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Central Conference of American Rabbis, 1921-1922.

October eighteenth
1921

Dr. Edward N. Calisch,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Dr. Calisch,

You are undoubtedly acquainted with the program and project of the Palestine Development Council, organized last July in Pittsburgh. The Council aims to devote itself solely to the task of assisting in the economic upbuilding of Palestine. As the enclosed prospectus will show, it intends to stimulate one economic enterprise after another, in order to make it possible for an increasingly large number of Jews to settle there.

From the Majority Report of the Committee on the President's Message, submitted to the Rochester convention of the Central Conference, which was accepted by the Conference, it is evident that the Conference is overwhelmingly in favor of assisting in this essential Jewish service. I appreciate also its hesitancy to identify itself with any political program. The Palestine Development Council, as such, has no political program. It appeals to all Jews, irrespective of their political convictions.

I wonder whether this agency is not the very one which many of the members of our Conference have been waiting for, in order to work through it for the economic rehabilitation of Palestine. If you are of the same opinion as I am, do you not be-

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lieve that a letter signed by you, addressed to all the members of the Conference, calling their attention to the work of the Council, would be helpful. You might call their attention expressly to the first enterprise of the Council, viz: The Palestine Co-Operative Company, Inc., which was established for the purpose of increasing the credit facilities of the country for the benefit of the Jews in Palestine, and more especially for the co-operative groups there.

Mr. Sol Rosenblom of Pittsburgh and Mr. Robert Zsold of New York are about to leave for Palestine to found this bank. A quarter of a million dollars has already been subscribed and is in the hands of the Committee. We are anxious for immediate assistance.

Trusting to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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October 21, 1921.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Replying to yours of the 18th inst., I wish to say that I shall be glad to bring your communication before the meeting of the Executive Board of the Conference, which will take place, providing conditions permit, on November 1st and 2nd. As to the matter itself, I feel that the plan you propose will probably appeal more closely to the members than any that has been heretofore presented. If it were possible for your Palestine Co-operative Company to divorce itself from the Zionistic organization, I feel sure that it would meet with almost unanimous approval. That, at least, is the way I feel about it.

With cordial personal greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Edward N. Calisch

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November, 1921

DEAR COLLEAGUE:

The Executive Board of the Conference had its regular fall meeting November 1st and 2nd at Cincinnati. I submit to you herewith a short digest of what was done.

The following men were elected members of the Conference: Carl M. Herman, Alvin S. Luchs, Harry S. Margolis, Bernard J. Stern, Jacob H. Skirball, Henry J. Berkowitz, Hyman Iola, Irving F. Reichert and Frederick I. Rypins. In this connection it will interest you to know that a resolution was adopted by the board to the effect that hereafter a list of all applications for membership shall be sent to all members of the Conference one month before being balloted upon.

At the meeting of the board in Washington last March it was resolved that the President, with a Committee, confer with the President of the Jewish Publication Society with regard to the price of the new Bible translation which at that time was set at \$2.00. I am pleased to advise you that because of the representation made by this Committee to the President of the Publication Society, the price was reduced to \$1.30 becoming effective September 1st last.

Owing to the lamented death of Dr. Deutsch, new Committee appointments were made. Rabbi J. Lauterbach was made Chairman of the Committee on Responsa and Rabbi Samuel Cohon, Chairman of the Committee on Contemporaneous History.

The National Federation of Temple Sisterhoods has undertaken to raise the sum of \$250,000.00 for the building of a new dormitory for the Hebrew Union College. Mrs. Abram Simon, the talented wife of our Vice-President, is chairman of the Committee having this in charge. By resolution of the board of the Conference the President was authorized to urge the members of the Conference to co-operate in this enterprise and to give assistance in their local communities for the success of the campaign.

The American Jewish Relief Committee is entering upon a campaign to raise \$14,000,000.00 for the relief and rehabilitation of our suffering brethren abroad. Mr. David A. Brown of Detroit is National Chairman. The members of the Conference are requested to give every assistance in their power in support of Mr. Brown in the organization of, and co-operation with, local Committees in their respective communities.

Rabbi Samuel Freehof is Chairman of the Committee on "A Book of Devotion" for private use. This Committee invites co-operation and support from all members of the Conference in the preparation of prayers and meditations for this work. You are requested to act promptly in this connection as the Committee expects to submit a manuscript at the meeting of the Conference. Communicate with Rabbi Freehof.

An appeal was made at the meeting of the Board in the behalf of the Breslau Seminary which is in a very precarious condition. The Board regretted very much that the funds of the Conference were in such state that it was not possible to make an appropriation from them for this cause, but it commends this appeal to the sympathy and favorable consideration of the members of the Conference to send personal contributions for this purpose. These contributions may be sent either to the Treasurer of the Conference or to Mr. A. B. Seelenfreund, 1228 Tribune Bldg., Chicago, Ill., who is engaged in an effort to raise funds for the Seminary.

Fraternally,

EDWARD N. CALISCH, Pres.

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November 8, 1921.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter requesting the cooperation of the Central Conference of American Rabbis with the Palestine Development Company was laid before the Executive Board of the Conference at its meeting on last Tuesday. Your request aroused earnest and serious discussion. It was given their sympathetic consideration and there was evident a desire on the part of the members of the Board to do something along the lines you wish, if conditions permit. The discussion was finally terminated by the adoption of the following resolution, which I was instructed to forward to you. It is as follows:

"It was moved that the President notify Rabbi Silver that the Central Conference of American Rabbis is ready to cooperate in the work of the re-habilitation of Palestine, as it has repeatedly affirmed on condition that the Board of the Palestine Development Company be re-organized with equal representation of Zionists and non-Zionists."

I may add that the non-Zionist need not be members of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

I may say to you further that there was a real desire to work with your organization but that the members of the Board of the Conference are still fearful of the political-nationalistic aspect of the World Zionist Organization, but the members of the board felt that while it is true that your organization is not a part of the World Zionist Organization, yet, in the minds of the people at large, it is not sufficiently distinct therefrom. Further, it was felt that the time for cooperation is rapidly approaching, but that the moderates in the Zionist organization should come half-way to meet non-Zionists. If all Israel is asked to support the program of the work it seems but fair that all Israel should have representation on the board that outlines the program and directs the work.

I may add personally that it seems to me that if the members of your organization would show a willingness to meet us half-way that the Board of the Conference would be very happy to embrace the opportunity to work with you. There is a real desire

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, November 8, 1921.

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to help in the work of Palestine but there is still fear, as I
have said, ~~but~~ what, if you will excuse the phrase, is considered
the malign influence of the extremists of the Zionistic Organiza-
tion.

With cordial greetings and awaiting your reply, I am

Sincerely yours,

Edward N. Calisch

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November 23, 1921.

Dr. E. N. Calish,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Dr. Calish,

I know that you will pardon the delay in acknowledging your letter of November 8th. I have been out of the city most of the time.

I have sent copies of your letter to the office of the Palestine Development Committee which will undoubtedly in the very near future give earnest and thoughtful consideration to it. You will hear from me in the near future.

With kindest regards, and trusting that you are well, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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

My dear Rabbi Silver :

Yours of the 23rd instant to hand
and I desire to say that I await with great interest
the receipt of your next letter. It will prove to
be a source of much joy to me and to the members of
the conference if the way is opened for our cooperation
with you.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

Edward N. Calisch

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December 5th, 1921.

Dr. Kalish,
Richmond, Va.

E.H.
My dear Dr. Kalish,

I have just returned from a meeting of the Palestine Development Council held in New York. The Council is highly gratified to know of the readiness of the Central Conference of American Rabbis to co-operate in the work of the economic rehabilitation of Palestine. It was suggested that perhaps a better understanding as to the character of the work which we can jointly undertake as well as the question of organization and representation could be more adequately and thoroughly discussed in a conference, and the Council therefore suggests that a conference, at which two representatives of the C.A.R. and of the Palestine Development Council and if possible of the I.O.B.B. (for some of the offices have evidenced a desire to co-operate on some such basis as the C.C.A.R.) be held in the near future at a point convenient to all three parties. The conference will of course be a purely deliberative body.

If the plan is acceptable to you, would you designate a day most convenient for you. Perhaps Cincinnati or Cleveland would be the center point for you and for the I.O.B.B. office from Chicago.

Trusting that you are well, I beg to remain

Yours very sincerely

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December 16, 1921.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter of the 5th inst., was received on my return yes-
after an absence of twelve days from home, which fact I trust will
pardon the delay of this answer. Referring to your suggestion
that perhaps a better understanding can be had by a thorough dis-
cussion in a conference between the Palestine Development Council,
the I.O.B.B., and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, I
wish to say that I shall take the matter under consideration and
give you a reply thereto within a week or so.

With cordial personal greetings, I am

Sincerely,

Edward N. Calisch

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have carefully considered your letter and the proposition, and I have come to the conclusion that, without further authority from the Executive Board of the Conference, I have no right to appoint a committee for such a conference, under the terms of the resolution as adopted by the Board.

I would like to ask, does the Executive Committee of the Palestine Development Council accept the principle of equal representation on its Executive Committee?

Trusting that whatever differences may be between us may be reconciled, I am, with cordial greetings, as ever,

Sincerely yours,

Edward N. Calisch

December 24th, 1921.

Dr. Edward N. Calisch,
1643 Monument Avenue,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Dr. Calisch,

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of December 22nd. I am sorry that you could not see your way clear to join with us in the conference which we suggested. You will recall that I stated in my letter, that the conference would be a purely deliberative body.

It was our intention to suggest at this conference, that the Palestine Development Council and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, jointly undertake a specific task in Palestine. This enterprise would then of course be under the joint and equal control of both bodies. Such an arrangement the Council has recently effected in the matter of organizing a credit bank in Palestine with the Joint Distribution Committee, the I.C.A. and the Economic Council of London to the satisfaction of all the parties concerned.

I would suggest, my dear Dr. Calisch, that you reconsider your decision, and that such an informal conference as was suggested in my last letter to you, be held at a time and place convenient to us all.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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Dec. 30th, '21.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Yours of the 24th instant to hand and in reply will say that I do not feel that I have the right to appoint any representative until the conditions of the board of the conference is accepted by the P. D. C. The arrangement you propose is a new phase of the matter which I shall submit to a meeting of the executive, which I propose to call as soon as can be arranged, probably Jan. 31st. If you would give me more details of plan proposed, or have other matters that you care to submit, I shall be glad to receive it.

I wish to assure you that it is the desire of the board of the conference to see its way clear to co-operate with the P. D. C., and I must again remind you that your organization should come at least half way to meet us.

With kindest regards and the assurance of my deep esteem, I am,

Yours sincerely,

Edward N. Calisch

January 9th, 1922.

Dr. Edward N. Calisch,
Richmond, Va.

My dear Dr. Calisch,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 30th. I shall ask Mr. Jacob DeHaas, Secretary of the Palestine Development League to send you the full details of our arrangements with the Joint Distribution Committee, the ICA and the Economic Council of London, as well as one or two plans which we would propose to the C.C.A.R.

With kindest regards, and hoping that you are well, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Spoke for me
January 17, 1922.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am happy to know that you will be here to deliver a lecture on the 24th. The Chairman of the Sisterhood Committee, who has your lecture in charge, has left the city and asked me to make proper announcements. I am writing to you, therefore, to let me know by return mail what the subject of your lecture will be so that I can make this proper announcement, both from my pulpit Friday evening and through the newspapers.

I also wish to say that we are going to have our campaign for our quota of the Relief fund of \$14,000,000, from the week of January 23rd to the 30th. I am taking the liberty to ask you, if it be in any wise possible, either as a digression in your lecture, or as an appendix to it, to say something about the Relief work and to help us get our quota. I am confident that a few words from you on this topic will help us very much. This is of course subject to your pleasure and discretion.

I have received a letter from Mr. De Haas, which however is not very detailed as to information. I shall, however, bring it before the meeting of the Board, which I have called for Tuesday, the 31st inst. at the Wm. Penn Hotel in Pittsburg, to consider the question of cooperation with the P. D. L. It is only fair to you to say that I have received a visit from a representative of the Keren Hayesod and literature from him, which likewise I am going to lay before the meeting of the Board.. I am glad that I will have an opportunity to speak to you before this meeting, as then you can give me full information in the matter.

With cordial greetings, as ever,

Sincerely yours,

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Edward N. Calisch

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February 2, 1922.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have a piece of news that I think will be welcome to you. At the meeting of the Board of the Conference held in Pittsburgh last Tuesday after again a very serious and sympathetic consideration of your proposal, the Board adopted a resolution authorizing me to appoint a committee of five to meet with a similar committee of the P.D.C. to confer "as to a possible basis for cooperation in the work of the "Economic Rehabilitation of Palestine". The committee consists of Rabbis H. Wolf, L. Wolsey, L. Mann, S. Schulman and myself.

I wish to state first that I make a condition that there will be no publicity made whatsoever of this fact until after the two committees have met and conferred. I say this for the reason that I wish to avoid any possible complications that may arise in case the committees cannot come to an agreement. However, I wish you to understand that this committee has power only to work out, if possible, an agreement and report same back to the Executive Board for consideration. We have not the power to make final disposition. I am adding that it is the sentiment of the Board also that should the Board approve the findings of its committee, even then the Board can only recommend to the Conference for final action.

As doubtless the men who will constitute your committee, as well as our men are all busy, and as it will be somewhat difficult to find a convenient date, and as you are in closer touch with your members than I can be, I will leave the matter of arranging for a place and date of such meeting in your hands. As most of the men of both committees are in the East, it is doubtless true that a meeting place in the East, like New York, would prove most acceptable to all. I am mentioning this only as a suggestion. I will be grateful if you will send me at your earliest convenience the names of the members of your committee.

With assurance of my deep personal esteem, I am

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Cordially yours,

Edward N. Calisch

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Calisch

March 16, 1922

Dear Colleague:

At its meeting in Pittsburg the Executive board reiterated the position of the Conference on the use of unfermented wines, and called upon the Commissioner of internal revenue to revise his ruling, under which the privilege was given to Rabbis to sign certificates for the purchase of fermented wines and liquors for sacramental purposes. Your President communicated with the Commissioner of internal revenue and enclosed a copy of the resolution. A reply has been received saying that "regulations covering the sale and use of sacramental wine are now in course of preparation. The suggestion contained in your letter and the resolution will be given due consideration before issuing the regulations."

Meanwhile, in view of the approach of Pesach your President takes occasion to remind the members of the attitude and resolution of the Conference as regards the signing of certificates for the purchase of wines for so-called sacramental purposes. "Ye wise men, be careful of words," - written as well as spoken.

Date and place of meeting have been set for June 28-July 2nd at Cape May, New Jersey, Congress Hotel. Details of rates etc. will be sent out some weeks before the meeting. An attractive program has been prepared. One number is a responsum on the question, "Shall Women be Ordained as Rabbis in Israel." This is no mere academic question, but one of a very practical nature, and the sentiment of the Conference is wished for. There will be a thorough discussion of it. Give the matter thought and come prepared for the discussion.

In connection with the work of the coming meeting I urgently request all Committees, and especially the chairmen thereof, to complete their reports and have them ready for the pre-conference meeting of the Board, as is the requirement.

Die Hochschule fuer die Wissenschaft des Judentums in Berlin will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary on May 1st. You have doubtless received a letter from it, asking for subscriptions to

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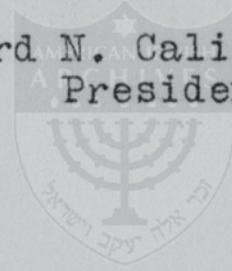
its Jubilee fund. The Board of the Conference desires to send greetings in substantial form to the Hochschule, and therefore requests all the members to send their contributions to the treasurer, Rabbi Wolsey, so that they may be sent together in the name of the Conference. While the Board certainly cannot undertake to designate each member's contribution, it is hoped that a sum equal to a minimum of \$5.00 per member will be attained. It will be very welcome to the Hochschule and it will be a graceful act on the part of the Conference.

Make your arrangements to come to the meeting.

Fraternally,

Edward N. Calisch,
President

H. J. Wolf,
Corr. Sec'y.



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March 29, 1922.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,

Cleveland, O.

Dear Colleague:-

I have heard nothing more as to the projected meeting between the P. D. C. Committee and the Conference Committee. I do hope that this matter will not be allowed to go by default. Has anything been done?

Sincerely yours,

Horace J. Wolf

March thirty-first
1922

Rabbi Horace J. Wolf,
117 Gibbs Street,
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Wolf,

I have just had word from Dr. Calisch
and we are negotiating now for a convenient date
in April for the conference. I shall send out
the invitations in a few days.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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April Sixth, 1922

Dr. Edward H. Calisch,
1643 Monument Avenue,
Richmond, Virginia.

My dear Dr. Calisch,

A meeting of the Committee appointed
by the Central Conference of American Rabbis,
with the Committee of the Palestine Development
Council, will be held Thursday, May 4th, 1922,
at 10:30 A.M., in the office of Nathan Strauss,
Aeslian Building, 42nd Street, New York City.

I have mailed notice of the meeting
to Rabbis Horace J. Wolf; Samuel Schulman;
Louis Mann and Louis Wolsey.

With kindest regards, and anticipating
the pleasure of seeing you again, I beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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LOUIS WOLSEY, Rabbi
J. H. SKIRBALL, Assistant Rabbi

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
E 55th & Central Ave.,
Cleveland, O.

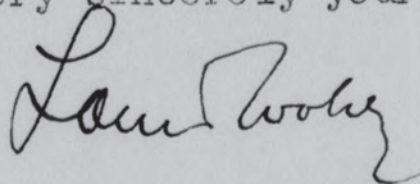
My dear Rabbi Silver:--

I have your letter calling the meeting of the representatives of the Central Conference of American Rabbis and the representatives of the Palestine Development Council, for Thursday, May 4th, in New York City. The date appears to be convenient for me, and I shall make every endeavor to be present.

I reciprocate your hope and your anticipation that you may have the pleasure of seeing me again.

Very sincerely yours,

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May 25, 1922.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

A week ago yesterday, on the 17th instant, I received a telegram from you saying that the meeting in New York had been postponed, and that a letter would follow. I have been waiting for the letter, but it has not yet come. I certainly hope that another meeting will be arranged so that we may complete the work which we began, and that it will be possible for me to report to the conference that we have reached a basis of cooperation with the P. D. C.

With deep personal regard, I am

Sincerely yours,

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Edward N. Calisch

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June 2, 1922.

Dear Colleague:-

The thirty-third annual convention of the C. C. A. R. will be held at Cape May City, N. J. beginning Wednesday, June 28th, 10 A. M., with a program extending through Sunday, July 2nd. Headquarters will be at Congress Hall. Rates have been given to conference members of \$6 and \$7 a day for American plan. These rates apply until July 3rd. For reservations address Mr. John V. Scott, Congress Hall, Cape May City, N. J. Cape May is one and a half hour's ride from Philadelphia on the Penn. R. R.

The chairmen of the several committees of the conference are reminded that all reports must be submitted to the pre-conference meeting of the executive board, which will be held on Monday and Tuesday, June 26th and 27th.

The members generally are requested to remember the subscription to the Jubilee Fund of the Hoch Schule at Berlin which is to be sent by the conference. If you have not yet made your subscription, send now to the treasurer, Rabbi Wolsey.

Though the year is drawing to its close, I venture to remind the members of the campaign of the N.F.T.S. for the H. U. C. Dormitory. The Dormitory is a crying need of the College, and must be provided for. If your community has not given its quota, use your influence to bring about its realization. There is at present no more important need before American Jewry.

The following applications for membership will come up before the executive board for action at its meeting. Every member has the privilege of expressing his opinion regarding all applications.

Rabbi F. Hirsch,
" L.I. Newman,

Sumter, S. C.
New York City.

The conference will have some very weighty matters to discuss at this convention. Make your arrangements to come and stay through the session.

Fraternally,

Horace J. Wolf,
Cor. Secy.

Edward N. Calisch,
Pres.

June 14th, 1922.

Mr. John V. Scott, Mgr.
Congress Hall,
Cape May, New Jersey.

My dear Mr. Scott,

I plan to attend the Convention
of the Central Conference of American Rabbis
beginning Wednesday, June 28th.

I would appreciate it if you would
reserve a double room and bath for me. I
plan to remain four days.

Thanking you for your kindness, I
beg to remain

Very sincerely yours,

C.C.P.
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Dear Sir:

July 27/22

I regret that I have no full copy of the agreement except my official one - I have sent out about ten since I am here and have no stenographer. But I am sure you have the original & the change reads as follows:

Paragraph V

It is further agreed that the Central Conference of American Rabbis shall call upon its members actively to support, in accordance with this agreement, the economic enterprises of the Council. The C. C. A. R. ^{or} ~~and~~ P. D. C. shall have the right to terminate this agreement at ~~their~~ its annual convention."

May I call your attention to the fact that I am not at Charleston & have not been for ten years. Hence your letter did not reach me until just now -
Cordially, Maxson -

PROPOSED AGREEMENT AS ADOPTED BY THE
CENTRAL CONFERENCE OF AMERICAN RABBIS.

WHEREAS the Palestine Development Council has been established for the sole purpose of stimulating the social economic re-construction of Palestine in co-operation with the mandatory power; and

WHEREAS the Central Conference of American Rabbis, in the course of its statement made at Rochester, 1920, said that it was the duty of all Jews to contribute to the reconstruction of Palestine, in so far as Jews may be enabled to place themselves there,

THEREFORE, the Palestine Development Council and the Central Conference of American Rabbis hereby agree, by their joint efforts, to associate themselves in the economic rehabilitation of Palestine and the promotion of the settlement in that country of such Jews as wish to go there.

FURTHER, the Palestine Development Council and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, in adopting a policy of joint active participation in the work of developing Palestine, hereby agree that such joint effort is predicated upon the understanding that neither party, as an organization, is committed to any political-nationalist program.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Central Conference of American Rabbis shall call upon its members actively to support, in accordance with this agreement, the economic enterprises of the Council, provided that this agreement may be terminated at an annual convention of the Conference or the Council.

FURTHER, that upon the acceptance of these resolutions by the Palestine Development Council and the Central Conference of American Rabbis, at their respective convention, they be given the widest publicity and be published in the program describing the aims and objects of the Central Committee of the Palestine Development Leagues.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Conference shall have a representation of six in the Palestine Development Council to belong to the group in the Council that are known as members at large. And, furthermore, the Conference shall appoint six men to serve on the Central Committee of the Palestine Development Leagues.

CONGRESS HALL

JOHN V. SCOTT, MANAGER

CAPE MAY, NEW JERSEY



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HISTORY OF CAPE MAY

CAPTAIN KORNELIS JACUBUS MEY, a Dutchman, was the first explorer of Delaware Bay and River. It is recorded of him, that, as early as 1623, he was among the first settlers who formed a village at Gloucester Point and there built Fort Nassau for its defence. From him, our prominent points of port entrance derived their names. Thus our Cape May retains his surname and the inner cape of the southern side of the bay once bore his baptismal name—Cornelius. The name of Hinlopen was at the same time bestowed upon the outer cape in honor of a Dutch navigator of the name of Jelmer Hinlopen. The bay itself was called Zuydt baai, but oftener Goodyn's Bay—the latter in honor of Samuel Goodyn, one of the partners of the purchase of Cape May county from the Indian Chieftains in 1630. Beginning about 1801, Cape May became one of the earliest of summer resorts. Commodore Decatur was among the first distinguished men to be attracted by the simple seaside charm of the place and for a hundred years it was a favorite resting place for statesmen, and politicians of national eminence. They travelled here by stage, sailing sloop or in their own carriages. People from Baltimore and the south

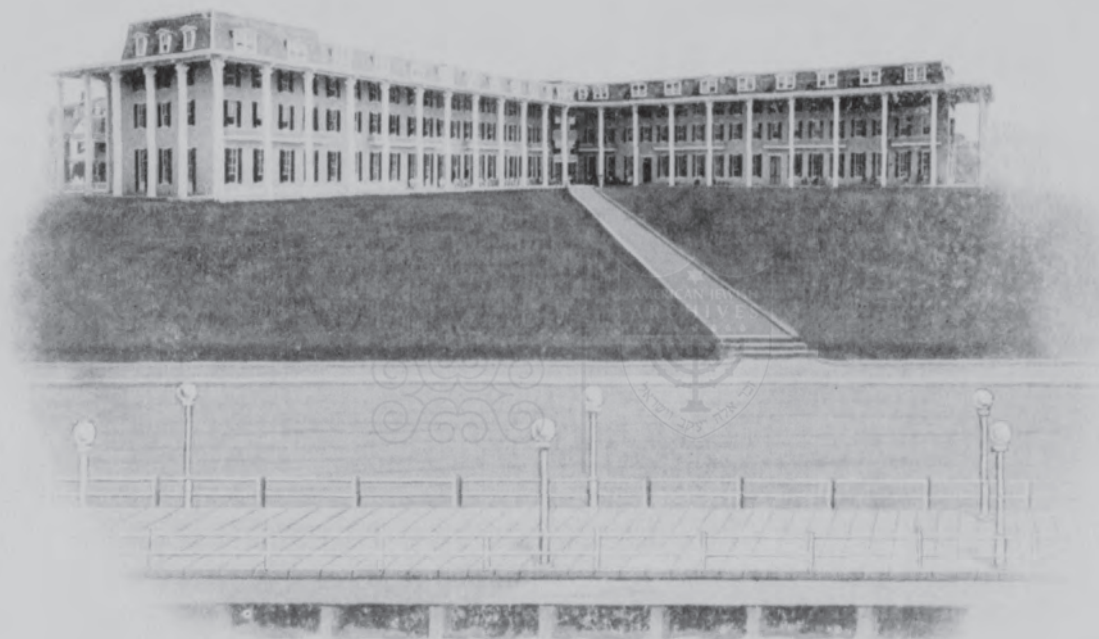
particularly sought the place because it was easily accessible from the head of Chesapeake Bay by an old railroad, long since abandoned, to Newcastle on the Delaware, whence sail or steam boats went to Cape May. Presidents, cabinet officers, senators, and congressmen sought the invigorating air of the Cape and the attractions of the old village, its seafaring life, the sailing, fishing and bathing on the best beach of the coast. Congress Hall, their favorite hotel, became famous and during a large part of the 19th century, presidential policies are said to have been planned within its walls.

This famous hotel has been the home of four presidents. Franklin Pierce came in 1856, the last summer of his term, and in 1859 President James Buchanan was a patron there; in 1874 and 1875 President Grant lived there. All his cabinet were there, and many cabinet meetings were conducted in the summer period. When President Benjamin Harrison lived in the Summer White House at Cape May Point, Congress Hall was the executive office, and there Elijah Halford, his private secretary presided. In the season of 1891, many foreign diplomats were housed at the old hostelry.

CONGRESS HALL is noted for its homelike and comfortable accommodations. It has two hundred rooms and eighty private baths; all rooms have hot and cold running water.

The Service and cuisine on the American plan are of the best, and will satisfy the most discriminating of guests.

Excellent state highways, ideal for automobile travelling, lead directly to the hotel, and well managed, roomy garages are situated nearby.

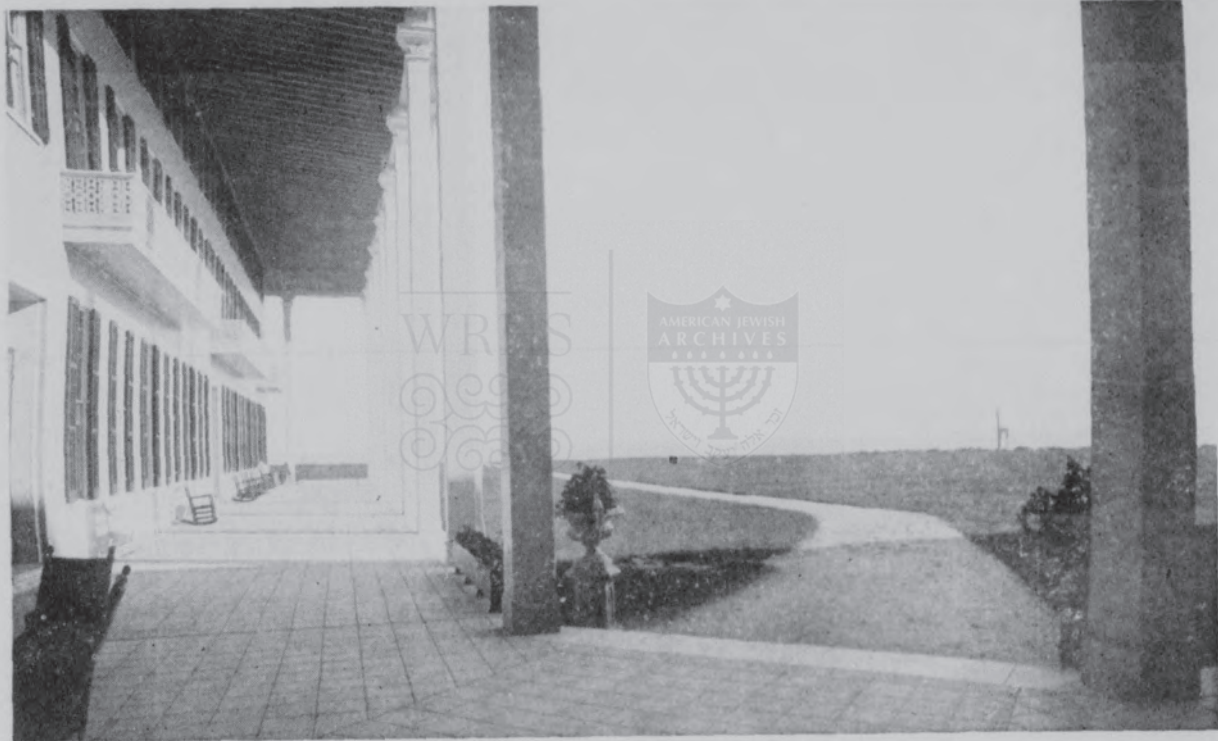


Our kitchen is unsurpassed. — A high-class chef insures entire satisfaction to our guests. The management in the dining room is under very competent head waiters, and the service is by white waitresses.

After dinner, the lobby is given up to concerts or dancing, thus no evening passes without its round of pleasure.



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Double Room, with bath, 2 single beds	126.00--140.00—175.00	10.00 up, each person

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