Committee of the Detroit Zionist District on Monday March 19th. I am accepting the invitation and expect to do a thorough job of pushing Detroit into our camp.

As ever,

LIF-s

DR. HARRY FRIEDENWALD
1212 EUTAW PLACE
BALTIMORE, MD.

March 8, 1945.

Dear Doctor Silver

I join your many other friends in expressing my admiration for the Services, the great Services you have rendered to the Cause which holds our Dearest attachment. I am sure that you will continue your valiant Devotion with self-sacrificing consecration and I wish you the health and strength to live and to witness the successful fruition of our Zionist hopes in the Cause to which you have already contributed in so large a measure!

With all good wishes

Sincerely yours

Harry Friedenwald



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

Dear Rabbi:

I thought you might be interested in getting a copy
of the enclosed letter.

I have written to Fram urging action without delay.

I feel too close to you to be able to put much of it in
words, but I want you to know that last Wednesday night
in New York was one of the great experiences of my life.

As ever,

LIF-s

April 3, 1945

Mr. Louis W. Gutman, President
Parkchester District
Zionist Organization of America
1550 Unionport Road
Bronx, New York

My dear Mr. Gutman:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 27. Please convey to the members of the Parkchester Zionist District my deep appreciation for the resolutions which they adopted, a copy of which you sent to me. I appreciate the expression of good will and confidence.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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LEON ISRAEL FEUER, Rabbi

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

Dear Rabbi:

I am enclosing copy of an article which I knocked out this week and which I thought we might be able to use somewhere. I have sent the original to Harry and if you have any suggestions send them on to him.

As ever,

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April 12, 1945

Mr. H. A. Hurwitz
Jewish Daily Forward
175 E. Broadway
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hurwitz:

May I tell you how grateful I am for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of your article which appeared in the Jewish Daily Forward on Tuesday. I read it with keen interest and delight. It is an excellent analysis of the situation which exists at the moment. I am hoping that the move which has now been made for unity in Zionists ranks will be successful. The quicker the better, for the time is running short.

With all good wishes and hoping that I may have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

April 12, 1945

Dr. Harry Friedenwald
1212 Eutaw Place
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Dr. Friedenwald:

Thank you so much for your kind note of March 8 which I read with deep appreciation. It was very thoughtful of you to send me your message on the occasion of the testimonial dinner which was tendered to me in New York on March 21. It was really a beautiful affair and I was greatly uplifted by it.

I hope that you are well. It is some time since I have seen you and I am looking forward eagerly to an opportunity in the very near future when we can see each other again.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

HOLLYWOOD ZIONIST DISTRICT

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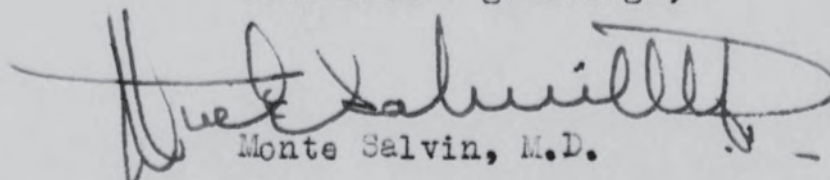
Dear Rabbi Silver:-

At a meeting of the Hollywood Zionist District held April
18th the following resolutions were passed:

1. That we urge the Z.O.A. to instruct the American Delegation to use their influence to bring about a hearing at the Conference with reference to Jewish Palestine.
2. That we urge the Zionist Organization of America to have a program of deed rather than word in order to help those who represent a Jewish Palestine to participate in the United Nations Conference in San Francisco.

Please understand that the Hollywood Zionist District is an autonomous group unrelated to any other district in this area, but loyal to the Z.O.A. program. However, we feel that action is necessary at this time. We will not participate in any separate action at the Conference without the permission of the Z.O.A. However, we go on record as a body to stimulate more militancy in the National Organization.

With Zion's greetings,


Monte Salvin, M.D.

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DETROIT 2

April 24, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Abba:

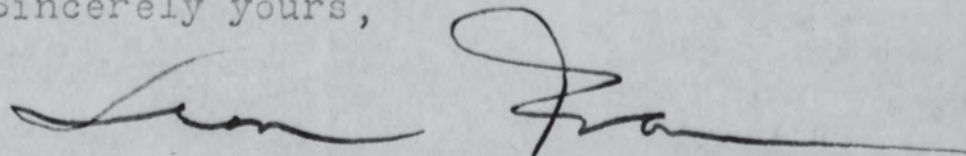
I was glad to accept Mr. Shapiro's invitation to act on a committee to meet with a peace committee of the ZOA.

He asked me whether I could be in New York Friday to meet with you, but our services are held on Friday night and I could not change my arrangements at such short notice.

I am sorry to have to miss the meeting with you. Let me suggest, however, that Cleveland is so close to Detroit (it is only an hour by plane) that I could run in some time at your convenience to have a talk with you. If I am given fair notice of the meeting to be arranged between our two committees, I should be able to attend it.

With kindest greetings, and looking forward to a satisfactory conclusion of our negotiations, I am

Sincerely yours,



LF:lh

RABBI LEON FRAM

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May 2, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 105th St. and Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

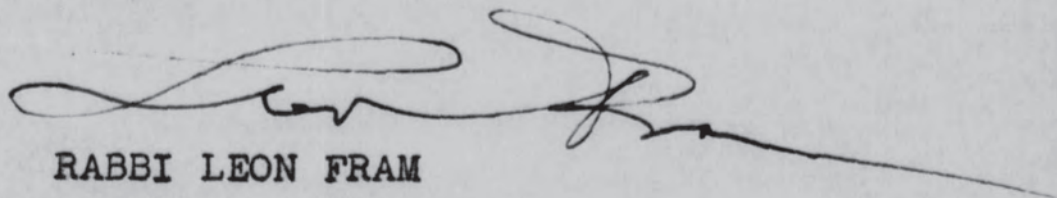
Dear Friend:

Since writing you about coming to Cleveland to talk with you on the matter of the "Peace" committee, I have received a long letter from Mr. Shapero which presents your viewpoint on the matter in considerable detail.

I am now so busy with Confirmation matters that I find that travel even to Cleveland would be difficult. Unless I hear from you to the contrary, therefore, I take it that the information I have in Mr. Shapero's letter is sufficient.

With kindest greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,



RABBI LEON FRAM

LF:lh

SAMUEL GREENBLATT

225 FOURTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 3, N. Y.

May 24th, 1945.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
% American Zionist Policy Committee
55 West 42nd Street
New York, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Silver:

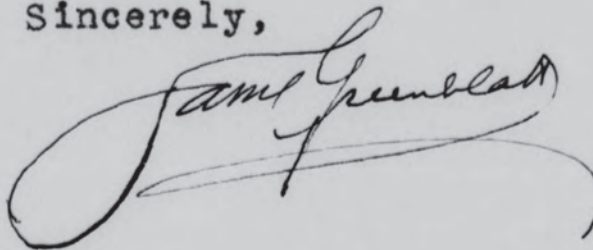
I am very happy to enclose my personal contribution, which I hope will help carry on the important work of your Committee.

As a Zionist of many, many years' standing, I could not help but be thrilled by your message of last evening. I am sure that your words were inspiring as well to men and women present who perhaps have not had my Zionist background.

I am very happy that my son was the chairman on such an auspicious occasion. I am delighted to know that he believes in the militant Zionist philosophy that you expound.

Please accept my heartiest wishes for success in your noble work in behalf of our people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Sam Greenblatt". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

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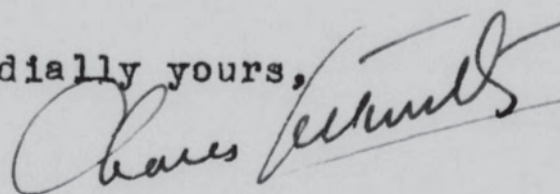
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Zionist Emergency Policy Committee
Hotel Commodore
Lexington Avenue at 42nd Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Rabbi Silver :

Pursuant to our conversation and
to the pleasant luncheon I spent with you last Thursday,
I am enclosing check from my firm LIPSCHUTZ & GUTWIRTH
for \$250.

It is our sincere wish that you will soon
again join the Zionist Emergency Council where your presence,
in our opinion, is imperative. Your high competence and
political courage are needed in our just fight for a Jewish
Palestine.

Cordially yours,



CHARLES GUTWIRTH

May 29, 1945

Mr. Samuel Greenblatt
225 Fourth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Greenblatt:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of May 24. I appreciate deeply your thoughtfulness in writing to me and in sending your contribution to our work. It will help greatly.

The meeting last Wednesday was a very inspiring one and I was uplifted by it. It was fine to get that warm response from so many loyal Zionists. I know of the magnificent role which your son has played in all this. You ought to be proud of him and I am sure that you are.

With all good wishes and hoping that I may have the pleasure of seeing you in the near future, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

June 11, 1945

Mr. Charles Gutwirth
630 Fifth Avenue
New York 20, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of May 28 which was held for me at the Commodore Hotel until my arrival last Wednesday. I am very grateful to you for your generous contribution which will help us substantially in carrying on our work. It was a great pleasure for me to have had the pleasant luncheon hour with you and I hope that we will have the pleasure of renewing our acquaintance and our contact before very long.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

December 2, 1945

Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman
145 Ballard Drive
W. Hartford, Conn.

My dear Abe:

I enjoyed receiving and reading your letter very much. You have the situation sized up perfectly. We will have to throw all the rascals out if our movement is ever to regain its moral tone and character. We are laying the ground-work for this effort right now.

I have been greatly pleased with the reaction in the Jewish press. Almost unanimously it has been with us, and it has clearly and incisively sized up the entire situation. I have been hearing from all parts of the country, and that too has been very gratifying.

We shall probably hold a conference before very long to discuss the situation with friends in all parts of the country. I shall, of course, get in touch with you before that time.

With all good wishes for a happy new year to you and yours, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

By

LEON I. FEUER

One nail after another is being driven into the coffin in which the enemies of the Jewish Commonwealth hope to be able to bury it. The latest is the announcement on March 29th of Lord Devonshire, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for Colonial Affairs, that the Colonial Office has rejected a demand of the Jewish Agency ^{for} immigration certificates in addition to the White Paper quota now exhausted. Lord Devonshire's gratuitously malicious addendum to his statement, that the British government has information to the effect "that a great many Jewish refugees do not want to proceed to Palestine", indicates as brutally clearly as anyone would want that Great Britain has no present intention of changing or even slightly amending the White Paper policy. Except to the wishful thinkers, the statement should not come as a shock. After the amazingly arrogant frankness of the Arab notables last month in Cairo about throwing out of Palestine the Jews who are already there, it could have been anticipated as being just around the corner. As an aside, it might be commented that it should put an end, but probably won't, to the shallow argument that we ought to soft pedal political demands in favor of immigration demands.

Thus the outlines of the political future of Zionism are being rapidly sketched in, and the picture which is beginning to take shape is darkly foreboding. Churchill, the self-styled "architect of Zionism", has postponed the solution of the Palestine problem to some hypothetical peace table after the war. And, of course, until after American military power, influence and interest in the New East have waned considerably and Arab opposition has had a good chance to organize, crystallize and vocalize. Perhaps there was a little more than Zionist spokesmen were willing to admit to the Churchillian threat that the Moyne murder might make him change his mind about Zionism. Roosevelt learned about the Jewish problem in Palestine from Ibn Saud, but he seemingly taught that gorgeously accoutred worthy little in return. Importuned for a crumb of consolation by Zionist leaders who

now find themselves and their policies in the soup, the President naturally reiterated his pre-election promise. After the insensitive ad lib remark in his report to Congress, could he say that he hadn't meant it? But how simple for him to say later -- and this is not suggested cynically - "I tried my best to get it for you, boys, but you know what tough hambres the British are." There is a rumor, probably unfounded, that he has already hinted it.

We are on the eve of the San Francisco Conference. The delegates of the fair weather allies will be there, Iraq, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, (perhaps even of Syria and Lebanon) jewelled and berobed and turning on the well advertised Oriental charm and suavity for the assemblage. "We are terribly sorry for the poor Jews. But after all, this is a United Nation problem which all of us must share in solving. Palestine is a poor, tiny and overcrowded country which has already admitted more than its share of refugees. Besides, it is an Arab country. Have we not recognized it as such in the Constitution of our new Arab League?" The Zionist representatives will be there too, pounding the lobby floors, knocking on doors and paging diplomats, the ghostly spokesmen of five million Jewish dead. Even this status they will have to share with a variety of delegations ranging from the American Council on Judaism to the Hebrew Committee on National Liberation.

A Zionist surely has the right to ask, where now is Zionist statesmanship and courage? What is being done besides hoping, praying and publishing whistling-in-the-dark editorials in The New Palestine. In his farewell statement before leaving Palestine, Dr. Weizmann declared that there were grounds neither for optimism nor for pessimism. That sounded like a fair enough inventory of the situation, but was it? The grounds for pessimism are obvious enough. Where are the grounds for optimism? After a year of aggressive and startlingly successful political progress under a courageous and uncompromising leader, the American Zionists -- not the rank and file, but the bureaucrats -- lost their nerve, reversed the policy of attack and purged the leader. Their strategy was to suspend the offensive in sight of the goal, and to leave the rest of the struggle to the President. Why, no one will ever know! They have offered no satisfactory explanation. The first and seemingly

only tangible result has been the tragic and perhaps irrecoverable loss of a Zionist political momentum which had been gaining speed, dynamism - and power. What else has happened during the last four months? Plenty, all setbacks. What have they been doing about it except fetching their little valises back and forth between New York and Washington? There has been no agitation, no organizing of public opinion, no exertion of pressure, no carrying on of the fight. To put it boldly, there has been no leadership. What can they do? They burned their bridges behind them when they adopted or rather reverted to their old policy of 'no pressure' on the Administration. This is not and never has been a policy, but a hiding behind partisan skirts. Being no policy, it has borne no fruits.

We should begin to face some simple but starkly realistic facts which are implicit in the present political situation. The Yeshub is in a dreadfully difficult position. It is literally "on the spot". As of the moment Palestine Jewry can take no overt action. It can only stand fast and hope that the efforts of world Jewry will swing the pendulum in a favorable direction. Russian Jewry may be sympathetic, but it is not likely to put any heat on Marshall Stalin. The English Zionists are too few in number and not in the strongest bargaining position. Dr. Weizmann is doing his best but he desperately needs the weight of mass effort behind him. That puts the issue squarely up to American Zionism, from every point of view, the most powerful section of our movement in the world. The job remains what it was a year ago, two years ago and six years ago, in 1939 -- to marshal behind us the solid and unwavering support of the American people and its leaders and spokesmen of both major parties. That support is our best, it may be our only card. The United Nations in general and Great Britain in particular are not likely to cross the United States if it takes a firm stand on this issue, particularly since so much of public opinion and even of official expression of political parties in their countries are favorably disposed to the recognition of a Jewish State. Without that support, or if it is lukewarm, we are in a precarious situation. To get it means working night and day to retrieve the ground lost since December. It means bringing the question back to life on the agenda of public discussion. It means doing even

more intensively and more speedily what was being done last year -- and is not being done now. The San Francisco Conference is being held on our home grounds. That fact alone should be the key to our tactics. The voice of America insistent upon justice for the Jewish people must be made unmistakably clear there.

The present official leadership can neither adopt nor execute such a policy. It has not been accustomed to working that way in the past. It is incapable by the very temperament of the individuals who compose it of working that way. Their commitments will not permit them to reverse themselves in that fashion. We must have a leadership which has no commitments except to our cause. That means the immediate recall of Dr. Silver to political leadership. Besides restoring the energy, skill and undeviating purpose which are characteristic of his work, it will serve at least one immediate and very important psychological purpose. It will put our government on notice that we intend to fight for a favorable decision without pulling any punches or caring where the chips fall; that an unfavorable decision will not make us fold up. It will spur us on to fight more fanatically.

The hour is late. But no Zionist of faith and courage can admit that it is too late. Our enemies may be readying the crypt. But it is our business to deprive them of the pleasure of attending the funeral.

EMERGENCY COUNCIL

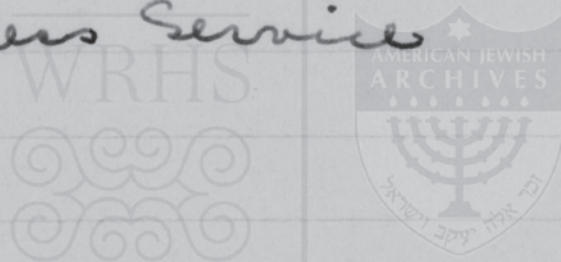
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12-7-43	Chaim Greenberg - for Asia League - sent at request of E. Friedman	250 ⁰⁰		5750 ⁰⁰
1-7-44	Schonberg Printing - "Zionism" pamphlet	495.50		5254.50
1-7-44	Cash - postage - mailing	10.00		5244.50
1-20-44	Thomas Brady Inc. - Senator Jas. Mead			
	Honorarium and exp. —	448.80		4795.70
1-25-44	Clark Getts, Inc.	1204.30		
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10-9-44	Emanuel Neumann	500.00		2751.87
12-2-44	Norman Littell - pulpit "12/25/44"			
	Lecturers Inc.	250.00		2501.87
12-13-44	James H. MacDonald - pulpit "12/13/44"			
	\$2.50 + 63.01 exp	313.01		2188.86
12-14-44	Mrs. Regina Sack	500.00		1688.86
12-14-44	Abraham Goodman			
	Press Service	500.00		1188.86



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1-24-44	" supplies	1.60		48.10
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1-28-44	Postage	50		40.04
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2-9-44	Office supplies	99 13.20		36.80
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3/1	S. Rose inc - rental desk - feb	4.10		26.45
3/9	Postage	7.00 30.55		19.45
3/15	Office supplies	1.80		17.65
3/17	S. Rose - rental desk etc	4.00		13.65
3/21	newspaper - magazines	.71 37.06		12.94
4/10	Supplies	1.03		11.91
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7-13	Stamps	8.00		15.00
7-20	cab fare	2.00		13.00
8-25	Ticket n. l. - pullman	9.03		3.97
8-25	car fare	.50		3.47
9-19	air mail postage - Eng.	.30		3.17
9-20	" " - Palestine	.70		2.47
10-3	Postage	2.47		0.00

10-19			50 ⁰⁰	50 ⁰⁰
10-19	Supplies	2 ⁰⁰		48 ⁰⁰
11-9	Stamps	6.05		41.95
11-3	tickets	.50		41.45
11-7	Paper	.52		40.93
11-18	1000 envelopes	8.58 17.65		32.35
12-18	Cab fare - 16 th + 18 th	3.00		29.35
12-21	Transfer box	21.99 21.64		28.36
12-22	postage & envelopes	1.41		26.95
12-18	pullman res.	14.08 37.12		12.87
1-8-45	Stamps	8.00 45.13		4.87
1-9-45	cab fare	1.65		3.22
1-18-45	mail pkage to Rabbi Silver	1.47		1.75
1-19-45	telegram from Toledo collect	.56		1.19
1-22-45	Transfer case	1.00		.19
1-22-45	Stamps	.19		

Petty Cash

Date

		charges	Receipt	Balance
0				
9-25	A.H.S. for fund		5.00	
9-25	postage	4.20		.80
9-18			25.00	25.80
9-18	Returned to A.H.S	5.00		20.80
9-20	Postage	2.65		18.15
9-20	car tickets	.50		17.65
9-28	Cards	.25		17.40
9-28	newspapers	.20		17.20
10-9	postage	1.50		15.70
10-20	transfer boxes	2.97		12.73
10-19	car tickets	.50		12.23
11-1	postage	3.53		8.70
10-26	postage	1.30		7.40
10-26	paper	1.76		5.64
10-26	cab	.80		4.84
11-8	stamps	4.84		0.00



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Date		Charge	Receipt	Bal.
1-25			25 ⁰⁰	
1-28	Postage	7		18.00
2-7	"	2.70		15.30
4-5	"	2.00		13.30
4-8	"	2.05		11.25
4-8			.65	11.90
5-15	Postage	3.35		7.75
5-20	"	1.00		6.75
6-4	Notebooks	.60		6.15
6-25	Postage	2.35		3.80
6-31	Supplies	3.80		
10-1			25	
10-1	Postage	5.00		20 ⁰⁰
10-9	"	.59		19.41
10-29	Teleg - office	.88		18.53
10-28	Postage	.80		17.73
11-8	"	2.00		15.73
11-12	Ticket	5.00		10.73
11-12	Postage	.79		9.94
11-18	"	.38		9.56
12-31	"	4.80		4.76
12-31	Supplies	.52		4.24
1-2-47	Supplies	.46		3.78
2-7-47	Postage	.75		3.03
2-14-47	"	2.00		1.03
7-9-47	Postage Paris	1.02		0.00



Petty Cash

Date		Charge	Receipt	Bal
Oct. 6	Deposit		25.00	
" 7	Postage	6.35		18.65
" 10	cab	1.00		17.65
" 3	cab	1.00		16.65
" 20	Buckeye Office - books -	2.52		14.13
Nov. 12	Papers	20		13.93
" 14	Cab	85		13.08
" 19	Postage	4.05		9.03
" 21	cab	85		8.18
Dec. 22	cab	.65		7.53
Dec. 19	newspapers	.60		6.93
" 24	cab	.75		6.18
" 28	cab	1.60		4.58
" 30	postage	2.00		2.58
Jan 5	Express to N.Y.	1.73		.85
" 5	postage	85		00

