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יום ו'א אב תש"ו - 8.8.46.

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הרב ד"ר אהרן פלד סליבר
נשיא ההסתדרות הציונית באמריקה

כאן.

דבר סליבר הנכבד,

לפני כשלושה שבועות הוצגה תוך מארג-ישיבת בלגיה
הציונית העולמית והעצרת הציונית בארץ.

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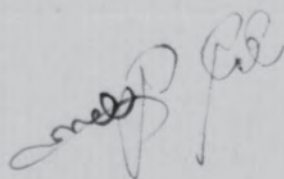
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העולמית, והייתה למה מאד להצדקות ולשורה עם נשיא
הקובה.

ביום ב' (12 לחיזי) של וצארת אחתה - בתקנים של
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אחמאמן לביצור התאורה לקראת הבאות.

בביכר נאמנה אנשי להצדקת המאבק העולמי

הנאכתי,

היט בעצב ובלגיה


נשיא: כרמל וצמחית יעלדו
המשרד: ההסתדרות הציונית

August 19, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o Zionist Organization of America
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir;

We are now witnessing the results of 25 years of blind and spineless leadership in the Zionist movement. Are you going to continue along the same line ?

Months ago I wrote you urging that something be done to kill the British Loan. It could have been done if our leaders had been awake to realities. Instead of killing the loan Dr. Wise, in his detage, wrote a letter favoring the loan.

Can't you realize that England is waging war on us ? Can't you understand that we must fight back ?

Instead of Condemning the bombing of the King David Hotel, every Jew in the world should have publicly and loudly applauded. The American public should have been shown that blowing up the headquarters of an enemy army is not only justified but proper.

The great misfortune of Jewry is that our leaders lack both vision and guts.

Very truly yours,

Harry Kimball

Harry Kimball
24 Lincoln St.
Boston, Mass.

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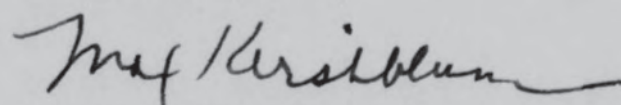
Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I take occasion to enclose a copy of a letter which I recently sent to Rabbi Wolf Gold. I have marked the paragraphs which deal with the Paris meetings.

With kindest regards and best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year, a year that will bring us closer to the fullest realization of our aspirations, I am

Sincerely yours,



RABBI MAX KIRSHBLUM
Executive Vice-President

MK:RS

A Growing Membership — The Road To The Jewish Commonwealth

September 6, 1946

Rabbi Max Kirshblum, Executive Vice-President
Mizrachi Organization of America
1133 Broadway
New York 10, N.Y.

My dear Rabbi Kirshblum:

Thank you so much for your kind letter and for a copy of the letter which you sent to Rabbi Wolf Gold. I read it with keen interest. Apart from its contents, I must congratulate you on your fine and vivid Hebrew style.

With all good wishes, and hoping to see you at the meeting of the Executive Council, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Oct. 11, 1946

Rabbi Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am forwarding the current issue of the California Jewish Herald to you herewith believing the Bartley Crum front page story and the editorial (page 4) will be of much interest to you.

I welcome an expressed reaction from you regarding the editorial, Dr. Silver, any comment you wish to make, on or off the record.

Bartley C. Crum's courageous, persistent and comprehensive fight in behalf of a Jewish Palestine and his balanced understanding of vital relationships involved has earned for him the most profound respect not only among vast numbers of Jews but tremendous numbers of Christians. In standing with him on a sound and fundamental interpretation of the whole subject I believe that I, in my small way, am aiding our worthy cause.

I welcome an early reply and also wish to express my desire to support your fearless and brilliant battle in the sacred cause. Please inform me as to how we here can be of best service to you.

With Zion's greetings,

Maurice Kesner
Maurice Kesner,
editor

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FRANZ J. KATZ

61 East 95th Street
New York 28, N.Y.
October 18, 1946.

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
CC: Emanuel Neumann
Harry Shapiro
[REDACTED]
FROM: Franz J. Katz
RE: Ibn Saud Note to Truman on alleged Zionist 'Aggression'

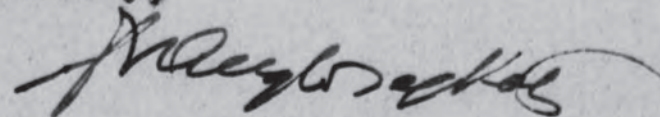
Professor Yahuda (162 Bishop St., New Haven, Conn., N.H. 5-8606) just phoned me and asked me to convey to you his following suggestion:

- 1) that the Emergency Council issue a statement pointing out that
 - 1) Ibn Saud acquired his throne and domain exclusively by means of aggression (Nejaz from Sherif Hussein, Nejd from Ibn Rashid);
 - 2) that Ibn Saud's Wahabite tribesmen subsist on and by aggression;
 - 3) that prior to the war Ibn Saud took no interest in Palestine;
 - 4) that Ibn Saud made no contribution of manpower to the war against the Axis, contrary to his alleged participation of hundreds of thousands of Arabs;
 - 5) that Ameen Rihani, Ibn Saud's ^{late/}personal propagandist, best be cited in substantiation of the claims under 1);(I would also add a reference to Ibn Saud's fraudulent 'Declaration of War' which was not only too late to be of any value but exempted Mecca from the provisions of the Declaration and thus permitted that city at a later date to serve as sanctuary for Iraqi war criminals.)
- 2) that this Declaration be issued over the signatures of the Emergency Council because otherwise protestations would lack any political impact; that for this reason he, Yahuda, is refraining from writing any letters to editors or others;
- 3) that Yahuda is desirous of seeing you on Monday and will phone Mr. Shapiro for an appointment with you;

I have just phoned Mr. Shapiro and conveyed points 1 & 2 to him. I trust that suitable arrangements can be made and that the proposition is probably in line with what you would have wanted to do.

Yahuda, as you may know, lives in New Haven and commutes to New York where he teaches at the New School for Social Research. He'll probably reach New York at noon, Monday, and will subsequently get in touch with yourself or Shapiro. I am sure he'll be treated with all goodwill and courtesy.

Cordially,



הנהלת ההסתדרות הציונית והסוכנות היהודית לארץ ישראל

**THE EXECUTIVE OF
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Genève, January 3rd, 1947
37, quai Wilson

Rabbi Dr. A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland (Ohio)

Dear Dr. Silver,

Remembering what you have asked me in the hotel "Drei Könige" in Basle the day before your leaving I am sending you by to-days (ordinary) mail one set of the English "Congress-Bulletin". Number 13 - although not containing the final part of the closing session - was the last one of the series. (I was responsible for the French "Congress-Bulletin" only).

I was sorry that I had no opportunity in Basle - as no one of us had - to talk over with you, Mr. Neumann and other American Zionist leaders the question of our future activities in the United Nations. As you certainly know I am working since 1926 i.e. since more than twenty years as the political secretary of the World Zionist Organisation and the Jewish Agency with the League of Nations in Geneva and I have attended in this capacity also all the meetings of the General Assembly and of other bodies of the United Nations since December 1945 in London and since June 1946 in New York.

I have been asked now by the new elected Executive of the Jewish Agency to remain for the time being in charge of our small Geneva Office (conceived as our representation with the European branch of the United Nations) it being understood however that I shall be at the disposal of our United Nations Department in New York as soon as some important Palestine matter may come up there. I am thus prepared to go back to New York at a minute's notice now and in any case not later than in June next when, I think, we shall have to start the preparation of our case before the next General Assembly meeting scheduled for the beginning of September 1947.

I therefore hope very much to have for this work the understanding and the support not only of the member of the Executive who will be in charge of our United Nations Department but also of you and all your colleagues of the American Executive. I should be extremely pleased if I could succeed to do, under yours and yours colleagues guidance, some useful work for our case in the United Nations. In the meantime I shall keep in touch and exchange information with the secretaries of the American Executive and of our offices in New York, Washington, London and Jerusalem.

I am dear Dr. Silver, very sincerely yours

Dr. M. Kahany

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THE TEMPLE EAST 105TH STREET AND ANSEL RD=

REMINING YOU OF OUR CONVERSATION CONCERNING SENATOR
VANDENBERG APPRECIATE YOU BRINGING MZF DINNER JANUARY
27TH TO HIS ATTENTION FOR ACCEPTANACE ANTICIPATE 2000
REPRESENTATIVE ZIONISTS OF GREATER NEW YORK PRESENT=
PAUL KAMINSKY.

MFZ 27 2000.

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
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DEPARTMENT OF PHYSIOLOGY

1 February, 1947

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, President
Zionist Organization of America
The Temple
Ansel Road and 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The events of the past several days have been more than I can tolerate with mere contemplation. As a Jew, an ardent Zionist and a citizen of the world I am disgusted, revolted, and humiliated by the actions and words of the British Government and the Opposition leaders and the almost impossible position into which Zionism has been driven.

You have returned from the World Zionist Congress in a blaze of American Zionist glory, one of the avowed world leaders of our movement. You, as the militant representative of thousands of militant Americans, were effective in helping to throw the Congress into chaos, repudiating 'moderate ineffective' leadership, and opposing Jewish participation in the London Conference. Psychologically, Zionist leadership returned to America with you.

Now we are faced with the spectacle of the same members of the pre-existing Agency Executive—to my mind certainly synonymous with the repudiated leadership—not attending the London Conference but having equally significant back door meetings with Bevin et.al. We are faced with a Palestine torn by extremists who certainly obtained not a little encouragement from the act of repudiation you considered an achievement. With apparent impotent rage we face a Yishuv on

the brink of the abyss into, which full, outright military action
seems soon to plunge it.

It seems strange to me, Rabbi Silver, that at this time, the most crucial time I have experienced in Jewish life—I am young, possibly you have known a more crucial moment—that at this moment you are fighting for our cause by lecturing to your Sunday School and meeting with your Alumni. It seems strange that you are not mobilizing immediately every Jewish force in this country for battle. Where is your militancy, your many militants, your influence, your avowed leadership now? Why are you and our other leaders not besieging the White House and Congress with our pleas, our supplications, and our demands?

You should be issuing now the call to every Jew in America to band together and to so express his will to our government that immediate action will be taken. The inclusion of civil rights clauses in the recently signed peace treaties demonstrated the effectiveness of informal coordinated organizational pressure. You are the one best fitted to urge all groups to set aside all differences of opinion, religious fervor, ideology, all differences that make a man anything but a Jew. You alone have the ability to marshall and channel American Jewish forces without delay. As President of the Zionist Organization of America and spokesman for world Zionism in America it is your undeniable responsibility and obligation to do so. When was there a cause more purposeful, more stirring even to the sloths, more appealing even to non-Zionists? When was there a greater need for collective action?

Your disbelief to the contrary, your name has always commanded a respect in my household more valid than that of many of your most rabid followers. My respect derives from having differences of opinion but realizing the essential good and ability you possess, your

essential sincerity and honesty, the tremendous capability you have for leading us Jews. At this moment when my heart is filled with bitterness and anxiety, when I despair of the future of Zionism and Jewry I ask you, why is American Jewry not General Zionists, or Labor Zionists, or B'nai Brith, but American Jewry not being brought together by your loud, your urgent call for immediate single purposed action?

Sincerely,

Robert Kohrman.

Robert Kohrman



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WOMEN AND CHILDREN FROM PALESTINE SUGGEST YOU CABLE TO
PALESTINE THAT JEWS OFFER SHELTER TO EVERY ENGLISH FAMILY
AS THERE IS NO INTENTION TO HARM THEM STOP SUCH GESTURE
WOULD MAKE KNOWN TO WORLD BRITISH MILITARY INTENTIONS TO
DESTROY YISHUB UNQUOTE CORDIALLY=

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February 6, 1947

Dr. Robert Kohrman
School of Medicine
Department of Physiology
Western Reserve University
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Kohrman:

I have just returned from Washington
and I hasten to reply to your letter of February 1.

I fully appreciate your feelings of unhappiness
and frustration at what is transpiring today both in
London and in Palestine. Many others share the same
feelings. Please be assured, however, that whatever
can be done on the American scene to help the situation
is being done. Neither the American Zionist Emergency
Council, which represents all the Zionist parties in
America, nor the American Section of the Jewish Agency
has been inactive. All necessary contacts with Government
officials and departments have been and are being made.
You may also have read in the press that a national
emergency conference of all Zionist groups and others
has been called for February 17 to meet in Washington.

We may not succeed in what we are trying to
accomplish, but it will not be due to failure to realize
the seriousness of the situation or inability to devote
enough time and energy to the work.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

TELEGRAM -- NIGHT LETTER -- SENT

3-6-47

DELIGHTED TO LEARN THAT SENATOR BREWSTER IS TO BE IN CHICAGO TO ADDRESS A MEETING OF THE REPRESENTATIVE CITIZENS OF YOUR COMMUNITY. I KNOW OF FEW MEN WHO HAVE A BETTER GRASP OF INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS AND ESPECIALLY OF THE PROBLEMS OF THE NEAR EAST AND OF PALESTINE THAN SENATOR BREWSTER. I HAVE BEEN INSPIRED MORE THAN ONCE BY THE WISDOM AND THE STATESMANSHIP OF THE SENATORS UTTERANCES. PLEASE CONVEY TO HIM MY WARMEST GREETINGS. KINDEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Sent to: Col. Julius Klein
1st National Bank Bldg.
Chicago, Ill.



DR. C. KOTTLER

c/o American Near East Corp.,
41 East 42nd Street,
New York, N.Y.

TEL AVIV,
(PALESTINE)

New York, February 27, 1947.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
President Zionist Organization of America,
41 East 42nd Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

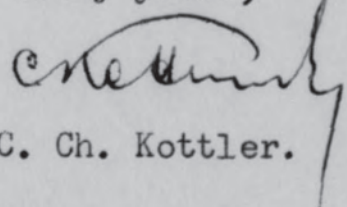
It is my pleasant duty to contact you, as a representative of the Rural & Suburban Settlement Co. "Rassco" Ltd., and its affiliated companies.

I came here a short while ago, in the interests of the economic activities of the above mentioned companies who, as you may know, are officially representing Jewish Palestine's middle-class.

I am taking this opportunity to ask you when it would be convenient for you to grant me an interview, in order that I may acquaint you with our plans.

Looking forward to receiving your kind reply, and thanking you for your attention, I remain,

Very truly yours,


Dr. C. Ch. Kottler.

CCK/al.

March 6, 1947

Dr. C. Kottler
c/o American Near East Corp.,
41 E. 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Kottler:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February 27. I shall be most happy to see you. I am, however, planning to leave for Palestine in the next few days and will be gone for a few weeks. Please communicate with me upon my return.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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My dear Doctor Silver:

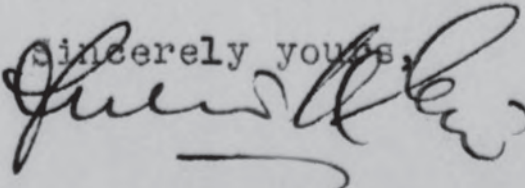
On your coming trip to the Holy Land I wish you God Speed. For many years I have been one of your ardent and loyal disciples and followers, even though I was not fortunate enough to meet with you often .

You will appreciate that while I was in the service, especially as Assistant to the Secretary of War, it was very hard for me to openly make my position known, but those on the inside knew what I was doing behind the scenes all these years, and I am going to continue doing so until the final goal is reached. A large part of my time and personal income is used to further your great cause, and the only reward I expect is that I feel I have done my duty as a private soldier in your ranks.

Knowing that you are going to Palestine I thought of enclosing herewith some background as to my military activities. It is my wish and prayer that if, and when, the time comes, I can assist you in the establishment of our own army in our new free state - our ancient land. I am confident there are many others with experience in the Army and Navy who will follow such a calling.

I expect to remain in the Middle West until after the Presidential election and then I hope to divide my time again between California and Chicago, and until that time comes I want you to know I shall remain at your command.

I am very happy with the splendid progress you are making. I only wish a certain group of ~~Jewry~~ Jews would know more inside information as I do so that they could join me in their appreciation of your unselfish, wise and courageous leadership. With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


From Page 51 of THE GOLDEN BOOK (The Golden Book Foundation of America, Inc.
New York)

KLEIN, JULIUS (Colonel)
Editor

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Parents: Leopold and Regina Klein
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Residence: Belmont Hotel, Chicago, Illinois
Office: The First National Bank Building, Chicago, Illinois

Colonel Julius Klein, veteran Chicago journalist, editor, author, and a Hollywood executive, was educated at Sophien College, University of Berlin. He has been in literary life for thirty years, with several important works to his credit. Colonel Klein is a veteran of two world wars. In World War I he distinguished himself as a correspondent and then as a soldier. At the outbreak of World War I Colonel Klein was attending school in Germany and at the first opportunity commenced doing some newspaper work and became the youngest war correspondent receiving special praise and commendation for his patriotic services from U S Ambassador James W. Gerard and Colonel House. Even though he had not reached the legal age he made himself "older" in order to enlist in the United States Army and became a member of the US Military Commission in 1918-19. He was an active Editor for many years with the Hearst papers, later joined R.K.O. and Universal Pictures in Hollywood, and is now again engaged in special newspaper work in Chicago after an absence of six years in the U. S. Army. He prepared himself for the second great conflict in 1933, when as a member of the Illinois National Guard he was detailed by the Division Commander of the 33rd Division and the Governor of Illinois to head an investigation into the activities of subversive elements in the Middle East. This investigation gave rise to the first official action against the members of the Buni, and gave the War Department the first dossier of subversive elements. He was promoted to the ranks of Lt. Colonel in 1941 and entered active service with the 33rd Division in March of that year. He did special research work on North Africa and German problems, and prepared a comprehensive paper on combat public relations, which dealt with the problems of psychological warfare, military government and propaganda. He was placed in command of the 2nd Battalion 23rd Cavalry Truck Regiment with which unit he arrived in New Caledonia on July 6, 1943, and saw action in the South Pacific and later in the Philippines. The Colonel and his battalion (which was later redesignated the 42nd Cavalry Battalion Mobile) received numerous commendations and was rated superior by the Inspector General. For bravery in the South Pacific he was cited for heroism by Lt. General Harmon, and was later awarded the Soldiers Medal for heroism by the President. He was then placed in command of the 523rd Cavalry Group, and had the responsibility of expediting the movement of cargo and troops from the Port of Noumea and the Port of Nepoui, and shortly after that he became Port Commander. So well did he carry out his duties that tonnages were greatly increased, convoy operations improved, and efficient use of labor and material was accomplished. He then commanded his Group during the invasion of the Philippines and took charge of all service troops in Cebu, P.I. He was cited by Lt. General Eichelberger of the VIII Army. He was awarded the Philippine Distinguished Service Star for his outstanding service by President Osmena.

His group executed the movement of the 25th Division to the Philippine Theater, and was commended by the Division Commander and others as having been the best planned and executed movement of its size yet witnessed. Shortly after that he was promoted to full colonel and was awarded the Legion of Merit by Lt. General Richardson. Colonel Klein has in addition received the Bronze Medal and has had commendations from Admiral William F. Halsey, and Lt. Generals Robert C. Richardson, Millard F. Harmon, also Oak Leaf Cluster to Legion of Merit, Army Commendation Ribbon, French Legion of Honor, etc. He was also commended for his handling of repatriation of the special group of American prisoners-of-war who had made the last stand at Corregidor. In February 1946 he was appointed Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, Robert P. Patterson and left the regular service November 3, 1946 and is now Commanding Officer of the 33rd QM Group and Attached Service Troops, Illinois National Guard. Colonel Klein is a member of the B'nai B'rith, Adolph Kraus Lodge, Jewish War Veterans, Army and Navy Club, and the Loop Orthodox Synagogue, American Legion and other professional and fraternal organizations.

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(THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE)

9/20/46

Governor Dwight H. Green today (Friday) announced the appointment of another combat veteran, Colonel Julius Klein, as Commander of the 33rd Quartermaster Group which will serve as the headquarters for the numerous miscellaneous service troops to be organized in the State.

Due to the new tables of organization to be put into effect shortly by the War Department, Illinois' two infantry divisions will be each increased by the addition of an armored tank battalion and an anti-aircraft battalion. The new 123rd Infantry to be organized as part of the 44th Division when housing is available, is also assigned downstate. This has made possible the assignment of combat troops to Bloomington, and the quartermaster headquarters has been re-assigned to Chicago, Governor Green stated.

Colonel Klein served with distinction in the Pacific Theater as a commander of service troops in the combat zone. He was in command of all quartermaster and service troops in New Caledonia, with 8,000 service and combat troops under his command. Later, he held similar large commands in the Philippine campaigns. His last assignment was as special assistant to the Secretary of War.

He holds the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Soldiers Medal for heroism, the Bronze Star, the Philippine Distinguished Service Star, and the Commendation Ribbon.

Colonel Klein entered federal service with the Illinois National Guard in 1941. He was formerly a prominent Chicago newspaper man and later a motion picture executive.

In April 1933, while Captain of the Illinois National Guard 33rd Division, Colonel Klein instituted a thorough investigation of the subversive activities in the Middle West. This investigation, headed by Captain Klein, gave rise to the first official action against the members of the "Bund" and enabled the War Department to obtain the first dossier of subversive elements in this country.

Colonel Klein is now on terminal leave and has been on active duty for more than five and a half years. He lives with his wife at the Belmont Hotel in Chicago.

In the first World War he was first a war correspondent and later served in the army with the U. S. Military Mission to Germany.

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PRESS RELEASE

After close to six years of active duty ranging from command of troops in the Pacific Theater to Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, Colonel Julius Klein, prominent newspaper and motion picture executive, is leaving active service to return to private life in Chicago.

His efficiency in command of combat troops and his expert knowledge of public relations made him a valuable soldier throughout the war.

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Colonel Klein entered Federal military service with the 33rd Division March 5, 1941. In June, 1941, he prepared a comprehensive paper on "Combat Public Relations" for Lt. General Robert C. Richardson (then Director of the Bureau of Public Relations of the War Department) which dealt with the problems of psychological warfare, combat news coverage, military government and propaganda. These plans attracted wide attention and were adopted. Many of the policies set were used successfully.

In April 1943 he was assigned command of the Second Battalion 469th QI Truck Regiment which he took to New Caledonia, later becoming Commander of the 523rd QI Group there, to which subsequently was added the command of the Port of Embarkation at Noumea at which time he had more than eight thousand troops under his command and operational control.

Subsequently he took the 523rd to the Southwest Pacific and the Philippine Islands where he also commanded the base motor command.

In October 1945, he went to Honolulu as Special Consultant to Lt. General Robert C. Richardson, Jr., Commanding General Mid Pacific Ocean Areas. In February of 1946 he was brought to Washington as Special Assistant to Secretary of War Patterson where he remained until his present time.

For his outstanding services Colonel Julius Klein has been awarded the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Soldiers Medal for Heroism, and the Bronze Star (8th Army).

Shortly before relinquishing his office, President Sergio Osmena of the Philippines awarded to Colonel Klein the highest decoration given by the Philippine people, the Philippine Distinguished Service Star. In awarding this honor the general order said "Colonel Klein has shown undaunted courage when, in spite of being exposed to flying shrapnel, with presence of mind and as a result of his bravery he saved the lives of many of the

injured thus risking his own life. Colonel Klein's outstanding professional skill, superior initiative and unflinching devotion to duty enabled him to "discharge his assigned missions with unusually high standard of accomplishment and in keeping with the highest tradition of the Army of the United States".

For his outstanding services Colonel Klein has received letters of commendation and citations from the following in the Pacific: General Richardson, Lt. General Millard S. Harmon, Admiral William Halsey, COMSOPAC, Major General R. B. Lincoln, Lt. General Robert Eichelberger, General William E. Rose, and many others.

The superior quality of Colonel Klein's work as Special Assistant to the Secretary of War are best highlighted in the words of Secretary Patterson himself in a letter dated June 27, 1946, an extract of which reads as follows: "I want you to know that your assistance while on duty in this office was of the utmost value. Among other things you gave me a far better insight into the elements that go into public relations than I had ever before. Your counsel was far sighted and always constructive".

Colonel Klein plans to remain active with the Illinois National Guard which is now preparing to rebuild its state force on a considerably larger basis than before the war. Colonel Klein's home will be in Chicago where his wife resides at the Belmont Hotel. While in Washington Colonel Klein stopped at the Carlton Hotel.

UNITED STATES ARMY



Secretary of War Patterson, center, presents the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit to Col. Julius Klein, GSC, AUS, Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, while Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, jr., USA, former commanding general Mid-Pac, who awarded the decoration, looks on.

SECRETARY of War Patterson on 3 May presented to Col. Julius Klein, Special Assistant to the Secretary of War, the Oak Leaf Cluster to the Legion of Merit for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 16 Jan. to 14 Aug., 1945, as Special Consultant on Public Relations to the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas, subsequently Middle Pacific.

Colonel Klein was awarded the decoration by Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, jr., former Commanding General, United States Army Forces Middle Pacific, who was present at the ceremonies.

Colonel Klein entered active duty in March, 1941, with the 33rd Infantry Division of the Illinois National Guard. He went overseas in 1943 and served until 1945 as commanding officer of a Quartermaster group in the South and West Pacific Areas. He was later assigned to General Richardson's staff.

In June, 1941, he prepared a plan for the organization of "Combat Public Relations," which became an important public relations function of the armed forces. Previous decorations awarded to Colonel Klein include the Legion of Merit, the Soldier's Medal and the Bronze Star. Throughout his service, Colonel Klein showed capacity as a soldier as well as PRO and performed all the military duties which he was assigned to the entire approbation of his superiors.

Present at the ceremonies in addition to

General Richardson were Mrs. Klein, Dr. Ernest Klein, member of the Reparations Commission and brother of Colonel Klein; Maj. Gen. Edward F. Witsell, The Adjutant General; Maj. Gen. Floyd L. Parks, Director, War Department Bureau of Public Relations; Maj. Gen. Butler B. Miltonberger, Chief, National Guard Bureau; Brig. Gen. Joseph F. Battley, Executive to the Director of Information; Col. Andrew T. McAnsh, Personnel Division, War Department General Staff, and Col. Kenneth Buchanan, Army Ground Forces. Colonels McAnsh and Buchanan served with Colonel Klein in the 33rd Infantry Division.

The citation which accompanies the award reads:

"Colonel Julius Klein, for exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services from 16 January to 14 August 1945. As special consultant on Public Relations to the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Pacific Ocean Areas, subsequently Middle Pacific, he was entrusted with reshaping and expanding the public relations activities of that command. He gave valuable advice and assistance in the organization and establishment of the Middle Pacific Edition of the "Stars and Stripes." By applying his keen professional knowledge and indefatigable energy to the vital morale and public relations problems he contributed to a better understanding of the Army's mission and accomplishments in the war against Japan. The sound advice, foresight, and devotion to duty displayed by Colonel Klein reflect high credit upon himself and the United States Army."

Brief Stop



(TRIBUNE Photo)

Col. Julius Klein (right), being greeted by his brother, Ernest L., at Dearborn station.

Col. Julius Klein, Chicago newspaper and motion picture executive, passed thru Chicago yesterday on his way to Washington where he will be a special assistant to the Secretary of War. Col. Klein, who has been on active duty for five years, was released from a post as assistant to Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, mid-Pacific area commanding officer, to go Washington.

Col. Klein, who won several commendations for his work as a combat commander and service with Gen. MacArthur, said his appointment was not a political one.

When in Chicago Col. Klein lives at the Belmont hotel. He paused only between trains, however, and was met at the station by members of his family.

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THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

Wednesday, February 20, 1946

Klein Named Aide To Secy. Patterson

Col. Julius Klein, former associate producer at Universal and RKO, yesterday was named as special assistant to Robert Patterson, U.S. secretary of war. He is leaving Hollywood immediately for Washington to assume his new post.

Col. Klein, after five years of active duty, both in the European theatre and later in the Pacific, had planned to retire to civilian life a week ago, when Secretary Patterson requested that he remain on the active list and accept the special assistant's post.

Klein recently arrived here from the South Pacific, where he was on the staff of Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, commanding general of the mid-Pacific area, with headquarters in Honolulu. Since his return, Klein has been stationed with the Armed Forces Radio Service.

Newspaperman

APRIL 1946

Col. Julius Klein, former Chicago newspaperman, has assumed his new duties as special assistant to the Secretary of War. Until recently Col. Klein acted as special consultant on public relations to the commanding general, Mid Pacific Ocean Area. A well-known newspaper executive (old Herald and Examiner, Chicago), world war correspondent and motion picture executive, he has had a distinguished career in the Army. He was decorated three times—with the Legion of Merit, the Soldier's Medal and the Bronze Star...

TOWN TATTLER Nate Gross Klein Takes Post Today

Col. Julius Klein, Chicago newspaper and motion picture executive, was scheduled to take over his post as a special assistant to the secretary of war in Washington, D. C., today.

Col. Klein, who has been assistant to Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, mid-Pacific area commanding officer, passed through Chicago en route to the capital.

He has won a number of commendations for his work as a combat commander and for his service with Gen. MacArthur.

Col. Julius Klein is greeted as he passes through town on his way to Washington where he will take his new job—assistant to the Secretary of War. Which is a long way from the old criminal courts building where we both were reporters.

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WE SALUTE THE COLONEL!

(It is our great pleasure this month to salute our comrade, Colonel Julius Klein, member of Hollywood Post 113. As our most illustrious member, Colonel Klein has won the respect of all peoples in the late war. Comrade Klein has recently been appointed Assistant to the Secretary of War. The following is reprinted from an article prepared by PRO. MIDPAC, A.P.O. 958, by A.H.)

Colonel Julius Klein is the type of citizen-soldier, coming from the ranks of the National Guard, who has contributed so much to the successful prosecution of the war. For many years Col. Klein has devoted his time to advocate the interest of national preparedness. He has been on active duty for five years at a personal and material sacrifice. He has served with distinction and credit in important and responsible positions. Notwithstanding his distinguished journalistic career, he sought no staff assignment but requested service with troops in the field, seeking combat duty. He was eligible to request retirement from overseas services due to age but he preferred to remain on active duty as long as he was needed.

Col. Klein, while serving with the 33rd Division in Camp Forrest, prepared (on his own time) detailed plans for setting up a complete combat public relations organization for the War Department. This work was done months before Pearl Harbor. It was submitted and accepted at a later date. The marines adopted a similar system.

Already in 1933 he showed great foresight, taking a leave from his executive position in the newspaper business, to instigate and head the first subversive activities investigation in this country, solely on his own expense. No funds were available at that time for any such undertaking.

As Commanding Officer of troops, as Port Commander and Special Staff Officer in the Pacific Ocean Areas, Colonel Klein furnished vital logistical support to assault problems engendered by vast distances and limited shipping facilities. Acting as special consultant to the Commanding General, he was entrusted with several highly important missions which had a direct bearing on the successful completion of the overall mission of this command. In June, 1941, Colonel Klein prepared a complete plan for the organization of "Combat Public Relations" which became one of the most important functions of all the armed forces. (In 1933 he headed the first subversive activities investigation in this country.) In addition to his duties as Troop and Port Commander, he directed the movement of several large combat units, including New Zealand Forces, from the South Pacific to the active theater of operation in a high degree of efficiency to warrant several commendations from the highest American and Allied authorities.

Through his special knowledge of the requirements of maintenance of combat forces, his close command attention and leadership qualifications, Col. Klein had a great share in the rapid westward progress of Army Forces in the Pacific Ocean area.

As special consultant to COM. GEN.-MIDPAC, he had a responsible part in the redeployment of troops, repatriation of our prisoners of war and demobilization mission of this command.

Colonel Klein's exceptional planning ability, foresight and professional knowledge contributed in large measure to the successful execution of all those plans and measurably aided the advancement of our military forces, both before and after the surrender of Japan.

Col. Julius Klein to Be Patterson's Assistant

HONOLULU, T. H., Feb. 14 (AP)—Col. Julius Klein, of Chicago, today was relieved as special public relations consultant to Lt. Gen. Robert Richardson, army commander in the Pacific area. He will report to Washington within a few days as special assistant to Secretary of War Patterson.

Col. J. Klein To New Post

Col. Julius Klein has been relieved as special consultant on Public Relations to Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., commanding AFMIDPAC, to assume his new duties as special assistant to the Secretary of War, Gen. Richardson announced yesterday.

Col. Klein will report in a few days to Secretary of War Patterson in Washington for his new assignment.

He is a well known newspaper executive, World War I correspondent and motion picture executive. A native of Chicago, where he won fame as a newspaperman, he has also had a distinguished career in the Army. He entered active duty in March 1941 with the 33d Infantry Division, Illinois National Guard, and served overseas from early 1943 until late 1945 as commanding officer of a large quartermaster group in the south and west Pacific areas. Since that time he has been on Gen. Richardson's staff.

He has been decorated three times during this war—with the Legion of Merit, the Soldier's Medal, and the Bronze Star.

"Col. Klein has served his country in an outstanding manner and it has been a privilege to have him in my command," Gen. Richardson said. "I am sure that he will continue to be of great value in his new assignment."

Army and Navy Journal
February 23, 1946

Col. Klein to Secretary's Office

Col. Julius Klein, formerly Special Consultant on the staff of Lt. Gen. Robert C. Richardson, Jr., Commanding General, Mid Pacific Ocean Areas, has assumed his new duties as Special Assistant to the Secretary of War.



Col. Klein

Colonel Klein, a well-known newspaper and motion picture executive, is a native of Chicago. He entered active duty in March, 1941, with the 33rd Infantry Division of the Illinois National Guard. After his graduation from several service schools, including the School of Military Government, he went overseas in command of troops, serving from early 1943 until late 1945 as commanding officer of a large

Quartermaster group in the South and West Pacific Areas, afterward being attached to General Richardson's staff.

As commanding officer of troops, as port commander and special staff officer in the Pacific Ocean Areas, Colonel Klein furnished vital logistical support to the assault problems engendered by vast distances and limited shipping facilities. Acting as special consultant to the commanding general he was entrusted with several highly important missions which had a direct bearing on the successful overall mission of the command. In June, 1941, he prepared a complete plan for the organization of "Combat Public Relations" which became one of the most important public relations functions of all the armed forces.

As special consultant on General Richardson's staff, Colonel Klein had a responsible part in the redeployment of troops, repatriation of our prisoners of war and the demobilization mission of the command. His planning ability, foresight and professional knowledge contributed in large measure to the successful execution of all those plans and measurably aided the advancement of our military forces, both before and after the surrender of Japan. He was decorated three times during the war—with the Legion of Merit, the Soldier's Medal, and the Bronze Star.

Colonel Klein, who recently returned to the United States to complete a mission for the Pacific Command, agreed to defer his return to business life in order to carry out his new duties.

Interviewed this week by the Army and Navy Journal, Colonel Klein declined to elaborate on the scope of his new duties but emphasized that they will be of whatever nature the Secretary of War deems most necessary at this time.

Philippines Honor Col. Klein

The Philippine Distinguished Service Star, the highest decoration given by the Philippine people, was awarded recently to Col. Julius Klein, a Chicagoan.

Shortly before relinquishing his office, President Sergio Osmena despatched a letter to Colonel Klein, who was serving as Special Assistant to the Secretary of War in the War Department, Washington, D. C. President Osmena wrote:

"As a token of the gratitude of this Government for your distinguished services in its behalf, I take the pleasure of sending you herewith, General Orders No. 150 from the Headquarters of the Philippine Army, awarding you the Distinguished Service Star of the Philippines."

Excerpts from the General Order are as follows:

"I. Distinguished Service Star. By direction of the President and under the provisions of Circular 86, this Headquarters, dated 22 July 1945, the Distinguished Service Star is awarded to Col. Julius Klein. For eminently meritorious and distinguished services rendered to the Commonwealth of the Philippines in a position of major responsibility as Commanding Officer of 523rd Quartermaster Group. He rendered valuable services in a superior manner in planning the movement of the Group and attached 8th Army troops from Cebu to the next objective, Japan. He distinguished himself by outstanding performance of planning and advisory duties in logistical matters. Colonel Klein's exceptional planning ability, foresight and professional knowledge contributed in a large measure to the successful formulation and execution of these plans, and measurably aided the advancement of military forces, both before and after the surrender of Japan.

"Colonel Klein has shown undaunted courage when, in spite of being exposed to flying shrapnel, with presence of mind and as a result of his bravery, he saved the lives of many of the injured, thus risking his own life. His indefatigable energy constituted an exceptional contribution to the success of the military operations in Cebu, and also of the handling of much needed assistance by the people of Cebu, most of whom were hungry and destitute.

"Colonel Klein's outstanding professional skill, superior initiative and unflinching devotion to duty, enabled him to discharge his assigned missions with an unusually high standard of accomplishment and in keeping with the highest tradition of the Army of the United States.

"By Order of The Secretary of National Defense:

R. JALANDONI,
Major General, PA
Chief of Staff."

Colonel Klein had been in the Pacific for close to 3 years before he was appointed Special Assistant to the Secretary of War. He plans to return to civilian life shortly. His wife resides at the Belmont Hotel, Chicago. Colonel Klein has received many citations and commendations during the war, including the Soldier's Medal for Heroism, the Legion of Merit, and the Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second Legion of Merit, and the Bronze Star. He is a former Chicago newspaper man and Hollywood motion picture executive, and entered active military service in March, 1941, with the 33rd Infantry Division, Illinois National Guard. The medal was brought to this country by Capt. Manuel Gonzales, Aide to General Valdes, who arrived here by special plane from Manila. Colonel Klein is now on leave after which he plans to resume his newspaper profession. He resides at the Carlton Hotel, Washington.

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(International News photo.)

COL. JULIUS KLEIN, former Chicago newspaperman, is shown as he receives the Philippine Distinguished Service Star in Washington for service during the Philippine campaign. Maj. Gen. Basilio J. Valdes, chief of the Philippine military mission to the U. S., makes the presentation.

WASHINGTON POST
TUE. JULY 2, 1946

Col. Klein Wins Top Decoration Of Philippines

Col. Julius Klein, until recently a special assistant to Secretary of War Patterson, has been granted the Philippine Distinguished Service Star, the highest decoration of the Philippine Government.

Klein, a former Chicago newspaperman, entered the service in March, 1941, with the Illinois National Guard. He served three years in the Pacific.



The medal Col. Klein was one of the last awarded by President Sergio Osmena of the Philippines, and was brought to the United States by General Valdes of the Philippine Army. In addition to the Philippine Star, Klein was awarded the Soldier's Medal, the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit with cluster.

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Colonel Julius Klein
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Dear Julius:

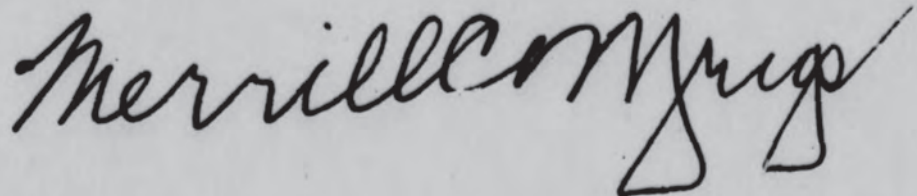
Before it fades from my memory, I want to write you of my talks with MacArthur and Richardson regarding you and your activities. MacArthur was most complimentary, said that your knowledge, initiative, and intelligence were all combined to make a very fine officer. He said you had been most helpful in advising him on his public relations and that he was sorry when General Richardson took you away from him for a more important assignment.

General Richardson told me that he was going to recommend you for the Distinguished Service Medal, which, by your record in the Army, you so richly earned. He said that he had relied upon you for advice in public relations, press relations, etc. He said he found that you always told him what was the right thing to do and not what you felt he wanted you to tell him, in other words, you were not a "yes man". He spoke also of your excellent record in commanding troops, the respect, loyalty and love which your performance earned from your soldiers.

I was very proud to tell both of these men that you and I had been associated in the newspaper business many years ago, and to tell them both that you rendered the same loyal and efficient service that has characterized your Army career.

In closing, may I congratulate you, Julius, on having made such a fine record with two great Generals, MacArthur and Richardson.

Sincerely,



Merrill C. Meigs
mdb
cc Ernest Klein

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Saturday

Klein Blazed Long Trail to M. E.'s Chair Through War Torn Fields of France

Illinois Staats Herold's Big Boss Once Star Reporter on Chicago Papers

Julius Klein, managing editor of the Illinois Staats Herold, never works without lighting his "heater," usually a three-for-a-half-dollar cigar. This information may not be so interesting, but it serves as a lead to the story of his career as a newspaperman.

He first attracted attention as a foreign correspondent and then jumped into the limelight as a war correspondent. His reputation as a writer of marked ability gained him a large following. Then in order, followed years of newspaper jobs as reporter, music critic and author of several books.

Mr. Klein served as managing editor of the Illinois Staats Zeitung, oldest German newspaper in America. Later he became a "big time" reporter and assistant to Frank Carson, former managing editor of the Herald-Examiner. Later he resigned to go with the Staats Herold.

Gathered about the rim of the copy desk after the last deadline on copy, men in many editorial rooms of Chicago discuss Julius Klein. Whatever the subject under discussion, invariably they return to Klein, the German reporter, who was honored at the Chicago dinner to the French ambassador three years ago.

While covering this event given at the Chicago Club, by the then Vice-President Charles G. Dawes in honor of the visiting French ambassador, Mr. Dawes surprised the guests by calling upon Mr. Klein for a speech. This occurred in the middle of a program of addresses by foreign diplomats and persons of international renown, but Mr. Klein was not in the least disturbed. He

spoke fifteen minutes and then returned to his table, amid prolonged applause.

He recently returned from Mexico City, where, as an Illinois delegate to the World Press Congress, he was an outstanding speaker and showed his enterprise by publication for the event of a six-page special World Press Congress edition of the Illinois Staats Herold.



The front page carried a quarter of a column story concerning the formation of NEWSDOM.

Several full pages concerning the prowess of Mr. Klein as a crime and as a "scoop reporter" might be printed if space were not limited. This story affords the readers at least a close-up of Julius Klein, Chicago managing editor par excellence.

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The LEE SIDE

By
LEE SHIPPEY o' L. A.

Julius Klein, recently appointed special assistant to the president at the Universal studio, has had a newspaper career as exciting—and almost as unbelievable—as those of the star reporters of screen dramas.

Klein is the only American I ever heard of who enlisted in the American army, during the World War, in Berlin. Klein was a newspaper correspondent in Berlin and a close friend of Ambassador Gerard. He also was in extreme favor with the Germans. One of Gerard's last official acts in Berlin was to ask that Klein be permitted to remain there. But when war appeared inevitable, Klein went to the American military attache and enlisted. He was in Germany a couple of months after America declared war. And yet he is the only American journalist with an appointment to the Prussian Institute of Newspaper Science. The Minister of Culture and Science gave him that appointment a few years ago, in recognition of his achievements as an international journalist.

Klein has a German accent and when he went to work as a cub reporter in Chicago, along with Charlie MacArthur and Ben Hecht—"and all of us getting \$10 a week," he told me—the boys in the city room called him "Dutch." He is round-faced, quiet, gentle. You might think you could "put things over" on Klein, and that apparent guilelessness of his may have had much to do with his great success. Certainly it must have helped when he carried on a campaign against quack doctors of Chicago. After being physically examined and declared perfectly sound, he called on a cancer quack—and was assured he had cancer;

he called on a tuberculosis quack and was assured he had T.B. He called on a kidney quack and was warned that he had only a few months to live unless he began a course of treatment at once. And as a high proportion of the vilest quacks "specialized" in maladies of more

*Had Forty
 Diseases in
 Two Weeks,
 But Doctors
 Suffered Most*

personal and scandalous nature, he called on them, too, and was gravely counseled to begin treatment immediately for a score of diseases or it would be just too bad. "In two weeks," says Klein, "I had all the diseases I could think of. Then we opened up on them, sent thirteen to jail and drove a few hundred out of Chicago." One wonders how many of them headed for Los Angeles.

Klein reported the armistice and the peace conference at Versailles, then was a member of the American military commission sent to Berlin by Gen. Pershing. He has made two trips around the world, reported the most sensational murders and gang wars in Chicago, has been decorated by the Queen of Rumania and has held the friendship of several Presidents of the United States. Also, just to show his versatility, he was chosen to deliver the principal address for America at the great Schubert Centennial celebration in Vienna in 1927, was the founder of the German Art Society in Chicago, and under his personal supervision the original versions of "Blossom Time," "The Merry Widow," "Alt Heidelberg" and many German operettas were produced. When "All Quiet on the Western Front" set the whole world talking, Klein arranged the first reunion banquet between American and German veterans. A huge banquet was given in Chicago, under the auspices of the American Legion, in honor of "our enemies of yesteryear and our proud citizens of today." Pershing, Hindenburg and Hoover were among those who sent greetings to that dinner.

Klein didn't know what he was going to do when he first came here. He had been friendly with Carl Laemmle for years but had never written for pictures.

*Mother's Day
 Stamp Made
 Him Think of
 Whistler. So
 Play Results*

He came here about the time the Mother's Day stamps, picturing Whistler's mother, were in circulation. He had always been interested in Whistler, the American West Pointer who didn't graduate, went to England to live, became famous for his wit and his art of making enemies first and for his painting afterward and, despite his outward hardening toward sentiment, painted the most famous sentimental picture ever painted by an American. So he is working on a story about Whistler. And it certainly should have pictorial possibilities—West Point, Washington, Mayfair, London, Boul Mich, Paris.

Klein has leased a house here and is bringing out his family, so it looks as if he is a fixture.

MR. KLEIN'S ANSWER

June 30, 1934

The LEE SIDE

By
LEE SHIPPEY o' L. A.

Lee: When I read your story about me I was stunned. You made me believe that I am a "big shot" or that I really am one of those persons whom Lee Tracy and Pat O'Brien have portrayed in pictures. No, I am not such an animal. I am just an old reporter. All I did was to carry out assignments and orders, so my bosses had the brains.

*Julius Klein
 Says "Just a
 Reporter
 Carrying Out
 Boss' Orders"*

When Dr. Kobak of Chicago, who was the other guest at the luncheon which you gave us, told you the story about the quacks in Chicago, he should have told you that the entire credit belongs to the Chicago Tribune. It was Col. R. R. McCormick of the Chicago Tribune who started this campaign, all I did as "Dutch reporter" was to go after the fake "Heidelberg doctors" in Chicago and what the Tribune did in a big way, I did in a little way.

I had a lot of "diseases" but I won't get one "disease" and that is "Go Hollywood." Just imagine if my first picture is a flop how you and all your readers will laugh. After all, with Universal it is the same as with my newspapers back home. I am just carrying out the ideas and orders of the Laemmles.

*Makes Threat
 Which Doesn't
 Alarm This
 Reporter Very
 Greatly*

about you as you did about me and get even with you.

Thanks, anyhow, and when I get fired from Universal and I get a job again on the newspaper, I will either ask you for one or go back to Chicago and write a story about you as you did about me and get even with you.

JULIUS KLEIN.

*Guileless He
 Appears, But
 Has Fooled
 Many Full of
 Deep Guile*

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The LEE SIDE

LEE SHIPPEY
By

o' L. A.

Through the British dominions, except in Ireland, the name of Roger Casement is anathema. He was an Irishman who had been honored with positions of trust by England, and knighted. Then he had a change of heart and began to work for the freedom of Ireland, renouncing his knighthood. When the World War broke he believed Germany had a good chance

*Julius Klein
Breaks World
Record, Gets
Statement
From G.B.S.*

to win, and cast his lot with Germany, plotting there to go to Ireland and start a revolution. A German submarine landed him in Ireland, but the revolt he started did not last long. Casement was captured, tried and hanged as a traitor.

But there were many, including George Bernard Shaw, who thought Casement a patriot—to Ireland—rather than a traitor to England. A great petition for him was signed in the United States.

Julius Klein, now special assistant to Carl Laemmle, Sr., covered the Casement trial as a reporter. Recently Klein has been writing a book about it. And he has broken the world's record by getting a lengthy signed statement from George Bernard Shaw for inclusion in that book.

When it comes to getting things from people in high places, Klein is a miracle man. His years as a reporter not only won him the friendship but the confidence of those people. They know they can count on him to use whatever information they give him with discretion. At one time when Hoover wouldn't see anyone else, myself included, he spent an hour or two with Klein. Recently Klein wrote an important article for The Times Sunday Magazine and secured signed statements from former Ambassador Gerard and Col. House to go with it—and there are mighty few writers who could have got such a statement from Col. House.

But a signed statement by G. B. S. for someone else's book heretofore has been looked on as the ultimate of the unattainable. You could get a dozen long, chummy interviews with Greta Garbo before you could get that. However, Julius wrote Shaw what he was doing and Shaw sent back a four-page statement accompanied by a handwritten letter.

*It's a Gift,
He Can Get
Things Which
Others Can
Dream About*

*Young Laemmle
Has Changed
His Program
and Probably
Saved Self*

After showing me Shaw's letter and statement, the contents of which cannot yet be divulged, Klein took me over to the office of Junior Laemmle, the 27-year-old boy who astonished the world when he was only 22 by producing, with his father's backing, the greatest picture of screen history, "All Quiet on the Western Front." I hadn't seen "Junior" for some years, and the last time I saw him I was sorry for him. For, after all, he was only a boy and he was carrying a tremendous load. He had been ill, and I could see visions of a brilliant and likable young fellow getting crushed in an effort to imitate Atlas. But yesterday "Junior" was bright-eyed, unworried and apparently as sound as a nut, a good nut without any quotation marks around it.

And the reason is rather interesting. Young Laemmle has quit carrying the world on his shoulders. He has laid out his program for a year, seven big productions and nothing else. He is going to try to make those seven count, while other people take all the other responsibilities.

*These Young
Men Become
Specialists
to Improve
the Product*

In this connection, someone sends me an unsigned card worth quoting and thinking about. It reads: "Work faithfully eight hours a day and don't worry. Then in time, you may become the boss, work twelve hours a day and have all the worry."

*How to Get
Ahead in the
World, if That
Is What You
Call Success*

Max Baer laments that if only he had been born ten years earlier he could have whipped Dempsey and Tunney and made a lot of money. If it weren't for his overwhelming modesty that boy might get somewhere, even now.

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Julius Klein Goes to Universal Film

Nationally-Known News Man Assistant to Laemmle

JULIUS KLEIN, nationally known newspaper man, was recently commissioned special assistant to Carl Laemmle, president of Universal Pictures Corporation. In the future, instead of seeking information and questioning famous people, Klein will devote his time to furnishing them with dramatic action and dialogue.

A product of Chicago newspapers, Klein covered the war on many different fronts and saw service as a correspondent under fire. He lived with soldiers of every nation and was among the first to enter Germany after covering the intimate details of the Armistice. Klein was decorated by two European governments for his service to art, literature and journalism during the years of reconstruction following the war.

Klein interviewed many dignitaries, handled foreign news on the World Eucharistic Congress, and later in his career, when his newspaper published political exposures of graft rings in the Middle West, he entered politics to finish up his assignment. He polled more than a million and a half votes to overthrow the machine politicians.



JULIUS KLEIN

He has been connected with the Chicago Herald and Examiner in many editorial capacities and covered the Criminal Courts building with the late Hilding Johnson, famous Chicago reporter. He was assistant to General Roy D. Keehn, who was a Hearst executive in Chicago for many years.

Many famous murder stories during the past 15 years were covered by him for the Herald and Examiner, among them the famous Leopold-Loeb case, the Russell Scott tragedy and stories centering around Durkin, Capone, McSwiggin, and others.

Three years ago he was chosen as one of the American delegates to the World's Press Congress in Mexico where he delivered an address on "Freedom of Foreign Press Correspondents."

Before rejoining the Hearst organization, Klein was managing editor of the old Illinois "Staat-Zeitung" and the Leicht Syndicate of Winona, Minnesota, publishing 42 German newspapers throughout the country. He resigned his position a year and a half ago and joined forces with Roy D. Keehn, with whom he was associated for many years when the former was head of the Hearst newspapers in Chicago.

Many interesting episodes are recited by newspaper men about Klein. He was the first to "sit" in the electric chair in Chicago when the Illinois Legislature abolished the gallows and the electric chair

was authorized and installed by experts from the Michigan penitentiary.

Klein was covering the Criminal Courts building with the famous "Front Page" reporter, Hilding Johnson, at the time. The county jail contained the famous press room which was featured by Ben Hecht and Charlie MacArthur's play. Hildy and Klein reported at the Criminal Courts building and wanted an action picture of the chair. Klein volunteered to sit in it for the picture. He was strapped in and the electrodes were placed on his head and right leg. Only the electrician and Hildy Johnson knew that the wires were not connected. While everybody, including Warden Fogarty, looked on, Johnson suddenly reached to the board and pulled the switch. The group was horror-stricken and the warden fainted. Klein never told how he felt about his experience but when he wrote the story of the first electrocution in Chicago, his lead was, "I know how it feels." The Warden never forgave Hildy for the joke and Klein has never spoken or written about it since.

From sensational court thrills and battle fields to religious affairs and art, Klein has gone in succession during his score of years as a recorder of world affairs, enjoying outstanding success in each endeavor. In his new post as advisor to Mr. Laemmle, the noted newspaper man will have an opportunity to lend a touch of his exciting personal experiences to many forthcoming pictures, and to write for the screen, true stories that will be more gripping and fantastic than fiction.

The Press Club News

Of, For and By Newspapermen

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FEBRUARY, 1928

Our Editor

By Chas. D. Haines, 2nd.

At this time it is right and just to say a word about Julius Klein, our editor.

Julius Klein as a newspaper man, first came into the limelight as a foreign correspondent. He then became a war correspondent and his reputation as a writer of marked ability attracted for him a wide following. Then in order, followed years spent as a reporter, music critic and author of several books.

Mr. Klein served as the Managing Editor of the old Illinois Staats-Zeitung, the oldest German newspaper in America. Later he became "scoop" reporter and assistant to Frank Carson, former Editor of the Herald and Examiner. When he resigned from the Herald and Examiner, Mr. Carson was out of the city. Upon hearing of Mr. Klein's resignation, the following is a brief of a letter sent by Mr. Carson to Mr. Klein:

"I have been trying to reach you for three days at your hotel, but each time I rang, you were out, or would not answer. To say that I was amazed when I heard of your resignation is putting it very mildly.

"Why did you do it?

"You know that I have always been a strong booster for you, and, because of your remarkable ability to get news, particularly the sort of news that counts, I always entertained visions of seeing you as one of the highest salaried reporters in the country.

"From the very first day that I hired you and witnessed your ability to deliver, I had entertained fond hopes that you would remain with this paper so long as further, that you would join me on any

I might happen to become connected. I have always thought that you instinctively knew that I always considered you one of the best finds in my 24 years of newspaper work.

"If you are still hanging around Chicago, you will immediately get in touch with me.

"Most cordially yours,

(signed) "FRANK CARSON."

A Fight For Truth

When Julius Klein resigned from the Staats-Zeitung, the Publisher called him not only a newspaper man, but also a man of keen understanding of human nature in all of its excellencies and all of its various moods. With all this he has kept modest and always been a fighter for TRUTH.

As a matter of fact, insofar as the writer knows, there is no other newspaperman in the United States with a larger following of influential boosters and personal friends, high in business, social, political and civic affairs, than Mr. Klein.

The Press Club News is so keenly appreciative of having obtained Mr. Klein as its Managing Editor, that we want to shout it from the housetops to the whole blooming world.

Gathered about "the rim" of the copy desk after the last dead line on copy has been made and the "rag" is just about ready to go to bed, men in many editorial offices of Chicago discuss each other, and their work. Oftentimes however, it happens that Julius Klein is the center of these pow-wows, for his experiences have been so markedly interesting.

Whatever the subject under discussion, invariably they return to Klein, the German reporter at the Chicago banquet in honor of the French Ambassador.

Meets Dawes' Challenge.

While covering this big luncheon, given at the Chicago Club by Vice-President Charles G. Dawes in honor of the visiting French dignitary three years ago, Dawes surprised the audience and guests, after several cut and dried speeches had been made, by calling on Klein for a speech. This occurred in the middle of a program of addresses by Senators, foreign diplomatic representatives and persons of international renown.

Klein, as the German reporter at the French banquet, however, snapped right into line. He made them a speech. He talked for fifteen minutes, and when he returned to his seat, the applause was loud and prolonged.

At present Mr. Klein is editor of the well-known and widely popular German newspaper known as the Chicagoer Herold (German Herald). He is also director and announcer of Chicago's only German Radio-Hour station W. I. B. O.

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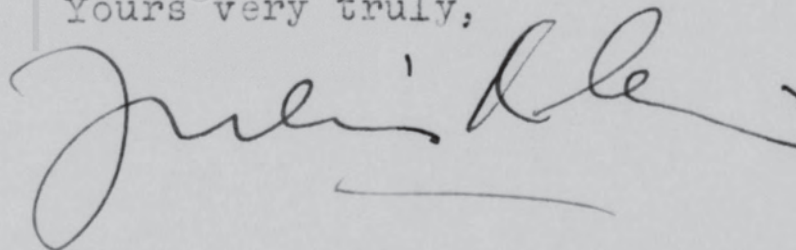
My Dear Rabbi Silver:

The meeting of Senator Brewster here at the Standard Club was a huge success. By the way, Senator Brewster would like to hear from you on the Greek situation before you take off.

He has returned to Washington. Of course you know he is stopping at the Mayflower Hotel.

With kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Julius Klein", with a horizontal line underneath.

JK:vm

Copy to Dr. Allah Hillel Silver

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April 26, 1947

CABLE ADDRESS
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Mr. Peter Bergson
25 West 45th Street
New York, New York

My dear Peter Bergson:

I have read with great chagrin in the newspapers that your committee has filed an objection with the UNO, demanding that your group be recognized as the official spokesman in the Palestine question.

You know by now, that as a soldier I always respected and admired those groups in this country that supported the heroic underground movement in the Holy Land. I felt that in spite of the various differences that the work of your Committee therefore was most constructive.

In the various conversations I had with you, I emphasized my great respect for Dr. Silver's courageous and brilliant leadership in arousing the conscience of the United States against the grave injustice of Great Britain. I do not believe there is any one more qualified than I to state that I know of no one who has done more to reach the proper circles in the United States Government on the Palestine question.

While I served in the high position in the War Department, and later as adviser to the important bloc in the Senate, I saw with great satisfaction that Dr. Silver's work is making splendid progress.

Now finally this grave question is going to come before the United Nations. Personally, I am pessimistic and fear a compromise or passing the "buck" to a commission, etc. But I do know, and I am confident that in the not too far distant future this problem will have to be solved - and will be solved only through the backing by courageous United States legislators and high government officials. So it behooves us to unite and back those who are our recognized leaders, especially those who for decades have been the pioneers in this question.

While I appreciate that you have done an outstanding job, I feel that this time it should be the duty of every group to unite behind one and not split the over-all effort. If you do, you play right into the hands of our enemies. No matter what your opinion is, no matter what your differences are, if you are true to your ideals and your final goal, that is for a free Palestine, then you must see to it that all forces are united. You can not expect and

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Mr. Peter Bergson
April 26, 1947
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should not expect the agency now to yield to you no matter what your claim is. So I suggest that you put all your personal opinions aside, at least as far as our effort before the United Nations is concerned, and let us show a united front. You have a noble cause. You have your program - let it stand. But on the issue before the United Nations we must be united.

I hope you will reconsider your decision to contest the Jewish agency request before the UNO. I was glad to have seen you again, and assure you that when the time comes I hope to be called upon to assist those in helping to organize the Army. But in the meantime, within the limitation of my capacity as a United States citizen and as a soldier, I shall do all I can to assist those who so courageously fight so that the millions who have given their lives shall not have died in vain.

I shall be in Washington again all next week where you can reach me either at the Carlton Hotel or at the office of Senator Brewster. Please keep this letter confidential. It is not for publication.

Is not the stab in the back of the Committee on Judaism enough? You are playing right into their hands if you do not back those who have the best chance to plead our case.

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Sincerely yours,

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DEARBORN 4111

Rabbi Allah Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 105th Street and Anslie Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Colonel Julius Klein has asked me to send you the attached letter from Peter H. Bergson. Since this is the only copy, we would appreciate it if you would return it for our files.

Colonel Klein is in Washington at present. He can either be reached at the Carlton Hotel or Senator Owen D. Brewster's office. If he should not be in Washington, you could reach him in New York by calling Republic 6-7100.

Yours very truly,

J. McMillan
Secretary to
Julius Klein

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May 29, 1947

Mr. V. McMillan, Secretary to Mr. Julius Klein
First National Bank Building
38 South Dearborn Street
Chicago 3, Ill.

My dear Mr. McMillan:

I am returning herewith the letter addressed
to Colonel Julius Klein which you sent me. I shall
contact Colonel Klein when I am next in Washington.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
Enc.



Klein, Julius

re Quoddy, Maine

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Bercovici letter to J. K.
June - 1947

FRANK KINGDON
120 EAST SIXTEENTH STREET
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
105th Road & Ansel Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been in touch with your secretary here in the city concerning the arrangement of an appointment with you upon your return to New York next week. She suggested that I write you in Cleveland.

If it would be at all possible for you to grant me a few minutes, at your convenience, for a matter that I consider most urgent, I would be tremendously grateful.

The telephone number at the above address is:
Gramercy 5-3868.

Sincerely yours,

Marcella Markham Kingdon
(Mrs. Frank Kingdon)

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Will be pleased to see you
Monday - 4 o'clock, at Emergency
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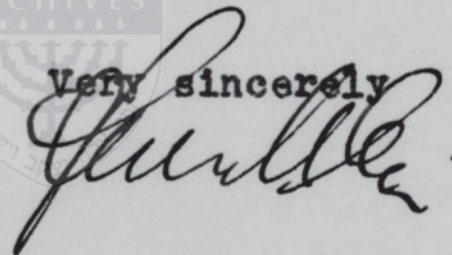
Dr. A. H. Silver
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

I am awfully sorry on most of my trips I seem to miss you. I am very anxious to see you. You can always locate me through the offices of Senator Brewster or through my switchboard at the Pan American World Airways (Republic 5700) or Merryhill 6-7100 in New York. I am leaving for the East again tomorrow.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely



JK/cmt

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June 23, 1947

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DEARBORN 4111

Dr. A. H. Silver
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I had hoped to stop over at Cleveland for a conference with you, but unfortunately it has been impossible, and it was unfortunate also that we didn't get to see each other in New York or Washington.

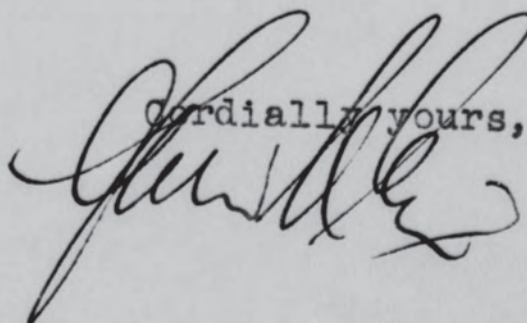
I would like to have a chat with you and I wonder whether you are going to be in Cleveland this coming week. I am planning to go East again as soon as the Pan American trip around the world reaches Chicago, which is due this coming Monday, June 30th. I could be in Cleveland possibly Tuesday or Wednesday.

if so will phone you. There is a chance for me to get away here Friday. We could then meet for tea.
There are some matters I would like to talk over with you at your earliest convenience. Senator Brewster is also most anxious to see you.

By the way, the enclosed note from Mr. Bercovici, who is in Senator Brewster's office, will interest you. If you have any comments, please send them to Senator Brewster.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



JK:vm