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LaFollette Presidential Campaign, 1924-1925.

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GUEST

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for the

CUYAHOGA COUNTY CONVENTION, CONFERENCE FOR PROGRESSIVE POLITICAL ACTION

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# Ca Follette-Wheeler Progressive Headquarters

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

It has occurred to me that you would likely be interested in the election of Robert M. La Follette to the presidency of the United States. I feel that if you are interested you may be able to take some part in the speaking campaign which will be necessary to make his plan and policy so widely understood as to make his election certain.

This campaign depends entirely for its support on the contributions of its friends. The services on the platform of so capable a public speaker as yourself would prove invaluable.

Could you give one or more addresses in our behalf? Would you be willing to go to other parts of the country?

While our finances are limited we expect of course to take care of all expenses incurred.

I know it is unnecessary for me to emphasize the importance at this time of all thinking people to line up with the Progressive forces who are supporting Robert M. La Follette.

Our Cause needs you Rabbi Silver. The American people need the inspiration that we all receive from your eloquence.

May we present you to them?

Cordially yours,

David K. Niles, Director.

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12418 THE BROTHERHOOD'S CO-OPERATIVE NATIONAL BANK of Spokane Spokane, Washington August 28, 1924 U. S. Sign Co .. Spokane, Wash. Attention: Mr. A. D. Loraine Gentlemen: Your differences with the Labor organizations have developed to such a point that this Bank is obliged to take notice of them in connection with the line of credit that has been extended to you. As you are aware, it is our policy to support and assist the Labor movement when not inconsistent with good banking practice. The greater majority of our depositors are members of labor organizations and the stock of this Bank is very largely held by men who carry Union cards. Under these circumstances it is not possible for us to continue business relations with you when by so doing we might even indirectly assist in the establishment of the "Open Shop" in your business. It is also our belief that your failure to adjust your differences with the Union and operate a Union shop is materially to your disadvantage and is bound to impair your credit standing. For these reasons it is necessary for us to advise you that it will be impossible to renew any part of your loan which becomes due September 20th. We hope that it will not inconvenience you to take care of this paper when it matures. Thanking you for your past business, we are Yours very truly, HAM: BH H. A. Merrick Acting Cashier.

August Twenty-eighth 1924

Mr. Daniel R. Niles, Director, La Follette-Wheeler Headquarters, Morrison Hotel, Chicago, Ills.

My dear Mr. Rane,

please pardon the delay in enswering your letter of August fourteenth. I have just returned from a short vacation and I hasten to reply.

I should very much like to participate in the campaign in behalf of La Follette. I am, however, very deeply engrossed in the work of completing our new Temple structure at the present time. It may be possible for me to give you one or two dates the latter half of Ostober, in order to address some out of town meetings.

I will, of course, do all I can locally.

With kindest regards, I am Very sincerely yours, OF THE

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Rev. Abba Hillel Silver, E. 105th St., at Ansel Rd., Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi:-

We have yours of the 28th inst., and are glad to know that you may be available for one or two days in the latter half of October for out of town meetings.

very possible that we may have the most urgent need of speakers and your availability will be very fortunate.

assuring you of our appreciation of your cooperation, we are.

Very truly yours,

David K. Miles, Director.

August 29,1924.

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# OHIO FOR LAFOLLETTE

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Dear Sir: -

Mr. David K. Niles of LaFollette
National Headquarters, advises us that your
services will be available for a few out of town
LaFollette meetings during the month of October.

supply this office with the dates during the month of October which you have open for this work?

We feel that your services will be a valuable addition to our campaign and we wish to thank you for any service you may be able to render us.

Cordially yours,

Norville D. Mook,

State Executive Secretary.

September 8th, 1924.

## BASIL M. MANLY WASHINGTON, D. C.

605 Fendall Building, September 11, 1924.

Rabbi Alva H. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The encouragement given us by the decided stand of liberal clergymen such as yourself has awakened the hope that it would be possible for these liberal clergymen to issue some joint statement similar to the one made by the five hundred clergymen of the Church of England during the last general elections in that country favoring the Labor Party program.

The preliminary work of mobilizing the liberal clergymen and in laying the groundwork for the issuance of a concrete
statement would, of course, have to be done by some carefully
selected voluntary committee. We have in mind one composed of
yourself, and a Catholic and a Protestant of equal prominence.
The drudgery of correspondence and other detail work connected
with gathering the names would, of course, be taken care of by
the Washington headquarters of the La Follette movement. At the
same time, nothing would be sent out which would not meet with
your approval and that of the other two members of the committee
when they are selected.

Hoping that you will see your way clear to serving in such a movement, and anticipating an early and favorable reply.

Sincerely yours,

Bail M Manly

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Mr. Basil M. Manly, 605 Fendall Building, Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Manly,

I shall be pleased to co-operate with representatives of the other denominations in drafting a joint statement touching the issues of the coming election.

with kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

La tollette BASIL M. MANLY WASHINGTON, D. C. 605 Fendall Building. September 24. 1924. Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. The Temple, East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Dr. Silver: This is to thank you for your most cordial note under date of September 12, in which you state that you will be pleased to cooperate with the representatives of other denominations in drafting a joint statement touching the issues of the coming election. Inasmuch as the element of time is exceedingly pressing. we would be glad to have you send to us without any further delay your idea of a statement which would appeal to the clergymen of your own church and others. At the same time, let me ask that you favor us with the names of all Rabbis known to yourself as being for the La Follette ticket, and another list of those who you think are of sufficiently liberal tendencies as to be amenable to this idea. Let me suggest that you might also write us a letter which could be reproduced for distribution through these offices to the clergy of your church, especially to those names given in the list which we have solicited from you. Sincerely yours, Basil m. manly

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Some time ago you wrote us saying that you would be available for a few speaking dates in October.

very close now, we would appreciate a word from you as to just when you would be available. We want very much to have you for at least one meeting in New York and one in Boston.

earliest convenience just how much of your time we can depend upon and when this will be

Cordially yours,

September 25, 1924.

David K. Niles, Director.

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BASIL M. MANLY WASHINGTON, D. C.

605 Fendall Building, October 1, 1924.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Several days ago we received a letter from you in which you expressed your willingness to sign a suitable joint statement when the names of other clergymen of a similar point of view to yourself were secured.

In replying to this, we asked you to send us as complete a list as possible of politically liberal Rabbis. We realize that the intensive campaign that is now being conducted in Ohio and your participation in it is making heavy drains on your time, but we are in need of a list of such leaders of your Church, and without wishing to appear importunate, would ask that you send it to us if possible.

Sincerely yours,

Basil M Manly

October 2nd, 1924. Mr. Jacob Landan, 132 Nassau Street, New York City. My dear Mr. Landan, I am interested in the forthcoming campaign in the capacity not of a Rabbi but of a citizen. I have long looked forward to the organization of a third party - a Liberal Party. The movement headed today by LaFollette promises to be the nucleus of just such a party. The Republicans and Democrats are no longer distinguished by any characteristic issues or platforms. These parties should merge into one conservative party. There is a legitimate place in American public life for it. The liberals of both of these parties should find their logical place in a new progressive party such as LaFollette offers. The Republican party should this year be decisively rebused on the basis of its recent record of corruption, evasiveness and lack of leadership. The Democratic party, sad to say, has in recent years had neither record no platform. Very sincerely yours,

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NATIONAL LAFOLLETTE AND WHEELER COMMITTEE VERY HAPPY YOUR CONSENT TO

TAKE LEADERSHIP CLEVELAND IN EFFORT SECURE SPECIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS TO

CARRY STATE AND NATIONAL TREASURIES OVER PEAK LOAD AND YOUR

PROMISE PERSONAL COOPERATION WITH OUR FIELD MAN JOHNSON WHO

REPRESENTS NATIONAL FINANCE COMMITTEE IN OHIO STOP WILL YOU PLEASE SAY

TO YOUR ASSOCIATES IN THIS WORK THAT NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS IS IN

EXTREMELY PERILOUS FINANCIAL SITUATION AND DESPARATELY NEEDS

ASSISTANCE IF WE ARE TO MEASURE UP TO OUR OPPORTUNITIES WHAT

WE NEED IS IMMEDIATE MONEY

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LA FOLLETTE-WHEELER PROGRESSIVE HEADQUARTERS 4TH FLOOR MACHINISTS' BUILDING 9TH AND MASSACHUSETTS AVE., N. W. WASHINGTON, D. C. number 20 605 Fendall Building, JOINT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE October 12, 1924. JOHN M. NELSON Chairman Wisconsin Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, ROBERT M. LA FOLLETTE, JR. The Temple, Vice Chairman East 105th Street at Ansel Road, Madison, Wisconsin Cleveland. Ohio. MRS. EDWARD P. COSTIGAN Secretary Dear Dr. Silver: Washington, D. C. MRS. ELIZABETH G. EVANS Your letter containing list of politically Boston, Mass. liberal Rabbis has been received, and all of them LYNN J. FRAZIER will be sent letters asking them for an expression North Dakota of their opinion. Their names will, of course, MORRIS HILLQUIT under no circumstances be used until we have their New York full sanction for such use. WILLIAM H. JOHNSTON Washington, D. C. Your suggestion that the names not be used BASIL M. MANLY separately but that they be listed along with those Washington, D. C. of other creeds is a good one, and it was exactly the D. W. ROBERTSON manner in which we were intending to handle Cleveland, Ohio RUDOLPH SPRECKLES Should the names of others in addition to San Francisco, Calif. those already sent occur to you in the near future, EDWARD KEATING you will help us greatly by forwarding them. Washington, D. C. HERMAN E. WILLS Sincerely yours, Washington, D. C. For Basil M. Manly Chairman, Committee on Organization. GEH/PDT

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October 13, 1924.

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, 1485 E. 106th St., CLeveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Silver:

The time for electing National, State and local officials will soon be at hand. The Republican party believe that in the election of its candidates rests the stability of our Government and the principles upon which it was founded.

The issue is not similar to those presented in the past in that it is largely one of conservative Americanism against an element which aims to over turn the basic principles of government and industry.

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The election of these candidates depends largely on the efforts made in their behalf, which efforts require not only the expenditure of time but money. Athout funds these efforts are greatly curtailed.

The Finance Committee of Cuyahoga County has been directed to raise funds for this purpose. Because of the shortness of time it is impossible to see you in person. Consequently we are asking you to let us hear from you by return mail with the understanding that your contribution will be for County, State and National purposes and insure election of the entire Republican ticket.

Your prompt cooperation is earnestly requested and your contribution should be sent to Carmi A. Thompson, Treasurer, 716 Hickox Building.

Cordially yours,

Vice-Chairman

Chester C. Bolton

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Washington, D. C.

October 15, 1924.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed is a statement setting forth the attitude of the clergy who are supporting the candidacy of Senators La Follette and Wheeler. This statement has been prepared by Bishop Paul Jones, Rev. Edmund B. Chaffee, Rev. John Nevin Sayre, and others.

We believe that you would be willing to sanction the use of your name in connection with this statement for public distribution.

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PERMISSION TO USE YOUR NAME. ADDRESS: 605 Fendall Building,

Washington, D. C.

Sincerely yours,

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For Basil M. Manly, Chairman, Committee on Organization. 

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Dear Sir:-

over to us your contribution towards the campaign fund.

donation and assure you that we are making dollars go farther than they have ever gone before towards our success in the oming election.

Yours for success,

Norville D. Mook

State Executive Secretary

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Rubbi A. H. Silver, 1485 E. 106th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A short time ago a letter was sent you asking for your help in the form of a contribution to the Republican Campaign Fund, National, State and County. No response seems to have been received from you, and as it is essential we receive financial aid in order to carry on a successful campaign, I am again asking your support.

This campaign is not similar to those presented in the past in that it is largely one of conservative Americanism against an element which laims to overturn the basic principles of government and industry.

The necessity for combating the element which would disrupt business conditions and disregard the basis of our government is real and imperative. The feeling of apathy and lack of interest can only be removed through efforts which require not only the expenditure of time but money. Without this necessary help it will be impossible to successfully meet this issue.

Will you give this matter your very serious and prompt attention. I trust you are sufficiently alive to the situation to help in the work, and to send a contribution promptly to Carmi A. Thompson, Treasurer, 716 Hickox Building.

Cordially yours,

Chester C. Bolton

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EAST 105 ST AN ANSEL ROAD CLEVELAND OHIO

MASS MEETING AT AUDITORIUM FRIDAY EVENING OCTOBER THIRTY FIRST
INSISTS THEY MUST HAVE YOU AS SPEAKER COULD YOU POSSIBLY ACCEPT
DAVID K NILES.

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Telegram to

David Miles,

Care La Follette Headquarters

Mechanics Building, Washington, D3C.

Regret exceedingly cannot attend mass meeting.

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A.R. H. Silver

Collect Day Message to

Sunday, October 25th, 1924

David Niles, LaFollette Campaign Committee Chicago, Ills.

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#### LA FOLLETTE - WHEELER PROGRESSIVE CAMPAIGN HEADQUARTERS

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

ERNEST GRUENING. DIRECTOR OF PUBLICITY

#### RELEASE FOR SUNDAY LORNING PAPERS, OCTOBER 26.

WASHINGTON, D. C., OCTOBER 25: - Five thousand clergymen of all denominations have launched a crusade against corruption in government and in a formal potition, are calling on the people of America to put Robert M. La Follette in the White House.

The petition, which is signed by prominent members of practically all protestant groups, the Catholic church and the Jewish faith, points out the moral issues of the campaign and urges all interested in honest government to join the Independent-Progressive movement.

The petition, and the names of some of the signers taken at random from the list, follow:

We, the undersigned, ordained ministers in our several denominations, believe that this presidential campaign challenges the American people with issues which are fundamentally moral. While differing among ourselves in many details we are united in the belief that the progressive movement deserves the support of all who are devoted to high social ideals.

- First. Senator La Follette's record indicates that he would put an end to the reign of corruption at Washington. He would appoint and keep only honest officials in his cabinet and administration. This is essential if the people are to preserve their faith in our American institutions.
- Second. He is opposed to war and the war system. He is for drastic reductions in those extreme military and naval expenditures which are the outstanding threat to the peace of the world. He would help America to lead in world disarmatent. He is opposed to that financial imperialism which has so disgrated us in Haiti, Sante Domingo and other lands to the south and which in itself scatters the seeds of war. He is for treaty agreements looking to the outlawry of war. Deeper and more fundamental than any question of the League of Nations or the World Court is the question of basic attitude. Mr. La Follette has that without which no plan can prevent war -- he has the will to peace.
- Third. He would direct his administration toward the solution of our oconomic problems and perhaps most important at the present juncture (the logical outcome of his past achievements) he would free our constitutional processes so that they may be fully responsive to the will of the people. In this we see the greatest safeguard for democratic government, to the end that whatever economic changes the future may desire may be accomplished by orderly methods.
- Fourth. It has now become clear to all thinking men that there is no longer any substantial difference between the two old parties. It is time that there was a true and honest political alignment. A vote for La Follette is a vote for a new party which will stand squarely on vital issues. Only thus can we have orderly progress, progress in accord with American ideals and institutions.

The above are we believe among the foremost of the issues of this campaign. As to other natters we have confidence in Senator La Follette's personal integrity. A record of more than forty years in public service, with more constructive legislation to his credit than can be claimed by any of his contemporaries, makes his proposals more than a platform, - they are pledges that can be taken at full value.

#### SIGNED BY

Rev. Frod E. Aden, University M.E. Church, University of Colorado, Boulder, Colorado Rev. Thec. Andreo, New Kensington, Pa.

Rev. Francis B. Barnett, Roxboro, Phila., Pa. Rev. Wade Crawford Barclay, Cincinnati, O.

Prof. Carl Bauer, Elmhurst, Illinois.

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Prof. Robert Lowry Celhoun, Yele Divinity School, New Haven, Conn.

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Dar Doctor.
Sivas very much surprised to read au article where you are quoted as believing in La Hollette How Can any sant man follow a Crowd lette Stho S. N. M. Spirit Came back from Melwanker S. La fallets of the socialist are working hand in hand The Minns -which are awing the I H. I are taking from the Workers envelope long usek a sum which is going toward that End It is surprising how little the Jewish Rabbis Kura Tabint Coolidge. I Rappen to Kewwhim Bersenally No fiver yew lives than Coolidge & above all of the american People would by Chance Elect a Lafallete. God heep the World. Me are asked to help the pour o give them work & if you will take the two to compan. the suployed number our

against the unemployed in 19 no I you will see what It wears to Ia Nenderful Country that has dene so wuch for all of us . We constantly pray that the day way ame when The year will be as Gods People. But when Rabbis Come out & Speak as you have outlined, it only thous pil en fins I thut wise voducated people should thuse 3 or 4 tunes before they speak publicly I for a Man who stands as high as you do the Least said the litter Its a pitty you are unta Businers wan to appreciate what it would wear if Lufallele would be Eliched you would perhaps find it difficult to keep half of year angregation or Mymr wages dien reduced it hound give you semething to thuck about The great trible with us jew. The here it be good twe That we have a government that we can be forend of nitt my Kundest Regards yours Ed.

Telephone Murray Hill 1416 New York State LA FOLLETTE-WHEELER CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE 25 WEST 43RD STREET, (ROOM 501) ARTHUR GARFIELD HAYS, CHAIRMAN MALCOLM R. MCADOO, TREASURER NEW YORK October 30th, 1924 PHILIP ZAUSNER, SECRETARY 312 VICE-CHAIRMEN HARRIOT STANTON BLATCH THOMAS E. RYAN THOMAS C. CASHEN JOSEPH D. CANNON PHILIP UMSTADTER Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver. Room 121, Belmont Hotel. New York City. Dear Rabbi Silver: -Mr. David K. Niles, the Chairman of the National Speakers' Bureau, advised me that you were in New York. I thought that possibly you would be willing while here to speak at one or two meetings. We would be appreciative of anything that you might do for us in this way and I hope you will 'phone me at Headquarters, Murray Hill 1366, or at my office, Cortland 0695, and let me know. It occurs to me that as you are in New York, your plans may have changed since my wiring you some days ago and would again ask if you could speak in Buffalo on Sunday evening, November 2nd. They are having a big mass meeting and are extremely anxious to have you. Won't you please let me hear from you respecting this matter immediately. Assuring you of our appreciation, I am Sincerely yours. Lionel S. POPKIN Per 11. Greau
CHAIRMAN SPEAKERS BUREAU LSP/TVG

-ABOR The **AMERICAN PLAN ASSOCIATION** of CLEVELAND 1502 Cleveland Discount Building Dec. 8, 1924 To the Clergy of Cleveland. Gentlemen: With this month's Public Interest we are sending you a copy of a letter which was written to one of its customers by the Spokane Bank of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers Co-operative National Bank and which we believe deserves your very thoughtful reading. There has been a great deal of discussion with reference to whether the piling up of vast financial resources in Union owned or controlled banks, of which there are now about thirty, is a good or bad thing for the country. I believe it is safe to say that the majority of employers and people generally have felt that when the Unions came into contact with the problems of industry through their banks or otherwise, there would be a better understanding all around. The enclosed letter, the sinister warning in which needs no comment here, will add something of value to the discussion and is sent to you for your information. Yours very truly, THE AMERICAN PLAN ASSOCIATION OF CLEVELAND Wm. Frew Long. General Manager.

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BULLETIN No. 162

To the Members of the American Plan Association of Cleveland.

Nov. 25, 1924

Gentlemen:

CLEVELAND'S From the executives and salesmen of member companies, from secretaries of associations similar to ours - in fact, from everywhere come reports of the increasingly unfavorable comment regarding Cleveland which has followed the Cleveland vote for La Follette. Here in Cleveland we find a growing apprehension with respect to the effect of the La Follette vote upon business. These various statements and comments may be summarized as follows:

First, from outside the city, where our admittedly bad condition of affairs has been greatly exaggerated, we hear that Cleveland is "through" as an industrial center. It is pointed out that no sane manufacturer would locate his business in a city where the socialist and communist groups are so strong that, in combination with other radical factors, they can control the majority vote of the city. It is also confidently expected that our manufacturers will, as a matter of course, immediately consider the question of moving their plants elsewhere.

Second, from our members we learn of a fear on the part of their customers that the conditions which caused Cleveland to go for La Follette will eventually result in labor or other disorders which will delay the production of manufactured products. Fear is also expressed that these same conditions will result in such an increase in the cost of Cleveland products that the customer will eventually have to make a connection elsewhere and at a time when he may be at a disadvantage. As a result of this apprehension, it is reported that customers in some instances are showing an inclination to place their orders in other cities.

Few people in Cleveland seemed to be surprised when the city went for La Follette and it looked for a few days as though Cleveland folks were going to view this radical vote with the same apparent complacency with which they have viewed the bombing and burning of houses constructed under American conditions of employment and the defacement of various Open Shop jobs of painting, etc. But, fortunately, there now seem to be evidences of genuine alarm over the situation, and such alarm is certainly warranted by the facts. It is nearer a mathematical calculation than a prophesy to say that Cleveland will inevitably suffer the fate of San Francisco and other cities whose citizens have permitted their political and industrial affairs to be dominated by Closed Shop and radical elements unless the situation is promptly remedied.

During the hearing on the Sulzmann Ordinance, Manager Hopkins had the courage to point out the manner in which Cleveland is being passed by Buffalo and Detroit - in both of which cities industry generally, INCLUDING THE BUILDING INDUSTRY, is conducted under Open Shop conditions. Only recently a writer in a local newspaper told of how after many years of rivalry Milwaukee had been passed by Detroit whose industrial growth it has been generally admitted is due to, first, the Open Shop conditions prevailing there and, second, to the strong employers association through the operation of which those conditions are maintained.

Naturally our Board of Governors is very much concerned about this condition of affairs and is giving the situation very careful study in connection with which it is requested that you write this office upon hearing any unfavorable comment of the kind mentioned above. Suggestions will be especially appreciated.

Yours very truly, Wm. Frew Long, General Manager.

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We, the undersigned, ordained ministers in our several denominations, believe that this presidential campaign challenges the American people with issue which are fundamentally moral. While differing among ourselves in many details we are united in the belief that the progressive movement deserves the support of all who are devoted to high social ideals.

- First. Senator La Follette's record indicates that he would put an end to the reign of corruption at Washington. He would appoint and keep only honest officials in his cabinet and administration. This is essential if the people are to preserve their faith in our American institutions.
- Second. He is opposed to war and the war system. He is for drastic reductions in those extreme military and naval expenditures which are the outstanding threat to the peace of the world. He would help America to lead in world disarmament. He is opposed to that financial imperialism which has so disgraced us in Haiti, Santo Domingo and other lands to the south and which in itself scatters the seeds of war. He is for treaty agreements looking to the outlawry of war. Deeper and more fundamental than any question of the League of Nations or the World Court is the question of basic attitude. After La Follette has that without which no plan can prevent war -- he has the will to peace.
- Third, He would direct his administration toward the solution of our economic problems and perhaps most important at the present juncture (the logical outcome of his past achievements) he would free our constitutional processes so that they may be fully responsive to the will of the people. In this we see the greatest safeguard for democratic government, to the end that whatever economic changes the future may desire may be accomplished by orderly methods.
- Fourth. It has now become clear to all thinking men that there is no longer any substantial difference between the two old parties. It is time that there was a true and honest political alignment. A vote for La Follette is a vote for a new party which will stand squarely on vital issues. Only thus can we have orderly progress, progress in accord with American ideals and institutions.

paign. As to other matters we have confidence in Senator La Follette's personal integrity. A record of more than forty years in public service, with more constructive legislation to his credit than can be claimed by any 8 his contemporaries, makes his proposals more than a platform, - they are pledges that can be taken at full value.

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January 21, 1925.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have been very neglectful about sending you the promised report of your address before the National Federation of Religious Liberals at New York. I hope you will pardon the delay. I take pleasure in sending a copy, herewith, and ask you to accept it with my compliments.

Federation, which it is ARGHATTILE to express, my personal word out agoreciation for your very happened and elequent address.

Sincerely yours,

Sametany

February 1st, 1925.

Mr. Frank H. Burt, 813 Barristers' Hall, Boston, Mass.

My dear Mr. Burt,

Permit me to thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of the address which I delivered before the National Federation of Religious Liberals last October. I need not tell you that I appreciated the courtesy very much.

With kindest regards and trusting that I shall have the pleasure of meeting you again before long, permit he to remain

Very sincerely yours,