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Anti-Defamation League, 1937-1938.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th & Ansel Road
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Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Mr. Arnold Hartoch of 1624 Hollywood Court, Chicago, a graduate of Northwestern University was recommended for a position as instructor of languages to the University School, Shaker Heights, Cleveland, Ohio. Harry A. Peters is Superintendent of this school.

Mr. Hartoch was asked to file an application and shortly after this was sent to Cleveland, he received a wire from Mr. Peters asking him to come to Cleveland for a personal interview. A few days later, Mr. Hartoch went to Cleveland and when he arrived at Mr. Peters office he was immediately informed by Mr. Peters that the school authorities had learned that Mr. Hartoch was a Jew and that no Jews were employed by the University School.

We understand that this school has a large Jewish clientele.

We would appreciate it very much if you could give us some further information regarding the University School. We are especially anxious to know if it is their set policy not to employ Jews and also something regarding the activities of Mr. Harry A. Peters.

Yours very truly,

Miles M. Goldberg
MILES M. GOLDBERG
Assistant Secretary

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ALFRED A. BENESCH
DIRECTOR

10-22-37

Dear Rabbi Silver, - Miles Jolabey, of the
Anti-Defamation League, has sent me
copy of his letter to you regarding University
School. - I am very well acquainted with
several of the School's Trustees, but, of
course, I do not want to work as cross-
purposes. - Will you please let me know what
you propose to do in the
matter? - I cannot remain silent.

I have friends in your vicinity
and their greetings to
you, Virginia - the children,

Cordially yours
Alfred A. Benesch

October 27, 1937

My dear Friend:

I have done nothing about the matter raised by Mr. Goldberg of the Anti-Defamation League so that you can feel free to proceed with the matter according to your best judgment. It might be well for you to contact with Mr. Peters as well as with your friends who are Trustees of the School. The faculty of the University School has of course always been "Judenlos". Being a private school, it is difficult to say what can be done about it. I don't think that the fact that some Jewish pupils attend the School can be used as an effective weapon. I rather suspect that their parents would resent having the issue raised. Friendly contact and persuasion may help.

With all good wishes to you and Helen,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

P.S. In the twenty years that I have been in Cleveland I do not recall any instance where a Rabbi was invited to address the University School.

Alfred A. Benesch, Director
Department of Commerce
State of Ohio
Columbus, Ohio

AMERICAN VIGILANTEISM

What Is It?

We hear a great deal about Vigilanteism in these troublous and historic days. What is it?

"Vigilanteism is one of the gravest menaces facing the American people today," says the Communistic International Labor Defense.

Let us examine its origin and history.

First, we must clearly understand what **KIND** of a political system was planned by the Founders and Framers of our Constitution.

They did not establish a **democracy**. The United States Government is **not** a democracy; neither is any of the 48 states comprising it.

It is a representative republic whose national agency is **the most limited national government in the world**.

Washington has but eighteen enumerated **national** powers; all others having been retained by the 48 sovereign states forming the federated union.

The fact that some of its originally devised functions have been **communistic-ally usurped** is largely responsible for our current distress.

But that does not indicate that the **system** is **wrong**.

It **DOES** prove that "We, The People," have neglected to **preserve, protect and defend** our precious heritage.

ANY kind of machinery will cease to function properly unless cared for. That also applies to **governmental** machinery.

Eternal Vigilance is the price. We Americans have been **false to our trust**.

THE ORIGINAL VIGILANTES

The settler-pioneers of the Republic were the **original** Vigilantes of America.

When threatened by savage foes they left their plows and took up their guns.

In the days of the young nation, Eternal Vigilance was the price of **safety**, as well as liberty.

When those pioneers re-established safety, what did they do? They **voluntarily** returned to their plows.

In the Black Days of '49, law and order broke down in California.

San Francisco and other cities were run by gangster-killers. Terror reigned. Robbery and murder occurred daily.

What happened?

The **individual citizenry demonstrated control by concert of action**. Decent men armed themselves and risked their lives to protect their homes, their community, their state.

Bands of patriots rounded up **known** criminals—AND HANGED THEM.

In an amazingly short time, law and order and peace and safety were restored.

Their job **done**, those Vigilantes disbanded.

TRUE AMERICAN VIGILANTEISM

What is true American Vigilanteism?

It is **not** Bolshevism—Dictatorship of the **Majority**!

It is **not** Communism—Dictatorship of the **Proletariat**!

It is not the **MASTER-Leadership** of European Fascism or Nazism—although it stands shoulder to shoulder with them against **Jewish International Communism**.

True American Vigilanteism is "A POSSE COMITATUS"—the vigilant potential power of the community in militant action to preserve, protect and defend the unalienable individual rights of the people.

It is the White Terror of the Communist!

It holds that sovereign political power resides in intelligent individual responsibility—making Man Master of Government.

Through militant patriotic activities, it recaptures PEACEFULLY, if it can, FORCEFULLY, if it must, those individual liberties which have been lost by the treasonable acts of faithless public servants.

In other words, if a peaceful boycott cannot be made effective, then CIO War will be met **and overcome** as it was by the embattled patriots of Pennsylvania, Michigan, California and Ohio.

In the hour of need it will automatically coalesce and create national leadership.

And when their priceless heritage has been preserved, militant American Vigilantes **voluntarily return** to the arts of peace—their principle of self-government **vindicated without the dangers of a central dictatorship.**

Vigilant Americanism will solve its problems in its own **concerted individual** way despite International Jewry's Communism, its "kept men of the press" and its Traitor Politicians.

FREEDOM OF SPEECH AT STAKE

Its big peace job is to see that America's First Line of Defense — FREE SPEECH — is not destroyed.

It may be destroyed if the defendant in the Edmondson Jewish Religion Libel Case is convicted, for Washington and Albany will be **flooded with gag laws**, and the United States mails may be closed to educational literature.

A new political party would not get to **first base** under such conditions, with the Channel of Communications shut.

Vigilant Americans are giving thoughtful consideration to the A. P. report of October 11, 1937, quoting Senator Burton K. Wheeler's speech in defense of the Supreme Court, wherein he said:

"If you believe you can TRUST Congress, then you don't **know** the Congress of the U. S."

What are we going to do about **that**? Have we been betrayed?

I stand steadfast for TRUE American Vigilanteism, Historic Champion of Law and Order, Safety and Peace, Creator and Saviour of The Republic.

"Timid Souls may be satisfied with a starveling peace; but the Decent Destiny of the World lies in the hands of those who will **FIGHT FOR IT.**"

New York, Nov. 2, 1937.

(Defense Series)

Robert Edward Edmondson

400 W. 160th St., New York City.

(The above is from an address by Robert Edward Edmondson, delivered in connection with analyses of the Jewish System's Menace by Captain Henry Hamilton Beamish of England and Adrien Arcand, leader of the National Social Christian Party of Canada, before a New York audience Nov. 1, 1937.)

cc: Rabbi Silver

November 12, 1937

Mr. Eugene Freedheim
National City Bank Bldg. - 8th fl.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Brother Freedheim:

We are advised that in the current issue of the Hungarian Daily newspaper "Szabadseg," (Liberty) the office of which is located in Cleveland, there appears an article concerning a Roman Catholic priest, Rev. Nagy Jozsef-- in English, Rev. Joseph Nagy. Our information has it that he is now en route from Hungary to the United States. His only purpose, we are advised, is to secure permanent immigration in order to strongly propagandize pro-Hitler and against the Jews.

We are told that he was a priest in Szeged, had a fairly important position and a lifetime job. By reason, however, of his dangerous pro-Hitler agitation, he was removed by the government from his position. We are further advised that he was endeavoring to incite pogroms against the Jewish people.

All of this information comes to us from a Hungarian member of our faith, who appears greatly concerned over this man's potentialities for harm. We do not know what boat he is to come on, but if this and other information could be intelligently and quietly secured, it might prove very helpful.

Very sincerely yours,

Richard E. Gutstadt
Director

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P. S. It is extremely important for us to know positively that this man is actually en route. If we have this assurance, even if it be impossible to ascertain which vessel he is traveling on, we can still be effective. Please get me this information and transmit it airmail special delivery.

Robert Edward Edmondson's

AMERICAN VIGILANTE

"Eternal Vigilance is The Price of Liberty"

VIGILANCE: By George Washington

"The batteries of internal and external enemies will be constantly and actively—often covertly and insidiously—directed against your Political Fortress. Watch over its preservation WITH JEALOUS CARE."

Restore The Republic!

VIGILANTE: By Webster's Dictionary

"A member of a Voluntary Committee of Citizens, for the protection of any interest; especially one organized to punish crime summarily WHEN THE PROCESSES OF LAW APPEAR INADEQUATE."

Restore The Republic!

JANUARY, 1938

THE NEWS UNMASKED AND INTERPRETED

NEW YORK CITY

ROOSEVELT'S REPUDIATION by the Congressional refusal to enact any important administration measure at the Special Session is by far the paramount favorable December event, as well as of the entire Jewish-Radical Regime. Does it mean that, despite pressure, Congress will not now permit the U. S. to be forced into war? "CCC" Director Fechner was quoted in the N. Y. Times of Dec. 21, 1937, as saying: "The 300,000 boys now in camp and the 2,000,000 who were trained before them could be turned into first-class fighting men at almost an instant's notice." Whom would they fight? Jewish Propaganda Agent Landman of England wrote in the London Jewish Chronicle that American Zionists had done "their part" to get America into the World War—to make Palestine safe for Jews. Would this "darkest hour in Israel's history" be banished in a divertive Far Eastern conflict—to make the World safe for the communizing Jewish System? The communistic general "war putsch" failed with regard to Italy and Spain. Now China is being war-agitated by the same conspiracy. Is it true, as intimated in "Jews and Modern Capitalism," that "Wars are Jews' Harvests"? Ford's publications said 75% of the New York World War millionaires were Jewish. Why was the "Panay" ordered into "the line of fire," as reported by War Correspondent Weldon James? To convoy Chinese "Standard Oil"? Who keeps American ships in the war zone? What kind of pressure induced Governor Landon to support Roosevelt's foreign policy in this emergency? Moscow Jewish Communism is behind China, behind CIO-Labor, The American Labor Party, The Farmer-Labor program and "A UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT." Watch Jewish agitation of the latter.

GLENN FRANK "CHOSEN." The N. Y. Times of Dec. 17, 1937, printed this: "Dr. Glenn Frank, formerly President of the University of Wisconsin (LaFollette's "Red" institution), was chosen Chairman of the Republican Party's Policy Group. * * * He was acceptable to Former President Hoover and Former Governor Landon."

Who is Frank? The 1935 report of the Communistic League for Industrial Democracy, Page 12, shows him to have been one of its listed lecturers. He was for three years associated with the late Edward A. Filene, Boston Jewish-Radical capitalist, whose "Foundation" is reported to have imported the Israel Moses Sieff "PEP" plan which has subjugated Britain, to regiment America—under the illegal NRA. In the "Red Network" Frank is listed as a member of the American

Civil Liberties Tom Mooney Liberation Committee headed by "Karl Marx" Prof. Felix Frankfurter, who in this matter, was branded by former President Theodore Roosevelt as "Bolshevistic," in a letter of Dec. 19, 1917. Frank was 1931 Vice-President of the radical Victor Berger Socialist Foundation, whose membership included Sidney Hillman, Rose Schneiderman, etc. Soviet Propagandist Maurice Hindus dedicated his book "Red Bread" to Frank.

With the Democratic Party headed by so-called "Red" Roosevelt and Republican Party policy directed by a "Liberal" of the "Internationalist" stripe indicated in the foregoing record, there is no choice for patriotic Americans other than to form an anti-Communist Nationalist party. And good reasons are had for believing that such a real political liberation movement is under way—profiting by a proclamation issued in September, 1935, by the Moscow Comintern, warning of great danger to the "Reds" of "a third party in the U. S., an anti-Communist Party, a party directed against the revolutionary movement."

CIO JEW-FINANCED. The following is from The Chicago Tribune of Nov. 11, 1936, Page 7, Two-Star Final Edition: "We must not be slow to capitalize our victory in the recent election" declared Sidney Hillman, President of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union. He announced a campaign to recruit new members and said his war-chest contained 'more than a million' to finance the drive. Hillman's drive paralleled that of David Dubinsky, leader of the International Garment Workers, who is working on plans for an intensive organization movement in the middle west, for which \$500,000 has been appropriated." The item reported the annual conference on labor legislation, with John L. Lewis. Max Zaritsky, head of the Cap, Hat and Millinery and Needle Trades Workers, is reported to have soon after proclaimed himself an ally of Lewis; "sit-down" CIO strikes following with 1937 "bullets" in many states later. Most of the members of these three great New York Unions are reported to be radical Russian Jews; Hillman himself having been born in Lithuania, a former province of Russia. Does the foregoing imply that Moscow's Jewish Comintern is back of the CIO and the new American Labor Party, in whose Executive council of 45 there are over 35 Jews, among them Hillman, Dubinsky and Zaritsky? The N. Y. Times of Dec. 28, 1937, printed this: "The International Garment Workers Union, third largest CIO affiliate,

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The famous Edmondson FLASH-BULLETINS exposing the latest important politico-economic subversions of the communizing Jewish System, are weekly supplied COMPLIMENTARY to "Vigilante" subscribers through the generosity of his "Defense Associates."

True American Vigilanteism is the Militant Power of Americanism in patriotic action to protect the unalienable rights of The People. IT IS THE WATCH-DOG OF THE LAW AND ORDER, PEACE AND SAFETY OF THE REPUBLIC.

This is a Patriotic National Emergency Publication founded to Restore-Preserve-Defend The Constitution and the United States by disseminating the WHOLE truth through an independent Free Press, UNMASKING SUBVERSIONS by interpreting propaganda-news.

NOTICE

After suspension of regular publication on Nov. 7, 1936, made in order to prepare his defense against N. Y. City Mayor LaGuardia's indictment that he had libeled "all persons of the Jewish Religion" in his published attacks on Communistic and irreligious Jews, Robert Edward Edmondson, having practically completed said preparation, with this issue of The American Vigilante, resumes regular monthly publication, including special interim bulletins, interpreting the progress of the Great Jewish Suppression of Americanism under the Roosevelt Administration—continuance of course, being based on support.

has a membership of 274,000, and has been one of the heaviest contributors to the CIO."

LIPPMANN TURNS RADICAL? Jewish columnist Walter Lippmann has generally been called "conservative", while Prof. Felix Frankfurter was referred to by Theodore Roosevelt as being Bolshevikistic. When we read Walter Lippmann's column in the N. Y. Herald-Tribune of Dec. 11, 1937, we wonder if conservative forces are joining radical elements. Quoting: "There is the Civil Liberties Union, one of the truly indispensable private organizations in America, with its long and noble record of persistent and courageous defense of forgotten individuals. * * * They would defend an agitator who took his orders from Moscow." Listen to this:

"The American Civil Liberties Union is closely affiliated with the Communist movement in the U. S. * * * It is quite apparent that the main function of the ACLU is to attempt to protect Communists in their advocacy of force and violence to overthrow the U. S. Government"—says House of Representatives Report 2290 of Jan. 17, 1931.

IMPEACH F. D. R.! Senators are calling upon the people for their support to "restore the power of Congress," pointing to dictatorial usurpation by Roosevelt. Congress ALREADY has the power to curb the Executive and his "Invisible Government" by impeaching him for violating his Presidential oath to preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution; for trying to Communize the U. S.

Supreme Court; for seizing the Congressional authority to initiate legislation; for regulating money through devaluation; for railroading unconstitutional laws regimenting agriculture, industry and the people; for unnecessarily trebling the U. S. debt; for deliberately prolonging the depression through socialistic experiments; for centralizing in Washington reserved powers of the 48 sovereign states—**changing our form of government.** But, in the end, the responsibility is upon Congress for its failure to exercise its function to check the President.

TRUSTING CONGRESS. In view of the latest developments from Washington vigilant Americans are recalling and giving thoughtful consideration to the Associated Press report of Oct. 11, 1937, quoting Senator Burton K. Wheeler's speech in defense of the Supreme Court, wherein he said:

"If you believe you can TRUST Congress, then you don't KNOW the Congress of the United States."

WITHDRAWAL OF MONEY. Recalling the protocolic declaration that economic crises have been produced by **withdrawal of money** from circulation, attention is called, in view of the latest stock market and business setback, to the attack published Sept. 14, 1937, by the "Philadelphia Record"—Jewish-owned—declaring that the financial policies of the Roosevelt Administration under Eccles and Morgenthau had been **chiefly responsible for the removal from circulation of SIX BILLION DOLLARS**—which is held to have caused the slump now prevailing. Increase of Federal Reserve bank requirements to the tune of **three billion dollars plus sterilization of another billion and a half of gold**, supply the accelerating power, according to this analysis.

This Jewish owned paper on June 30, 1937, boldly attacked the gold standard, which has so long been used by International Jewry to dominate world central banks; but which weapon is found to be no longer needed, **since it has been shown that domestic currency may rest securely on the wealth-credit of the nation.**

The interpretation of the latest attack on Washington is: Just one more sign that the International Financial High Command is **putting the Roosevelt Administration on the spot** since it has failed to effect the objectives of a legislative or forceful overthrow of the American political system. **Putting the responsibility for the depression squarely on Roosevelt financial policies would do that job. BUT THE INVISIBLE CONTROL WOULD SIMPLY BE SWITCHED TO THE "CONSERVATIVE SIDE" WITHOUT IMPAIRMENT IN ANY IMPORTANT PARTICULAR.** And if the Communistic forces of the Roosevelt Administration want to put up a fight, **they still have the position-power to wreck things all around.**

FALLACY EXPLODED. If American patriots continue to exercise the same VIGILANCE they displayed when the Internationalists attempted to Communize their Supreme Court and the CIO

American Labor, we may be able to restore the ordered liberties of the Republic without dangerous dictatorship.

But there is much confusion as to so-called Russian "Communism", German "Nazism", Italian "Fascism" and Spanish "Insurgency", due to the fact that certain politico-economic commentators are continually labeling them "identical".

That fallacy is exploded when you ascertain the genesis of each. Communism is INTERNATIONAL and also definitely ANTI-National—the others have their defense-origin in PATRIOTIC NATIONALISM, which MUST be against INTERNATIONALIZATION to preserve NATIONAL existence.

In one respect only are they alike. In Europe both are dictatorships; but Fascistic and Nazi dictatorship were unknown until it became IMPERATIVE IN SELF-DEFENSE to combat INTERNATIONAL COMMUNISM to prevent the destruction of Religion, Home and Country.

Apparently, such dictatorships were the quickest antidote for acute crises. "He travels the fastest who travels alone." That is INDIVIDUALISTIC, which abhors regimentation to the lower levels that destroy initiative.

We must be Patriotic Vigilantes.

"ROOSEVELT DEPRESSION." This is a "Rosenvelt Depression." It began in and is continuing under the Roosevelt regime. And yet "Wall Street," beaten to its knees, **when the stock market rallies an eighth**, spinelessly licks the hand that struck it, and cries: "The bad feelin's all over. He's turned to the right. All's well!"

The financial district's short memory forgets the vicious Roosevelt **fundamental** attack on the Supreme Court; the proposal to **scrap** the Constitution; the continued **wrecking** of investment values—to say nothing of the destruction of a **protective** liquid security market, and the strangling of **legitimate** Stock Exchange functions.

It shortsightedly gulps down inflation-bait when further drastic DEFLATION lurks around the corner.

Paying for its own funeral, it apes industrial **bat-blindness** instead of showing courage and patriotism in concerted vigilante-action to restore, preserve, protect, defend the Republic and itself.

A TURN to the Right now **forecasts** a later SWING to the Left. What fools these mortals be that once were "captains of finance and industry!" Bereft of Vision—They Perish—and DESERVE it! But the pity of it all is—the blameless middle-class, **deserted by its trustees**, sabotaged by Jewish Communism, sinks in ruin and misery.

ARCAND EULOGIZED. When one journalist pretends to write a "levity-smear" assignment in a Jewish-controlled Montreal newspaper about a gallant brother-of-the-pen who has militantly taken up the cause of Christianity against the International Jewish Gold System, and then includes in his essay this eulogy: "A Great Fellow! Clever! NO NUT!"—Well, you know where editorial VISION lies and HEART stands with regard to National Social Christian Party Leader Adrien Arcand of Canada.

JEWRY'S DARKEST HOUR. "Give Jewry a Nissim Behar * * * and Washington will be persuaded to open its vast uninhabited and uncultivated territories to the Jewish refugees of Germany, Poland and Rumania" says the American Hebrew of Nov. 26, 1937. "It is such leadership that Israel needs in this, THE DARKEST HOUR OF ITS HISTORY. There is also the matter of SELF-PRESERVATION FOR AMERICAN JEWRY, which may become as serious a problem as it is in the above-mentioned countries." The Cause of Anti-Jewishness is Judaism. Who's to blame for THAT?

ROLL OF HONOR. Based on a World Jewry poll, 120 "greatest living Jews" are in a Jewish "Hall of Fame" based on "contributions to humanity," as published Sept. 25, 1937, in the N. Y. Herald-Tribune. The following are included in this "Roll of Honor":

Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Communist Foreign Minister, **bandit-criminal**.

Leon Blum, Ex-French Socialist-Communist Premier, whose book "Du Mariage" **favors incest**.

Judah L. Magnes, American Rabbi who admits Jews are leaders in **all** revolutionary movements.

Felix Frankfurter, whom Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt branded as **Bolshevistic**.

Louis Dembitz Brandeis, reputed "Father" of the Communistic New Deal.

Henry Morgenthau, Jr., called "Deflator" by J. David Stern's Philadelphia "Record".

Stephen S. Wise, American Rabbi, member of Central Conference of American Rabbis which demands that "A Thoroughly SOCIALIZED DEMOCRACY" be **substituted** for The Republic of sovereign states of the United States. The "Red Network" says he signed an American Civil Liberties Union letter protesting against House Communist Report 2290, called Einstein and Brandeis among greatest living Jews, and worked for release of Tom Mooney. His Magazine "Opinion" endorsed the Eppstein advocacy to "systematically REMOVE from key position in the U. S. Army and National Guard ALL OFFICERS whose loyalty to the Constitution might be qualified by class allegiance."

The book "Jewish Contributions to Civilization" by Joseph Jacobs lauds Karl Marx, Father of Communism, as having shown the "**exalted indignation** of an Isaiah."

"The Hidden Hand" of England, September, 1921, quoted The London Jewish World as "**excusing** wholesale murders of Trotsky in Russia on the plea that he was **unconsciously avenging** the wrongs of his people through many centuries."

Interpretative comment is unnecessary.

THE AMERICAN NATIONALIST PARTY, just started with headquarters at 328 West 41st St., N. Y. City, has published platform principles which, if properly promulgated, will stamp it as THE ONLY REAL AMERICAN PARTY IN EXISTENCE. Its key-note: National Patriotism against International Communism, is comprehensively significant. Obviously, it directly challenges N. Y. State Governor Lehman's order to the N. Y. State National Guard, published Dec. 10, in the N. Y. Post, condemning "ANY SO-CALLED NATIONALISTIC GROUP."

SHADOW-BOXING. The N. Y. State Economic Council anti-Communist letter published on Dec. 20, 1937, confesses: "We of course oppose anti-Semitism. Indeed, **SEVERAL OF THE MOST DISTINGUISHED JEWS IN THE U. S. ARE ON OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS.**"

Is it possible to be Anti-Communist and Pro-Jewish? Let's see what the JEWISH record says. "The theory of the **Communists** may be summed up in a single sentence: Abolition of **PRIVATE** property."—Jewish Father of **COMMUNISM**, Karl Marx. "The **Socialist** Program requires **PUBLIC** ownership."—Jewish Socialist Leader Morris Hillquitt. The official name of the Jewish Communist State-Ownership Government of Russia is "Union of **SOCIALIST** Soviet Republics." Socialist and communist chief objectives are **the same**. The 1936 Central Conference of American Rabbis, which "embraces every shade of Jewry except extreme orthodoxy," **challenging** the present American System and declaring for "**SOCIALIZATION** of **all basic enterprises**," resolved that: "The **ONLY** way for America to escape Communism and Fascism is to establish A **THOROUGHLY SOCIALIZED DEMOCRACY**"—which is **COMMUNISTIC** because such a democracy "liquidates" and **takes over private** property through "**SOCIALIZATION**" as in Russia's so-called republics.

We now see **why** President Merwin K. Hart, in his fight against The Effect, was unable to specify **THE CAUSE** of Communism, whose origin and motive power history shows to be **Jewish**. In this crisis, can patriots **AFFORD** to support anti-Communist movements which **waste money** in **Jewish** divertive "**shadow-boxing**"? Why are "**Distinguished American Jews**" **NOT** against **JEWISH** Communism? Are **they** loyal to Americanism First?

A SALUTE TO JAMES TRUE. Patriots warmly welcome the re-entry into the publicity arena of James True, courageous and gallant Washington journalist, who has resumed his illuminating Weekly Industrial reports from the Kellogg Building, and who deserves all the support real Americans can give him. His progressive news-exposures of the subversions of the Communist Jews who are trying to destroy The Republic, are blazing a plain trail back to the Constitution. On with the fight, fellow-countryman, against the enemies of National Patriotism!

DEWEY'S JEWS. This is illuminating from "The Jewish Spectator" of November, 1937: "When Prosecutor Dewey brought the **loan sharks** of New York to trial and effected their conviction, 'good' Jews were embarrassed because **ALMOST ALL** of the defendants were 'bad' Jews. In the more recent prostitution trials, some of the most important racketeers were Jews." "The Jews made an art of lending money," says Sombart in "Jews and Modern Capitalism." The writer has a copy of The London Jewish Chronicle which contains a confession that Jews **are mostly responsible** for white slave traffic.

With Jews constituting, by their own figures, a less than 4% minority, the fact that "**almost all**" of the economic convictions were of that race, may be interpreted significantly in several ways.

PROTOCOLIC FULFILLMENT. "Younger Generals Head British Army in Sweeping Shift," is the headline of an article in the N. Y. Times of Dec. 3, 1937, reporting Secretary of State for War, Hore-Belisha (A Jew) as retiring all but one of the Army Council.

Protocol 15 of the Elders of Zion includes this: "Our legal staff will serve not beyond the age of 55, firstly because old men more obstinately hold to prejudiced opinions; secondly, this will give us * * * **elasticity** in the changing of staff, which will thus **more easily bend under our pressure.**"

The foregoing applies directly to the "packing" enlargement of the U. S. Supreme Court, through Roosevelt appointments of younger men; but **the fundamental applies to other departments of government with equal force.** Mayor LaGuardia's N. Y. City Police officials over 63 are now being retired in favor of younger men. N. Y. District Attorney Dewey's new staff is reported to show an average age of 32.

LaGUARDIA TREND. Mayor LaGuardia of New York City enrolled as a **member of the American Labor Party** at the November election, according to an announcement in the N. Y. Herald Tribune of Dec. 2, 1937, after posing as a Republican to get the Republican votes, **without which he would have been defeated.** The American Labor Party is the baby of Sidney Hillman, CIO's parent. Its Executive Council numbers 45, of whom **over 35 are Jews.** It is the **successor of the Communist Party**, which was outlawed in New York State. LaGuardia has graduated to it from the Socialist ticket, on which he ran for Congress in 1924. Is the Mayor now a full-fledged **Communist**? He is playing for Presidential candidacy on a Farmer-Labor ticket, according to current N. Y. gossip. The Jewish System's "PEP" plan is said to contemplate the ultimate harnessing of the Farmer to the Labor wagon, not as an equal but as the "horse." Such a condition would be equivalent to the tail wagging the dog, for there are 30,000,000 farmers and only about 6,000,000 in the organized labor camp.

BLANCHARD'S RECORD. "It seems too bad" says the N. Y. Times editorially Dec. 2, 1937, "that Commissioner of Accounts Paul Blanchard could not go on with this work, which he so brilliantly began. * * * The Commissioner has been, in almost everything he did, **the direct agent of the Mayor.**" Does the Times also endorse the following, taken from the N. Y. Evening Post of April 15, 1932:

"Dr. Paul Blanchard, a lecturer for the League for Industrial Democracy (Communitic), advocated **COMPLETE REVISION OF THE AMERICAN CONSTITUTION.** He said: 'Having once captured the government and **shelved the Supreme Court**, we Socialists would nationalize as many large industries as we could chew. * * * We would do it peacefully, if possible; **AND WE WOULD DO IT OTHERWISE**, if necessary.'"

JEWISH EXAGGERATION. From "Opinion," December, 1933, "A Journal of Jewish Life and Letters, Rabbi Wise, one of its editors: "The tendency of Jews to dwell morbidly on their national sufferings, to exaggerate them beyond all measure, and **EVEN TO DERIVE A CERTAIN PLEAS-**

URE FROM THEM, is a commonplace among the best observers of Jewish life and character. * * *

"The Jewish world is constantly on edge with reports of Jewish calamities of every sort. * * * The Jewish tendency to discover anti-Semitism in every non-Jew is a matter of common knowledge. It is usually ascribed to Jewish hypersensitiveness; but it certainly has some of its roots in the secret JEWISH PREDILECTION FOR ANTI-SEMITISM. The reputed joy in heaven over a repentant sinner is not greater than that of the Jewish World over the discovery of a new anti-Semite."

TUGWELL'S PLAN. "What happened after the first Roosevelt and after Wilson is likely to be repeated" says Prof. Rexford G. Tugwell, Ex-Commissar of Agriculture, in Harper's 1937 May magazine, discussing whether or not a Farmer-Labor Alliance is possible. The subject has been resurrected again because of LaGuardia's Presidential ambitions on a Farmer-Labor ticket. Tugwell continues: "Progressive forces may become so disorganized that **ONLY CALAMITY WILL GIVE THEM ANOTHER CHANCE.**" Is it **planned** that way? This recalls the famous Tugwell speech in Los Angeles Oct. 28, 1935, including: "The Movement (New Deal) will go on **IN ANY CASE.** It lies in the brains and blood of a people bringing into substance the stuff of **OLD RACIAL DREAMS.**" The New York Economic Power-Dynamo and the Washington Political Power-Center of the nation, now under alien-minded anti-American control, have the force to bring about "A NATIONAL CALAMITY" via the financial route, through deflation of an already debt-inflated structure, including the unwieldy installment overload. Maybe Tugwell will tell us more about it when he answers questions by the defense at the trial of Robert Edward Edmondson Feb. 7, 1938, charged with libeling "All Persons of the Jewish Religion" during his politico-economic exposures of Irreligious Communism.

NOT A RELIGIOUS ATTACK. The Administration Committee Report of the emergency session of the American Jewish Congress at Washington, D. C., Nov. 27, according to the N. Y. Herald-Tribune of Nov. 28, 1937, contains: "The attack upon the Jew is an attack upon him as a member of the Jewish RACE and **not** as a member of a RELIGIOUS sect."

Since that is a fact, why did the Jewish-Majority Grand Jury indict Robert Edward Edmondson on a charge of libeling "all persons of the Jewish Religion" when his defensive exposure was on POLITICO-ECONOMIC GROUNDS and against IRRELIGIOUS Communist Jews?

And in that connection note that the American Jewish Congress report also admits: "The last two years have witnessed the climax of an attack upon the POLITICO-ECONOMIC rights of the Jews."

"What a tangled web we weave, when first we practice to deceive!"

PROPHECY FULFILLING: At the EMERGENCY SESSION of the American Jewish Congress, Rabbi S. S. Wise was quoted as saying: "The crisis in Jewish life has deepened to such an extent that the organized defence of the Jewish status has become the most **imperative need** of

the hour. * * * In the United States * * * the Jewish Community is beginning to feel the effects of A RISING PROPAGANDA OF PREJUDICE which is reflected in the increasing difficulties experienced by Jews in securing employment, and in an UNBRIDLED CAMPAIGN OF DEFAMATION AGAINST JEWISH CHARACTER."

Jewish Prof. H. J. Laski, director of Britain's subversive Fabian Society, is reported to have prophesied Dec. 2, 1934, as quoted in the "Imperial Fascist" of London in its January, 1935, issue: "If the experiment for which Roosevelt is responsible, were in any serious degree to break down, the first result, **because of the association of a number of eminent American Jews with it,** would be the outbreak in the United States of anti-Semitism **MORE PROFOUND THAN ANYTHING ANGLO-SAXON CIVILIZATION HAS SO FAR KNOWN.**"

WORLD CONSPIRACY EVIDENCE. If the foregoing is not sufficient testimony to substantiate belief in the existence of a world plot, ask why patriotic representatives of 22 nations held a conference in Europe during September, 1937 (suppressed by the Jewish-controlled press) to consider ways and means of national liberation from the Jewish International Financial Octopus? And note that Israel Moses Sieff, of the subversive British Fabian Society of London, when pressed to push the "PEP" Plan for the economic subjugation of Britain, cautiously said in the early days of the Roosevelt Regime: "Let us see how **OUR PLAN** works out in America"—where U. S. Supreme Court Justice Louis Dembitz Brandeis has been termed the "Father of the New Deal," the "NRA being almost a composite of his dissenting opinions," according to a statement made in the N. Y. Times of Jan. 28, 1934. Here is another: "What Jewish idealism and Jewish discontent so powerfully contributed to produce in Russia, the same historic qualities of the Jewish mind **are tending to promote in other countries,**" said the "American Hebrew" of Sept. 10, 1920. And from here we could go on with circumstantial evidence, **piling mountain high,** of a Jewish-national conspiracy.

"BARRED DOORS": On April 6, 1936, a display advertisement was published in the N. Y. Times, represented as having been issued and signed by Rabbi S. S. Wise, including the following: "Millions of Jews * * * seek an escape from the persecution and discrimination which have become woven into the **POLITICAL CREEDS** of the lands in which they now live. **Before their** hopeless eyes, as they scan **The World,** are **BARRED DOORS,** denying their plea for entrance. Only **ONE DOOR** is open to them—Palestine." Sir Herbert Samuel, Gov. H. H. Lehman, Albert Einstein and Nathan Straus endorsed the advertisement. (Madagascar's "door" is open.)

Roosevelt's "JEW DEAL" has stalled—checked—tangled in the Cogs of the Constitution it **attempted to destroy** after having poisoned the U. S. Supreme Court with the Venom of Communism, and **intensifying the worst economic depression ever experienced in the history of The Republic.**

Would any logical mind wonder at a DEFENSIVE anti-Jewish boycott that is reaching predicted "profound" dimensions in this country

under the circumstances, especially when Americans also note that "other lands" have "barred doors" to an extent that "only one" in the world is open to a Jewish System which history indicates has financially preyed upon and devastated the nations of the world through the international obsession of a People "chosen" to rule the world, linked to the ego that "the chosen" can do no wrong; and that **Gentiles are responsible**—not Jews?

"The Jewish Question arises out of the intolerance of the Jew **BY THE GENTILE WORLD**" said Dr. Samuel Margoshes, Editor of The Jewish National Day of N. Y. City.

JEWISH RUSSIAN RULE. From "Opinion," December, 1933, a Jewish New York Magazine under Rabbi Wise's editorship: "With the rise of the Soviet regime * * * never has the world witnessed such a spectacular change of front on the part of a great state toward Jews. **All discriminations and persecutions have been abolished.** Jews have been granted rights which they have not been accorded even in the most advanced countries." * * *

"The State which previously did not employ any Jews at all, now employs in White Russia 61% **JEWISH OFFICIALS.** * * * (The percentage of Jewish population in Russia IS LESS THAN 2%) * * * A Jew is commander-in-chief of the Ukranian Army; a Jew is President of the State Bank; Jews occupy almost all important ambassadorial positions of the Soviet Union; the universities, professions, judiciary and administration, have now a greater percentage of Jews **THAN ANY OTHER NATIONALITY.** Anti-Semitism has been declared a state offense, and is **PUNISHED AS COUNTER-REVOLUTION.**"

FRANKFURTER A WITNESS. The Edmondson Defense is happy to report that, through Associate George L. Pafort, it effected subpoena service on additional "star" witnesses Prof. Felix Frankfurter and Secretary of Labor Perkins while they attended The Survey Associates banquet at the Biltmore Hotel in N. Y. City on Dec. 2, 1937. Prof. Rexford G. Tugwell, Col. E. M. House and Gen. Hugh S. Johnson also have been subpoenaed to testify for the Defense at the postponed trial on Feb. 7, 1938.

TRIAL SET FOR FEB. 7, 1938, after postponements in the Edmondson Jewish Religion Libel Case, which is described thus: While patriotically exposing Communistic politico-economic subversions of the Jewish Financial System, Jewish Mayor LaGuardia of N. Y. City had Robert

Edward Edmondson indicted June 11, 1936, on allegation of "incitingly" libeling "All persons of the Jewish Religion," although actually his publications protected "religious Jews" from Communistic **IRRELIGIOUS** Jews trying to change the form of the U. S. Government. The defendant has not been against Jews as to religion, race or individuals, but because the Jewish System is using revolutionary Communism to destroy The Republic. True Americans who wish to protect their own safety should financially support the defense by sending unconditional contributions to Mrs. Marian L. Edmondson, 400 West 160th St., N. Y. City.

ASSIMILATION. By Former President Theodore Roosevelt, addressing the American Defense Society Jan. 5, 1919: "We should insist that if the immigrant who comes here in good faith, becomes an American **AND ASSIMILATES HIMSELF TO US,** he shall be treated on an exact equality with every one else; for it is an outrage to discriminate against **ANY SUCH MAN** because of creed, birthplace or origin. **BUT, THIS IS PREDICATED UPON THE MAN BECOMING IN VERY FACT AN AMERICAN AND NOTHING BUT AN AMERICAN.** If he tries to **KEEP SEGREGATED WITH MEN OF HIS OWN ORIGIN** and separated from the rest of America, then **HE ISN'T DOING HIS PART AS AN AMERICAN.** There can be no **DIVIDED ALLEGIANCE** here. * * * We have room for but **one** flag, and this excludes the **RED FLAG,** which symbolizes all wars against liberty and civilization. We have room for but **one** language here, and that is the English language; for we intend to see that the crucible turns our people out **AS AMERICANS,** of American **NATIONALITY.**"

Did he envision present day Jewish Solidarity—a nation in a nation—its **ANTI-NATIONALISM;** its **challenge** of the American Christian social order; its **demand** for a communistic "thoroughly **SOCIALIZED** democracy?"

N. Y. Justice Samuel I. Rosenman, addressing the Council of Jewish Federations in Philadelphia, was reported in the N. Y. Times for Feb. 1, 1936, as "**sharply attacking assimilationist plans**" for Jews.

FAVORABLE FACTORS. Stalling of New Deal in Congress revolt; Japanese **nationalistic** victory over Sassoon's **Communistic** China and its calling of Roosevelt's Panay war bluff; Depression's awakening effect on business interests; Jersey City Mayor Hague's **defiance** of CIO Jewish Communism; Appointment of Jewish Communist Gerson to office by N. Y. Jewish Borough President Isaacs, confirming **Jewish Communist hook-up;** Jewish publicity putting Roosevelt and Stalin "on the spot" in futile "alibi" effort to "pass the buck"; Expulsion of Jews from Mexico; Anti-Jew Premier put in power in Rumania.

UNFAVORABLE FACTORS. Glenn Frank again "chosen" by Republicans as leader; Increasing unemployment in deflation slump; Gov. Lehman's crackdown on N. Y. National Guard's **NATIONALISTIC** activities, which were directed against **Jewish Soviet Communism;** anti-Americanism voting of Black with "Liberals" Brandeis, Cardozo and Stone in U. S. Supreme Court; International war pressure; \$3000 debt-load per family in N. Y. State; Blame for rising prices put on business and "monopoly"; Paris strike tie-up.

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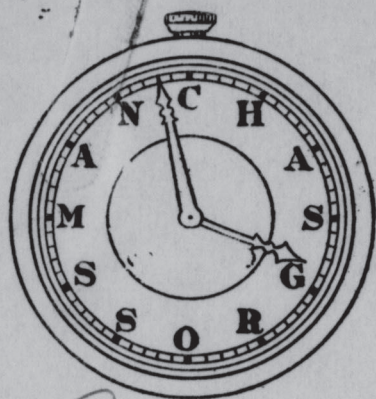
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Cleveland Ohio.

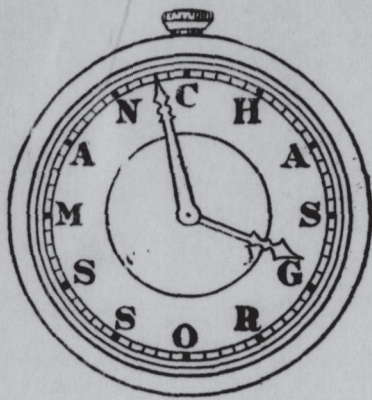
Dear Rabbi Silver;

I had the pleasure of meeting
you Aug 26, 1936 at the wedding you officiated of my niece
Rose DeSere of 2222 Coventry Rd. And therefore I take this
liberty of explaining the purpose of my letter.

I am an American citizen and in
business here since 1921. and the only Jew here, however recently
many travelling peddlers who come here often suffer discrimi-
nation and insults due to propaganda from the Mexican Press.

Personally I am liked and respected
and I feel I can undo locally a great deal of this propaganda in
the local papers if I had the right material, therefore this letter?

Can you be so kind and see that I get
some English Jewish Periodicals that will help me in my



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desire to combat the Anti-semitic influence growing
here due to the aforementioned.

I will gladly subscribe and pay
for such weekly or Monthly publication, unfortunately
I know not their names and addresses.

I hope to be in Cleveland for the
coming Passover and will gladly call upon you and
inform you of some of the Political Propaganda that is
being sent from local sources to the Mexican
Congress.

Sincerely yours
Chas Grossman

January 27, 1938

American Council on Public Affairs,
20 Vesey Street,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Sir:

I would appreciate receiving two copies of
the pamphlet for publication which is entitled
"Five Years of Hitler". Upon receipt of same, I
shall send you my check for same.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

January 31, 1938

Mr. Richard Gutstadt, Director,
B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League,
130 N. Wells Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Gutstadt:

I am enclosing herewith a letter
from Mr. Charles Grossman and a copy of Rabbi
Silver's letter to him.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

January 31, 1938

Mr. Charles Grossman,
Acayucan,
Ver., Mexico.

My dear Mr. Grossman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter and for bringing to my attention the problem which you face in your city. I am forwarding your letter this day to the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith and I am requesting them to send you the material which you require. I am sure that you will hear from them in the very near future.

With all good wishes and hoping to see you when you come to Cleveland, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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CHICAGO
February 1, 1938

Miss Bessie Kline
C/o Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

Thanks for forwarding to us the letter bringing
to our attention the problems which face our coreligionists in
Mexico.

We had a letter of similar nature from Rabbi David
Lefkowitz of Dallas, Texas. We are forwarding to Mr. Grossman
material that we think will be helpful to him.

Sincerely yours,

Miles Goldberg
Miles M. Goldberg
Assistant Director

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March 15, 1938

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Realizing the innumerable demands which are made upon your time and energy, I have been exceedingly loathe to add to your burdens. As you well know, however, we make it our business to be as well informed with respect to prejudicial movements as is possible. As a result of recent developments, we are convinced of the increasing necessity for exercising all possible vigilance and particularly of making known to representative Jews of every important community the true extent of the problem.

I think you and I are agreed that our stricken brethren view American Jewry as their only hope. The pressing burden of relief must be carried by us. The success or failure of the Zionist program must in very large measure be determined by us. The vast labor of reconstructing in a hope for happier days the lives of those who have been so cruelly dealt with will devolve upon us. Unless we forcibly present the urgencies of our own position to those of a status which permits of adequate financial support, it is not inconceivable that we may find ourselves shorn of the wherewithal to discharge these solemn responsibilities.

I listened to your address at Sinai Forum last Monday. I did not want to add to the tiring influence of those who surrounded you and strictly out of consideration, I did not present myself. I had in mind, however, the advisability of discussing with you an early meeting with a limited group of between twenty and thirty of Cleveland's important Jewish people. I would like to present in a group which would keep the discussed matters confidential, many aspects of the American problem. We are attempting to do a job of heroic proportions and the finances therefor are woefully inadequate. Experience indicates this to be so merely because the proper people have not been made sufficiently aware of the magnitude of the danger. If we can present the facts to thinking Jewish leaders, we have reason to believe that more generous support will be forthcoming.

I have always attempted studiously to think objectively with respect to our many problems. Surely my many years of experience impress me with the vital function which the Palestinian reconstruction discharges. Similarly I hope that I am able to evaluate the necessity for the vast relief program undertaken by the J. D. C. I am mindful of the enhancement of Jewish self-respect and courage through proper programs of Jewish education. Nevertheless, without desire to exaggerate in the slightest degree, I am convinced that unless we give far more serious consideration to the financing of a program for self-preservation, we will find our efforts to successfully consummate all other important

projects seriously retarded if not permanently impaired.

For this reason, I solicit your cooperation in securing the type of conference which should be held in Cleveland. I realize that we have presently allocated the sum of \$1500 for the emergency work of the Anti-Defamation League. We are maintaining organization in 700 communities; we are carrying on vigorous activities through the German-American League for Culture, with upwards of 300,000 members. We are actively organizing several foreign-language groups in whom we presently sense a threatening attitude, super-induced by persistent propaganda and all of this requires larger finance than is possible with so narrow a limitation on community subvention as marks most of the Welfare Funds with respect to the Anti-Defamation League.

I am willing to come to Cleveland at a time which may be set by your group. I should be glad to adjust myself to any considerations which you may suggest but I believe it to be of great importance that such a meeting be not too long deferred. We are fully aware of many things which may be done to improve our situation. We are unable to follow through, however, until a budget covering such additional activities is assured.

May I hear from you at your earliest opportunity.

With personal regards, I am



Very sincerely yours,

Richard E. Gutstadt
Richard E. Gutstadt
Director

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March 17, 1938

Dr. Richard E. Gutstadt, Director,
Anti-Defamation League,
130 North Wells Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Dr. Gutstadt:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of March 15. I fully appreciate the importance of the subject which you raise in the letter and your earnestness in approaching it. I know that the times warrant a maximum effort in the direction in which your organization has been moving. But I am constrained to face the realities of the situation as it confronts us here in Cleveland. We are about to launch our 1938 campaign. It is scheduled to open on May 8th. Preliminary meetings are already going on. All of our energies must for the next six weeks be centered upon making a success of this campaign upon which some thirty beneficiary organizations depend, not to mention of course, the Overseas relief agencies, the JDC and the UPA. You realize, of course, that it will be far more difficult to raise our quota this year than it was last year in view of economic conditions.

I shall have to meet personally with the leading Jews of Cleveland to urge them to increase their contributions to the campaign to make up for what will undoubtedly be a substantial loss from the rank and file of givers. Clearly it would be competing with the campaign to call together a small conference of leading Cleveland Jews in behalf of the Anti-Defamation League.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

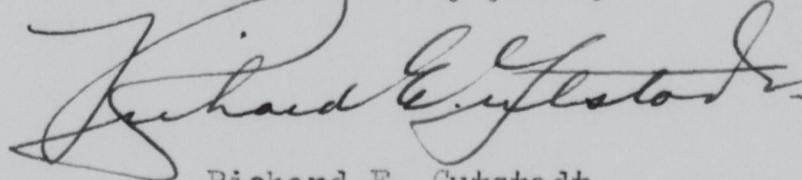
I am grateful for yours of March 17th. I am not unmindful of the difficulties involved in producing an adequate amount of money in the pending campaign in Cleveland. When I wrote you, I was not aware of the fact that your preliminary meetings were already being conducted.

I need not convey to you the fact that I appreciate fully the importunate need of the many beneficiary agencies in your fund. I trust that the effort will be unusually successful. Please be assured that any cooperation which this office might be able to extend will be gladly forthcoming.

I reserve the hope that a few months after your campaign shall have concluded, in the event that the need of our agency is still as great as at present, we may have your cooperation along the lines suggested in my recent letter.

With personal regards, I am,

Most cordially yours,



Richard E. Gutstadt

Director

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REPLIES TO INQUIRIES CONCERNING THE ATTITUDE OF CATHOLIC PRESS TOWARD JEWS

From the B'nai B'rith Anti-Defamation League

"We too have been greatly concerned with the attitude of the Catholic press in its attacks on the Jews, and the attempts to convey the impression that Jews are active in Communism.

"A joint meeting of the Anti-Defamation League and the American Jewish Committee was held in Chicago about two weeks ago, and a special committee was appointed to map out a program to cope with the situation. We are in hopes that this program will be put into effect in the immediate future."

From the American Jewish Committee

"What you write us deals with a situation to which we have given a great deal of thought. The specific attempt made to identify those who favor the Loyalist cause as communists is only one element of a series of agitation which has recently become manifest in the Catholic press. We can only tell you that our Committee, in cooperation with other Jewish organizations, is consulting with a number of people -- Catholics and others -- and is working in several directions towards some improvement in the situation. We are by no means certain that much progress is possible because the official position of the Catholic Church towards communism has become so marked that all elements which bear upon it even indirectly have become magnified far out of proportion."

From the American Jewish Congress

"The American Jewish Congress has never felt it a wise policy to announce that Jews are not Communists. This is putting us on the defensive in a way which injures rather than helps our cause.

"As far as the attitude of the Catholic church is concerned, I might say that we Jews in America, as elsewhere, have cause for the deepest concern therewith. I wish you could see some of the reports we are getting from abroad, notably from Poland, in the case of followers of the Catholic church in fomenting anti-semitism against the Jews.

"The American Jewish Congress has sought on innumerable occasions the cooperation of the Catholic church in America to combat Hitlerism and other forms of anti-semitism. I cannot say that we have ever been successful. I wish the situation were different, but unfortunately it is not. I might add that while there is cause for concern, I do not feel that the reasons underlying the concern will be obviated by any public declaration at this time that Jews are not Communists. That ought to be apparent to Catholics as well as anyone else. Certainly in the literature of the past five years which has been issued by many organizations, these facts have been made very well known, and I am certain that the church is aware of this."

[undated]

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C O P Y

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

I am writing you in regards to the feeling of anti-semitism in Cleveland which has been brought about not only by the happenings in European countries but by our Jews themselves. I do not mean the Jews as a race but individual Jews in this community who have aroused by their acts and business tactics an antagonism the like of which I have never encountered before.

Please bear in mind I am not making a general condemnation but am trying to bring out constructive criticism to the best of my ability. I am referring specifically and am using the following as examples which I have met in my daily rounds as a salesman.

For many years the independent grocers and butchers in this city have been fighting for shorter hours. They finally brought the chain stores around to their way of thinking and have reached a point where they close between six and seven P. M. on week days, one o'clock on Wednesdays, eight P. M. on Saturday and close all day Sunday. A stage has finally been reached where the grocer and butcher can live like human beings instead of slaves and enjoy hours of leisure they never had before.

The Jews of E 105th St. and Kinsman Ave. never observed these closing hours whereas the Gentiles have from the beginning almost to a man. To add insult to injury, another Jew recently opened a super market on Euclid Ave called the "Good Luck Market", threw the key away and remains open twenty-four hours a day, all week. There is no legal way of forcing him to close and on account of that one Jew I have heard a condemnation of our race which is startling.

Please bear with me, dear Rabbi, while I explain this next case which is of graver importance.

Another store known as "American Meat Co" on Broadway near E 55th St. has for some time been doing a large business on account of his cut rate prices. Stores for many blocks around have felt the effect for long and now with the word Jew in every headline plus the present recession I have been told (by one of my customers, a store owner) that a wave of propaganda has been started which is not only Anti-Jew. I am unaware of the details of this propaganda but it was also stated the priests of the neighborhood were to be asked to join it.

You can take the story for what it is worth, but one can readily see the possibilities and as to the solving of the problem I am up against the proverbial wall.

These are only a few examples of many I could quote in which the Jew stands out in a respective community like a sore thumb. If a Jew is outstanding through personal accomplishment and intelligence and is censured on account of social and religious intolerance, we should nevertheless bear with him to the end, but don't you think there should be a solution to the problem of the Jew, who through unfair practice in one field or another, makes it so difficult for the rest?

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Isn't it wiser for a council of Jews to enlighten in some way those few who are harming the rest than to wait for a Christian enlightenment?

I realize that in these competitive times it is difficult to tell any man to stop his progress because those behind cannot keep up with him, but is it too much to ask that certain sacrifices be made by some few when a nation is threatened?

I close feeling certain you can find an answer to my questions and hoping to hear from you, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

(Signed) I. E. Bendis
9505 Adams Ave

