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Bureau of Jewish Education, 1927-1928 July.

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Rabbi H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
105 & Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

After you left the meeting today we continued in session for a little while, and passed a resolution to the effect that Mrs. Fisher would attempt to reorganize a team of women to secure new subscribers for the Bureau. CHIVES

I also ordered Mr. Sachs to have a complete report ready for a meeting next week, showing an itemized statement of expenses of the Bureau and all affiliated agencies, and also a comparison of these expenses with the intended budget.

I would suggest that you call a meeting some day next week to settle these matters in further detail.

Sincerely, yours

*Louis S. Bing Jr.*

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J. R. E.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE  
HELD ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22nd, AT 1:15 P. M.  
IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF THE BUREAU

1. The following were present:

J. Bassichis	Miss Nettie Lumberg
Louis Bing, Jr.	A. H. Sachs
Mrs. A. I. Fischer	Rabbi A. H. Silver
Sam Garber	S. Ulmer
A. K. Friedland	

Rabbi Silver presided; Mr. Bing took his place at the end of the meeting.

2. The state of present finances of the Bureau and the Cleveland Hebrew School and Institute was presented by the Executive Director. It was brought out that some means would have to be taken to finance that amount of this year's subscriptions which will be left uncollected by the end of this year. The question was also raised as to the funds necessary with which to support the Bureau's activities during the first three or four months of 1928, prior to the next fund-raising campaign.

A discussion took place as to the possibility of increasing the tuition fees in the Hebrew schools and the initiation of a reasonable tuition fee in the Council schools; Rabbi Silver stated that the Talmud Torahs are losing some money in conducting the Heights Temple Talmud Torah. The Executive Director was requested to bring in the following statements for consideration at the next Finance Committee meeting:

- a) Statement of income and expense of the Heights Temple Talmud Torah for the last year.
- b) Comparative statement of budgetary and actual income and expense of the Talmud Torah System for the first 8 months of 1927.
- c) Comparative statement of budgetary <sup>and actual income</sup> and expense of the Bureau of Jewish Education for the first 8 months of 1927.

After some discussion the committee decided to request Mrs. Fischer and the Executive Director of the Bureau to attempt organizing the Women's Committee for Jewish Education for a quiet campaign of one week, during which time approximately 1,000 prospect cards not covered during the last fund-raising campaign might be solicited sometime early in October. It was suggested that about \$5,000 to \$10,000 might perhaps be raised that way.

3. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 P. M. with the understanding that the Committee would meet again in about a week.

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Secretary



## Finance Committee

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Wed. 23<sup>u</sup>

Part 1

J. Barsichio ✓	Soc. for Savings Bldg -	main	0565
Louis S. Bing Jr. -	522 Prospect Ave -	main	8400
Sam Garber ✓	322 Euclid Ave -	main	2339
Nathan Loeser -	800 Nat. City Bldg -	main	7570
Julius Tutten ✓	N.P. Ry & Drunkard Rd -	Edgy	3000

## Other interested parties

Aaron Garber - 1101 Hipp. Bldg. main 4380  
President Clene. Hebrew Schools -

Mrs. Simon Peyer - 1636 E. 117 St. - Ced 0375  
President Council of Jewish Women -

Mrs. G. I. Fischer - 1798 Radnor Rd. - Fmt 2426  
Chairman Women's Campaign Committee -

## Ex Officio

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver - President  
Alfred H. Sachs - Exec. Director



J. R. E.

MINUTED OF A MEETING OF THE FINANCE AND BUDGET COMMITTEE  
HELD WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1927, AT 12:30 AT A LUNCHEON  
IN THE STATLER HOTEL.

1. The following were present:

Louis S. Bing, Jr.	A. H. Sachs
Sam Garber	Rabbi A. H. Silver
Nathan Loeser	

2. Rabbi Silver presided. Mr. Sachs presented figures as to the amounts budgeted for and spent during the first 8 months of 1927, and the approximate figures to be spent during the remainder of the year. It was brought out that at least \$10,000 of the total amount subscribed in 1927 would be left over for collection in 1928, that at least \$5,000 of such subscriptions would entirely be lost and uncollected, and that at the end of this year the Bureau would therefore be in arrears of between \$15,000 to \$20,000, which would be mainly in obligations to the Midland Bank and the Cleveland Hebrew School and Institute.
3. After due consideration of the matter, the Committee resolved to recommend to the Board that not later than November of this year a budget for the first 6 months of 1928 of the Bureau and its subsidiary agencies be submitted for approval, and that all moneys raised during the 1928 campaign should be devoted first to the wiping off of obligations left over from 1927, and the first 6 months of expenditures of 1928. The Committee further recommended that in June a budget for the second half of 1928 be submitted for approval, and that such budget should then be approved only if its total sum does not exceed the amount of income in 1928 and 1927 arrears subscriptions left for collection in 1928 over and above the expenditures necessary to make good the 1927 obligations and that of the first 6 months of 1928. In this connection it was brought out that June being the end of the current school year, it would then be possible to adjust all expenditures for the balance of the year 1928 in accordance with the actual prospective income during that year; and in this way the Bureau would culminate its 1928 activities without any deficits or obligations, being then able to plan its budget for 1929 in accordance with income then in view.
4. In reference to the immediate solution of the financial problems presented, the Committee decided to recommend a certain measure of economy in the activities of the Bureau and its affiliated agencies, between the present date and the date of the 1928 campaign, some supplementary fund raising, also certain methods of temporary financing.
- As to the first item, the Committee recommended:
- a) That the neighborhood holiday celebration activities of the Bureau be decreased in number during this period.
  - b) That the Extension Education Department employ only one stenographer until the next Financial Campaign.
  - c) That the Womens Committee for Jewish Education be requested to cooperate in the organization of a nominal tuition fee system in the Council Religious Schools.
  - d) In regard to the Cleveland Hebrew School administration it was recommended:
    1. That the Hebrew School Board make a determined effort with the cooperation of the Bureau to increase its tuition fees at least 15 to 20 per cent; that same be accomplished through registration committees of Board Members who should interview parents of newly enrolled children at definite places once a week, and also possibly through a general tuition raising campaign with the assistance of the Womens Committee for Jewish Education.
    2. That the closing of the Doan Hebrew School be considered with the understanding that most of the children attending that school might be distributed in the Center, Miles Standish, Columbia and Lakeview Schools situated in the 105th St. neighborhood.
    3. That the Talmud Torah Board should abstain from paying rentals to the Heights Temple for the Heights Hebrew School branch.



In reference to the second item - that of financing - the committee decided to recommend the renewal of the Midland Bank note once or twice until funds from next year's income are available, also to request the Cleveland Hebrew School Board to borrow at least \$10,000 on a mortgage, pending the Bureau's ability to pay such \$10,000 back to the Talmud Torahs.

As to the third item - that of raising additional funds, also funds with which to conduct the Bureau's activities during the early part of 1928, it was recommended:

- a) That the Womens Committee be urged to have a silent campaign on or about Dec. 1st, to cover approximately 1000 prospect cards, not covered during the last campaign.
  - b) That a small group of active Board members be organized for the purpose of soliciting renewals of subscriptions from at least 500 of the more substantial contributors, that such an effort be made on or about Dec. 1, 1927.
5. Mr. Sachs's suggestion as to the possible consolidation of the educational and financial offices of the Bureau and the Talmud Torahs, with a view of saving in the administrative expenses of both institutions in their educational and administrative capacities, was discussed, but no definite action was taken in reference thereto.
  6. The meeting adjourned at 2:30.



Chairman



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November  
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1927

Abba Hillel Silver, D. D.,  
President, The Bureau of Jewish Education,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:-

As president of The Bureau of Jewish Education, kindly accept my resignation from the executive staff of the Bureau. It is imperative that this resignation be effective immediately.

Sincerely yours,

*Nettie Lumberg*

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November  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

In making out the actual schedule of courses for the Jewish Teachers Institute we find that it is quite impossible to insert Hebrew even as an elective. This is due to the fact that the school is too small to be divided into two courses during any one hour and also because Hebrew stands no chance whatsoever as an elective against a course in Jewish Institutions and Movements taught by Rabbi Brickner.

In view of the above it occurred to some members of the Curriculum Committee that it might perhaps be advisable to give the course in Jewish Movements and Institutions and course in Principles of Judaism for one year each and thus make room for a course in Hebrew to occupy one period.

Under the circumstances we are compelled to take this matter up through correspondence, and are asking you kindly to return the enclosed ballot immediately, so that we may be guided by the decision of the Committee.

Cordially yours,

A. H. Friedland, Director,  
Mrs. Harry S. Rosewater, Registrar,

THE JEWISH TEACHERS INSTITUTE



**RABBI A. H. SILVER**  
**CLEVELAND, OHIO**

November 30, 1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

An emergency situation has arisen which threatens the existence of our communal Jewish Schools. Once again I am turning to you for assistance in this great task of educating our children Jewishly - perhaps the greatest task confronting American Jewry today.

I am calling a special meeting of a group of representative Cleveland Jewish Women for the purpose of assisting the Bureau of Jewish Education in its present difficulties. The task on hand may take only an hour or two of your time; the service you will render cannot be overestimated.

The meeting will take place at 10:30 Wednesday morning, December 7th, in the chapel of The Temple, Ansel Road and East 105th St. May I hope to see you at this important conference? I know of your interest in the cause.

Anticipating your presence, and with kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Abba Hillel Silver*

AHS M

PS - Kindly return the enclosed card.



# A G E N D A

## FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Friday, Dec. 2, 1927

- 1 - Collection Efforts
  - a) 175 substantial balances
  - b) 735 smaller balances
- 2 - Preliminary solicitation of 1928 subscriptions
- 3 - Budget for 1928
- 4 - Annual Jewish education dinner and private parlor meetings
- 5 - New and unfinished business

### BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

#### SUMMARY OF PROSPECTS

Preliminary solicitation in 1928 campaign  
( \$50 and over)

	<i>to Hebrew Schools in 1924</i>	1925	1926	1927	Quota for 1928
A - 275 prospects who gave in 1927	\$ 2,987	18,250	24,622	33,112	46,540
B - 56 prospects who contributed in previous years, also in 1927; but who still owe all or part of their 1927 subscription	1,175	4,025	4,680	6,748	8,710
C - 29 prospects who contributed in previous years, but not in 1927	430	1,390	975	- - -	2,600
TOTALS	\$ 4,592	23,665	30,277	39,860	57,850

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,

813 Ulmer Bldg.,

Cleveland, Ohio.



Dear Rabbi Silver:

In accordance with your request I shall  
attend the meeting on Wednesday morning, Dec. 7th,  
in the chapel of The Temple, Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St.

Name Mrs. Sam Fronstein

Address 9613 Thorn, ave  
Eddy 7043.f.

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December  
Seventh  
1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

In accordance with your request I beg to advise you of the following matters taken up at the Finance Committee meeting Friday, which you were unable to attend.

1. We decided to undertake some preliminary solicitation of substantial subscriptions this month. I have prepared a list and assignment cards of 350 people who have given us subscriptions of \$50 and over during the previous years. Mr. Loeser and I are endeavoring to work up a committee of 25 to 50 men who will meet with us at a luncheon and take these cards. Where possible we shall assign these cards to the same people who covered them last year. When we are ready to decide on a date for the meeting I shall communicate with you to arrange for a date when you will be able to be with us and to address the group. I am enclosing herewith a summary of the list I have prepared.

2. The budgets of the Talmud Torah and the Council of Jewish Women were not yet ready and the committee was unable to discuss them. We have decided to request these agencies to submit these budgets within ten days, so that the Committee will then be able to meet and finally decide on the full budget of the Bureau.

3. I have already received about 75 favorable responses from the women for the meeting at The Temple on Wednesday morning. We have already prepared 750 cards of smaller balances properly zoned and listed and ready for distribution at that meeting. If you will kindly address this group on the mission of the Bureau and the general difficulties we are meeting from time to time, Mrs. Fischer and I will talk to them about the details of these cards and will endeavor to distribute these cards there and then with the hope of getting some results during the week.

4. The more substantial cards that were distributed to the Finance Committee members have so far brought few results; in some cases the Board members were unable to cover them, or in others they interviewed the subscribers but brought back excuses similar to the ones I have received several times before from the same people. I shall simply have to follow these matters up myself and do the best possible under the circumstances. We have distributed a few more cards at this last Finance Committee meeting.



5. Mr. Aaron Garber has again soliloquized us with a lot of grudges and has obstructed many of the plans for constructive work which I had presented for discussion, but which we could not get at. Mr. Tuteur, who was present at this meeting, was exceedingly provoked by Mr. Garber's attempts to put the Hebrew school troubles above all other efforts in Jewish Education in Cleveland and stated that while he is ready to support the Bureau in its general work of promoting Jewish Education, and while he is also in favor of the Bureau's taking care of the Hebrew schools, he does not understand why we allow the Hebrew schools to become the dominant factor in all of our activities and in all of our meetings. Upon my request after the meeting, however, he sent us a check for \$500. Several other items came in during the last few days, so that I am today able to send the Talmud Torahs a check for \$500 in addition to taking care of the Bureau payroll and the rent of our office and the school buildings. I hope to be able to send the Talmud Torahs some more money during the next few days.

I have mailed to you a copy of a letter I have written to Mr. Garber, which I trust if you have found time to read over, you will appreciate my views on Mr. Garber's activities in the Jewish Education structure of this city.

I understand that you were exceedingly busy the early part of this week with matters at The Temple, but I shall nevertheless make an effort to intrude upon you during the latter part of the week to have a chat about some constructive measures in the future work of the Bureau.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Spahr*  
Executive Director

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MEMORANDUM FROM MR. SACHS TO RABBI SILVER

I believe if you could arrange to call Mr. Tuteur  
Wednesday morning, he would come down to attend this  
meeting. It would be well to have at this meeting  
representatives of varied opinion on the Board.

A. H. S.

people invited

W. Laeser  
Louis Bing  
Julius Tuteur  
J. Barsiehis  
Sam Gorker  
Rabbi Silver

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December  
Ninth  
1927

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

The Finance & Budget Committee will  
meet next Wednesday, December 14th, at 1:00 o'clock  
sharp at the Conference Room of the Bureau.

At this meeting the budgets of the  
various departments of the Bureau as well as the agencies  
affiliated with it, will be submitted for consideration,  
and we are very anxious to have every member of this  
Committee of five present, so that we may be able to  
dispose of the entire matter at this one meeting. We  
trust you will make every effort to attend.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M

PS-For a change, we are calling the meeting for 1 o'clock  
in order to give the members of the Committee a chance  
to have their lunch before coming to the meeting.



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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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December  
Fourteenth  
1927

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Aaron Garber, President,  
Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute,  
2491 East 55th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Garber:-

The Finance and Budget Committee of the Board of Jewish Education met today to consider the various budgets submitted for next year's work. The consensus of opinion prevailing was that the Bureau would be unable to raise sufficient funds during next year with which to subsidize the Talmud Torahs to the extent of \$44,000 in addition to paying off the 1927 arrears, which the Committee is anxious to do. The Committee was unable to adopt any definite budget at this meeting, but however agreed upon certain fundamental principles for the distribution of funds to be raised by the Bureau during next year, viz.,

- FIRST. The first obligation of the Bureau is to pay off all its existing indebtedness to the bank and to your schools out of the very first money that will come in.
- SECOND That the fund so raised will next have to be used for the maintenance of the Executive, Collecting, and Campaigning Departments.
- THIRD That the balance of the money raised will be turned over for the use of the Hebrew schools on the one hand and the Council Religious Schools and the extension work of the Bureau on the other hand in such proportions as will be indicated by the contributors to the Bureau's fund on their pledge cards so specially prepared as to show such desire.

Kindly arrange for the calling of a special meeting of your Board in order to discuss these resolutions of our Finance Committee, and please inform the Bureau immediately thereafter as to whether such procedure would be agreeable to your Board. As soon as we hear from you in this matter, our



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Finance Committee will meet again to draft its final and definite recommendations for the consideration of the Board of Jewish Education.

Very sincerely yours,

*Abba Hillel Silver*  
President.

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Dec. 29th, 1927.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

The 1928 budget which was adopted at the last meeting of the Board should be put into effect with the beginning of the New Year. All the moneys which will be received from the first of the year on should be apportioned on the basis of the percentage adopted. Whether our funds are distributed weekly, biweekly or monthly, the percentage key should at all times be employed. I count upon you to carry out the new budget regulations both in letter and in spirit.

The question of Miss Lumberg's status is still undecided. While the budget implied the abolition of her office, it is not at all clear to me that we are not morally obligated to employ Miss Lumberg until the termination of the school year, that is until June.

As I recall it Miss Lumberg was engaged in July, 1926. Her profession being that of school-teacher, it will be practically impossible for her to obtain employment at the present time. I propose to submit the matter to the next meeting of the Board. Until such time however, Miss Lumberg is to continue her work on full time basis.

Have you all of the major pledge cards ready for distribution? If so, get in touch with me and we will call in the preliminary campaign committee to get to work at once.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have your letter of Dec. 29th, and beg to say that I shall indeed follow out the percentage basis adopted for the 1928 budget beginning with January. The way money is coming in at the present time, however, there is practically nothing to distribute. During this week I went through again the entire list of subscriptions still outstanding and have weeded out all the refusals that the women brought in, also those that I thought would not be likely to pay for 1927 any more. The cards remaining in file present a rather promising list even after my "merciless" weeding out of many cards. However, it will probably take quite a while yet until most of these remaining subscriptions will be collected in. I do hope, however, that a goodly sum will come in next year on account of 1927 subscriptions.

I am all ready with the assignment cards for our preliminary campaign. This campaign, it seems to me, ought to net \$40,000 to \$50,000 in subscriptions during the month of January. If we would only stress the need for small increases on all of these larger contributions, also the need for cash payments in full or in part of same, we ought to have two-thirds of our budget practically raised by February 1st with at least \$15,000 in cash. Immediately after this preliminary campaign I shall also endeavor to get some renewals by mail from certain selected people. This work carefully kept up until March ought to net another \$5,000 to \$10,000 in renewals. All the remaining subscribers, as well as new prospects, will have to be covered during our March or April campaign.

As to the question of Miss Lumberg's status, I have thought about the matter myself and I also discussed it with Miss Lumberg. I am not unaware of our moral obligation to her; however, if we should decide to retain her until July 1st, it would mean an expenditure of about \$2,500 for her salary, her stenographer and operating material. Furthermore, Miss Lumberg has not been quite well for the last two or three months, and as a matter of fact has been doing practically nothing for the last month or so. She has been talking of taking a vacation to rest up, but instead she has been staying at home most of last month and just coming in to the office about one or two half days a week. Incidentally, there is very little for her to do at the present time unless we budget more money for her department. Under



Rabbi Silver . . . . .2

the circumstances it would be my opinion that since she is physically unable to do much work at the present time anyway, and since we cannot afford \$2,500 to be spent in her department during the next six months, that it would be much better for the Bureau and for Miss Lumberg to give her 60 days notice and ask her to resign, if necessary paying her for these 60 days without demanding that she do any work at all. The truth is she is not doing anything now anyway, and I believe this plan of 60 days notice with pay would appeal to her even better than working for another six months, and it would cost the Bureau only \$500 instead of \$2,500.

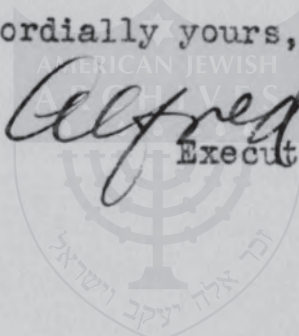
I should like to have a little informal conference with you and Mr. Loeser before we commence activities in the preliminary campaign. Could we meet at The Temple or at your or Mr. Loeser's home during the week end for an hour?

With kindest regards, I am

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Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director





# BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

## SUMMARY OF PROSPECTS

Preliminary solicitation in 1928 campaign  
( \$50 and over)

	1924	1925	1926	1927	Quota for 1928
A - 275 prospects who gave in 1927	\$ 2,987	18,250	24,622	33,112	46,540
B - 56 prospects who contributed in previous years, also in 1927; but who still owe all or part of their 1927 subscription	1,175	4,025	4,680	6,748	8,710
C - 29 prospects who contributed in previous years, but not in 1927	430	1,390	975	- - -	2,600
TOTALS	\$ 4,592	23,665	30,277	39,860	57,850



1. Problem of Jew Education.

~~3~~ Ans in land of Rel. people - Coolidge -  
Crime - Rel. in Schools - Must give substitut.

2. Rel. Leaders of Maryland - 2/10/33 are to  
continue to lead. - p 112 11/1/33 (1) (2)

3. Moral Education for Citizenship -  
(1) Heard . music -

2. Special Problem of Jew Education.  
(1) not only faith - but history - literature  
(2) - Hebrew Scholarship was to perish

3. Jew always valued it - not perish (1) (2)  
1. But in America - not yet organized (3)  
2. Chuland - 14000 -

4. Answer of Jew Education.

(1) NO partic. type of Education -  
(2) uniformity not desirable -  
(3) Hebrew -

5. Campaign - 100,000.



Bureau of Jewish Education - Cleveland

Opening meeting of  
Campaign of 1926 for \$100,000



An address delivered by Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
at the opening of the Jewish Education Campaign  
on Wednesday evening, January 6th, 1926.

" Perhaps I ought to say this word at the outset. The problem of Jewish Education has always been primary in Jewish life - it must be so in the United States, especially in the United States. In the first place this is a religious country - the American people is a religious people, a deeply religious people. Its social and political life is rooted in religious tradition; they love their faith. The American people has been rudely awakened in the last few years by the unprecedented spread of crime; it has been startled by the appalling increase in criminality, especially among the young, (most criminals in America are found among the young people between the ages of 16 and 24), and they think they have discovered the reason for it. The reason is this: there is no religious training being given to the children in the public schools; our public school education is entirely secular and formal and no religious and ethical training is being given to these children; and they are beginning to insist, and in many parts of the country this insistence has become clamorous, that religious instruction be given in the public schools. Now, we Jews are opposed to this and for reasons quite readily apprehended. We feel the danger in the drawing of a line of demarkation among students in public schools. And yet in our opposition we have no constructive counter-proposal to make. Sometime ago a representative of the Federated Churches came to me with a proposal. The Protestant and Catholic groups in Cleveland were prepared to submit a request to the Cleveland Board of Education to set aside an hour during the school day, at which time the children will be dismissed to neighboring churches, temples or synagogues to receive religious instruction. He said that if he could get the endorsement of Jewish leaders in Cleveland, he has reason to believe that the Cleveland Board of Education would grant that request. I told him that the Jews of Cleveland have discussed this plan more than once in the past and have agreed most decidedly against it.



There are other ways. We have our Sunday schools during the day on Saturdays and Sundays, and afternoon schools on week days. I thought I had a rather strong argument, when he turned to me and said, 'Are you educating your children?' And I was forced to acknowledge that with 14,000<sup>Jewish</sup>/children we have failed as far as Jewish Education is concerned. We have utterly, utterly failed. Now, how long, I ask you, can we persist in maintaining this position of keeping religion out of the public schools when at the same time we are not building up schools outside of the public schools to take care of this serious, menacing situation.

"This is only one reason for Jewish Education; there are other reasons - more positive reasons. The Jew has always looked upon himself as the religious and ethical pathfinder of the world; the Jew has at times observed that it was his destiny to be the religious light of mankind. I am not here to discuss the righteousness of this claim or the reality of it, but this has been the traditional claim of the Jew, and I feel to a large extent it is justified. Now, if we continue to be the light unto the nations, if we are ever to persist in maintaining our role of leadership, we must do it clearly, we can do it only if we transmit to each rising generation the precious inheritance of our generation, if we inculcate to the youth who are to be our heirs, the prayers, the ideals of the race, and a knowledge concerning these ideals. We haven't done that in these years in America - I suppose we have been too busy establishing ourselves economically. Whatever the reason may be we have neglected this sacred charge to transmit the Torah to our heirs, "Thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children."

"I am very much concerned about this position of the Jew in the world. I may be carried away by my great love for my people, but I should love to see my people continue in the world not as one people among many - I should like to see my people continue in the world as a great spiritual potency, a beautiful force for righteousness, the driving hand of God Almighty. We shall never even approximate this ideal if we permit 15,000 boys and girls to grow up without even a knowledge of the rudiments of Jewish life. We shall sink, as we have been



sinking to the depths of camp followers of civilization, we shall lose our sacred prerogative.

"Perhaps this, too, ought to be said. You will find some people who say a child should not be taught religion. 'Why should I not permit that child to grow up to pick his own religion, to make his own preference? Why should I impose upon him a faith which at best is a burden to carry?' Nothing is so fallacious as this reasoning, nothing is more illogical. It is foolish for a person who watches over his child's diet, the clothes which he wears, the games he plays, who watches over his education, guiding him, stimulating him and choosing for him; it is folly for that parent to leave the child so far as these essential things of life are concerned, to be left without guidance and correction. A child who has a musical inclination will not become a musician if he is not given the chance to study. Every child has character, possibilities, religious impulses, ethical impulses - certainly those should be stimulated at the earliest possible moment and not be left to chance.

"As far as the Jew is concerned the problem of education for him is more important than the non-Jew, for the Jew must transmit to his children not only strong and sustaining faith in God, not only ethical ideas, but he must transmit to his children the history of his people - the record of three thousand years of living, of contributions by his people. The Jew must transmit to the rising generation the knowledge of his literature - the sacred literature of our people - to-day the sacred literature of half of mankind, a literature so varied, so colorful, so rich in content, so keenly appreciative of every flitting mood of human life, its creative genius, that, too, we must transmit to our children. We are not doing that, friends. I am surprised that the Cleveland Jewish community hasn't stirred itself much earlier on this subject. Our sages have said that the study of the Torah exceeds everything else in this life, the study of the Torah is higher than philanthropy, the study of the Torah is more important than



the saving of life. The study of the Torah - that was so dear to the heart of every Jewish parent, to our whole race. Think of what the Rabbis said about the study of the Torah; they quoted from the study of Leviticus. "I have not rejected them and I have not despised them." "How can that be true" said the Rabbis. "God has rejected us; we had a land and it was taken from us, we had a temple and it was destroyed, we had peace and happiness and they were taken away from us - all the good things in life that we treasured have been denied us, how can the Almighty say 'I have not rejected them and not despised them?'" "But," said the Rabbis, "He gave us the Torah and that He has not deprived us of, and that represents the whole of the goods of life. Because the Torah is ours, it is proof that God has not rejected us, that God has not despised us, that we are His and He is ours." I say, if our people can so conceive of its Torah and give thereto so much of its sacrifice and love, how comes it that in a great city like Cleveland 15,000 children are left without knowledge of God and of God's Torah? I think it is a challenge to our community. Friends, I think it is the greatest challenge which has come to us in the last quarter of a century.

"Let me say this in closing. American Jewry has almost adequately solved its problem of philanthropy. We have in a most remarkable way built up our institutions - hospitals, orphan asylums, Homes for the Aged; we have organized our Federation of Jewish Charities - a beautiful work, an essential work, but if you think that is Judaism and if you think that will preserve Judaism, let me say you are highly mistaken. We have had Jewish communities in the middle ages who took care of their alimosenary institutions, who even had beautiful synagogues, who had beautiful temples, who have completely disappeared as a race, who have vanished, dissolved, because the philanthropy question of the Jew alone, even prayer alone, cannot guard the Jew against the undermining of the continual force of disintegration, especially in the free and democratic



lands as the United States. If we are ever to attain our integrity, to continue to live as a creative people, as a functioning people in the midst of a world that is insisting upon lack of identity and lines of distinction, if we are to continue as the unique, the chosen people, we can do it only if we fortify ourselves behind the fortification of knowledge, learning, study. You can't expect your boy and girl to go out in the world and to meet all the arrows that will be hurled at him in life and to endure them endlessly; you can't expect them to face all the unpleasantness of life; you cannot insist on their going out in the world as self-respecting Jews unless you have in their early years given them a sustaining and a spiritual influence, unless you have given them knowledge and enlightenment.

"Hebrew is not a dead language, it is a key to the knowledge of learning. Ninety-five percent of our literature is in Hebrew; sixty percent still remains untranslated into the English. If it is to be opened, the key to open it is the Hebrew language, if we are ever to have Jewish scholars, they must know the Hebrew. If you are ever to have a generation of Rabbis to lead your people, you must give them the tools, the wherewithal, and that is the fundamental grounding in the Hebrew language, Hebrew literature. Hebrew was never a dead language except to those who did not know it. It was the literary language through the middle ages up to to-day. Given the first opportunity it has again become the living tongue not only in Palestine, but in every European country, and I hope to see the day when they will speak Hebrew on the streets of Cleveland. Hebrew needs no apology.

"I appeal to you men and women to go out in this community as emissaries of a great ideal, you are going out as the emissaries of a great ideal - nothing short of the preservation of our people - as a real Jewishly alert, intellectually alive people in this community. You will be doing during the next ten days what your fathers and forefathers did. They stinted themselves, they sometimes denied themselves bread to give their children a Jewish religious education; you are continuing a marvelous tradition. It is a glorious task you have been called upon to perform and may God bless you."



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Jan. 6, 1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

You will undoubtedly be interested in the achievements of the Bureau during the past year. With the generous support of the community we have been enabled to take care of and to subsidize the following Jewish educational activities:

- 1) Seven Sunday Schools of the Council of Jewish Women. (Average enrollment 1350)
- 2) Eleven weekday afternoon Hebrew Schools. (Average enrollment 2100)
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- 4) Neighborhood Holiday Celebrations for Jewish children. (Celebrations held in 6 theatres 5 times during the year - aggregate attendance at 30 celebrations 26,000) (Total children served - 8,000)
- 5) City-wide campaign for the enrollment of children in Jewish schools - 180 Jewish women volunteered for this service - 1200 children unaffiliated with Temple Schools have been enrolled in the schools affiliated with the Bureau.
- 6) Jewish educational service rendered to Camp Wise, Camp Alliance, and the Council Educational Alliance.

With your generous support, we hope to be able to continue these activities during the year 1928, and to extend and improve same, where funds and circumstances permit.

Very sincerely yours,

BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

*Abba Hillel Silver*  
President.



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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

We have received a thousand dollar check from Mr. S. H. Kleinman, which I have already acknowledged with thanks. However, in view of his very fine cooperation and sympathetic attitude, may I suggest that you write him a personal note, thanking him and requesting his consent to his election to our Board of Trustees for this year.

Mr. J. Bassichis is now in California. I mailed his prospect card to him, with a note asking him to increase his pledge to \$500. I have also informed him of all the adjustments that have been made in connection with the Talmud Torah Budget. I believe, if he received a personal note from you, urging him to make his pledge for this year not less than \$500, it might have additional effect, resulting either in a \$500 pledge, or at least, something above the \$200 he gave last year.

Thanking you, and with kindest  
regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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Mr. J. Bassichis  
Alderado Apartments  
847 Alderado St.  
Los Angeles, Calif.



Dear Friend:

OUR TREASURY IS EMPTY.

All the money we have collected in 1927 was used up in the support of our schools during that year.

We need some funds at once with which to pay teachers' salaries, rentals of school buildings, and for administrative expenses.

IMMEDIATE RECEIPT OF YOUR CHECK in full or part payment of your 1928 contribution would indeed be very much appreciated by our Board of Trustees.

Thanking you, I am,

Cordially yours,

*Alba Kell Silver*

President.

PLEASE TEAR OFF THIS BILL AND MAIL WITH REMITTANCE

**BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION**

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Remarks	1928 SUBSCRIPTION	
	BALANCE OF 1927	_____
	TOTAL	_____
	PAID ON ACCOUNT	_____
	TOTAL NOW DUE	_____
JAN. 10, 1928		

PLEASE MAIL US YOUR NEW ADDRESS IF THIS IS INCORRECT

**NOTE:** MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO NATHAN LOESER, TREASURER.  
RECEIPTS ARE MAILED ON REQUEST.



# Our Children—will they be *Ours*?

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**W**ITH your kind co-operation, The Bureau of Jewish Education supported the following Jewish Educational activities during 1927; and hopes to continue this support, and to extend and improve the work of its affiliated agencies during 1928, as funds and circumstances permit:

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RELIGIOUS AND CULTURAL EDUCATION



January 10th, 1928.

Mr. Benjamin Lowenstein,  
Wade Park Manor,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Lowenstein:-

You have been generously contributing annually to the Bureau of Jewish Education. We are now planning our New Year's activities, which will be even more extensive than they have been.

We are making a quiet campaign among our larger contributors, to renew their subscriptions for the coming year. I would appreciate very much if you would help us out.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



January 10th, 1928.

Mr. Jos. A. Guggenheim,  
3035 Meadowbrook Blvd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

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Mr. Walter Weil,  
6700 Grant Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

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AHS/IR



January 10th, 1928.

Mr. H. A. Marks,  
Mayer-Marks Furniture Co.,  
Prospect and E. 4th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Marks:-

You have been generously contributing annually to the Bureau of Jewish Education. We are now planning our New Year's activities, which will be even more extensive than they have been.

We are making a quiet campaign among our larger contributors, to renew their subscriptions for the coming year. I would appreciate very much if you would help us out.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



January 10th, 1928.

Mr. S. H. Kleinman,  
National City Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Kleinman:-

Mr. Alfred Sachs, Executive Director of the Bureau of Jewish Education has informed me of your kind act in sending \$1000. to the Bureau as your contribution for the year. I need not tell you how deeply I appreciate your prompt and spontaneous act.

I am mindful of the great thing which you did for the cause of Jewish education in Cleveland last April, when you assumed the leadership in the campaign. It was the most successful in our history and I sincerely hope that you will find it possible again to lead our community in this, its most important task.

I shall undoubtedly have occasion to speak to you about it again. This note is just to thank you for the help which you have again rendered.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



January 10th, 1928.

The Bureau of Jewish Education,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed herewith please find  
check in amount of \$250.00, which is Rabbi  
Silver's contribution and also check in amount  
of \$125.00 of The Temple Women's Association,  
which represents one half of their year's sub-  
scription.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



January 10th, 1928.

Mr. J. Bassichis,  
Alderado Apartments,  
847 Alderado St.,  
Los Angeles, Calif.

My dear Mr. Bassichis:-

I am sorry that you were not present at the last meeting of the Bureau of Jewish Education. After much struggle we succeeded in making radical changes in the finances of the Bureau. I understand that Mr. Sachs has written to you in detail about it. I think that we may look forward to a healthier condition in our Bureau from now on.

We plan to launch our 1928 drive in April but in order to tide over the next few months, we have launched a quiet campaign among the three hundred and fifty largest contributors of last year, asking them to renew and to increase their subscriptions for 1928. There must be a substantial increase if we are to wipe out our deficits of the last two years.

May I not ask you, my dear Mr. Bassichis, if at all possible, to increase your subscription to say \$500. I am making this request of ten other people, who were in the \$200. class last year. You will be performing a real "mitzwa" in so doing, and if possible in sending us part or the whole of it now.

Trusting that you will have a very restful and pleasant winter, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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1/14/28

Dear Rabbi Silver —

Jan 1-13 = { 1928 - 2310  
1927 - 297 }

Bureau collected altogether 2607.—

Hebrew Schools are entitled to 25,000  
on a 60,000 budget which is .417

2607  
.417  
= \$1085

Your secretary gave the Hebrew Schools \$1000—

So why did you give them h— ??

Cordially - Alfred H. Sachs



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January  
Sixteenth  
1928

### NOTICE OF IMPORTANT BOARD MEETING

The January meeting of the Board of Jewish Education will take place on Thursday, January 19th, at 12:15 P.M. (promptly) at the Conference Room of the Bureau of Jewish Education. A light luncheon will be served.

At this meeting we shall endeavor to compile a complete report of the preliminary solicitation of cards assigned last week to our Board members as well as to other friends of Jewish Education. We also have very important business to transact in connection with our annual meeting, and in preparation for the 1928 campaign; besides other important new and unfinished business.

May I expect the presence of every Board member at this very important meeting.

Thanking you, and with kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Abba Hillel Silver*  
President

AHS M



January 16th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

Following up our conversation of  
last Friday, please make note of the following  
things:-

1. All moneys which the Bureau  
will distribute from now until the returns of its  
next campaign are in, shall be distributed on the  
strict percentage basis upon a minimum budget of  
\$60,000, as outlined in the budget adopted at the  
last meeting of the Bureau. There must be absolutely  
no deviation from this ruling. All outstanding  
accounts of last year come within this arrangement.

2. Hereafter I shall personally sign  
all checks issued by the Bureau of Jewish Education.  
Each check shall bear the signature of the President  
and Treasurer. Please notify the banks accordingly.  
Checks should be issued on the first and fifteenth  
of each month. I wish no more checks to be issued  
to anyone without my signature.

With kindest regards, permit me  
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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January  
Seventeenth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

In accordance with your suggestions I am making arrangements at the banks to have all checks signed in the future by the president and the treasurer or assistant treasurer. I am also arranging to pay <sup>now</sup> \$1,000 to the Midland Bank on account of the loan, and shall have a series of nine notes at \$1,000 each signed and endorsed, so that the notes will become due automatically one month apart, the first note becoming due a month from Jan. 23rd and the last note becoming due nine months from that date. If we shall have extra money, we can always make advance payments on one or more of these individual notes and pay interest only for the exact amount of time the money is carried on that particular note.

If you will have a few minutes before or after Thursday's meeting, I should like to go over with you the present standing of our treasury, also to have these new bank signature cards and the promissory notes signed up in proper form.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M



January 17th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I received the financial statement of the Bureau which you sent me. I have been studying it carefully. Some of the statements are needlessly involved.

I should like hereafter that all Bureau expenditures (including those of the Extension Department) for stenography, telephone, stationery and postage, clerical, and printing, be grouped as five items and not as sixteen. Under salaries you should have but four items:

1. Your own
2. Extension Director
3. Two stenographers and clerks
4. Collector

You need not be fearful lest your items will be misunderstood.

We will from now on have but three channels of expenditure:

1. Moneys given to the Talmud Torah and Teachers Institute, which that organization disburses.
2. Moneys given to the Council of Jewish Women, which that organization disburses.
3. Moneys disbursed directly by the Bureau.

The Bureau expenditures should be grouped as indicated above and not divided ten different ways. Even the moneys spent in the fund raising campaign should be included in the general items of expenditure of the Bureau.

This request of you has been made before. Please see that it is carried out.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



Jan. 20th, 1928.

Mr. Salmon P. Halle,  
924 Hanna Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Halle:-

May I impose upon you by making  
an earnest request?

For the past three years you have  
been a liberal supporter of The Bureau of Jewish  
Education. Your contribution and that of others  
has enabled the Bureau to offer moral and religious  
instruction to some 4000 Jewish boys and girls in  
twenty-one schools and to reach through mass educa-  
tion some 8000 children.

We are now facing the year 1928.  
Educational work, like all forms of social service,  
is of course a continuous enterprise in a community.  
It can not be carried on one year and discontinued  
another. We are therefore calling upon our friends  
to renew for the coming year their generous support  
of the Bureau.

In 1926 you contributed \$500. Will  
you not renew this contribution for 1928?

You will agree with me, I am sure,  
that there are few problems in our community, which  
demand as much serious thought as that of giving the  
thousands of our children, who are as yet unaffiliated  
a training in citizenship, in character development,  
and in loyalty to the highest ideals of their people.

Thanking you again for your continuous  
support, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



January  
Twentieth  
1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

Please write to the following  
informing them that they have been appointed  
as members of the 1928 Campaign Committee of  
The Bureau:-

Mrs. Arthur I. Fisher  
Mrs. Simon Feiser  
Mr. A. Simon  
Mr. Harry Weinraub  
Mr. Nathan Loeser  
Mr. Louis Bing  
Mr. S. H. Kleinman  
Mr. B. H. Sinks  
Mr. George J. Klein  
Mr. Sam Garber

Please do not write to Mr.  
Kleinman as I am planning to have lunch with  
him some day next week.

Very truly yours,

AHS/IR



Academy 8060

Walter Weif

January 20th, 1928.

Prospect 3470

Mr. Louis Littman,  
1765 E. 22d St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Littman:-

May I impose upon you by making an earnest request?

You have been a liberal supporter of The Bureau of Jewish Education. Your contribution and that of others has enabled the Bureau to offer moral and religious instruction to some 4000 Jewish boys and girls in Twenty-one schools and to reach through mass education some 8000 children.

We are now facing the year 1928. Educational work, like all forms of social service, is of course a continuous enterprise in a community. It can not be carried on one year and discontinued another. We are therefore calling upon our friends to renew for the coming year their generous support of the Bureau.

In 1925 you contributed \$100. Will you not renew this contribution for 1928?

You will agree with me, I am sure, that there are few problems in our community, which demand as much serious thought as that of giving the thousands of our children, who are as yet unaffiliated, a training in citizenship, in character development, and in loyalty to the highest ideals of their people.

Thanking you again for your continuous support, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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January  
Twentieth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
10303 Lake Shore Blvd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Kindly sign the enclosed two items and mail same directly in the addressed envelopes, in order to avoid unnecessary delay.

I noticed your P.S. on the letter to Mrs. Peiser, and it is my opinion that if money should continue coming in nicely this and next month, we ought to clear off our 1927 deficit to the Council, also the printer and multigraphers by next month. These items are all past due and we can't avoid paying them; so we might as well get rid of them early and avoid aggravation. It would simply mean that we have to plan on a minimum budget of \$62,500, which would include all these past due items. If we pay these items off soon, we would then be able to live strictly on the \$5,000 monthly appropriation on the minimum budget adopted.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M  
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was \$1000. in October?

all printing approved by me



January 23d, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I have been studying the balance sheet of our Bureau still further these last few days. I find that we spent over \$5000. last year for stationery, postage and printing. This is altogether too much. This item should be cut down at least by half in 1928. We have been using up too much paper..... Hereafter I wish to be consulted before any expenditure involving the sum of over \$25.00 for stationery and printing is contracted for. This excludes of course, the routine requirements of letterheads, envelopes and billing.

I find too, that over \$600. was spent for books and equipment. This item is almost entirely unnecessary. I want no books purchased or no magazines subscribed for and no equipment added to the office without consulting me first.

Again, too much money was spent for advertising last year. Here too, no advertising contract should be placed with any newspaper without my sanction. Wherever possible, permission should be asked first of the Finance Committee, but under all circumstances, I wish to be consulted before the expenditures are made. We must cut to the bone this year.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



January 23d, 1928.

Mr. Aaron Garber,  
Hippodrome Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Garber:-

I am enclosing herewith a clipping from the "Jewish World" of January 20th, which informs the public that the Cleveland Hebrew School has taken over the building of the National Workingmen's Institute. This is the first indirect information which the Bureau has had of this transaction.

You recall of course, that the agreement under which the Cleveland Hebrew Schools and the Bureau of Jewish Education are working calls for the sanction by the Bureau of any such transaction.

May I please have an explanation from you about this item so that in presenting this matter to the board at the next meeting of the Bureau, I may be in possession of all the facts.

With kindest regards, permit me  
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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January  
Twenty-fourth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have your letter of Jan. 23rd containing criticism of various items of expenditure made last year. I am very glad indeed that you are finding time to go into a study of the details of our office, so that not only shall I be able to benefit by your advice, but you will also in time come to see how most of the things that are done in the office are after all necessary in the carrying through of our general program of community organization.

Your statement that we have spent \$5,000 for stationery, postage and printing, though, of course, true, has nevertheless implications that are too broad. You know very well that each activity had its own requirements, was budgeted in advance, and was taken care of by its proper committee; it was not therefore a "paper" bureaucracy that the Bureau wastefully conducted.

I also fail to see where you find \$600 spent for books, unless you are including text books purchased for resale, and about \$350 spent for slides, which is permanent equipment and necessary in connection with the holiday celebrations, and which is listed under "books and slides." The entire amount spent for educational literature and a few magazines is only \$96.00.

The newspaper advertising during the fund-raising campaign you have personally urged at one of our campaign committee meetings, as community propaganda, also as a sort of courtesy to the three Jewish papers, giving us free publicity all year around.

The major items of expenditure under the headings "stationery, postage and printing" were spent in:

Billing and collecting departments  
Fund-raising campaign  
Neighborhood holiday celebrations  
School enrollment campaign

The amounts spent on stationery and postage in the Executive Department and in the Executive Division of the Extension



Education Department were not so extravagant, and most of the sum spent therein was really for postage. You will admit that one cannot run an efficient office, coordinating the work of the various committees and of the Board, and being in contact with the community, without a certain amount of correspondence and other routine mailing, which during the year accumulates to several hundred dollars. This sort of community organization I believe comes legitimately within our program of work.

However, in view of the curtailments in the activities of the Extension Education Department; also in view of the fact that we shall perhaps be able to raise 60 percent of our money this year without an actual campaign, and that we may not conduct any extensive enrollment campaign, <sup>this year</sup> our "paper" expenditures will be decidedly decreased. I shall, of course, do my best to cut expenditures where possible, and shall consult the Board and you personally on major undertakings.

If I can find time this Friday afternoon, and if you will be at leisure in your study at that time, I should like very much to spend a half hour with you, going over a few items, also giving you some explanations as to last year's expenditures, which I believe you ought to have in connection with the study of dry figures on paper, and before forming any definite opinion in reference thereto.

Thanking you for your kind suggestions, and with kind personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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January  
Twenty-Sixth  
1928

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

We are planning a get-together supper for Tuesday, February 21st, marking the close of the first semester of the Jewish Teachers Institute.

We feel that it would be a most opportune time for the Officers and Board of Trustees and the Faculty, and their husbands and wives, to meet the students, and, through an evening spent in the genial atmosphere of good fellowship, cement the feeling of good will and loyalty that should make for the success of our Institute.

Some form of entertainment will be provided by the students, and following this, there will be a short meeting of the Board of Trustees. Please fill out the enclosed card, and return immediately.

Very sincerely yours,

A.H. FRIEDLAND, DIRECTOR.  
MRS. HARRY ROSEWATER, REGISTRAR.



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January  
Thirtieth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Kindly sign the enclosed checks and  
return in the enclosed self-addressed and stamped envelope.

I find that Mr. Herman Rosen is now  
residing in Cleveland, and if we should want him for our  
annual dinner I suppose he would be available. If you  
could possibly get Ribaupierre or Fuchs of the Institute  
on a complimentary or nominal fee basis, perhaps we ought  
not to use the same talent too much. Mr. Rosen ~~would~~ also  
play at the Jewish Center this month.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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Jan. 30th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

Confirming our conversation of last week, please note:-

1. Our collector is to be put on a purely percentage basis. 10% on all money which he himself brings in. I should like at the end of every month, a statement of the moneys which he brought in.
2. All payments to the Council of Jewish Women and to the Talmud Torah shall hereafter be made on the 15th and 30th or 31st of each month.
3. Miss Lumberg's secretary is to be discharged.

Please reserve the Cleveland Hotel for our annual meeting. That hotel appeals to me most.

Write to the four major Congregations and request them to be responsible for three tables each at our annual meeting. To the President of the Council of Jewish Women ten tables. To the President of the Talmud Torah 10 tables. To the President of the Bnai Brith five tables and to all other Congregations and organizations one or two tables each.

I shall try to get Fibaupierre to play at the Annual Meeting.

I have not signed the check for the Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co., not knowing what that expense is for. If it is for the schools, that money should come out of the Council allowance.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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January  
Thirty-first  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

say:

Replying to your favor of January 30th, I beg to

1. I have taken the matter of putting the collector on a percentage basis under careful consideration. I find that last year he brought in approximately \$7,000 outside of the payments that were facilitated through his visits. Having been paid at the rate of \$100 per month the percentage of collection was approximately 15 percent. There is no hope that this year he would collect much more, and there is no possibility of getting any competent young man or woman to do this work sincerely for less than about \$100 a month. It therefore means that whether we put a collector on a percentage or salary basis, the Bureau will have to stand 15 percent on the collection of about \$7,000 of its funds or else abolish the office of collector altogether.

The Talmud Torahs collect \$31,000 from parents, who are obligated to pay for their children's tuition fee every month, at a 10 percent commission - that is 10 percent on all of the \$31,000 collected. We will have to pay 15 percent on only about 10 percent of our total fund, the other money coming in through mail and through my own personal efforts. I am positive that at least one-half of the \$7,000 brought in through the collector would be entirely lost if we abolished such office. However, if you do not agree with me on this point, I shall be glad either to follow your own desires in the matter, or to discuss same fully at the next Board meeting, and get a definite ruling on the matter for my own guidance.

2. Subsidies to the Council of Jewish Women and the Talmud Torahs will be made every month on the 15th and the 31st. Subsidies to the Jewish Teachers Institute will be made on the 31st of each month. However, on the 1st of March, we shall yet have to pay the \$450.00 due the Council, in addition to their regular subsidy. The balance of about \$500 due the printer and multigrapher will also have to be paid in February or March; afterwards we shall be able to live on the exact amounts provided for in the budget for monthly expenditure.



3. Miss Lumberg's secretary has already been released from our employment. During the next month or six weeks I expect we shall be very busy here with arrangements for the annual meeting, the making of a new set of ledger cards, and the entering, recording and following-up of all matters connected with the preliminary solicitation of funds. All this in addition to the regular routine work in connection with Board and Committee meetings may require some extra help. I shall try to get along with the one girl we have, but if it becomes necessary I suppose I will have to get in some full or part-time help on a temporary basis.
4. I have put in a tentative reservation at the Cleveland Hotel. I agree with you that it is the best place both from the standpoint of dignity and <sup>the</sup> food served. However, the price per plate cannot be forced down to any less than \$2.00. Neither of the other hotels in town can do it.
5. I am commencing to make arrangements for the success of the annual meeting, and hope to be able to get the cooperation of the organizations you mention to the utmost extent possible.
6. The check issued to the Illuminating Company is in payment of service rendered at the Columbia School Building during November and December when the building was managed by this Bureau. Beginning January all such items connected with this building will be covered directly by the Talmud Torah, and they will charge a proportional rent to the Council for their use of the same building. In the budgetary distribution of funds expended on the chart on which I am recording all checks issued, this check will be charged to the Cleveland Hebrew School and the Council of Jewish Women (2/3 and 1/3). We have to pay this, however, as it is our direct obligation for last year's service, since the management of the two school buildings during last year was taken care of by this Bureau.

Due to Miss Lumberg's absence from town I am still holding the check issued to her Jan. 15th, which I shall give her together with the one you signed yesterday, in payment of the full month. There may be some question at the bank about this check having only one signature; so to make <sup>it all right</sup> sure, will you kindly sign this one as well, and return same to me together with the Illuminating Company check, at your convenience.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Cedric H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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February  
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1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Rabbi Silver is calling a meeting of the  
1928 Campaign Committee for Friday, February 3rd, at  
lunch at Parlor C, The Hollenden.

There is a lot of planning before us in  
order to attain success in this year's campaign, and we  
are therefore very anxious to have all the details  
outlined during this month.

We need your counsel in this matter,  
and should appreciate your making a special effort to  
attend. We hope to commence this luncheon promptly at  
12:30 and adjourn about 1:30 or 1:45 P. M.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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February 1, 1928.

Eugene Wolf, President,  
The Temple,  
336 Engineers Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Wolf:-

We are now making arrangements for an annual Jewish Education dinner to be held on Sunday, March 4, at the Cleveland Hotel. Since the organization of this Bureau over three years ago, we have been kept so busy with routine of campaigns and other administrative matters that we were unable to stop for a while to take stock of our activities. At this meeting, we should like to submit to the Jewish community of Cleveland a complete functional and financial report as to the results of Cleveland's experiment in community development of Jewish educational facilities. We should like this meeting to become virtually a demonstration of the interest of the entire Jewish community in this - the greatest problem confronting American Jewry today.

We are now making up a Planning Committee for this annual meeting, and are calling upon all of the Jewish religious and educational organizations of Cleveland to cooperate with us in this venture. We should like to have three representatives of each of these organizations on our Planning Committee to the extent that our meeting may really receive the community interest that it merits. We hope that after this Planning Committee meets, it will not be hard for us to make this meeting a success, and that you will be able without difficulty to interest a minimum of 30 to 50 members of The Temple to attend our Annual Dinner. I trust that you will give us every assistance possible through your representatives, as well as, perhaps, through a special committee to be appointed by you later, in the arrangements for the dinner, and the placing of reservations for the members of your organization.

We have only one month in which to go through with all preparations, and I should therefore appreciate, indeed, if you would send us, immediately, the names of three of your more active members whom you will appoint to serve on our Planning Committee, and whom you will kindly notify simultaneously of this appointment. Please send us these names on the self-addressed postcard enclosed herein, this week if possible.

Thanking you for your cooperation, and with kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

AHS M

President.



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February  
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Dr. Alexander M. Dushkin,  
Board of Jewish Education,  
1800 Selden St.,  
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Dr. Dushkin:-

With further reference to your address at the Jewish Education luncheon of our Social Service Institute, may I suggest the following items for your special consideration and treatment:

- 1) Community efforts made in Chicago and other cities in the United States for the support of Jewish Education.
- 2) The need to prepare a healthy American-Jewish community for future leadership - a solid foundation on which the entire structure of Jewish religious, social and philanthropic life in America may continue to develop.
- 3) The manner in which European Jewry always faced, and is now coping with its problems of Jewish community life thru Jewish Education.
- 4) The magnitude of the problem - the amounts of money necessary to cope with it - the place that must be taken in its solution by lay leaders, by the parents, and by the teachers.

Of course, these are merely suggestions. I am fully aware of the fact that you are quite conversant with the existing problems in Jewish Education and the manner in which they should be treated in an address before a group of lay people. We are not expecting you to write a formal paper on the matter.

In accordance with our plans, your address will be preceded by a brief philosophical introduction by Dr. John Slawson, Research Director of the Federation, who will speak on the relation of social work to Jewish education, and will probably emphasize the mental hygiene, sociological and ethnic aspects of the problem, as well as its place in a well-rounded community program of Jewish Social Service.

At the conclusion of your address, for which I understand you are allotted 30 minutes, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, President of our Bureau, will discuss the local problems and our available Jewish educational equipment by way of facilities and personnel. He will probably also give a short statement relating to the history of Jewish Education in Cleveland during the past five years.



Following his brief discussion, questions from the floor will be put to all speakers. The chairman of the luncheon will be Mr. Eugene Geismer - a very intelligent Jewish layman, who is quite interested in the problem himself.

If there are any suggestions you would like to make in reference to the conduct of this institute, should be glad to receive them of course. The luncheon will begin at 12:15 and will end at about 2:30.

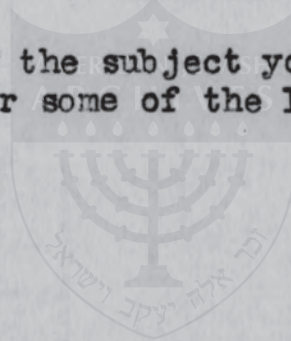
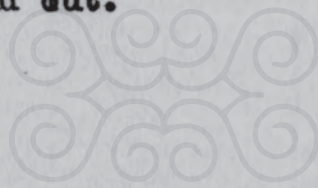
With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

AHS M

Executive Director

PS-Would you kindly indicate the title of the subject you are going to speak on. We need same immediately for some of the literature that we expect to send out.





*Bureau*

Feb. 1st, 1928.

Dr. A. S. Maschke,  
7016 Euclid Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Maschke:-

May I impose upon you by making an earnest request?

You have been a liberal supporter of The Bureau of Jewish Education. Your contribution and that of others has enabled the Bureau to offer moral and religious instruction to some 4000 Jewish boys and girls in twenty-one schools and to reach through mass education some 8000 children.

We are now facing the year 1928. Educational work, like all forms of social service, is of course a continuous enterprise in a community. It can not be carried on one year and discontinued another. We are therefore calling upon our friends to renew for the coming year their generous support of the Bureau.

In 1926 you contributed \$40. Will you not renew this contribution for 1928?

You will agree with me, I am sure, that there are few problems in our community, which demand as much serious thought as that of giving the thousands of our children, who are as yet unaffiliated, a training in citizenship, in character development, and in loyalty to the highest ideals of their people.

Thanking you again for your continuous support, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



February 1st, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I am enclosing herewith two  
signed checks.

You will please put your collector  
on a percentage basis and pay him 10%. There  
are plenty of people who would be glad to  
get the job today.

Please do not take on any extra  
help without first consulting me.

If you can not get the Cleveland  
for less than \$2. per plate, let that be the  
price.

With kindest regards, permit  
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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February  
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1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

After our telephone conversation this morning Mrs. Peiser and Mr. Eugene Wolf called me to say that they are appointing delegates to represent their organizations on our annual dinner arrangements committee. I told Mrs. Peiser that you had ordered the recalling of the letter calling for such delegates, and she strenuously disagreed with the wisdom of such action. I spoke to Mr. Bing today and asked his opinion on the same matter. He too seems to think that my original procedure would tend to create the most interest and the best attendance at the dinner.

Under the circumstances I have postponed the recalling of the letters for one day until I shall be able to see you personally tomorrow at the Campaign Committee luncheon to discuss this matter in greater detail. In the meantime, may I submit to you Mr. Bing's reasons for not recalling the former action:

- a) Since some of the responses are already favorable it would be a splendid opportunity for us to avail ourselves of the interest that can be created within the various Boards through the appointment of such official delegates.
- b) It would be a bad gesture after having invited the leading community organizations to cooperate in this undertaking to recall that action and leave them flat - so to speak.

Although it seemed to me that I was incorporating in the letter practically the same things that we agreed upon on Friday and the suggestions contained in your letter of Monday, I am indeed sorry that I have sent out a letter over your signature, the contents of which are not entirely satisfactory to you. However, as you know, I have sent out dozens of other administrative and organization letters over your signature and in no case have you found them to be wanting either in judgment or in any other respect. I have therefore proceeded with this letter in the regular routine. I shall be glad, however, in the future to submit to you such form



letters for approval before they are sent out.

Nevertheless, I feel in view of your lack of confidence in my judgment that it would be a much healthier situation if you had appointed a committee of our Board to guide me with arrangements for this annual meeting, as I requested you two weeks ago, and for such other major undertakings as may come up from time to time. Frankly speaking, I do not believe I have an over-exaggerated idea of my importance, but I do not at the same time intend to act as mere clerk for this or any other organization. Although I am not thirsty for authority, I am very much opposed to a condition where I would become a mere rubber stamp.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M





Bureau of Jewish Education

February 3d, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I am enclosing herewith drafts of copies of letters to be sent to the various organizations in the city, in connection with our Annual Meeting. It may be well that these letters be dispatched at the earliest opportunity.

Apart from the four major organiza-sisterhoods tions and their subsidiary organizations, similar & men's clubs letters properly revised, should be sent to the Council of Jewish Women - 10 tables  
The B'rith - - - 5 tables  
and other organizations whose names will occur to you.

I am also sending you a draft of a letter to be sent to each member of our Board.

Very truly yours,

AHS/IR

Please get a few photographs of Mr. Billikopf for publicity



Dear Friend:-

The Bureau of Jewish Education will hold its first public Annual Meeting on Sunday evening, March 4th at the Cleveland Hotel.

It is our wish to utilize this occasion for a great demonstration in behalf of Jewish Education in our community, as well as to bring to the attention of the representative men and women of our community the problems which confront us in the presence in our midst of over ten thousand boys and girls of school age who are receiving absolutely no religious or moral instruction.

To this end we have invited as our guest and speaker for this dinner-meeting, Mr. Jacob Billikopf of Philadelphia, who is admirably competent because of his close contact with the problems of American Jewish life, to discuss the subject of Jewish Education thoroughly and scientifically.

This meeting is in no way tied up with any campaign for funds and no solicitation of any kind will take place. It is purely an educational enterprise. We feel that we can win many friends to our common cause, if we can bring them to listen to a full exposition of the subject.

We are asking the boards of the larger Temples and Synagogues of Cleveland, to whom the cause of Jewish education is dear, to cooperate with us by undertaking to be present at this meeting in a body and to be responsible for at least three tables, (a table consists of ten diners). May we not count upon your helpful assistance?

Upon receiving affirmative word from you, we shall forward to you the tickets for the banquet.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,



TO EACH MEMBER OF THE BOARD

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I am requesting every member of our board, who more than any others appreciates the importance of this meeting, and its great possibilities, to make a personal effort to bring his own friends to this meeting and to fill at least one table (10 places). Only in this way can we hope to get a representative cross-section of our entire community.

I have also written to all the Temples and Jewish organizations of our community, requesting them to assume a similar responsibility for filling a certain number of tables at this banquet. With a little effort on your part and with the cooperation of all the Jewish organizations in the city, this meeting ought to be a banner meeting in the history of our community.

May I count upon your enthusiastic cooperation?

Tickets will be sent to you within the near future. Please regard that as one important contribution, which you can make to the Bureau of Jewish Education this year.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,



To Men's Clubs of the Synagogues.

Dear Friend:-

The Bureau of Jewish Education will hold its first public Annual Meeting on Sunday evening, March 4th at the Cleveland Hotel.

It is our wish to utilize this occasion for a great demonstration in behalf of Jewish Education in our community, as well as to bring to the attention of the representative men and women of our community the problems which confront us in the presence in our midst of over ten thousand boys and girls of school age who are receiving absolutely no religious or moral instruction.

To this end we have invited as our guest and speaker for this dinner-meeting, Mr. Jacob Billikopf of Philadelphia, who is admirably competent because of his close contact with the problems of American Jewish life, to discuss the subject of Jewish Education thoroughly and scientifically.

This meeting is in no way tied up with any campaign for funds and no solicitation of any kind will take place. It is purely an educational enterprise. We feel that we can win many friends to our common cause, if we can bring them to listen to a full exposition of the subject.

We are asking the Men's Clubs of the Synagogues to cooperate with us by undertaking to be present at this meeting in a body, and to be responsible for at least three tables, (a table consists of ten diners). May we not count upon your helpful assistance?

Upon receiving affirmative word from you, we shall forward to you the tickets for the banquet.

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Very sincerely yours,



To Sisterhoods of the Synagogues

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February 3d, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

If you feel that you are being used as a rubber stamp by the Bureau of Jewish Education and that the role is distasteful to you, you have the privilege of resigning. Upon receipt of your resignation, I shall submit it to the Board of the Bureau for action.

You have a characteristic way of getting around my expressed wishes. It was not agreed between us that a planning committee was to be organized. I clearly stated that in view of the fact that we shall need the participation of the organizations and the Temples in our Campaign, that I do not wish their co-operation used up for the Annual Meeting. I suggested at great length to you in a letter, just the method of procedure which we ought to adopt. You ignored all that but proceeded to work out your own idea, and having been criticized by me, you run for shelter and protection to other members of the Bureau. This procedure will avail you little.

You have had full run of the organization now for three years and the results are not very brilliant. From now on I intend to exercise my prerogatives as President of the Bureau and closely to scrutinize everything, in the organization. If you feel that that will be distasteful to you, you may adopt the course which you suggested in your letter.

Very truly yours,

AHS/IR



February 3d, 1928.

Mr. Aaron Garber,  
Hippodrome Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Garber:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of February 2d. I shall bring it to the attention of the Board at its next meeting.

Frankly I regard your action in the matter of the purchase of the new building as quite reprehensible. You say that an emergency existed and that you were compelled to make the purchase in a few days, and yet you found sufficient time to present this matter at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bureau, (which was not called by you) and where you were distinctly told that the Executive Committee had no jurisdiction in the matter and that it would have to be referred to the Board of the Bureau.

If you felt that the emergency was so urgent, you could well have gotten in touch with me and I would have called a special meeting of the Board of the Bureau, or you quite readily could have brought this matter up at the last meeting of the Board.

This is the second time that the Hebrew schools have engaged in the construction or the purchase of new buildings without first securing the sanction of the Bureau. This is clearly in violation of our agreements. Any repetition of this practice will, I am sure, lead to a disruption, which both you and I will regret.

Very truly yours,

AHS/IR

Copy to Mr. Sachs



Feb. 3d, 1928.

Mr. Howard Wertheimer,  
1150 W. 3d St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Wertheimer:-

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Other communities have far outdistanced us in their efforts to provide educational facilities for their unschooled children.

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the Bureau of Jewish Education, it was suggested that it would be advisable to request the editors of the annual Jewish weeklies in our community to publish weekly, a short three or five hundred word statement on some phase of the Jewish educational problem in its national and in its local implications. They have requested me to write this series of open letters to the Jews of Cleveland. They feel that it would be highly serviceable to our common cause and would yield material benefits to the 1928 Campaign of the Bureau, which will be held in the middle of the month of April.

I am of course, overburdened with work, but I shall very gladly take the time to write these short statements, if you feel that this suggestion of the Executive Committee is a good one and that The Jewish Review and Observer would be glad to publish it. I would be in position to give you the first statement for your issue of the 17th of February.



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It will of course, be highly desirable that you introduce this series to the reading public with an editorial or some other statement calling attention to the primary importance of the whole project of providing schools, teachers, and financial support for this all-important task.

I would appreciate an expression of opinion from you on this matter.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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c/o The Jewish Independent,  
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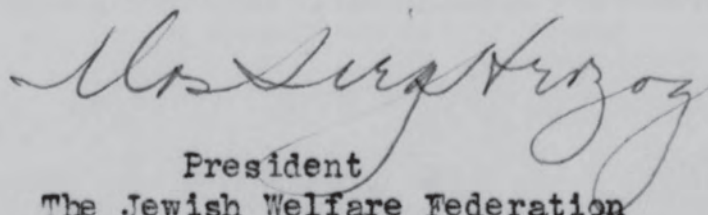
Dear Mr Sachs:

The Jewish Welfare Federation at its Annual Dinner Meeting to be held at the Excelsior Club on Sunday evening, February 19th, will follow the custom of other years in having special tables for the Trustees and Staff Members of the respective agencies.

Invitations to the Dinner and Reservation Cards have been mailed to all Federation members and the Federation Board would greatly appreciate your own cooperation in canvassing as soon as possible the Members of your Board and Staff as to the number of reservations they may want.

If this information is mailed or telephoned to the Federation Office, tickets will be mailed out promptly to those desiring reservations.

Very sincerely,

  
President  
The Jewish Welfare Federation

Mr Alfred H Sachs, Director  
Bureau of Jewish Education  
Ulmer Bldg  
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February 6, 1928



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February  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

With regard to your negotiations with  
the Federation for assistance in our campaign, may I  
suggest the following:

1. Last year the Federation gave us their moral support, as usual, and in addition to that approved the effort of their auxiliary board to conduct our campaign. In practice, however, it turned out that the work of organizing the campaign and getting the captains and workers to accept their duties was left to Mr. Kleinman personally. At the last moment he was compelled to turn over six or seven divisions to Mr. Goodman, his brother-in-law, and the prospects in these divisions were handled by workers who had no contact with them at all.

It seems to me that we have a legitimate right to request the Federation to take an active hand in this year's campaign and to give it as much of direct and active support as they have given the U.J.C. Campaign or the recent special campaign in which \$36,000 was raised for the Community Fund. Last year the matter of assisting us in our campaign was discussed at the Federation meeting in a hurry, and as a sort of compromise Mr. Kleinman was told to go ahead with the work and Mr. Eugene Halle sort of agreed to allay criticism. We ought to, however, try and get the Federation this year to undertake actively the responsibility of assisting us with our campaign.

2. As you remember, last year we began negotiating with the Federation early in November. It took us until April to get to the point where we even received the lukewarm cooperation of the Federation. It seems



to me that ~~we~~ ought to request the Federation now to act in this matter immediately, if necessary by calling a special meeting of their Board in the end that if there is any suggestion made for the joining of another campaign with ours, that action is decided upon immediately so that ample time may yet be left for preparations sufficiently in advance of April 15th - the tentative campaign date decided upon by our Committee.

Cordially yours,

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*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director



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1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Immediately subsequent to the Annual Dinner of the Jewish Welfare Federation, a social service institute will take place at five separate luncheons to be held at the Statler during the week of Monday, February 20th to Friday, February 24th. At these luncheons all the phases of Jewish social service in Cleveland will be discussed by prominent out-of-town and local speakers. The luncheons will commence at 12 o'clock and adjourn at 2.

As one of the Jewish social agencies of this city we have been assigned a quota of course tickets with a request that a special effort be made to procure the attendance of the members of our own Board, their families and friends. I trust you will be able to attend several of these luncheons during the week.

I am particularly interested in having a good attendance at the Jewish Education session, which will be on Thursday, and at which Dr. Alexander M. Dushkin of Chicago, Rabbi Silver and Dr. John Slawson of this city, will speak. I am therefore enclosing two tickets for this particular luncheon, with the request that you make a special effort to induce one of your friends to attend the Jewish Education luncheon with you.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am, with kindest regards

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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PS-To avoid too much waste of time in the bookkeeping of this matter I should appreciate if you would send me your check for \$2.00 in the within enclosed return envelope immediately.



Feb. 7th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

Enclosed herewith please find  
copies of the invitation and reservation card  
in connection with the Annual Dinner meeting,  
which Rabbi Silver has approved.

I am also enclosing herewith  
card of the Temple Women's Association, showing  
the representatives appointed to serve on the  
Planning Committee.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



C O P Y for Rabbi Silver

February 7, 1928

Mr Nathan Loeser  
800 National City Building  
Cleveland

Dear Mr Loeser:

Mr Kleinman spoke with me several days ago about a meeting of the Bureau of Jewish Education Board which he had attended and where the question arose as to the possibility of utilizing Mr Kleinman's Federation Auxiliary Board in a further effort to increase the support of the Bureau.

Mr Kleinman spoke to me about the matter, I believe, because he was present at a meeting with our executive officers and the Executive Committee of the Community Fund about two weeks ago to discuss what further means the Federation would have to take at once to raise the amount necessary for the support of the newly affiliated Jewish agencies.


It appears that there was not to exceed \$22,000 raised in net increases towards the \$49,500 required and it is plainly evident that the Federation will, thru its machinery, need to institute at once, a consistent effort to get the balance of this money. It seems to me that under these circumstances it would be quite impossible to think of utilizing the same machinery for any other solicitation purpose during the balance of this year while we are meeting the needs of the new agencies.

I should be glad to discuss the matter further with you and Rabbi Silver, but I give you this picture of the situation as we are now confronted with it.

Very truly,

(signed) S GOLDHAMER

Director  
Jewish Welfare Federation





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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

May I suggest that the articles you are preparing for the Jewish Review and Jewish Independent should also be published in the Jewish World. If you can arrange for such publication I should be glad to translate same from your English copy into Yiddish if you cannot spare the time to prepare the copy in two languages.

With further reference to the Federation Annual Dinner and in view of their request that we make an effort to obtain reservations from our own Board, it seems to me that though the people, at the Federation office, at least, do not yet recognize the Bureau as a member of the family of social agencies, nevertheless, we ought not voluntarily exclude ourselves and give them the further psychological excuse to look at us differently than at any other agencies. Perhaps it will look rather peculiar that there will be no Jewish Education tables, whereas all the other agencies will have their own groups with special placards at their tables. Last year we got together about 25 of our people merely through sending out one letter enclosing special reservation cards for the Jewish Education table.

Very sincerely yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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Feb. 12th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

Enclosed herewith please find  
check of Virginia H. Silver in amount of \$50.00.

I am also enclosing card of  
Herman Moss and wish to advise you that \$50.00  
is all that Mr. Moss will give.

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



Feb. 13th, 1928.

Mr. S. Rocker,  
The Jewish World,  
4979 Woodland Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Rocker:-

I have arranged with the editors of The Jewish Review and Observer and The Jewish Independent to publish every Friday morning, a brief statement on some phase of Jewish Education and the problems which it presents to us here in Cleveland.

The purpose of this series is to educate the Jewish population, touching ~~on~~ the needs of the Jewish religious schools and Talmud Torahs in our community.

It would be desirable if you would publish this series in the English section of your esteemed paper on Fridays. It might perhaps also be advisable to have these articles also translated for the Yiddish columns. I plan to have about six or eight articles and these will lead up to our Bureau of Jewish Education drive in April.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



Feb. 13th, 1928.

Mr. Howard Wertheimer,  
1150 W. 3d St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Wertheimer:-

I am enclosing herewith the first of the series of short statements on the problems of Jewish Education, which I promised to send you. I trust that you will find it satisfactory.

It would be desirable that you give this series prominent space, boxed in if possible, and displayed.

I have asked Rabbi Feuer to write a brief editorial introducing this series.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

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## WHY JEWISH EDUCATION?

Jewish education is the means of Jewish survival.

The Jew who is not interested in the survival of his people is not interested in Jewish education; but the Jew who desires to see his people continue as a great creative force in civilization is very vitally and very desperately interested in Jewish education. Through instruction alone can a people transmit its faith, its culture, its memories, its age-old sanctities to each succeeding generation. Schools are the arteries of a people's life.

A Jewish child who is not early integrated in the life of his people, grounded in its traditions, imbued with its spirit, informed of its history, steeped in its literature and fired with its ideals, will grow up to be at best a Jew in name only - a Jew by accident of birth, a Jew by force of inertia. He will join the widespread ranks of the indifferent and lackadaisical among us, who see in their Jewishness only a disability and a thwarting, and whose careers are rendered unhappy and unattractive by morbid cravings to escape a fate, which for them is a burden ~~to~~ <sup>and not</sup> which for others ~~of their~~ <sup>and not</sup> ~~race~~ has been and is a crown of glory. He will not be a purposeful and affirmative Jew equipped to carry on the heroic destiny of his race.

We do not believe that the hand of history is ~~about~~ <sup>yet ready</sup> to write the last and final chapter of the marvelous story of our people's life. Many a chapter is yet to be written, ~~many~~ <sup>and</sup> a record of ~~the~~ future greatness and achievement, comparable we hope, to those of our amazing and colorful past. We are not a people of the past only. We have not yet uttered our last immemorial phrase in the world, nor given our last revelations to mankind. We are an old people, true - but the spirit of unquenchable youth is ours. We wish to live affirmatively, <sup>and</sup> creatively in the world today. We wish to add to the cultural assets of mankind. We wish to reinterpret to the modern world the prophetic faith of our people and its code of life and thought. The world needs the precious legacies of our race and the manifestations of its prophetic spirit today even more than it needed them in the past.

We must therefore look to our schools to preserve us in life, to replenish our spiritual resources and to inspire each new generation with this resplendent hope.

Great and formidable are the forces making for our disintegration. All about us are subtle and powerful influences of ~~the relentless~~ annihilation, ~~of prosperity-wearing-down-our-racial-sturdiness-and~~ ~~resistance~~.

Above all the relentless ~~attritions~~ <sup>attritions</sup> of prosperity is wearing down our racial sturdiness and resistance.

Only a trained, enlightened and inspired generation of Jews will be able to withstand the processes of assimilation which are engulfing them.

All this is self-evident truth. And yet strange as <sup>astoundingly</sup> it may seem the American Jew has either deliberately ignored it or overlooked it. For how else can we account for the fact that out of 600,000 Jewish children of school age in the United States, less than 200,000 -



or in other words less than one in three <sup>are</sup> ~~receiving~~ <sup>ing</sup> any Jewish religious and moral training in Sunday schools, Hebrew schools or through private tutoring.

Cleveland Jewry, unfortunately, can show no better record. 12000 of our children - ~~2/3~~ <sup>2/3</sup> of our childhood population ~~attend~~ <sup>are</sup> no Jewish religious school ~~of any character~~ and are growing up without any knowledge of their people's faith or life or spiritual treasures.

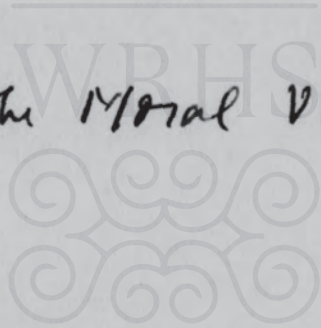
The enemies of our people could wish for no deadlier weapons against us than **this tragic** failure of ours to provide for the enlightenment of our own youth.

Shall the Jew survive? Those who wish to give a passionate affirmative answer to this question should rally round the Jewish school.

*nearly two-thirds* - *Abba Hillel Silver*

*and the continuing loyalty*

Next week: The Moral Values of Jewish Education.

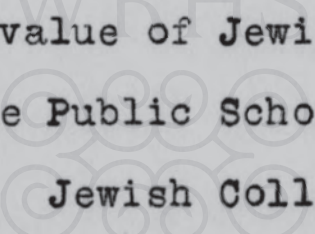





manual training in Sunday school, Hebrew schools or in private tutoring?

Cleveland Jewry is no exception. Thousands of our children - 2/3 of our childhood population are growing up without any knowledge of their people's faith in life, a spiritual

Shall the Jew succumb? Those who wish to give a affirmative answer to this query should rally round the Jewish school

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1. The Spiritual value of Jewish Education.
  2. Religion in the Public Schools
  3. The Jewish College
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  5. Our problem
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Feb. 13, 1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The graduation exercises of the Cleveland Hebrew School and Institute will take place on Thursday, February 23, at 8:15 P. M. at the Jewish Center Auditorium.

At the previous graduations, the Rabbis of the city graced the occasion by their presence on the platform, thereby lending prestige to the schools and to Hebrew Education in general. We ask you to continue this fine tradition and be present with us this year as well.

In the hope of meeting with you there, and with kindest personal regards, I remain

Respectfully yours,

*A. H. Friedland*

Superintendent



Feb. 13th, 1928.

Mr. Louis Littman,  
1765 E. 22d St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Littman:-

Under date of January 20th I wrote you a letter outlining the needs of The Bureau of Jewish Education, in the hope of interesting your support.

I would appreciate very much if you could see your way clear to assist this most worthy cause. You will be performing a real "mitzwa".

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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February  
Twenty-fourth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Due to the Federation Institute, we were compelled to postpone the distribution of tickets for the Jewish Education Annual Dinner until this date. However, the time is now very short and we are very anxious to make a success of this dinner. Since this dinner is not connected with any fund-raising activities we might as well get together a very large audience of representative Jews in order to make a great public demonstration for Jewish Education.

In accordance with Rabbi Silver's request and the vote of the Board, I am sending out ten tickets to each one of our Board members. I trust it will not be difficult for you to get four couples in addition to yourself to sit at a special table to be reserved for you at the dinner.

I would consider it a personal favor if you could get ahead with the sale of these tickets immediately and send your remittance for same to this office not later than Tuesday, March 6th. You may confidently promise to your friends an inspiring and enjoyable evening - we shall not only have good speakers, but also a fine musical program.

Thanking you for your cooperation, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
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February  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

It seems to me:

1st: That the Campaign Committee ought to be called into action immediately. With or without the Federation we must do the work of organizing personnel, and that's a slow and difficult process. It requires a lot of time.

2nd: That a committee to nominate additional Board members and officers ought to be appointed at least two weeks before the March meeting of the Board. That Committee will have to have at least one meeting to go through with its formalities.

3rd: That at our Annual Dinner the problem of Hebrew education ought to be discussed frankly, and as a matter of educational need rather than an unnecessary evil, which we have to support on the basis that we are a federation of Jewish schools. I think we have about reached the point where a positive stand on this matter will convert more anti-Hebraists than the lukewarm stand that we have taken heretofore, as a matter of expediency. This is, of course, only my personal opinion.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
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February  
Twenty-ninth  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

In addition to the general effort we are now making to obtain a good attendance for our annual dinner, I feel that we ought to make a special effort to bring to this meeting many of the members of our Jewish community who are of high standing financially and as leaders, and who seldom get a message on Jewish Education except possibly when they are being asked to give their contribution. Some of them, of course, don't give, or at least don't give sufficiently.

I am therefore enclosing an alphabetical list of a group of people whom I believe it would be worth while making a special effort to bring to the dinner. May I request you to scan the names and assign to yourself several of these names for personal attention. If you will bring them to the dinner to be the guests at your table, I feel we will be able to get permanent friends for Jewish Education amongst those who in the last analysis count most, and who need special attention. You may, of course, know of many such people among your friends whom I did not list. May I direct your attention to those as well.

Thanking you for every effort you will be able to make in this direction, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
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February 29, 1928

Dr A H Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road & E 105th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

May I take this opportunity of thanking you for the very fine spirit of cooperation which you manifested thruout the period of our Institute.

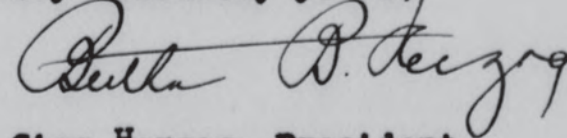
The very fine address which you delivered at the Jewish Education Session of the Institute is one that cannot but help yield fruitful results.

I am enclosing the memorandum of the attendance at the Institute, in which I thot you would be interested.

Again thanking you for your cooperation,

I am

Very sincerely yours,



Mrs Sieg Herzog, President  
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✓ EUGENE WOLF

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

It seems to me that since Miss Lumberg was unable to function at the Bureau in December, January and February, that perhaps if you would now send her a courteous letter, enclosing her checks for February, that she would not consider us unfair if her salary were to be discontinued at once, especially if you would mention the financial status of the Bureau and its schools. However, if you believe that we ought to retain her on the payroll for the month of March, I will do so.

Mr. Solomon Ulmer just sent us his subscription card for \$500 with a check for \$250, in payment of the first half year. He claims that "the mortgage business is very low this year" I believe that this matter ought to be put up directly to the Talmud Torah group, and the onus of bringing his subscription back to \$1,000 a year placed on their shoulders.

Up to date Mr. Sam Garber, Mr. Aaron Garber, Mr. Bassichis, Mr. Gross, and even our Mr. Weinraub, have done almost nothing in our preliminary campaign. Mr. Max Efros did a nice job, and Mr. Ulmer brought in several subscriptions.

The resignation that Mrs. Brickner referred to at our last meeting was that of Mr. Tuteur. She told me that ~~he~~ *told her that the* letter which he wrote to you, expressing his views about the future conduct of the Bureau was in effect a resignation. I think you have the letter, but my recollection is that there was no definite indication of such resignation from the Board in that letter. Anyway I don't quite see what particular purpose she meant to serve in calling attention to this matter at the last meeting.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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PS-Kindly sign and return in the within enclosed envelope the two checks for the operator and organist of the Kinsman Theater, in connection with Monday's celebration.



March 1st, 1928.

Mr. Eugene L. Geismer,  
c/o The Stearn Co.,  
1021 Euclid Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Eugene:-

In connection with the Annual Meeting of the Bureau of Jewish Education on March 11th, I am making a special effort to bring to the meeting those who have heretofore been foreign to the whole problem of Jewish Education. Our hope lies in convincing the indifferent and the hostile, touching the need of Jewish education in our community.

This meeting of course, is in no way tied up with any campaign. It is purely an educational enterprise.

I would appreciate very much if you would arrange to bring some of your friends, who you think are most in need of the kind of educational propaganda, which we hope to make that evening, to this meeting. Can you fill a table?(10 diners). I shall be very happy to send you the tickets if you will inform me whether you would be able to do it.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



March 2d, 1928.

Mrs. Siegmund Herzog,  
2558 Euclid Hts. Blvd.,  
Cleveland Hts., Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Herzog:-

The Bureau of Jewish Education will be deeply honored if you would bring the greetings of The Jewish Welfare Federation to its First Annual dinner meeting, which will be held on Sunday evening, March 11th, at Hotel Cleveland.

We all feel that the Federation which was instrumental in calling the Bureau into existence and which has consistently aided it in its development, should be represented on the program of its First Annual meeting, through its President.

I would personally be very thankful to you if you would accept our invitation and bring to the people a message which I am confident, will be helpful and stimulating.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



March 1st, 1928.

Mr. Nathan Loeser,  
Nat'l. City Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Loeser:-

I would appreciate very much if you would, in your capacity as Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Bureau, present to the Annual Meeting on March 11th, a statement covering the financial status of the Bureau. It would be helpful to indicate what our income and expenditures have been in each of the three years of our existence, as well as what the needs of our Bureau are for the immediate future.

It may also be well to dwell upon the importance of stabilizing the finances of the Bureau through an adequate number of annual contributions and of doing away with the annual campaigns. You will have about ten minutes for your statement.

I have requested Mr. Louis Bing, as Secretary of the Bureau, to present a report of the accomplishments of the Bureau during the last three years; of what it is doing now and what it plans to do in the near future. These will be the only reports submitted at the meeting.

As President of the Bureau, I shall act as Chairman of the Meeting and Mr. Jacob Billicopf will deliver the address of the evening. We have engaged the services of Mr. Andre de Ribaupierre, the eminent violinist, who will play a group of the Jewish compositions of Ernest Bloch. The Meeting promises to be both quantitatively and qualitatively a great success.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR





THE STEARN CO  
1021 TO 1031 EUCLID AVE.

CLEVELAND, March 3, 1928.

In reply please  
refer to E.I. Geismer

\*  
Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

I shall be very glad to  
fill a table for the annual meeting  
of the Bureau of Jewish Education  
on March 11th.

I am enclosing my check  
for ten tickets.

With best wishes for a  
successful meeting,

Sincerely yours,

ELG:CS



March 5th, 1928.

Mr. Eugene L. Geismer,  
c/o The Stearn Co.,  
1021 Euclid Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Eugene:-

Permit me to thank you  
for your lovely response to my letter of  
last week. I am enclosing herewith the  
ten tickets for your table.

I am still smarting  
under the humiliation of last night, but  
I shall have my revenge the next time we  
meet.

Sincerely yours,

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## SPEAKERS' TABLE

1. Rabbi Silver Chairman
2. Mr. Jacob Billicopf
3. Mr. Nathan Loeser
4. Mr. Louis S. Bing
5. ~~Mr.~~ Edward N. Baker (?)
6. Mr. A. H. Friedland, Director of Education
7. Mrs. Sieg. Herzog, Pres. Jewish Welfare Federation
8. Mrs. S. Peiser, Pres., Council of Jewish Women
9. Mr. Aaron Garber, Pres. Cleveland Hebrew Schools
10. Mrs. Joseph H. Gross, Pres. Jewish Teachers' Institute
11. Mrs. A. I. Fisher, Chairman, Committee on Arrangements.

Speakers





March 5th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I have turned over the  
ten tickets which you sent me for the Bureau  
Dinner, to Mr. Eugene L. Geismer and I am  
enclosing his check for the amount. He will  
fill a table with his friends.

I am

With kindest regards,

Very sincerely yours,

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March 6, 1928

Dr A H Silver  
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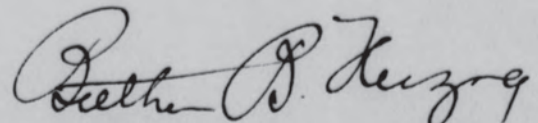
My dear Dr Silver:

Thank you very much for your cordial invitation to present Federation greetings to the dinner meeting of the Bureau of Jewish Education.

I shall be very happy indeed to comply with your request and am looking forward to a fine response from the community on Sunday night.

With personal greetings to you, I am

Sincerely



Mrs Sieg Herzog, President  
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March  
Seventh  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

We should appreciate indeed if you would find it possible to announce from the pulpit on Saturday or Sunday that some tickets for our annual dinner will still be for sale at the Cleveland Hotel on Sunday evening, immediately preceding the dinner.

I suppose it is unnecessary for me to ask you to urge your congregation to attend this public demonstration of the interest of the community in Jewish Education in general and in the work of this Bureau in particular.

Thanking you, and with kindest  
regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M



The Board of Trustees  
of the  
Bureau of Jewish Education

extends this cordial invitation to the members, the contributors  
to Cleveland's Communal Jewish Education Fund,  
their families and friends to attend the

Annual Dinner Meeting

to be held on

Sunday Evening, March Eleventh  
Nineteen Hundred Twenty-Eight

at the Cleveland Hotel

at 6:30 o'clock sharp

In addition to a fiscal and functional report  
to be rendered on this occasion

Mr. Jacob Billikopf

Director, Federation of Jewish Charities, Philadelphia, Pa.

will address the gathering on

*"The Place of Jewish Education  
In Community Life"*

Dinner two dollars per plate  
*Dress Informal*

This meeting is in no way connected with any campaign  
and no solicitation of funds whatever will take place

Special tables will be reserved for the Boards and members  
of the congregational, educational and fraternal  
Jewish organizations of this city

(over)



**M**R. JACOB BILLIKOPF is a social worker of national reputation, having directed Jewish social agencies in Cincinnati, Milwaukee, Kansas City and Philadelphia.

In 1917 Mr. Billikopf directed the campaign to raise 25 million dollars for Jewish war sufferers; in 1926 he was elected president of the National Conference of Jewish Social Workers.

In addition to his present office as director of the Federation of Jewish Charities of Philadelphia, he is also acting as impartial chairman of the men's clothing industry of New York City.



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*for Rabbi Silver*

March  
Fourteenth  
1928

Mrs. S. Peiser, President,  
Council of Jewish Women,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mrs. Peiser:-

We are enclosing herewith our check for \$1,000 in full payment of our March subsidy to the Council schools. Our next check will be sent to you on April 15th, etc.

The following payments have been made by the Bureau to the Council schools this year:

For Current Year		For 1927 Arrears
Feb. 1 - \$ 450)-	Dec. payroll	Dec. 15, '27-779.65-For Oct. payroll
16 - 450)-	& Jan. rent,	Jan. 19, '28-664.40- " Nov. "
Feb. 15 - 500)	Jan. payroll	
29th- 500)	& Feb. rent ,	
Mar. 15th-1000	Feb. payroll	
	& March rent	

\$ 2900  
1444.05  
\$ 4344.05

\$ 444.05  
1444.05

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
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March  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Enclosed please find the check for Mr. Andre  
dr Ribeaupierre. Kindly sign and mail same directly to him.

I am very anxious to start the collector off  
on the smaller 1927 pledges and should appreciate if you would  
send the person you have in mind to see me as soon as possible.

I have spoken to Mr. Jay B. Goodman, Mr. Kleinman's  
brother-in-law, and he told me that he does not believe Mr. Kleinman  
will be in Cleveland before April 10th. He said that Mr. Kleinman  
wrote to somebody about the possibility of his returning about  
March 25th; but Mr. Goodman does not believe that he will come  
before April 10th, nevertheless.

They are not anxious to give me Mr. Kleinman's  
southern address, since they are not disturbing him with any  
business or other mail. However, Mr. Goodman said that if you  
want to write to Mr. Kleinman you might send such a letter to him  
care of Mr. Jay B. Goodman, 315 National City Bldg., and he will  
forward same to Mr. Kleinman together with his personal mail.  
I think maybe it would be more effective if you would write him  
directly on your Temple or personal stationery.

Very sincerely yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M  
Enc.



DAY LETTER

3/15/28

Mr. S. H. Kleinman,  
Hollywood Beach Hotel,  
Hollywood Florida.

Federation voted yesterday to have Auxiliary launch Bureau of Education Campaign. Imperative Campaign be held not later than April fifteenth. Preliminary work already done. Please wire exact date of your arrival Cleveland so that we can arrange organization meeting of keymen immediately upon your return.  
Regards.

A. H. Silver.





March 15th, 1928.

Miss Nettie Lumberg,  
2247 E. 93d St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Nettie:-

I am sorry to learn of your continued illness. I do hope that you are improving rapidly. We have missed you at the school here a great deal.

I have been wanting to discuss with you the matter of the extension work of the Bureau of Jewish Education.

You probably know that at its December meeting the Bureau, upon the recommendation of its Budget Committee, decided to discontinue, at least for the year 1928, its Extension Department, due to lack of funds. We ran into a bad deficit last year because the community did not pay what it pledged to pay. We fell short about \$10,000. Prospects are not good for 1928. We were also compelled to whittle down the budget for the Talmud Torahs considerably.

I should like to know from you, your reaction to this situation and also what you feel is the indebtedness of the Bureau to you as regards your salary. You have been unable to function in the Bureau for the last three and a half months. At least a month of that time was due you on account of your vacation. I am enclosing herewith your checks for the month of February. If you feel that the Bureau is under further technical or moral obligations to you, please do not hesitate to write me about it and I shall take the matter up with the Board.

With kindest regards and hoping to see you very soon, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



March 15th, 1928.

Mr. Andre de Ribeaupierre,  
Cleveland Inst. of Music,  
2827 Euclid Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Ribeaupierre:-

I am enclosing herewith a check which is but a slight token of appreciation for the very beautiful service which you rendered last Sunday evening.

I have heard nothing but praise for your magnificent playing. You stirred me deeply as you always do.

With kindest regards, and wishing you all manner of success, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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March 16, 1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have your letter of March 16th, containing some criticism of our expenditures during the month of February. May I say that I am rather surprised that you arrive at conclusions as to our "extravagance" without previously looking into the facts more carefully.

Here are the facts:

1. The \$160.73 listed under Development of Parental Support, is an expenditure made in connection with the enrollment campaign held last September. The bills were paid in February to the multigrapher and the printer, as you know.
2. The items listed under stationery and postage in February are as follows:
  - a) Development of Parental Support - \$57.40  
(September enrollment campaign)
  - b) Neighborhood Holiday Celebrations- 57.50  
(Last years bills)
  - c) Community mass meetings - - - - -40.12  
(Postage for 2000 invitations  
for last week's annual dinner)
  - d) Collection, bookkeeping & accting.154.62  
(Bills for 3 months; collection  
cards for the entire year 1928;  
postage for billing in Jan.&Feb.)
  - e) Executive Office - - - - - 56.39  
(Atleast half of it was last  
year's printing bills)
3. \$118.68 spent under the heading Community Mass Meetings covers the following:

Postage for annual dinner invitations-\$40.12  
(which you already listed once before  
under postage)



Rabbi Silver . . . . . 2

Dr. Dushkin's expenses in connection with the Institute \$48.56  
Greeting to the Hebrew School Graduation . . . . . 10.00  
Extra clerical help in connection with the annual dinner 20.00

As you see, then, most of these items were for bills actually incurred since September, which we paid to the printer and the multigrapher in February. Those expenditures that were for February items were all necessary and authorized; furthermore, you signed every check - so now I hope we are all happy.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M





March 16th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I have been looking over the February statement of receipts and disbursements which you sent me. On schedule #1 I find an item of \$160.73 as clerical expense under "Development of Parental Support." What is this?

I find too, that in spite of the fact that we had agreed to cut down the stationery and postage expenses to a minimum, your office spent something like \$386.00 last month. At this rate you will be spending close on to \$4700.00 for the year. There is no excuse for such an enormous outlay for postage and stationery.

In schedule #2 you referred to "Community Mass-meetings", for which you spent \$118.68. Where were these mass-meetings held? I recall that only one item of \$10.00 was authorized for advertising in connection with the Talmud Torah graduation exercises.

Very sincerely yours,

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FAMILY WELFARE  
INCLUDES  
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6,225

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CHILD CARE  
INCLUDES  
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INCLUDES  
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JEWISH EDUCATION  
INCLUDES 21 SCHOOLS  
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EDUCATION WORK

11,420

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62,000

.130

TOTALS

465,765 spent  
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1926

100%



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# The Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute

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Mar. 23, 1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver, President  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
Ulmer Bldg.,  
City.

Dear Rabbi:

In view of the fact that April is the month of Passover, may we ask you to forward us both of the April checks on or about the first of the month so that we can give our teachers at least one check before the holidays.

In the hope that you will see with us the worthwhileness of this procedure and you will agree to make this month an exception, we remain

Very truly yours,

The Board of Directors of  
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March  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Kindly sign the enclosed checks  
and return same to us at your convenience.

The cash balance in the  
bank today is . . . . . \$ 8,392.78

Checks issued today. . . . . 2,330.45

Balance left in bank \$ 6,062.33

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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March 29th, 1928.

Mr. Nathan Loeser,  
National City Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Nate:-

I have decided to stand pat on the matter of advancing money to the Cleveland Hebrew School. And for two reasons.

In the first place we have definitely fixed a budget and we have now for three months rigorously lived up to it. Any deviation from it will simply mean a return to the chaotic state of last year.

In the second place, due to the adoption of the budget and our rigid adherence to it, the Talmud Torah people have now for the first time bestirred themselves to assist in the task of raising money for the Bureau. Heretofore their sole concern seems to have been, how to get money from the Bureau. They did very little in the last campaign and they listened not at all during the year, to our suggestions that they curtail their expenses and introduce a more sound tuition system. Against the expressed agreements, they opened up two buildings within the year without consulting the Bureau and without even notifying it of their action.

A new campaign will be held in a few weeks. Need is the only thing which will compel these gentlemen to work in this coming campaign. Any relaxation on our part at the present moment will unfavorably affect the new and wholesome developments which set in when the new budget was introduced.

Will you not therefore, permit me to carry through my policy at this time? I do not wish to be hard, but believe me, I am thinking of the welfare of the Cleveland Hebrew Schools as well as of the Bureau in adhering to this decision.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



*Bureau*

March 30th, 1928.

Mr. S. H. Kleinman,  
National City Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Kleinman:-

My reaction to the meeting Wednesday night was a very favorable one and I believe that we have made a very good beginning.

My only fear is that we will underestimate the difficulties of the campaign. While it is true that some \$30,000. was brought into the Bureau through quiet personal solicitation and through the mail, we should bear in mind that this money represents the "cream" of our subscriptions and the "easy" money, coming from those closest to our work and most interested. It will be a totally different story when we set about collecting the other \$35,000, and still another story when we set out to raise the additional fifteen or twenty thousand which we must obtain to give us a margin of safety in our work. We fail to collect from ten to fifteen per cent of the moneys pledged.

I call this to your attention in order to emphasize the importance of organizing very carefully and very comprehensively for this forthcoming campaign. A few teams and a few people will not achieve the desired results. We must organize on a large scale. At least twenty teams of men workers should be put into the field. The women can be counted upon to bring in the very small contributions, which in total do not mount up to much. Unless we can get twenty active and interested team captains who will organize teams of eight or ten men, our campaign will not succeed, and we shall be compelled in a few months to launch a supplementary campaign. This would be extremely unfortunate both for the schools which the Bureau supports and for the general morale of the community.



continued... .. Mr. S. H. Kleinman.  
page 2.

I would therefore request you, my dear Mr. Kleinman, to use your fine efforts fully in the preliminary organization stages of the campaign and not to underestimate the size of the job.

If there are any people whom you would like to get as team captains or team workers and you feel that I could be of assistance to you in procuring them, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

I hope that the 1928 campaign will be the most successful campaign of the Bureau - and the last.

With kindest regards and thanking you profoundly for your splendid interest in this worthy cause, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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March 31, 1928.

OFFICE OF  
S. H. KLEINMAN

My dear Rabbi:

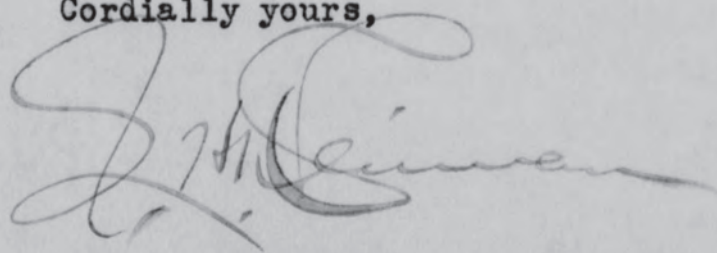
I was very pleased to receive your enthusiastic letter regarding the campaign.

From present observation there seems to be a greater activity and we can expect even a larger organization and no doubt a greater response than last year. However I understand that we cannot be too sanguine of results - rather placing our endeavors with such great effort that we cannot fail.

Permit me to take advantage of your proffer to obtain team captains for me by requesting you at this time to procure the good services of Mr. Eugene Geismer as team captain for our Downtown Stores Division. I shall take the liberty of calling upon you from time to time during the campaign for further help.

With every good wish, I remain

Cordially yours,



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



A.P. Kositz-Chami  
2070 E. 93

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April 2, 1928

Rabbi A H Silver  
The Temple  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

In accordance with the action of the Executive Committee of the Federation Board, taken on Thursday, March 8, the Functional Relations Committee considered the Jewish education question in the light of the relation of the Bureau of Jewish Education to the Federation. The Functional Committee voted that a sub-committee be appointed to meet with a committee appointed by yourself in order to project an inquiry into the entire situation, on both a functional and financial basis.

The following committee has been appointed to meet with your committee:

Marc J Grossman  
Eugene S Halle

S H Kleinman  
Max Simon

As soon as we are apprised of the personnel of your group a joint meeting will be arranged.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

*Bertha B. Herzog*

Mrs Siegmund Herzog, President  
THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION



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April  
Fourth  
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Kindly sign the enclosed check and  
return same in the within enclosed return envelope.

This will cover the postage on the  
4000 circulars that we are mailing out; also some  
postage for office campaign routine.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

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*Bureau*

April 4th, 1928.

Mrs. Siegmund Herzog,  
Pres. The Jewish Welfare Federation,  
Hanna Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Herzog:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 2d informing me that the Functional Relations Committee has appointed a sub-committee to meet with one of the Bureau of Jewish Education to study the possibilities of a closer relationship between The Jewish Welfare Federation and the Bureau in an effort adequately to solve the Jewish Education problem in Cleveland.

Immediately following our Campaign, which begins on April 16th, I shall appoint such a committee and will inform you of its constituent members.

With kindest regards, permit me  
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



# JEWISH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

(April 16-25, 1928)

UNDER THE AUSPICES OF

## THE BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

THE AUXILIARY BOARD OF THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION,  
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Eugene Wolf

Dear Friend:-

Jewish Education is the cornerstone of all Jewish social endeavor. Without Jewish Education there can be no lasting basis for the philanthropic, religious, and fraternal organizations--our temples, hospitals, homes for the aged and orphans--the splendid edifices that we have erected as a tribute to the industry and the social vision of American Jewry. Without Jewish Education all this is meaningless.

The Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education, which was organized in 1924 by the Jewish Welfare Federation to act as a Federation of Jewish Educational Institutions, is now subsidizing nineteen Jewish schools with a total enrollment of 3700 children who are not affiliated with any congregational schools, in addition to many other educational activities.

All of us want our children to grow up mindful of the problems of their people and their community. We want them to be self-respecting American Jews who will contribute to their people and their country in their own unique way, and who, because of a deep knowledge of their heritage--the religion, history, literature and culture of their people--will not be ashamed of their descent and their affiliation with the Jewish group.

We are appealing for your moral and financial support of the work undertaken by the Bureau and endorsed by the Federation and all Jewish, religious, educational and fraternal organizations in Cleveland. If you have not already subscribed to this year's support of the Bureau's work, please do so when you are solicited by one of our campaign volunteers. If your contribution has already been mailed to the Bureau, may we request that you give us an additional sum, be it large or small, as evidence of your interest in this endeavor. Above all, please speak to your friends and business associates about this matter and procure for us also their interest.

LET US CO-OPERATE IN THIS WORTHY JEWISH ENDEAVOR.

Thanking you, we are

Cordially yours,

*Abba Hillel Silver*

PRESIDENT, BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

*S. H. Kleinman*

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The Bureau of Jewish Education  
will subsidize the following  
schools and educational  
activities during the  
year 1928

- (a) Seven Saturday and Sunday Schools of the Council of Jewish Women (total enrollment 1,400) teaching the Bible, Jewish history, ethics and religion.
- (b) Ten daily afternoon Hebrew Schools, giving an intensive Jewish education to 2,300 children.
- (c) Jewish Teachers' Institute, (two schools) for the training of teachers for the Religious Schools and the Hebrew Schools of this city.
- (d) Thirty neighborhood holiday celebrations for Jewish children. Total attendance 26,000; serving about 8,000 children.
- (e) Ten summer vacation story-hour schools.
- (f) Jewish educational activities in Camp Wise and Camp Alliance.
- (g) Educational campaigning for the promotion of enrollment in Jewish schools.
- (h) Preparation of material for Religious School teachers and Jewish club leaders.
- (i) Classes in Jewish subjects for college students, social workers, Jewish Club leaders, and other adult groups.

1928 Minimum  
Community Budget  
for Jewish Education  
in Cleveland  
\$85,000

## Do You Know?

**Do you know** that there are 12,000 Jewish Children of school age in Cleveland who do not receive any Jewish religious or cultural education?

**Do you know** that the 19 community Sunday and weekday afternoon schools subsidized by the Bureau have a total enrollment of 3700 children?

**Do you know** that the curriculum of the Hebrew schools is the same as that of the temple or the community Sunday schools—the only difference being that the Hebrew schools employ Hebrew as the language of instruction and teach modern Hebrew literature and the Bible in the original in addition to Jewish history, literature, religion, traditions, folklore and music; and that the children receive 4 one-hour lessons during four weekday afternoons, a total of four hours a week instead of only 1½ hours of instruction, which is usually given in the Sunday schools?

**Do you know** that the parents of the Hebrew schools have actually paid in during 1927 a sum of \$31,000 in tuition fees, and that the Bureau only pays for such parents as cannot afford to pay either part or the full per capita cost of instruction?

**Do you know** that the Council of Jewish Women is now contemplating instituting a nominal tuition fee system for those children whose parents can afford to pay either all or part of the cost of instruction—and that whatever money will be raised in that way will be used for the expansion of the Sunday schools conducted under the supervision of the Council?

**Do you know** that the Bureau was actually compelled last year to curtail its activities and to close three schools because its cash income was only \$65,000, whereas its budgetary needs were about \$85,000?

**Do you know** that in other cities where the Jewish federations are not affiliated with the community fund the Jewish schools receive subsidies directly from the federations; and that in a study of 11 major Jewish communities of America, it was found that Cleveland Jewry takes the 4th place from the bottom in the amounts contributed for Jewish education, per thousand of Jewish population?

*Please Help Us Raise Our Standards*

A Jewish child trained in the religion, history and culture of his people,  
will grow up to be a self respecting Jew

*A self-respecting Jew is a good American citizen*



# AMOUNTS SPENT FOR JEWISH EDUCATION.

## BY 11 JEWISH COMMUNITIES.

(Per thousand of Jewish Population)

	JEWISH POP DETROIT 50,000	JEWISH POP PITTSBURGH 45,000	JEWISH POP CINCINNATI 20,000	JEWISH POP NEW YORK 1,750,000	JEWISH POP ST LOUIS 42,000	JEWISH POP BALTIMORE 60,000	JEWISH POP CHICAGO 285,000	JEWISH POP CLEVELAND 90,000	JEWISH POP PHILADELPHIA 250,000	JEWISH POP SAN FRANCISCO 30,000	JEWISH POP LOS ANGELES 45,000
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AVERAGE SPENT..\$1,106.  
(PERTHOUSAND OF JEWISH POPULATION)

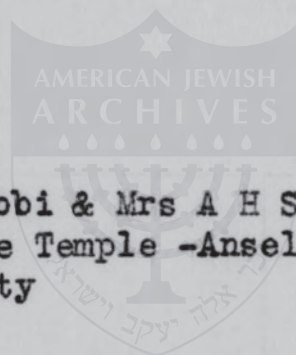


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Rabbi & Mrs A H Silver  
The Temple -Ansel & E 105th St  
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Our Children—  
will they be *Ours*?



April 12th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I am enclosing herewith  
the names of eleven men who last evening  
volunteered to work in the campaign. Please  
distribute them among your teams and be  
sure to invite them for the Monday meeting.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

P.S.

The enclosed dollar is a donation from  
Mr. Alfred J. McGue, a non-Jew.



Dr. M. O. Alperin,  
562 Rose Bldg.  
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630 Osborn Bldg.  
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Garfield 7233 J.

*Dr. Mrs. Schaeffer*  
*720 Rose Bldg.*

~~*other name*~~

*Frank Leiter*  
*1504. Engis Bank Bldg.*





April 12th, 1928.

Mr. Eugene Geismer,  
c/o The Stern Co.,  
Euclid Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Geismer:-

Mr. Max Gussman will be  
glad to work on your team





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April  
Eighteenth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

How have you finally disposed of  
Miss Lumberg's account?

I notice that the February checks  
are already cleared. Is that to be considered payment  
in full?

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M



**To All Men and Women Workers,  
Captains, and Division Chairmen  
in the Jewish Education  
Campaign**

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*Friends:*

We are expecting every worker, captain,  
and friend of our cause at our  
most important

**LUNCHEON**

**Friday, April 20, 1928**

Commences 12:00  
Adjourns 1:30 p. m.

**HOLLENDEN HOTEL**

We are relying on your co-operation.  
With you lies the fate of our campaign.

*Please, do not  
disappoint us—COME*

Cordially yours,

*Alba Kibel Silver*

*President, Bureau of Jewish Education*

*S. H. Korman*

*Campaign Manager*

*Mabel Fischer*

*Chairman, Womens Division*

**Let it not be said—**

**Let it not be said** that the Jewish community of Cleveland is liberal in its support of the maimed, the orphaned and the needy, but is neglectful of the education of its entire growing generation of boys and girls.

**Let it not be said** that we have sufficient funds with which to build hospitals, orphan homes, homes for the aged, temples and synagogues, but that the few Jewish schools there are in existence in Cleveland shall be closed for lack of funds.

**Let it not be said** that a Jew, to be worth saving, must be stranded, sick or dying.

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**We Shall Succeed in this Year's  
Jewish Education Campaign  
Only—**

**If** every card, now in the hands of workers, will be covered—and the full quotas obtained.

**If** every worker will do his or her work this week and attend Friday's luncheon, to encourage us and to be encouraged.



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To

Rabbi A. H. Silver

The Temple, Ansel Rd. & E. 105 St.

City

*We are  
expecting You—*



3084 Berkshire Rd  
Cleveland Heights O.  
April 20, 1928.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver -  
Bureau of Jewish Education -

My Dear Rabbi Silver -

As one of the many who are lending their best efforts towards making the present drive successful I feel it incumbent upon myself to acquaint you with a few of my observations. First, the lack of interest and the decided apathy shown by prospects is positively disheartening. Secondly, many business men and attorneys whose cards were given me have gone out of business, and offices are closed. The Real Estate depression has dealt a severe blow to Cleveland lawyers and there is no use wading the fact that the present time is most inopportune for a drive of this kind.

I am wondering if an alternative wouldn't be practical until conditions would permit resuming some of the classes at the many schools?



This is merely a suggestion - I don't know whether or not it has occurred to you - but it seems to me - since you are determined that these children have a Hebrew education, that there is a way to tide us over the present contingency and still continue with the instruction. My suggestion is to throw open the Sunday school classrooms of the Two Temples, the Euclid Avenue and the Amsel Road - one week-day each week, after school, and instruct the teachers to teach these youngsters who are most desirous of obtaining Hebrew culture, on those days. Surely the teachers would be willing to sacrifice a few extra hours a week for such a cause!

You may find this suggestion impractical, but I think it has possibilities that might be worked out to good advantage. Besides - I think these little aliens might get a real stimulus out of feeling that they too are receiving instruction in the larger synagogues. From a point of psychology - if from no other - I think it might be distinctly worth while - Very sincerely yours,  
Regina C. Kurlander

(Mrs. Jonas C. Kurlander)



April 20th, 1928.

Mr. Michael Sharlitt,  
5000 Woodland Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Sharlitt:-

The Campaign for Jewish Education is now on. We are in desperate need of workers. We can reach our quota and keep our schools open if we can procure enough workers to see prospective givers.

I am appealing to you to gather up a group of ten men of the B'nai B'rith to meet with me Tuesday noon at the Hollenden Hotel, at which time I will distribute no more than ten cards to each individual. I know that the B'nai B'rith is deeply interested in the problem of Jewish Education. This is a great and critical moment in which to help. Will you let me know by Tuesday morning how far you have succeeded.

Thanking you in advance and with kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR  
P. S.

There will be a special B'nai B'rith table in the Hollenden Ballroom and I will meet your workers there.



SPECIAL DELIVERY

April 20th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I have written to Mr. Sharlitt of The Orphan Home requesting him to get me ten B'nai B'rith workers for next Tuesday noon. I think that he will do it. Please have ready one hundred cards for distribution among these workers, preferably substantial cards. If necessary take them away from those who have dilly-dallied in this campaign. Zone these cards.

The Campaign is not going!  
I would most earnestly urge upon you to spend Saturday, Sunday and Monday interviewing personally the Captains and their Team-workers, prodding them on. The job can not be done over the telephone. Upon the success of this Campaign depends very much.

Sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



April 20th, 1928.

Mr. Max Meisel,  
Guarantee Title Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Max:-

I have just written the enclosed letter to Mr. Sharlitt. I hope that you will help in procuring a B'nai B'rith Team of ten workers.

The situation is critical. Economic conditions are reflecting themselves in a general out in the number and in the amounts of subscriptions which we are receiving. There is a real danger of being compelled to shut down some of our schools this year.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR





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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
Cleveland

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I wish to thank you for your letter of April 20th in which you invite me to be with you at the last meeting of the Jewish Education Campaign to be held on Tuesday noon at the Hollenden Hotel.

My brother is away taking a much needed rest and I have been spending several days a week in Akron and it is my intention at the present time to be there again on Tuesday - if I am able to put this off until Wednesday I will do so and be at the meeting, and if I find I can I will telephone on Monday. I am sorry just at this time I have been unable to cooperate with you.

With kindest regards, I remain

Yours very truly,

NLS BNH

*Aate Dauby*



✓  
April 23d, 1928.

Mr. Aaron Garber,  
Hippodrome Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Garber:-

Our Campaign is not going. Unless there is a sudden and sharp improvement, we shall obtain no more than \$55,000. in pledges which means \$50,000. in cash. On this basis we shall have to revise our 1928 budget and the Talmud Torahs as well as the other agencies will receive even less than they are receiving now.

Of the three hundred men or the forty which you had hoped to throw into the campaign organization nothing has materialized. You, yourself have so far done practically nothing in solicitation. I think that the problem is more yours than mine.

We need workers and I would suggest that you spend the next twenty-four hours in gathering up fifteen or twenty men who will go to work interviewing prospects. Our cards are not being covered.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



# Wouldn't You?

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**WOULDN'T** You get a bit more  
of a heart throb if this year's  
Jewish Education Campaign  
in Cleveland  
went over big  
?

Wouldn't you feel better if more dollars  
were raised to give the Jewish Children  
of Cleveland a knowledge of their faith,  
their culture, their tradition?

Wouldn't you go on your way after this  
Campaign, feeling bigger, better, finer for  
having made it possible with your service  
and your money?

Wouldn't you be more happy to have been  
a successful instrument in the carrying on  
of the rich history and tradition of Israel?

Of course you would. How could you  
feel otherwise if you are interested in the  
survival of the Jewish people, its faith, its  
culture, and its traditions?

**So work your hardest, please, between now and Tuesday's Luncheon  
to make this the finest response the Jews of Cleveland have ever given  
to an appeal for the preservation of the finest treasure  
of Israel-----his spiritual and cultural wealth.**

*Third Report-Luncheon*

**TUESDAY, APRIL 24, 1928**  
12 NOON

**Hollenden Hotel**

*Speaker: Prof. Robert Vinson*

*President, Western Reserve University*

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**PLEASE COVER ALL YOUR CARDS  
BEFORE TUESDAY.**

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**Attend the luncheon regardless of the  
number of pledges you have to turn in.**

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**—HELP US KEEP OUR SCHOOLS OPEN—**



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4/30/28*

April  
Twenty-eighth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Kindly sign the enclosed checks  
and return same to us in the within enclosed stamped  
envelope.

I am enclosing a financial summary  
for your information. With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M  
Enc.



APRIL 30th -

Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute	\$ 1,083.33
Jewish Teachers Institute	50.00
A. H. Sachs (Paid out for stamps)	15.00
H. A. Taylor, P. M. (For billing & Office routine)	60.18
Bertha Jaffe ( Campaign clerk)	54.00
Pearl Saperstein (Campaign clerk)	52.00
Martha Marks	75.00
A. H. Sachs	250.00
B. Davis (Distribution of campaign posters in store windows)	33.50
Petty Cash Fund	26.46

MAY 1st -

Public Square Improvement Co. (office rent)	<u>100.00</u>
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Total

\$ 1,799.47

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Cash in bank	-	\$10,140.89
Checke issued today	-	<u>1,799.47</u>
Balance in bank 4/30/28	-	\$ 8,341.42



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May  
Third  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

1. I am enclosing copy of a letter that I would like to send out to all of our campaign workers, thanking them in your name. Incidentally, this would serve as a reminder regarding any pledges that they may still obtain on cards in their hands. Kindly send this letter back to me with your corrections at your earliest convenience.

2. I am also enclosing a memorandum of what in my opinion are the favorable and unfavorable aspects of our work at the present time; also several recommendations to you and to our Board for our work during the year. With your approval I should like to be able to plan matters along these lines.

3. I am also enclosing a circular letter sent out by Rabbi Rosenberg in response to your open letter in the Jewish World. I am also attaching thereto Mr. Wiesenfeld's response to that in the Jewish World. I think you will find both interesting. Kindly return same to me for our files.

4. I believe it would be a good thing to let the Federation go into a discussion of the Bureau's work before Dr. Slawson leaves for Detroit. If you would appoint our committee soon I think they would probably go into the matter before the summer sets in.

5. I am enclosing a little summary of cash collections during the first four months of this year. I am very anxious to go after the outstanding 1927 money a little bit more actively than we have done during these last two or three months. I need for that purpose a young man or a young woman who will get about \$100 a month for the next eight months, during which time he or she may cover all of the smaller subscriptions of 1927, and as many of the small 1928 subscriptions



which will not be collected through mail during the next two or three months. I believe it is worth while investing this \$800 even if the cost of collection would amount to 15 per cent. So far we have not succeeded in getting anybody to collect the 1927 amounts for 10 per cent. It is impossible, and nobody will work for nothing.

6. Next Thursday the Jewish Education Convention opens in Cincinnati. Mr. Friedland and I are planning to attend it. We shall be back by Sunday. Do you expect to be there, maybe.

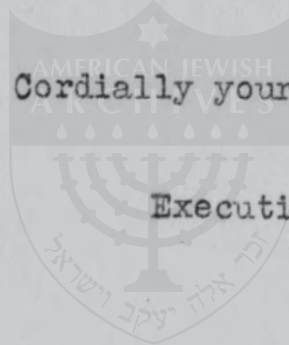
7. Our Board meeting should be held on Thursday, May 17th; shall I call it for that day at 1:15 in our office?

Thanking you for your prompt attention and reply to these matters, I am

AHS M  
Enc.



Cordially yours,



Executive Director



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May  
Third  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

The check for \$1083.33, which we sent to the Talmud Torah on Monday evidently has been lost in the mail. They did not receive it. We have therefore stopped payment of this check at the bank, and I am enclosing a duplicate of same for your signature. Kindly return same to this office as soon as possible, so that we can dispatch it to them.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M  
Enc.



May 4th, 1928.

Mrs. Jonas E. Kurlander,  
3084 Berkshire Rd.,  
Cleveland Hts., Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Kurlander:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 20th and for the suggestions which you kindly offer to The Bureau of Jewish Education. I shall be very happy to present your letter to the next meeting of the Board.

I might say however, that the matter had been discussed some time ago and it was not found feasible to open Sunday school sessions in the two Temples on week days. The children whom we desire to reach live too far away from the Temples. The 105th street district is pretty well covered but other outlying districts such as Woodland and E. 55th street, the Kinsman section, etc. must be reached through schools in those particular neighborhoods.

In passing I might say that the rental cost is the smallest item in the Bureau budget, for whenever possible we use Synagogues and Council Alliance buildings. The principal expense is that of teachers' salaries, textbooks and administration.

I should like again to thank you for your thoughtfulness in writing to me. We shall welcome at all times any suggestions from you.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain



May 4th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred H. Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I am returning herewith copy of the letter to be sent to the campaign workers, also the broadside of Rabbi Rosenberg, as well as Mr. Weisenfeld's reply. Please procure for me copies of the entire polemics for my personal file.

Please call the Board meeting for Thursday, May 17th.

Please do not engage any person to collect old accounts until the next meeting of the Board.

Very truly yours,

AHS/IR



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May  
Seventh  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Rabbi Silver is calling a special meeting  
of the Finance and Budget Committee for Thursday,  
May 10th, 1928, at a luncheon in the Georgian Room,  
Hollenden Hotel.

A resume of the recent campaign activities  
will be submitted, and plans for further fund-raising  
efforts discussed. Rabbi Silver is very anxious to  
discuss with you the present financial situation of the  
Bureau and its affiliated agencies.

Since there are only five members on this  
Committee, I am hoping that everyone will find it  
possible to attend.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M

PS-Luncheon will be served at 12:15 promptly



*U Bureau*

May 7th, 1928.

Mr. Leon Weisenfeld,  
The Jewish World,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Weisenfeld:-

I have just finished  
reading your article in the Sunday edition  
of the Jewish World. It is splendid and I  
wish to thank you for your fine courageous  
attitude. More power to you!

What do you think of the  
idea of opening a "Subscription Column" in your  
paper and running for the next few days a sub-  
scription blank?

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



# JEWISH EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

(April 16-25, 1928)

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
Ansel Rd. & East 105th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi;

Now that the Jewish Education Campaign is officially closed, may I take this opportunity to extend the thanks of the Board of Trustees and my own personal appreciation to you and to all the men and women who were engaged as workers, captains and division chairmen, as well as to those who served in executive and advisory capacity in this campaign.

We are very grateful indeed for the enthusiasm and the interest which you displayed in our common effort to solve the problems of Jewish Education in Cleveland. Those who have had any contact with this phase of our community's work, I am sure, will realize the supreme importance of attempting to provide an education for our youth in the faith, history, and literature of our people.

May I not on this occasion express the hope that you will continue to think about this problem of Jewish Education and, whenever an opportunity presents itself, discuss it with your friends and business associates, so that our community may become more intensely educated in the aims and objectives of The Cleveland Bureau of Jewish Education.

Cordially yours,

*Abba Hillel Silver*  
President, Bureau of Jewish Education

AHS/IR

PS-I should appreciate it if you would cover immediately any prospect cards that are still in your hands and mail same with the pledges directly to the office of the Bureau. If for any reason you can not cover your prospect cards, please return them to the office immediately.



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## BY 11 JEWISH COMMUNITIES.

(Per thousand of Jewish Population)

	JEWISH POP. DETROIT 50,000	JEWISH POP. PITTSBURGH 45,000	JEWISH POP. CINCINNATI 20,000	JEWISH POP. NEW YORK 1,750,000	JEWISH POP. ST LOUIS 42,000	JEWISH POP. BALTIMORE 60,000	JEWISH POP. CHICAGO 285,000	JEWISH POP. CLEVELAND 90,000	JEWISH POP. PHILADELPHIA 250,000	JEWISH POP. SAN FRANCISCO 30,000	JEWISH POP. LOS ANGELES 45,000
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May 7, 1928.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,  
City.

My dear Rabbi:

The Executive Committee of Cleveland Lodge Independent Order of B'nai B'rith has instructed me to inquire whether your organization can use the B'nai B'rith in connection with your work. This was done with the thought of integrating the work of our Lodge with the other Jewish agencies and organizations, especially where it was felt that our Lodge members might be used to advantage.

It must be borne in mind, of course, that our members are heavily identified with the temples and service organizations of the city. At the same time, Cleveland Lodge will be glad to get suggestions from you for cooperative service, especially if a need has presented itself to you which your organization was not, for some reason, prepared to meet.

I assure you that this letter is written in the best interests of our Jewish community and with a desire on the part of our organization to lend itself effectively to Jewish effort in Cleveland. Will you give us the benefit of your observation in the matter?

Believe me,

Very truly yours,

*Michael Sharlitt*  
*Pres. Cleveland Lodge*

MS:SB



May 7th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

Mrs. Ben New, 2039 Abington Rd. told me that she refused to give to the Bureau because she was billed an amount three times as large as she subscribed. Please send her a letter of explanation and a request to renew her old pledge.

I spoke to Miss Lumberg last week. She understands that her services have been discontinued as of April 1st. I would therefore suggest that you send her her check for the month of March.

I am enclosing herewith a check for \$15.00 which was received from Mrs. Lee Shonfield, Park Lane Villa.

Very truly yours,

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May  
Ninth  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I attended the Talmud Torah meeting yesterday. There were about a dozen people present. The general tone of the meeting was like the average Jewish meeting - "Shma Yisroel" - against God and His anointed one. I went into the entire situation of the Talmud Torah very thoroughly with them; they seem not to be worried about the past deficit of the schools; they told me that they were only anxious to avoid incurring a new deficit this year, which means that they need \$15,000 more; that as to the rest, the teachers and the banks will wait, and that they have enough property to back up these debts. As to the money needed this year, they will themselves undertake some fund-raising efforts, and they will ask the Bureau to assist them in this regard.

They were also anxious that the committee you will appoint to discuss matters with the Federation group should have Talmud Torah representatives on it. The sentiment there was adverse to discontinuing activities - everybody urged that additional funds be raised - whether they will do it is another question.

I have gone through our own figures a little further, and I am convinced that your estimate of the possible cash collections for this year of \$51,000 to \$55,000 is unwarranted. We have already collected in cash - \$36,000. Why should we assume that we will only get another \$15,000 from the following list:

\$22,000-campaign pledges  
12,000-unrenewed 1927 paid pledges  
7,000-balances on 1927 pledges.

I am going through these 1927 paid pledges again and find that three-quarters of them have been paying for three or four years in succession. There is absolutely no reason to believe that the majority of these will fail to pay this year simply because they did not pay during the first three or four months of the year. As a matter of fact, a few of these have already sent their checks this week without even having received any May bill yet - they are just sending it in with their February or March bill. I am not trying to bolster up the case, but there is no use making the case worse than it really is.



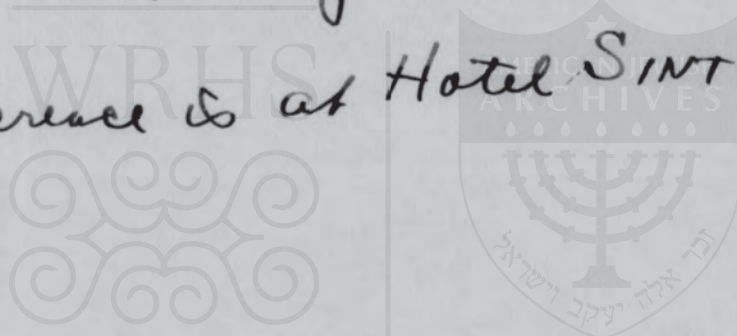
I have received word from New York that they are depending on me to manage the entire publicity for the National Conference, also to act as chairman of the Resolutions Committee, and I believe it would be unfair for me to stay away from half of the conference. I trust, therefore, you will excuse my absence from the Finance Committee meeting. You know my ~~views~~ on the subject and I know yours; so that my failure to participate in the discussions of this committee meeting will, I suppose, not be fatal. Miss Marks will take care of calling the people to make sure of their attendance, and also bring over some factual material for the consideration of the Committee. If the Committee decides on further fund-raising efforts, I shall begin following it out early next week.

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M

*Kindly ask Mr Bing to take the minutes of this meeting.  
The Conference is at Hotel Sinton, Cincinnati.*





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May 9, 1928

Rabbi A H Silver  
The Temple  
E 105th Street & Ansel Road  
Cleveland

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It would be of advantage if it should be possible for you to appoint your committee to meet with the one which the Functional Relations Committee has appointed, with the object of studying the relation between the Bureau of Jewish Education and the Federation, at as early a date as possible, in view of the fact that changes are to take place in the Federation office soon.

May I have the personnel of your committee so that we can arrange for a meeting at the earliest opportunity? You will recall that the sub-committee appointed to represent the Federation consists of the following:

Marc J Grossman  
Eugene S Halle

S H Kleinman  
Max Simon

With kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,

*Bertha B Herzog*

Mrs Siegmund Herzog, President  
THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION

*Louis Bing  
Mrs. Simon Peiser  
Mrs. Simon Peiser  
Aaron Garber*



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Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

Just to acquaint you with what I have been doing  
for the last few days.

A - We have a number of committees going out  
soliciting, and most of the prospects have already been  
seen before. The returns are not very optimistic; so  
far we have received pledges not exceeding the sum of  
\$250. The solicitors so far have been only women. We  
are trying, however, to get a few men committees to go  
out too.

B - I called a special meeting of our active  
Board members; I acquainted them with all the facts in  
our present situation; we arrived at the conclusion that  
if we could get to the end of the year an additional sum  
of \$15,000 we could be effecting certain economies to  
complete the year's work. The following suggestions were  
forwarded:

1. A radical increase in tuition fees.
2. A \$10 or \$25 banquet, or a supplementary \$10  
emergency campaign on the part of the Talmud Torahs  
during the high holiday season.
3. Allocation of the campaign results classified  
according to the four temples and other organiza-  
tions and agencies, with a view of getting the  
leaders of those temples and organizations to help  
us enlist additional subscribers from among their  
respective members.

In case we fail to secure additional funds I have  
brought most of those present to realize that we can no  
longer go on with the work, and we shall therefore have to  
curtail the work by closing branches and sending away  
pupils to bring the budget within the actual income.

On my return from Cincinnati I hope to be able to  
see you and bring with me sufficiently detailed data so



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that we can together look into the situation more closely.

With kindest personal regards to you,  
Mrs. Silver and Daniel, I am

Sincerely yours,

*A. H. Friedland*





TO BE PAID MARCH 15 1928

M. L. Arnold - refund on subscription	\$ 10.00
Sprag Rosen & Co. - accountants	25.00
Petty Cash Fund - itemized	20.45
J. W. Warner - Holiday Celebration (insurance)	5.00
Hollenden Hotel - deficit on organization meeting	9.00
J. Krause - collector	4.50
Miss Pearl Sapirstein - extra clerical help	36.00
B. Dolcort - " " "	8.00
Ohio Bell Telephone Co.	46.08
Western Union Telegraph Co.	1.05
Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute (graduation greetings)	10.00
State Sign Co. - exhibit cards at Institute	15.00
Ad Service Engraving Co. - cuts of Billikopf	6.89
Maurice Polack - Stencils	5.50
Burrows Bros. Co. - Stationery	1.40
Atlas Printing Co. - (annual dinner, campaign cards, office sta.)	156.05
Nathan Loeser, Treas. - a/c Billikopf expenses	26.00
H. A. Taylor, P.M. - Postage	20.06
Midland Bank	1010.00
Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute - a/c March subsidy	1000.00
Council of Jewish Women - March subsidy in full	1000.00
A. H. Sachs - salary	250.00
Martha Marks- "	75.00
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\$ 3740.98

~~Cleveland Hotel~~

~~700.00~~  
\$ 4440.98

TO BE PAID MARCH 31, 1928

Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute	1083.33
Jewish Teachers Institute	50.00
A. H. Sachs	250.00
Martha Marks	75.00
Extra clerical help	50.00
Postage for billing	40.00
April 1st rent	100.00
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	\$ 1648.33

Bank Balance Mch. 14th	-\$10,238.23
Checks issued Mch. 15th	- 3,740.98
Balance Mch. 15th	\$ 6,497.25

Collections in 1928

January	-	\$ 11,353.50
February	-	10,486.00
March 1 - 14-		2,799.00
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		\$ 24,638.50



# AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND BUDGET

With suggestions submitted by the Executive Director

5/10/28

## A FURTHER EFFORTS FOR FUND-RAISING

1. At every Board meeting cards of prospects not covered during the campaign should be assigned.
2. About 25 of the more active chairmen and workers in the recent campaign can be induced to work for another week or two, covering a selected group of substantial cards during this month.
3. The ~~Judaea~~ Ladies Auxiliary of the Talmud Torahs should be requested to act as a soliciting agency for the Bureau all year around, and thus cover about 1,000 smaller cards.
4. The Federation will in all probability go out very soon to raise a fund with which to subsidize the three orthodox agencies, in view of the community fund's inability to take care of same. If a committee of five influential members of our Board be appointed to present our needs at the next Federation meeting, it ought not to be hard to induce the Federation to include a special \$15,000 or \$20,000 deficit fund for the Bureau and the Hebrew schools. Such a chance was missed when the United Jewish Campaign was being prepared and it ought not to be missed again.

## B COLLECTIONS OF 1928 AND 1927 PLEDGES

1. The Bureau still has to collect during this year:
  - a) \$22,000 on pledges made during the campaign
  - 12,000 on renewals of 1927 subscriptions
  - 7,000 on unpaid 1927 pledges
2. The more substantial amounts will be collected through mail, telephone, and the personal efforts of the Executive Director with the assistance of the Board where necessary.
3. Those of the 5, 10 and \$15 pledges - 1928 and 1927 - which will not come in through mail during the next 60 days must be collected by a collector. The Executive Director suggests that such a collector be hired immediately for the remaining eight months of this year at a salary of about \$100 a month, or a commission which will net the collector an equivalent amount. It is poor economy to lose \$5,000 or \$6,000 in these small amounts that must be gone after five and six times on account of a saving of \$800.

## C FINANCIAL SITUATION OF THE BUREAU

1. From the figures listed on the separate financial summary attached hereto, it is safe to assume that an amount not less than last year's cash income (\$63,000) will be received this year as well. Several thousand dollars of decreases and



refusals have been counteracted by several hundred new subscriptions.

2. During the first 4 months of this year \$34,500 has been received in cash of which \$26,000 has been spent and \$8,500 left in the bank.
3. Of the \$26,000 spent, \$23,000 was for current 1928 budgetary expenses, \$1,500 for the 1927 deficit of the Council schools, \$1,500 for the 1927 deficit of the Bureau office.
4. \$37,000 still has to be spent during the next 8 months for 1928 budgetary appropriations. *For* this amount \$8,500 is now in the bank, \$34,000 on the 1928 collection list, and \$7,000 on the 1927 collection list. It is safe to assume that with sufficient effort the \$29,000 thus needed will be collected this year,
5. \$4,000 have already been paid to the Midland Bank, and all affiliated agencies are being paid monthly in accordance with the budget adopted, e.g.,

Repayment to Midland Bank . . . . .	\$10,000	)
Subsidy to Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute. . . . .	25,000	
( \$10,000 - 1927 deficit )		
( 15,000 - 1928 expenses )		
Council of Jewish Women . . . . .	9,000	
Jewish Teachers Institute . . . . .	500	
Extension Education Department . . . . .	2,250	
Executive, Campaign, collection, bank interest . . . . .	13,250	\$60,000

#### D THE HEBREW SCHOOL SITUATION

1. On Jan. 1, 1928 the Hebrew schools had a deficit of \$22,000 <sup>in</sup> teachers salaries and \$25,000 <sup>in</sup> bank loans on open account
2. The budget on which the schools are now operating is \$90,000 per year towards which they will raise approximately . . . . . 50,000 leaving a devicit of . . . . . 40,000 After deducting the \$25,000 of Bureau subsidy there will be left an additional deficit of \$15,000, which will bring the deficit at the end of 1928 to the following:

Bank Loans . . . . .	\$25,000
Teachers salaries. . . . .	<u>37,000</u>
Total	\$62,000

This is in addition to the \$34,000 they owe to their own building fund.

3. Assuming that the Bureau will be able to give the Talmud Torahs in 1929 the sum of \$35,000 instead of \$25,000, since it will have no bank loans to pay, the Hebrew schools will still be unable to pay back any of their deficit; in fact they will have to incur at the present rate another \$5,000 deficit in 1929. This would bring



their deficit at the end of 1929 to \$42,000 - teachers salaries  
25,000 - bank loans  
\$67,000

4. It is not plausible to assume that the teachers will be able to wait for \$42,000 worth of salary, which amounts to about 8 months for everybody in the system; nor is it plausible to assume that the entire \$25,000 of the bank loans can be left unpaid by the end of 1929.
5. It is clear that an immediate balancing of the Talmud Torah budget is imperative. Doing so one must keep in mind the entire budget of 1929 as well as 1928, because the school activities begin in Sept. 1928 and run on, on that basis away into the next year, with very little possibility of a change during that year. Adjustments must, therefore, be made this year for next year - perhaps a little could be adjusted this year as well, but at most it would affect 4 months of this year's work. The deficit for the *first* 8 months of this year is practically accrued.
6. The executive director suggests that a committee of three appointed by the President of the Bureau, be asked to meet immediately with a committee of three appointed by the President of the Hebrew schools, together with the executive director of the Bureau and the educational director of the Hebrew schools, in order to work out an adjusted budget for 1928-1929 for presentation to the Finance Committee, not later than two weeks from date.

This committee could go into the income and expenses of the schools with a view of arriving at a solution of the entire matter, rather than continuing the policy of drifting and demoralization.



Copy sent to the Bureau for their file

May 10th, 1928.

Mrs. Siegmund Herzog,  
Pres. Jewish Welfare Federation,  
Hanna Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Herzog:-

I have appointed the following committee to meet with the committee appointed by the Functional Relations Committee to study the future relations between the Bureau of Jewish Education and the Jewish Welfare Federation:

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
Louis Bing  
B. H. Sinks  
Mrs. Simon Peiser  
Aaron Garber

Mr. Garber is President of the Cleveland Hebrew schools.

Mrs. Peiser is President of the Council of Jewish Women and is in charge of the Council Religious schools.

Mr. Bing is Secretary of the Bureau of Jewish Education.

Mr. Sinks is one of the Bureau's active members.

I feel that I ought to be present at the meetings of the committee, being perhaps closer to the whole problem than anyone else.

I would also suggest that you be the fifth member of the Federation committee.

It is clear of course that the committee which I am now appointing has no power to make decisions for the Bureau. It will join in a frank and full discussion of the whole problem and will be glad to make and to receive suggestions for a satisfactory solution. No findings of this joint sub-committee shall be binding either upon



May 10th, 1928.

continued.....page 2.  
Mrs. Siegmund Herzog:

the Bureau or the Federation until approved by both and no publicity shall be given to the deliberations and findings of this sub-committee until sanctioned by both bodies.

I make mention of these rather self-evident things in order that there may be no possible embarrassment to either of our organizations in the future.

With kindest regards, permit me  
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



copy to B. H. Sinks  
Aaron Garber  
Mrs. Simon Peiser  
Louis Bing

*Bureau*

May 11th, 1928.

Mr. Louis Bing,  
522 Prospect Ave.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Bing:-

The Functional Relations Committee  
of The Jewish Welfare Federation has appointed a  
committee consisting of:

Marc J. Grossman  
Eugene S. Halle

S. H. Kleinman  
Max Simon

to meet with a committee of The Bureau of Jewish  
Education, with an object of studying the future  
relations between these two organizations. At the  
last meeting of the Board of the Bureau it was voted  
that such a committee be appointed by us.

I am therefore taking pleasure in  
appointing you a member of this committee. I trust  
that you will find it possible to serve. You will  
undoubtedly receive notice in the near future of the  
meeting of this joint-committee.

With kindest regards, permit me to  
remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



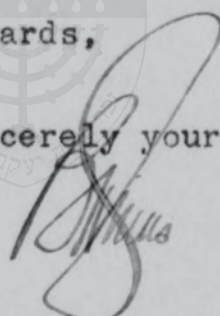
Bureau  
B. H. SINKS  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 12, 1928.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Yours of the 11th instant  
contains significant and welcome news and  
I hasten to assure you of my readiness to  
serve. With kind personal regards,

Sincerely yours,  


BHS:ML



## TRENDS IN FEDERATION SCOPE

Address Submitted to the National Conference of Jewish Social Service,  
Cincinnati, on May 12, 1928, by Mrs Siegmund Herzog, President,  
The Jewish Welfare Federation, Cleveland, Ohio.

Please remember that when the Chairman of the Program Committee chose a lay rather than a professional person to discuss so difficult a subject as federation trends, he probably inferred that the Conference preferred hearing from one of its minor prophets rather than from a major one. It is in the hope that you may be as charitable in your attitude, toward this paper as a student in the Ohio State University was, that I shall tell this story:

Young Mr X attended a class in Bible History conducted by a certain easy going professor who, for the past twenty years, had given his classes the same list of questions for their annual examination. Suddenly, however, he decided that it might be advisable to make a change. Therefore, when the young student entered the class room, having fortified himself to write a 100% paper, since the questions given the past twenty years had been learned by heart, he was amazed to find an entirely new list written on the blackboard. Question number one was, "Distinguish between the major and minor prophets." After deep thought, never having heard of Isaiah, Jeremiah, Amos, or Hosea, and chewing his pencil for at least fifteen minutes, he wrote this answer: "Far be it from me to discriminate between such distinguished gentlemen."

It is my understanding that the emphasis this year in the conference proceedings is to be placed on descriptions of the present situation and forecasts for the future, rather than on historical analyses. With this in view, the past history of the federation movement will be only very briefly considered, and the major portion of the paper will concern itself with the present and future aspects of federation functioning.

If, in the development of the few thoughts that I have, you will note a tendency to limit my illustrations to my own city, it is due to my intimate contact with our own work and because it is my belief that the situation in Cleveland is fairly representative of the larger Jewish centers.

It is generally conceded that federations in communities both large and small were organized with the purpose of acting as financial coordinating and supervisory bodies - instruments for the collection and distribution of funds. Primarily, federations came into being to avoid a multiplicity of appeals that then prevailed. Those of you whose memories serve you well may retain a mental picture of your community of some twenty and more years ago. You will remember that almost daily the public was called upon to respond to this cause and that, to buy tickets for balls and bazaars, to take chances on raffles and what not, and that often the very cause that should have been responded to most generously received but scant attention - either because persons were not sufficiently acquainted with its merits, or because its solicitor reached them after their patience and their funds were exhausted.

Needless to remind you how changed is the status today, due in large measure to federation procedure, a procedure which enables the public to give in a unit, a method which enables federation to maintain an inexpensive all year round financial organization - one that studies budgets and community needs, makes equitable and just distribution in accordance with its best judgment.

That federation's business-like methods of collection and distribution have yielded fruitful results is evidenced by the following comparative figures for Cleveland. Doubtless similar favorable figures obtain in other federated cities.



Year 1903 (prior to Organization of Federation)

8 Institutions      650 Contributors giving about      \$ 25,000

Year 1904 first year of Federation

8 Institutions      1250 Contributors subscribing      \$ 40,000

Year 1919 year before affiliation with Community Fund

14 Institutions      4300 Contributors subscribing      \$224,000

Year 1927

17 Institutions receiving thru the Fund & Federation support      \$466,452

Now what are some of the present tendencies in federation procedure? First we witness in a number of the larger communities thruout the country a tendency to expand beyond the financial sphere into the field of social service coordination. Such development seems a fortunate one since it makes for a united communal effort. Thru functional coordination, the social service program of a community can be centralized and a balanced perspective of social work problems as a whole, rather than in part, may be obtained. In contrast to pre-federation days, when institutions planned and conducted programs with little thought of inter-organizational relations, these same organizations, today, desiring to meet their problems in accordance with modern ideals of social welfare, recognize the part they must play in the whole community set-up. Isolated institutionalism is rapidly becoming an anachronism.

Coordination does not imply however, the elimination of agency autonomy but it does mean the working out of a program that will make effective inter-agency participation and a conditioning of the work of each agency in the light of the total community situation. Finally, both thru financial and functional coordination, a community mindedness is being gradually developed which brings with it a conviction that there is as little place for a narrow chauvinistic institutionalism in community life as there is for a narrow chauvinistic nationalism in the life of the world; that just as internationalism is considered the highest form of patriotism, so is interorganizationalism the highest form of communityism.

Again functional coordination avoids duplication. It conserves time, funds, and energy. It develops a community esprit de corps. Thru the mechanism of the functional conference and committee, organization projects are motivated, planned, and conditioned. The Functional Committee of the Cleveland Federation, and its four cooperating conferences, those on health, recreation, family care, and child care, have proven to be potent factors in stimulating community thought and planning, and have strengthened the ties of the various social service organs of the Jewish community.

Another tendency of marked significance in current federation functioning is in the direction of unification of philanthropic forces. No longer is it possible, much less desirable, if federation is to serve as a unifying community force, to restrict its interest and activities to the early affiliated agencies, those organized, controlled, and governed by the earlier Jewish settlers, excluding and ignoring societies of later origin which sometimes came into existence as instruments of protest. All other things being equal, the presence of unaffiliated Jewish social agencies in any community is an indication of the weakness of the existing federation. There can be no place in the vocabulary of federation, once it serves as the articulate will of the united Jewish community, for such words as German, Russian, Polish, American, Orthodox, Reform, etc. Federation must concern itself with the cross section needs and desires of the entire Jewish community.

Adequate representation on Federation and agency boards and committees, a policy of rotation of office, giving leadership opportunity to the many, instead of confining it to the few, will soon dispel a criticism, so often heard, that federation is a closed corporation serving vested and inherited interests. Proper representation on board and committees will in time break down many false barriers that now exist between organization and organization, as well as between individual Jew and Jew.



A desire for taking inventory of a community set-up, as well as an evaluation of work processes in the light of scientific standards of modern social practice, is a decided present day tendency in most federations. The method of the survey has become a much sought after means of analysis. Such surveys frequently result in internal improvement, the raising of standards of operation, in "expansion, contraction, and elimination of facilities". Study and research permit a federation to plan on a factual basis.

So much for a glimpse of the past and immediate present. Now what are the destinies of the future federation? When Dr Lowenstein reported for a committee on the study of community organization at the Washington Conference in 1923, he said, "It is the definite opinion of your committee that federation represents but a stage in our communal development and not the final form. That that form may be it is impossible at this time to forecast."

It seems quite as difficult to predict final form today as it was when this statement was made. We shall therefore content ourselves with an analysis of future trends based upon definite present day tendencies, believing that one guess may be as good as another.

A sincere recognition that all elements in a community have an equal right to participate in its social activities will tend toward increased democratization of federation management. Therefore, like all democracies, federation will depend, if progress is to be made, if ideals are to be consummated, upon an informed and enlightened board of managers as well as upon an informed and enlightened public opinion. "When all is said and done, intelligence and ideas are the supreme force in the settlement of social issues," says John Dewey.

In a series of articles on adult education appearing recently in the New Republic we find this statement: "The beginning of liberal education is a lively self-awareness an unwearyed curiosity and eager experimentation within the context of one's own personality and behavior."

If the next ten years were spent in finding a workable process for putting the above statement into federation practice, the future of federations might be assured.

Having viewed itself and its own weaknesses thru the eyes of its Functional Committee, a Federation with which we are very familiar, decided upon making an experiment in adult education. In spite of many misgivings a Jewish Social Service Institute, in the form of five consecutive luncheon meetings, presenting prominent national and local speakers on the five following subjects - health, child care, recreation, Jewish education, and family welfare, was held. The presentation of these subjects was followed each day by discussion from the floor. A prominent social worker who saw the program said: "Your idea is fine but will the public respond?" We replied with a statement of how well the public did respond. Indeed, it seems to us that a campaign of education can be quite as successfully planned and executed as a campaign for funds once the right technique is found.

Follow-up, in the form of an intensive program of community education is now under way which may result, given sufficient time, in a broader understanding, an increased confidence, and an added willingness to cooperate both on the part of the constituent societies and the public at large.

It is hoped that ultimately issues of significance before a community will be decided upon a basis of inherent merit and not as a result of attachment, prejudice, or emotional complexes. Waste amounting to millions may, thru proper education, be prevented. We believe that one of the most hopeful indications, one that augurs well for the future, is that communities are beginning to inquire about the state of their own social thinking.

Much has been said in previous conferences of a shift of interest from relief to education due to present day immigration policies, to the rise in the economic level of increasing numbers of Jews, as well as to the participation of local and state governments in welfare work. Federations today need no longer concern themselves solely with serving the "needy". Jewish education and



intensification of activities concerned with the cultural and spiritual values is the increasing challenge of the future. Even tho the inclusion of Jewish education be difficult in community chest cities, some means must be found to meet the situation. The very name "Jewish Welfare Federation" connotes one that is all embracing, one that expresses Jewish life in all its aspects. Therefore, the future federation will concern itself in an increasing measure with cultural, recreational, educational requirements as well as with those of a purely philanthropic nature.

Federation of the future must define to itself, in no uncertain terms, its own goal and crystallize its objectives. Otherwise, constant social stumblings will result. Whether the federation of the future will be the all embracing type just mentioned, including educational, recreational, philanthropic, nationalistic, and religious needs of a community as well as national and international interests is still a debatable question, but we believe that the trend is in this direction.

In an annual report of the Research Director of the Cleveland Federation, the following statement appears:

"The science of measurement is gradually making inroads upon social work and is transforming it from what was formerly a haphazard, sentimental, and unorganized activity to what is now generally becoming recognized as a legitimate applied science of human relations. We no longer fear to attack problems of social mal-adjustment in an objective and unbiased manner. More and more are we beginning to re-evaluate our former procedures and to direct our efforts at permanent social readjustment, utilizing the applicable principles of the social sciences. Definite principles in social work are actually being established, just as in the other applied sciences and, although these principles are few and as yet not definitely verified, the fact that the majority of recognized social workers utilize in their operation a number of fundamentally basic principles is in and of itself an indication of the elevation of social work to a science more or less exact. The formerly unorganized, but genuinely sincere emotional outlets for philanthropic endeavor are being re-directed into intelligently controlled and scientifically analyzed channels.

"Instruments of precision are being borrowed from the sciences of psychology, anthropology, sociology, and economics. We are beginning to attempt to measure actual products of our social work. We want to know as definitely as can be expected in the present stages of our development what is actually being accomplished by our social service agencies with the mal-adjusted individual; we should like to have these accomplishments measured in objective units, whether they be those of happiness, social adjustment, economic worth, or a combination of all these elements. Most serious-minded individuals are becoming increasingly suspicious of those claims made by social agencies that cannot be verified by measurable facts."

In the masterful plea for a scientific approach made in his presidential address at Toronto, Dr Hexter said, "The new method makes for a 'gloving future' in the field of social science. Its importance, once understood, makes the road to the future clear and promising."

A federation of the future, will, we believe, be as incomplete without a department of research as a hospital is without its laboratory - both have a real contribution to make for the betterment of mankind. A federation of the future will never trust to chance, to sentiment, worthy as that may be. It will constantly and unceasingly seek for fact and truth and apply such facts and truths after their worth has been proven. Federation of the future must be the community problem solver for it will represent the community intelligence. Therefore, a federation of the future will be, like Professor Sumner's definition of society, "More than the sum total of all its parts." In addition to thinking, federation must get its thinking acted upon. Otherwise it will be so much wasted energy.

The question of community fund affiliation looms large. What does the future hold forth for the federation in the light of this development? Much can be said for and against this relationship for there are obvious advantages and disadvantages. On the side of advantages we find it valuable to participate as co-equals in a fine communal enterprise, where opportunity is given



annually for the exchange of ideas, for becoming better acquainted, for forgetting differences of race and creed, for the better understanding between Jew and non-Jew. In addition, much time, thought and energy required by federation for securing funds is released and can be devoted to study, to putting into operation better work methods, all of which result in improvement in the various fields of Jewish communal endeavor. Release of time permits for concentration on the positive assets, the specifically Jewish aspects of Jewish community life such as Jewish education and recreation.

Under disadvantages we note a loss of stimulus, a lack of opportunity to contact large numbers of persons in the community, which campaigns for funds formerly made possible. These losses can, however, be in a measure compensated for by transferring interest from financial to social service problems, by stimulating lay leaders in the actual planning and carrying forward of social work programs thru democratic representation, before mentioned, by the holding of institutes, round table discussions on social questions in ready made groups such as women's and men's temple clubs, Council of Jewish Women, B'nai B'rith, etc. In other words, we again emphasize that federation will be able to conduct continuous campaigns of education as well as periodic campaigns for funds. Another disadvantage is the inability or unwillingness of a community fund to recognize differential ethnic group needs such as Jewish education, recreation, national and international obligations. Mr Waldman's "double barreled" federation may help obviate this difficulty, thus enabling Jews to discharge their obligations to the general community at the same time permitting them to retain all the cultural and spiritual aspects for group entity in order that they may conserve what is best for their own development as Jews and Americans.

Summing up then, it would appear, from a general survey of the situation, that the trend of Federation activity will probably assume the following characteristics.

1. An intensification of functional activity.
2. A democratization of representation and policy formation.
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May 12, 1928.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
c/o The Temple,  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In reference to my appointment on the investigating committee of the Bureau of Jewish Education, I shall be pleased to serve to the best of my ability on this committee.

Respectfully,

*Louis Bing Jr.*

LSB:FM



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Cleveland, Ohio

May 14, 1928

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
City

My dear Rabbi Silver,

Acknowledging your letter of them 11th,  
I shall be glad to serve on the committee of the Bureau of  
Jewish Education to meet with one, representing the Jewish  
Welfare Federation, to study future relations of the two  
organizations.

Very sincerely,

*Simon Peiser*



*Bureau*

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May 16, 1928

Rabbi A H Silver  
The Temple  
E 105th Street & Ansel Road  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

I note the appointment of your committee, to meet with a similar Federation committee, forming a joint committee, to study the Jewish education problem in Cleveland.

In accordance with your suggestion, I shall be glad to serve as a fifth member on the Federation committee, in an ex officio capacity, however.

In order that the analysis may be as factual as possible, it would of course be necessary for the professional workers to sit in with the committee, as ex officio members. I am asking Mr Goldhamer and Dr Slawson to the first meeting and suggest that you do likewise in the case of Mr Friedland and Mr Sachs.

It will be possible for us to call a meeting very soon I believe. All proceedings will, of course, be kept confidential, and no final action will be taken prior to submission of recommendations to the two Boards involved. This is in conformity with our customary procedure in matters of this nature.

Sincerely yours,

*Bertha B. Herzog*

Mrs Siegmund Herzog, President  
THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION

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**A G E N D A**  
**MONTHLY MEETING - BOARD OF JEWISH EDUCATION**  
**THURSDAY, MAY 17, 1928 - 1:15 P.M.**

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- 1 - Reading of minutes (Mr. Bing)
- 2 - Report of Executive Director (Mr. Sachs)
  - a) Campaign results
  - b) Collection efforts
  - c) National Conference for Jewish Education
- 3 - Report on affiliated agencies

a) Weekday afternoon schools	( Mr. A. Garber)
b) Saturday and Sunday Schools	( Mrs. Peiser & Mrs. Marks)
c) Jewish Teachers Institute	( Mrs. Gross)
d) Hebrew Teachers Institute	( Mr. Friedland)
- 4 - Report of Finance Committee
  - a) Financial situation of Bureau and its affiliated agencies
  - b) Further fund raising efforts
- 5 - Communications and new business
  - a) Letter from B'nai Brith Lodge
  - b) Study by Jewish Welfare Federation Committee
  - c) Revision of Bureau's constitution
  - d) Discussion meetings for Board
  - e) Invitation to prominent members of the community to join our Board



**BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION  
FINANCIAL REPORT - MAY 17, 1928**

lges received to date . . . . . \$ 56,000  
 contributors who pledged and paid in  
 25-6-7 and who were not reached during  
 campaign. These will be billed in  
 regular course. (Similar subscriptions  
 brought favorable results in most cases  
 last year). . . . . 12,000  
 Unpaid pledges (1927) . . . . . 7,000

Cash received during 4 months - \$ 34,513.75  
 January - April 1928  
 Balance in Bank April 30, 1928 - 8,494.68

**NOTE**

- A - All ledger cards have been put in shape, duplicates weeded out and addresses corrected. Bills will be mailed this week on all unpaid pledges and balances due.
- B - Next week we shall have ready
- 1) Exact figures as to the losses suffered thru reductions and refusals, as well as the gains from increases and new subscriptions; also number of subscriptions received.
  - 2) Duplicate assignment cards for all substantial and less wealthy prospects that were not covered during the campaign

CASH COLLECTIONS				
	1928 Subsc.	1927 Subsc.	1926 Subsc.	TOTAL
Jan.	\$ 10,790.75	\$534.75	\$ 28	\$11,353.50
Feb.	9,974.50	437.50	74	10,486.00
Mar.	4,695.25	317.75	2	5,015.00
Apr.	7,498.50	110.75	50	7,659.25
	\$ 32,959.00	1,400.75	154	34,513.75

**MINIMUM BUDGET FOR 1928**

Repayment to Midland Bank . . . . .	\$ 10,000
Subsidy to Cleveland Hebrew School & Institute. . . . .	25,000
( \$10,000 - 1927 deficit )	
( 15,000 - 1928 expenses )	
Council of Jewish Women . . . . .	9,000
Jewish Teachers Institute . . . . .	500
Extension Education Department. . . . .	2,250
Executive Campaign, collection, bank interest . . . . .	13,250
	\$ 60,000
1927 deficit of Council schools . . . . .	\$1,500
1927 deficit of Extension Education Dept. . . . .	1,500
	3,000
	\$ 63,000

Total cash collected January 1st to date . . . . . \$ 36,000  
 Total still needed for the year on a minimum budget. . . . . 27,000 \$ 63,000

For the \$27,000 still needed there is available:

- a) \$ 22,000 on pledges made during the campaign
- b) 12,000 of possible renewals on 1927 subscriptions
- c) 7,000 in balances due on 1927 pledges
- d) Some possible income on pledges yet to come in from campaign workers and through further solicitation if undertaken.

**FINANCIAL HISTORY OF BUREAU**

INCOME	1925	1926	1927	1928	Total for 4 yrs.
Subscriptions	\$ 39,000	\$ 53,300	\$ 62,500	\$ 63,000	\$ 217,800
Bank Loans	- - -	12,500	- - -	- - -	12,500
Carried over to next year(bills)	- - -	- - -	3,000	- - -	3,000
	\$ 39,000	\$ 65,800	\$ 65,500	\$ 63,000	\$ 233,300

ANNUAL BUDGET	1925	1926	1927	1928	Total for 4 yrs.
Subsidy to Hebrew Schools	\$ 27,500	\$ 34,200	\$ 25,000	\$ 25,000	\$ 111,700
Religious Schls., Exten.)					
Education, Jewish Tchrs.)	1,000	15,000	(18,000 )	11,750	48,750
Inst. & Adult Education )			(a)( 3,000 )		
Executive, collection, cam )					
paigning, and bank interest)	8,500	14,400	16,500	13,250	52,650
Office Equipment	2,000	2,200	500	- - -	4,700
Total	\$ 39,000	65,800	63,000	50,000	217,800

**OTHER EXPENSES**

Bank Loan Repaid	- - -	- - -	(b) 2,500	(c) 10,000	12,500
Bills of previous year paid	- - -	- - -	- - -	(a) 3,000	3,000
	\$ 39,000	\$ 65,800	\$ 65,500	\$ 63,000	\$ 233,300

- (a) \$3,000 incurred by Exten.Ed.Dept.  
 in 1927 and paid in 1928  
 (b) \$2,500 incurred in 1926 & paid in 1927  
 (c) \$10,000 incurred in 1926 & paid in 1928

Estimated subscription income for  
 4 years - \$ 217,800  
 Budgeted & actual expense for  
 4 years - \$ 217,800



May 18th, 1928.

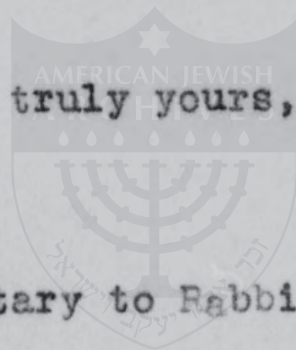
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed is a check for \$10.00  
from Mrs. Fellingner in honor of Daniel Jeremy  
Silver and Harold Fellingner.



Very truly yours,



Secretary to Rabbi Silver



May 21st, 1928.

Mrs. Anna I. Arnstein,  
Park Lane Villa,  
Park Lane and 105th St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Arnstein:

Permit me to thank  
you for your kind note and for the  
generous contribution which you  
enclosed for the Bureau of Jewish  
Education. I am this day forward-  
ing your check to the Bureau which  
will acknowledge it directly to  
you.

With kindest personal  
regards, permit me to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/ER



May 22d, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
813 Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sachs:-

I am enclosing a check for  
\$25.00 which was received from Mrs. Anna L.  
Arnstein of the Park Lane Villa. Please  
acknowledge receipt of the contribution.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



This statement is designed to be misleading!

BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

CLEVELAND, OHIO - MAY 23, 1928

ACCOUNT OF 1927 SUBSCRIPTIONS

2883 people subscribed total sum of . . . . . \$ 73,865.50  
344 people still owe and promise to pay -\$7,855.60  
Definite refusals . . . . . 1,840.00  
Cash collections on 1927 subscriptions. .64,169.90 \$ 73,865.50

ANALYSIS OF 1928 CAMPAIGN

1669 Renewals of 1927 pledges. . . . . \$ 46,519.10  
606 New pledges received in 1928 . . . . . 7,287.00  
(343) Increases over 1927 . . . . . 2,827.50  
859 Subscriptions of people who paid in 1925-6-7,  
not reached during 1928 campaign, and to be  
billed on basis of previous annual pledges . . . 11,774.00  
3134 \$ 68,407.60

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF 1927 AND 1928 SUBSCRIPTIONS

In 1927 - 2883 people subscribed . . . . . \$ 73,865.50  
((244) decreases in 1928 - \$ 8,899.90  
Subtract ( 355 refusals to renew  
losses ( in 1928 - 6,672.50 15,572.40  
2528 \$ 58,293.10  
Add ((343) increases over 1927- 2,827.50  
gains ( 606 new pledges in 1928- 7,287.00 10,114.50  
3134 \$ 68,407.60

RECAPITULATION OF 1928 CAMPAIGN

GAINS		LOSSES	
343 Increases	- \$ 2,827.00	244 Decreases	- \$ 8,899.90
606 New Pledges	- <u>7,287.00</u>	355 Refusals to	<u>6,672.50</u>
	<u>\$10,114.50</u>	Renew in 1928	<u>\$15,572.40</u>
		<u>BALANCE</u>	
Losses	- \$ 15,572.40	1927 Subscriptions	- \$ 73,865.50
Gains	- <u>10,114.50</u>	1928 Subscriptions	- <u>68,407.60</u>
Net Loss	- <u>\$ 5,457.90</u>		<u>\$ 5,457.90</u>

1928 PROSPECTIVE INCOME

2275 Subscriptions resigned this year . . . . . \$ 56,633.60  
859 Subscriptions to be billed on previous pledges . . . . . 11,774.00  
3134 \$ 68,407.60  
(344) balances due on 1927 subscriptions . . . . . 7,855.60  
3300 people (approximately) \$ 76,263.20

NOTE 1

At the end of the 1927 campaign the sum of signed pledges plus possibilities for mail renewals plus 1926 balances (after eliminating all duplications) also amounted to 75 - 76 thousand dollars.

NOTE 2

Cash collections during the first 6 months of 1927 were \$ 40,320.  
Cash collections during the first 6 months of 1928 will be about \$45,000.



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May 23, 1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Nominating Committee of the Cleveland Zionist District is proposing to put your name on the ballot in the election for delegates to the 31st annual convention of the Zionist Organization of America to be held in Pittsburg on June 29, 30 and July 1, 2 and 3, 1928.

There are fifteen candidates whom the committee considered eligible to represent the district, and unfortunately we are entitled to only five delegates this year.

We are, therefore, very anxious to elect only such people as will definitely undertake to attend the convention, and will be able to remain there until the very closing of same, when the most important business usually takes place.

Kindly return the enclosed postcard at once, in order that the Nominating Committee may know whether to put your name on the ballot.

Election will take place through secret and written ballot next week.

Very sincerely yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Secretary



*Bureau*

May 24th, 1928.

Michael Sharlitt, President,  
Cleveland Lodge I. O. B. B.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Sharlitt:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of May 7th. I am grateful to the Cleveland Lodge I. O. B. B. for the voluntary offer of service to The Bureau of Jewish Education. I need not tell you that we welcome this cooperation from your splendid organization gladly and with eagerness.

We are at present in conference with The Jewish Welfare Federation looking towards some form of organic relationship between The Bureau and The Welfare Federation. We hope that a way will be found to establish Jewish education in our community on a par with the philanthropic agencies which are receiving fixed community support. I shall keep in touch with you as to the developments.

With kindest regards and thanking you again for your interest, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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2480 E. 22 Street,  
Cleveland, O.

May 28, 1928.

Mr. Julius Tuteur,  
1734 Ivanhoe Road,  
City.

Dear Mr. Tuteur:-

I know that in the past you have been vitally interested in, and have been a contributor to the Bureau of Jewish Education in the sum of \$1,000 annually. Due to many conditions this year our campaign lacks about \$20,000 of meeting our minimum budget.

This budget has been pared down to the bone and we are facing a huge deficit as a result of which we are faced with the unfortunate prospect of turning a thousand pupils out of the Hebrew schools.

I am therefore writing you personally in the hope that you will reinstate your pledge in its original sum of \$1,000.

Cordially yours,

Geo. J. Klein

Chairman, Emergency Committee  
BUREAU OF JEWISH EDUCATION

GRK M



ELECTRIC VACUUM CLEANER CO. INC.  
CLEVELAND, U.S.A.

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

May 31st, 1928.

Abba Hillel Silver,  
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Silver:-

I am in receipt today of a request for  
additional subscription from Mr. Geo. J. Klein, as per  
attached.

I have written him as per enclosed copy.

Very cordially yours,

*Julius Tuteur*

JT-DW.  
Enclo.





Electric Vacuum Cleaner Co. Inc.  
CLEVELAND, OHIO

May 31st, 1928.

George J. Klein,  
Chairman, Emergency Committee  
Bureau of Jewish Education,  
2480 E. 22nd St.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your letter of May 28th and note contents thereof.

Please be advised that my subscription was given with the distinct understanding that no part of it could be used for the support of the Hebrew schools.

I am not at all interested in this part of the work, and have continuously opposed it as it is entirely foreign to the thought that induced me to support the Bureau of Jewish Education.

I am not at all surprised that you will have a deficit to support the Hebrew schools, as I feel that the Hebrew schools should be an entirely different organization.

In the meantime I certainly will not subscribe any further money, and request that the donation I have given be only used for the Sunday-School work.

Very truly yours,

SIGNED JULIUS TUTEUR

JT-DW.

CC. to Abba Hillel Silver



June 18th, 1928.

Mr. Alfred Sachs,  
Ulmer Bldg.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Sachs:-

Please send me a statement of  
all the outstanding bills of The Bureau of  
Jewish Education, itemized.

Are you distributing the un-  
solicited cards among the Board Members?

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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ALFRED H. SACHS,  
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EDUCATIONAL DIRECTOR

June  
Twenty-first  
1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
City.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Referring to your inquiry, I beg to state that the Bureau has no outstanding bills at the present time, - we are all paid up. Our only obligations are: \$4,000 to the Midland Bank and the budgetary appropriations for the Hebrew schools, Sunday schools, Teachers Institute, and the Bureau office, which we are paying regularly twice a month.

For the 6½ month period - June 15 - Dec. 30, 1928 we shall expend according to our budget the sum of \$26,900. For this we have now a balance of about \$4,500, which means that we still have to collect \$22,400 between now and Dec. 30th or probably about \$22,500 during the last six months of this year. This is approximately the same sum as was collected during the last six months of last year. With some of last year's balances that are still collectible, also some of the mail renewals that are slowly coming in, I hope to be able to collect this sum this year as well. If we do collect this amount, it will make it possible for us to go through with the \$60,000 budget plus about \$3,000 in indebtedness of last year, that we have paid up.

I have been busy this week with collection efforts, preparing enrollment and elimination analyses for the Federation Committee, also in preparing and gathering some educational material for Camp Wise. I expect to undertake the distribution of prospect cards among Board members next week immediately after our meeting. We ought to discuss this matter at the meeting and impress the members with the importance of thus raising additional funds. The cards that I have prepared are not all of such people as have not been entirely solicited. Some have already given small amounts and in my opinion could be induced to increase, on a plea of emergency need, provided, of course, that they are approached by the proper people. I do not, of course, believe that there will be more than 8 or 10 Board members taking such cards, and I don't know how many will actually do the work. I still think that a special luncheon called and presided over by you where Board members and other friends of the Bureau would be present would be productive of more results. Even though not all of the people called would come



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there would still be a larger nucleus to work with than the few more active members of our Board.

The separate campaigning by the Talmud Torah people ought to be gone into carefully at the next meeting. I believe there are many implications in their effort which are not as simple as they appear to be on the surface.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

*Alfred H. Sachs*  
Executive Director

AHS M





Minutes of a meeting of the Joint  
Jewish Education Committee, held  
on Friday, June 22, at 12:00 M at  
the Armchair Club, Hollenden Hotel.

The following were present: Mrs Sieg Herzog, presiding, Messrs. Kleinman, Grossman, Sinks, Garber, Bing, Friedland, Sachs, Goldhamer, Slawson, and Dr Cameron of Cincinnati; Mesdames Grossman, Cohn and Reich.

The minutes of the last meeting, held on June 15, were approved as read.

Mr Sachs presented a statement of the Extension Education Program of the Bureau of Jewish Education which is herewith attached as Exhibit A. Eleven items of activities were enumerated four of which have not as yet been undertaken because of lack of funds or inadequacy of staff.

There was then presented an enrollment elimination analysis for the nine month period, September 1927 to May 1928, in which the enrollment elimination ratios for the Hebrew schools and the community Sunday schools were compared. The memorandum is herewith attached as Exhibit B. It was noted that the per cent of total enrollment permanently eliminated after deducting readmissions was 32 for the ten week-day afternoon schools of the Hebrew School and Institute, and 48% for the six one day-a-week schools of the Council of Jewish Women.

The reasons for the large per cent of eliminations, particularly that pertaining to the community Sunday schools were then discussed.

Dr Cameron, Educational Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, who was present at the meeting, indicated that the very large enrollment mortality in the Sunday schools deserved further serious analysis, the experience of the Hebrew schools being similar to that of other cities.

Mr Garber stated that, in his opinion, the cause for the large elimination in the community Sunday schools in spite of the fact that tuition was free, was due in a large measure to the emphasis that has been placed by the Bureau of Jewish Education on reaching large numbers rather than an attempt at an intensive education program for a smaller share of the Jewish school population. He felt that the very rapid expansion of the community Sunday schools was of an artificial nature. Hence, the enrollment mortality was simply symptomatic of a superimposition of a Sunday school type of Jewish education program upon a segment of the Cleveland Jewish population not affiliated with temples or other congregations with educational facilities, and to whom a Sunday school type of education was foreign and unnatural.

Mr Garber further stated that from the very beginning of the Bureau's existence, a relatively disproportionate allotment of funds and resources were made available to the Sunday school system as contrasted to the Hebrew schools. There appeared to be either a negative or indifferent attitude on the part of the Bureau, he indicated, in its relation to the



Hebrew schools. According to Mr Garber, Cleveland is over Sunday-schooled. The Sunday school concept is a new one with the Jewish masses for it is only of two generations' duration.

Mr Garber summarized his point of view by stating that (1) the majority of parents of the children are not interested in the community Sunday school type of education, and look upon it as a charity instrument, and (2) the Bureau caused Cleveland to become over Sunday-schooled by artificially forcing a community Sunday school program on a clientele that is either unreceptive or indifferent.

Mr Bing indicated that, from his experience, it appeared that the groups in control of the giving resources of the community were not in harmony with the point of view fostered by the Hebrew school group. They were not sympathetic to an intensive Hebrew education curriculum. He further stated that it is quite conceivable that with longer stay in this country conceptions with reference to ethnic educational values may change with a result that the intensive Hebrew education program might be subjected to a great deal of modification. He indicated that there were some who were of the opinion that the creation of a new type of school in which the various points, with reference to Jewish education, would blend, was desirable. Mr Bing also indicated that, from his experience, he was not inclined to the conviction that the products of the Hebrew schools were necessarily such as to be indicative of continued interest and contact with basic Hebraic cultural values.

Dr Cameron stated that there is a growing recognition among official bodies that the present Sunday school educational program is inadequate. Two results have been evidenced in recent years as indicative of this recognition; (1) the Union of American Hebrew Congregations and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, being the official organs of the lay and rabbinic groups of reformed Jewry in this country, are in the process of consummating plans whereby the instruction time will be increased in the congregational Sunday schools, planning ultimately a two-day-a-week program instead of the present one-day. Both of these organizations have recognized Hebrew as an integral part of the Sunday school curriculum and there are indications that 50% of the instruction time will be devoted to Hebrew.

Dr Cameron then further pointed out that the question as to the extent that Hebrew shall form part of the Jewish education curriculum is primarily one of technique and should be left for solution to the professional Jewish educator in the same manner that matters related to pedagogical technique in the public schools are left to the professional educator. Furthermore, regardless of what attitude the laymen, constituting a board may have, individually, toward Hebrew culture per se, they are obligated to give cognizance to the social service point of view which involves the recognition that there exists a clientele desiring Hebrew education as a vehicle for the elevation of its cultural



tone and as a means of individual and group personality expression. Hence, the lay leadership of any community should concern itself with the provision of this medium on the same basis as, for instance, provision for kashruth is made in a hospital in spite of the fact that kashruth may have neither<sup>a</sup> logical nor a theological appeal to the individual lay board member. Such concern represents, of course, a minimum amount of interest in the subject of Jewish education. In Jewish education, as in social work, the community's interest needs must form the basis of action, according to Dr Cameron.

Mr Friedland proposed the view that the question of inclusion of Hebraic language and literature in the Jewish education curriculum was not merely a matter of technique but was a matter of philosophy and principle because questions relative to ultimate products and adjustment processes were involved. The lay group has the right to concern itself with the underlying principles and not merely be satisfied with tolerance for the interests and desires of the clientele.

Mr Friedland stated further that after many years of contemplation, he is of the conviction that the only product worth preserving in what is spoken of as Jewishness, is Jewish culture; that Hebrew is the most significant group integrator; that Hebrew is probably the only mechanism making for individual Jewish creativeness; that language and literature are progressively becoming the only distinguishing features of an ethnic culture.

Mr Friedland then pointed out that in Cleveland there has been marked progress in the generation of interest in the Hebrew language and literature as evidenced by the increasing number of graduates that are being turned out by the Hebrew School and Institute. The following figures give the number of graduates since 1923.

1923	12
1924	24
1925	50
1926	55
1927	68

He also pointed out that the Hebrew Training School of the Institute, having an enrollment of 120, was gradually making available to the Cleveland community a trained pedagogical personnel.

Mr Grossman stated that it was not particularly Hebrew that was attacked by many groups in the community, but that the efficiency of the Jewish pedagogical methods, in themselves, required careful scrutiny and evaluation.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

J SLAWSON  
Secretary



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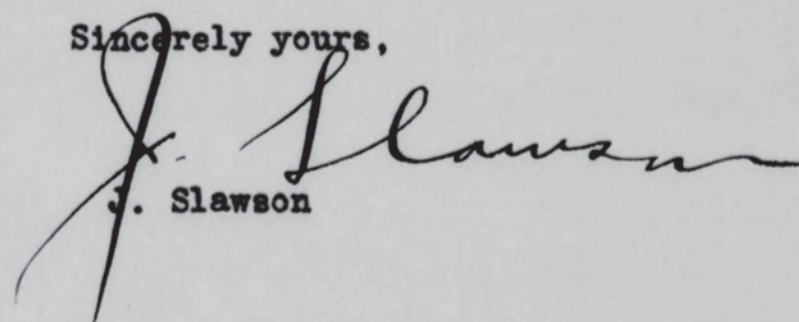
Rabbi A H Silver  
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E 105th Street & Ansel Road  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing, herewith, minutes of the meeting of the Joint Jewish Education Committee held on Friday, June 22.

Since you were absent from that meeting, and were not present Sunday night when these minutes were read, I thought you would be interested in seeing them, especially because a number of the statements refer directly to the methods of operation of the Bureau.

Sincerely yours,

  
J. Slawson

JS:BEK

(encl.)



Bureau

June 27, 1928.

Dr. J. Slawson,  
c/o The Jewish Welfare Federation,  
507 Hanna Bldg.,  
City.

My dear Dr. Slawson:

Permit me to thank you for sending me the minutes of the meeting of the Joint Jewish Education Committee held on Friday, June 22nd. I was interested in the discussion on the enrollment elimination ratios for the Hebrew schools and the community Sunday schools.

I should like to make some comments upon some of the statements made at the meeting: Mr. Garber's statement that the enrollment mortality in the community Sunday schools "was simply symptomatic of a superimposition of a Sunday school type of Jewish education programme upon a segment of the Cleveland Jewish population to whom a Sunday school type of education was foreign and unnatural" is to my mind not correct. I am afraid that in Mr. Garber's case, the wish is father to the thought.

The community Sunday schools suffered from a serious lack of adequate supervision and administration. Very little expert and persistent thought and planning went into these schools. It might interest you to know that in 1925-6 the mortality rate in the council Sunday schools was 56%. One year later as a result of the efforts of Miss Nettie Lumberg who was then in charge of the extension department of the Bureau and who set about scientifically to build up the morale of the schools, to interest the parents and to follow up the absentees, the rate dropped to 46% - gain of 10% in one year. This work was somewhat relaxed in 1927-8 as a result of the resignation of Miss Lumberg and the rate has mounted again a percent and one half. There is no conceivable reason why the elimination percentage in the Council Sunday schools should not approximate that in the Temple Sunday schools if the former were given the same type of organization and supervision.



Mr. Garber and the friends of the Talmud Torah ought to face the facts about Hebrew education frankly. Most of the children attending the Talmud Torahs are of the poorer or the lower middle classes of our people. As soon as the Jews of eastern-European origin gain in wealth, they stop sending their children to the Hebrew schools. Nothing better illustrates this point than a comparison of the enrollment population in the Sunday school of The Jewish Center with that of the Talmud Torah of the same institution. Whereas 850 children of Center members attend the Center Sunday School, only about 100 to 150 attend the Talmud Torah (a few more may be attending other branches of the Talmud Torah, but the number is negligible). It should also be borne in mind that almost 80% of the graduates of the Talmud Torahs are girls.

Perhaps the more well-to-do parents feel that a four or five day-a-week Hebrew school is too heavy a programme for their children. Might not a two or three day-a-week programme appeal to them more? There ought to be two types of curricula in the Hebrew schools: One designed for those who want intensive Hebrew education; the other designed for those who wish to devote to it but two or three hours a week. Until such a revision is made in the programme of the Hebrew schools, the Council Sunday schools must continue as the only educational agency in existence in our community which is able to serve those children and those parents who wish to devote no more than one day, or two or three hours a week to Jewish instruction.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Gentlemen:

I have no recollection of the enclosed pledge. It seems to me that I did make a pledge of this kind sometime in the past, but that should not necessarily follow that it is a permanent one.

I would like to have you let me know when the 1928 pledge was made.

Very truly yours,

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S. M. GROSS

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

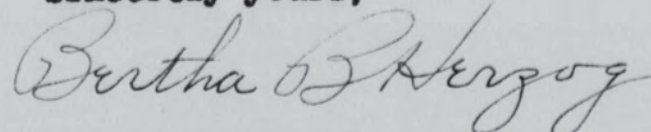
The Joint Jewish Education Committee will meet on Friday, July 13, at 12 M, at the Armchair Club, Hollenden Hotel.

The financial statement of the Bureau of Jewish Education will be presented at this meeting and the place and function of the Bureau will be considered.

The final statement of "Objectives and Underlying Bases of Jewish Education" is herewith enclosed.

I trust to see you at the meeting as this will probably be the last one prior to the final consideration of the report.

Sincerely yours,



Mrs Siegmund Herzog, President  
THE JEWISH WELFARE FEDERATION

(encl.)



July 13th, 1928.

Mr. S. M. Gross,  
c/o The May Co.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Gross:-

The Bureau of Jewish Education has turned over to me as its President, the letter which you addressed to it on July 7th relative to your contribution to the support of the Bureau.

You of course made no pledge for the year 1928. We have however, requested the friends of Jewish Education of Cleveland to support the work of the Bureau annually inasmuch as the schools which we have established carry on from year to year and the salaries for teachers and the cost of maintenance must be met right along. We are today giving religious education to some four thousand boys and girls in the city and we are steadily increasing our scope and I would appreciate very much if you would see your way clear to renew your contribution for this year. You would be performing a real Mitzwah.

With kindest regards to you and your dear ones, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



Bureau

July 17, 1928

Gentlemen:

I had the great pleasure of examining a manuscript for the teaching of Hebrew to young children 6 to 9 years of age. I am so impressed by the superior skill evidenced by the author and by the great pedagogical knowledge revealed by the manuscript that I feel in duty bound to recommend this manuscript to you.

I have been engaged for ten years in the study of methods of teaching languages and in the research in the field of that special language methodology. I have conducted, during that time, a laboratory for experimental work in language teaching and directed a training school in connection with Western Reserve University. I am mentioning these facts purely to give my recommendation somewhat more weight.

I understand that there is a great dearth of books suitable for the teaching of Hebrew to young children and I can well understand this fact when I see how difficult it is at present to find well organized material for the teaching of a language as generally taught as French.

Mrs. Dorothy Shuster's manuscript contains material that is intelligently selected, carefully graded, and brings out topics and vocabularies around which a child's activity is wont to center. The whole book breathes interest and reflects the experience of one who has actually lived those lessons in the classroom rather than one who has speculated at a desk far away from actual contact with the children.

I am prompted to give you this information purely in the interest of better teaching of foreign languages and specifically of Hebrew in this case. As editor-in-chief of the foreign language section of the John C. Winston Company, I have acquired some knowledge of the needs and demands of the language teachers and I have no hesitancy in saying that Mrs. Shuster's book ought to be a commercial success.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed by E.B. De Sauze )  
Director of Foreign Languages.

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## JEWISH EDUCATION SITUATION IN CLEVELAND

Summary Statement Presented to Joint Jewish Education Committee  
July 20, 1928

J. Slawson

Altho the study of the Jewish education situation in Cleveland has not yet been completed, and considerable data are still to be presented, particularly those relating to the financial aspect of the situation, nevertheless it might be of advantage to summarize the findings to date and to present a tentative plan as a preliminary for further discussion and consideration. The facts thus far ascertained point to the following:

1. As now constituted, there are in Cleveland, two affiliated Jewish school systems operating almost independently and on what might be interpreted as being a competitive basis, the Hebrew School and Institute administering an intensive type of Jewish education, and the community Sunday schools offering a rather mild form of training.
2. Relatively speaking, the Sunday schools, in the matter of extent of population reached, compare much more favorably with other cities than the Hebrew schools. This item, together with other considerations, points clearly to the need of a strengthening of the Hebrew school system, primarily thru making available additional financial resources.
3. The Bureau of Jewish Education, since its inception about four years ago, has made a contribution by the promotion of a greater interest in the general field of Jewish education, and an increased stabilization of financial support for Jewish education. While it is true that the Hebrew School and Institute has not received, in the past two years, adequate funds from the Bureau for its operating expense, and while it is further true that there was a steady progress in the income of the Hebrew School and Institute prior to the organization of the Bureau, nevertheless, it is quite clear, from the study of the trends during the past eight years, that there has been, as a result of the Bureau's organization, an increased support not only for general Jewish education but also for the Hebrew schools as well. It is doubtful whether the high mark attained in 1924 by the Hebrew Institute could have been maintained without the introduction into the Jewish education situation of Cleveland of an organized instrument for the promotion of stabilized support.

Altho the accountant's statement of the financial situation is not yet in hand, the figures now available do indicate that considering Jewish education in all of its ramifications, Hebrew schools, extension schools, community Sunday schools, propaganda, etc., Cleveland has received, during the past four years, from direct community sources, for Jewish education, about three times as much as the amount received during the four years preceding the organization of the Bureau. What the experience might have been without the Bureau is conjectural. We also know that the Hebrew schools have had an income twice as much during the four years succeeding than during the four years preceding such organization and, while an upward trend with reference to the income of the Hebrew schools might be assumed for the past four years, it is doubtful whether this trend would have brought the Hebrew school system up to any higher financial status than it now enjoys.

The fact remains, however, that the Hebrew schools are notoriously under-budgeted. From the analysis thus far made, nothing has been revealed to indicate that the Hebrew School and Institute has been in any way dealt with unjustly, considering the entire Jewish education situation from the community point of view. It might, of course, be questioned as to whether the Bureau, in its propaganda was as aggressive in its attempt to sell intensive Hebraic education as it was in its attempt to bring before the public the need for extension, religious, and Sunday school education. Or, putting the query differently, considering the magnitude and the relative significance of this aspect of the Jewish educational process, has the Bureau been sufficiently militant in its endeavor to sell to the community, an intensive Hebrew education program? Finding that the community was to a large measure unreceptive to the intensive Hebraic educational concept, it is quite conceivable that the Bureau, in its attempt to put Jewish education across, was



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Dear Rabbi Silver:

The enclosed is a copy of the summary statement which I was asked to present before the Joint Jewish Education Committee of which you are a member.

I trust that it will be possible to continue the proceedings upon the arrival of Mr Pearlstien in September. All data covering the work that has thus far been done are on file in the Federation office, together with the minutes of the meetings. A report will probably be rendered by Mr Pearlstien after the Committee has considered the matter further.

With much appreciation for the keen interest you have displayed, and bidding you a fond farewell,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

J. Slawson

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