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TEL. MURRAY HILL 4-1652

September 4, 1934

Dear Sir:

I take great pleasure in forwarding to you the manifesto of the Palestine Labor Party in which it makes definite suggestions for bringing about peace and unity in the ranks of the Zionist movement and of the Palestine Yishuv.

I hope that you will give your kind attention to this important document thereby acquaint yourself with these proposals and with the earnest desire of the Palestine Labor movement to unite the constructive forces in Jewish life for a program of mutual work.

Cordially yours,

*L. Hamlin*  
Nat'l. Secretary



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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Your interest in the Histadruth is well known and it need not have my acclaim. If we should not avail ourselves of your friendship, it would be a "miscarriage" of opportunity, and, of course, very stupid. And I don't want to be stupid.

I know that it is easy to say that I want this and that, and ask a person to do it. But how can I ask such things of you? I should like to reverse the order and ask you not what could you, but what would you do for the Histadruth through the League for Labor Palestine? I should welcome all suggestions, not only of what you personally could do, but what others might do. If you are in the mood, do let me have your ideas and I shall be most grateful to you.

There is another matter of which I would like to speak to you in confidence. It appears from the attitude of the Jewish Daily Bulletin and the Jewish Telegraph Agency, that they are playing up the revisionists and have been doing it for some time. And that the Histadruth is not treated as generously as it might be. The Labor Zionists of New York have the feeling that something has to be done. I advised them to keep calm until I have had your opinion. I know that you can be very helpful. Please look into the matter.

I welcome your renewed writing in the Jewish Daily Bulletin, which I read eagerly and with great profit. I should like to have a comment from you in your next article on the peace plans of the Histadruth. The Davar carried the pronouncement in full, and <sup>21/1 7-23</sup> say a word of welcome and encouragement to the League for Labor Palestine. That would help much. Dr. Rubinow is writing an article for the New Republic and the Current History



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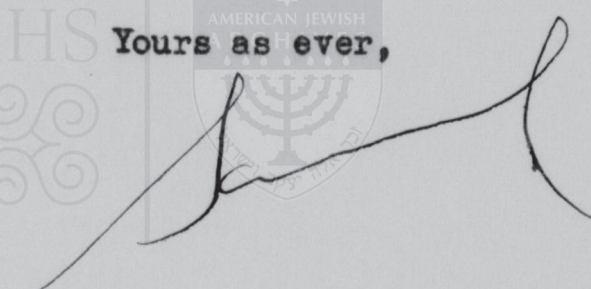
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on the Histadruth. And a number of articles will appear in the next few months in the journals by capable people. Will you take the lead and write this as soon as possible?

With best wishes to you and your lady and your sons in which Belle, Herzl and Amiel join me, I am

Yours as ever,



SW:RK



September 27, 1934.

Mr. Samuel Wohl,  
The Isaac M. Wise Temple,  
Reading Road and North Crescent Ave.,  
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Wohl:

I was pleased to hear from you. I believe that my editorial in the Jewish Daily Bulletin this coming Sunday morning will be a partial answer to your inquiry. Keep up the good work!

With all good wishes for a very happy new year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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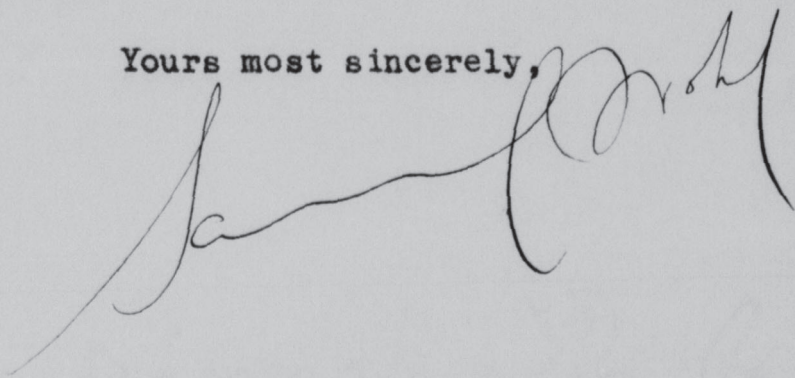
Dear Dr. Silver:

It is my privilege and pleasure to inform you that the National Council of the League for Labor Palestine has elected you its National Associate. Labor Palestine is happy to count you among its loyal and devoted friends.

The League in the United States will appreciate your active cooperation in its endeavors to stimulate interest for the work and program of the Histadruth. We shall need your counsel and guidance and we hope that you will tell us in what way you can best serve the League, and what specific things you might wish to do. It will give me much joy to inform the Council of your acceptance.

With warmest regards, I am

Yours most sincerely,



SW:RK



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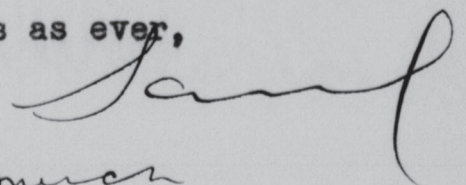
Dear Dr. Silver:

The last editorial was fine. I am writing to Hamlin in New York to see whether he will be able to get from the Bulletin the copy for a special reprint. I hope you will from time to time deal specifically with some of the institutions of the Histadruth, as for instance, ~~in~~ the type of social security, or the care for the health of workers, or the productivization of immigrants from Germany and other countries in which the Histadruth is engaged. I think a series would be splendid, and, coming from you, would have great weight and help the movement considerably.

But I do wish you would think of the League for Labor Palestine, its possibilities, its plans, and give me some candid advice. I am very much concerned about this new job, and any aid you can give me, I shall welcome with joy.

With best wishes to you and yours, I am

Yours as ever,



*Helen liked the editorial very much*

SW:RK



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TREASURER

November 16, 1934.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

In a quiet hour of reexamination of our aims and purposes, and especially with regard to the one functional activity which may be dramatized and made paramount for the League, (that will get public support and interest its present membership,) it occurred to me that since the Histadruth is vitally interested in the bringing over of German children to Palestine and organizing special children's villages and placing many of them in the Kvuzoth, the League should undertake nationally to back this work to the limit and work out a dramatic campaign to bring over German children to Palestine and for the foundation of children's villages.

You can readily see that we shall be at the same time speaking of the ideals and of the aims of the Histadruth, the idea of the collective life, of the transformation of the people into workers, of redeeming them to a worthy life, and a great many other things that can be said and made poignant in connection with this idea.

It is my feeling that while the so-called children's work being done by the J.D.C. is so insignificant, they are only asking for 250 children to be brought over and perhaps a few more contingents may come for a few years at a tremendous cost, the bringing and maintaining a child in Palestine would be much lower. Many individuals might agree as contributors to maintain such children in Palestine as patrons or proteges. Of course, the matter would have to be discussed as well with the world committee headed by Dr. Weitzman, and some preparatory steps have to be taken



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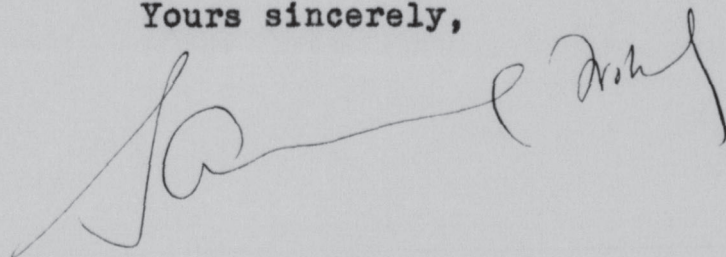
to feel out some influential people, but it is my conviction that the success of the League in a venture like that would be exceedingly important to the Histadruth, that we could actually do a very important job. And it may become the function of the American League outside of the Geverkshaften Campaign, because for many years we shall have to consider what to do with our Jewish youth, and if such an appeal would meet with the response of the American Jews, we will have done a tremendously important job.

Please keep this letter confidential. I am writing to a number of people in a similar vein to get their reactions to this idea.

Yours with warmest regards, I am

Yours sincerely,

SW:RK





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CORDIAL GREETINGS=

SAMUEL WOHL



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LEAGUE FOR LABOR PALESTINE

January 17, 1935

Rabbi Edward L. Israel  
Har Sinai Congregation  
Bolton & Wilson Streets  
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Rabbi Israel:

The declaration of the Rabbis which you have sent me will be transmitted to the Histadruth in Palestine. It is an historic document and will arouse the gratefulness and appreciation of millions of our brethren. In its felicity of expression and forthrightness it speaks to the heart and conscience of American Israel. It is the first time in the history of American Jewish life that two hundred and forty-one Reform Rabbis have rallied to the great cause of the Jewish Renaissance. Please express my sincere appreciation to the cooperating committee who have joined you in this great task.

It is my hope that the synthesis of Liberal Judaism with Labor Zionism, as expressed by the Histadruth of the League for Labor Palestine will lead to greater achievements for Israel and Palestine.

Yours sincerely,

(signed) Samuel Wohl

National Chairman  
League for Labor Palestine



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 TRAIN LEAVES CLEVELAND THREE ARRIVES PITTSBURGH AT SIX FIFTEEN  
 APPEAL YOU ACCEPT WILL BRING EXCELLENT RESULTS AND STRENGTHEN  
 MORALE OF LABOR PALESTINE PLEASE WIRE COLLECT=

=SAMUEL WOHL.

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for Labor Palestine

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for Labor Palestine

HECHALUTZ

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In an endeavor to create more enthusiasm and to interest more of our people in the coming world Zionist Election this June, we are calling a city-wide convention on May 12, 1935, at the Cleveland Jewish Center. There will be a session in the morning and one in the afternoon and a mass meeting in the evening. We are inviting representatives and delegates from every Jewish organization in the city. The purpose of this convention, of course, is to present and discuss the problems and the issues that are facing the coming World Zionist Congress.

We will have a number of distinguished guests at this convention including Dr. Rubashove and Sophie Udin. Also Ben Gurion is making an effort to be here in time for the convention. In addition, we will have some of the outstanding leaders in the Zionist movement of our own city.

We feel that this convention would scarcely be complete without your presence. We know you as a very ardent Zionist and a friend of the labor movement in Palestine, and urgently request and invite you to be present and address our mass meeting on May 12, 1935. We know you are very busy and assure you that we would greatly appreciate your acceptance of this invitation.

Sincerely yours

*I. Milcoff*  
*A. Resnick*  
*J. Strashower*  
*H. Losh*

Convention Committee.



April 30, 1935.

Convention Committee,  
Labor Zionist Council,  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Gentlemen:

Let me thank you for your kind invitation to participate in the program of your mass meeting on Sunday evening, May 12. I regret that it will not be possible for me to attend this meeting. As you know, I am General Chairman of the Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign. We plan to hold the closing meeting of our Campaign on that very Sunday evening.

With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK