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THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

AMERICAN MEMBER
EMANUEL NEUMANN

CENTRAL OFFICE
LONDON, ENGLAND

AMERICAN OFFICE
111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

October 29, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I am sending you a number of documents which you may find of interest. They are confidential of course. Will you please return the Parkinson and Williams interviews when you have done with them.

With kind regards, I am as ever

Yours,

Emanuel Neumann



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IF AT ALL POSSIBLE WOULD URGE YOUR ACCEPTANCE ADDRESS

EMANUEL NEUMANN TESTIMONIAL DINNER NOW POSTPONED TO

WEDNESDAY EVENING DECEMBER SECOND PLEASE WIRE=

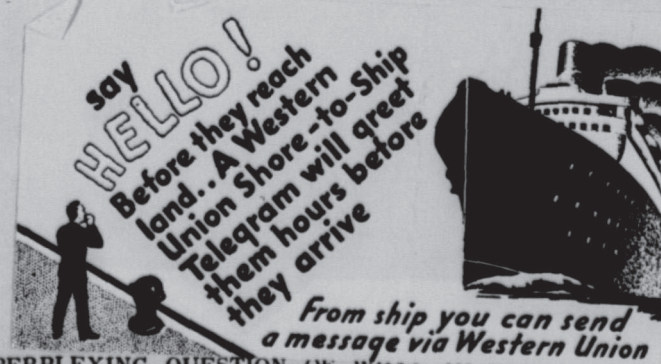
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DINNER COMMITTEE.

Wire collect 11/18/31

regret exceedingly can not attend Neumann
Testimonial dinner December second Long
standing engagement prevents it.

A.H. Silver



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URGENTLY NEED SUM APPROXIMATELY FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS
CONNECTION POLITICAL WORK HERE PLANNING DINNER WASHINGTON
EARLY DECEMBER CRYSTALIZE MOVEMENT PROPALASTINE COMMITTEE
ALSO IMPORTANT COUNTERACT PUBLIC MIND EFFECT INTERNATIONAL
MOSLEM CONGRESS SUMMONED MUFTI JERUSALEM DECEMBER SEVENTH
STOP PLEASE WIRE ME CARE TACHNA 110 WILLIAM STREET NEWYORK

REGARDS=

Answer 11/17/31

EMANUEL NEUMANN.

WILL MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO COLLECT FIVE HUNDRED
DOLLARS BY MIDDLE OF DECEMBER KINDEST REGARDS

THE QUICKEST, SUREST AND SAFEST WAY TO SEND MONEY IS BY TELEGRAPH OR CABLE A. H. SILVER

Mr. Joseph B. Perskie,
5 N. Plaza Pl.,
Atlantic City, N. J.

Nov. 17th, 1931

My dear Mr. Perskie:-

You undoubtedly know that Mr. Emanuel Neumann was elected by the last Zionist Congress in Basle to be a member of the Executive Committee of the World Zionist Organization.

The announcement of Mr. Neumann's election was greeted with great satisfaction not alone by American Zionists but also and more especially by our fellow Zionists in Europe and in Palestine. Everywhere it is felt that Mr. Neumann would be an invaluable addition to the Executive, bringing to the work a fine intelligence and understanding, as well as a life-long devotion to the cause.

Mr. Neumann will soon leave for London and Jerusalem. It is important that he should be in a position to carry on his diplomatic work effectigely and without financial embarrassment. The limited budget under which he will work will not enable him to perform many of the services which he would be in position to do. Many informal meetings must be held, luncheons, dinners, etc. arranged for important personalities, etc. etc. which Mr. Neumann should be free to carry through but for which no funds have been or can be provided through official sources.

Some of the friends of Mr. Neumann have accordingly expressed a desire to raise a small sum, of say, \$1500 or \$2000 to be given to him on his departure from the United States as "a fund for incidentals in connection with his work." I have undertaken to raise this fund and I am accordingly writing to a very small group of people whose interest in the Movement is well known to me and who will understand the importance of such a fund. Would you like to contribute to it? If so, please send your contribution to me not later than December 1st.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain with Zion's greetings,

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Nov. 18th, 1931

Mr. Emanuel Neumann,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Emanuel:-

Some of the names which you gave me I
am unable to get their addresses. Please send them
to me. They are:

S. Han
Robert Bernstein
Harry Friedberg
Mrs. Max Blumberg

Max B. Schindler



Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

EMANUEL NEUMANN

~~225 E. 10th St.~~

NEW YORK

TEL. BARCLAY 5308

110 William Street,
New York, N. Y.

November 18, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I want to acknowledge, first, your welcome telegram in reply to mine, saying that you would endeavor to raise the \$500 by the middle of December.

I am trying now to carry out my plan of a conference in Washington, to be held early next month. It is astonishing how much inertia has to be overcome to do the simplest and smallest thing. This applies not only to external but also to internal difficulties.

I hope that you will make some headway with this matter soon.

I understand that we may have you with us at a meeting of the Administrative Committee next week.

I have been quite busy since the convention with 'peace after the peace' - trying to adjust delicate problems of internal administration with Szold and Lipsky. We are making slow progress, but I hope that before I go away this will have been satisfactorily disposed of, so that the 'peace' will have a fighting chance for survival until the next convention.

At our three-cornered conference yesterday, Lipsky seemed quite reasonable and amenable, and I hope it lasts.

With warm regards to your wife and yourself,

as ever,

yours

Emanuel

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November 23, 1931.

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

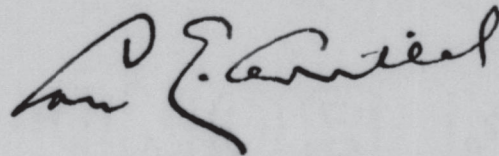
My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am delighted to contribute to
the fund that you are raising in connection with
Mr. Emanuel Neumann's services as a member of the
Executive Committee of the World Zionist Organiza-
tion.

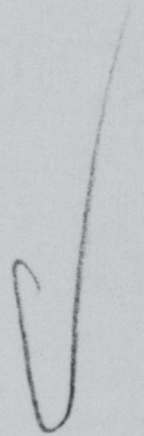
I am enclosing my check for
\$10.00 with the sincere regret that I cannot make
the amount larger at the present time.

With kind personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



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A. J. RONGY, M. D.
590 WEST END AVENUE
NEW YORK
SCHUYLER 1553

Nov. 23, 1931.

Dr. Abba H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

Mr. Neumann approached me personally
and I promised that I would contribute \$100.00
to help him carry on some of the work in con-
nection with the Zionist movement. I suppose
your letter referred to the same matter.

Thanking you for your interest,

I am

Cordially yours,

A. J. Rongy



Louis P. Rocker
Fifteen Broad Street
New York

Nov 24-1931

My dear Rabbi Silver -

I take pleasure
in remitting my check for Fifty Dollars
toward the Emanuel Neumann Fund.

I am very sorry that I
cannot see my way clear to send
you more at this time.

Thanking you for your kind
interest in these matters, I am

Sincerely yours

Louis P. Rocker

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THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

AMERICAN OFFICE
111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

AMERICAN MEMBER
EMANUEL NEUMANN

CENTRAL OFFICE
LONDON, ENGLAND

November 25, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

The addresses are as follows:

S. Thau, 40 West 77th St., N.Y.C.
Robert Bernstein, Bankers Trust Bldg., Philadelphia
Harry Friedberg, Lathrop Bldg., 10th and Grand, Kansas
City, Mo.
Mrs. Max Blumberg, 691 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn
Mrs. Peter J. Schweitzer, 270 West End Ave., N.Y.C.

Sunday I spent the day in Washington and conferred for two hours with Brandeis. There is every indication that the dinner which I am planning there may turn out successful beyond my original expectations. There is a considerable reservoir of good-will for us to draw upon. I went over the plans in detail with Brandeis, and he added a number of good suggestions. The fact that he is interested in this work is wellknown to a group of our non-Jewish friends in Washington and serves as a powerful lever.

It has occurred to me that our friend Mr. Hopkin may become sufficiently interested in the Pro-Palestine Committee and this dinner which is intended to crystallize sentiment for it, to make a substantial contribution for the purpose. I think he could probably be gotten to underwrite the expense of the dinner, which involves not only paying for the plates but also the incidental expenses, traveling, wiring, publicity, etc. — all in all about \$500. I think he might be made to see that it would be far better to have the expenses of such things borne by non-Jewish sympathizers than by ourselves, to avoid the appearance of artificiality.

It is possible that the invitation for the dinner may be issued from Vice-President Curtis, or else, from a little group of distinguished people in Washington.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver - 2

Of course we shall want to have Hopkin present there and he will be invited. Do you think that he might respond to the idea of his underwriting such a dinner, and if so, do you think that you could put it up to him? If necessary, I could make a trip to Cleveland especially to see him and incidentally also, Baker, But I would much rather avoid the exertion, loss in time and considerable expense involved in the trip. I think Hopkin is something of a sport and he might do this thing gladly.

As ever

WRHS
A decorative flourish consisting of three stylized, symmetrical scroll-like elements arranged horizontally.



Nov. 25th, 1931

Mr. Louis P. Rucker,
15 Broad St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rucker:-

Permit me to thank you for your kindness
in replying so promptly to my letter and for the check
which you enclosed.

I am indeed very grateful.

With kindest regards, I am

As ever yours,

AHS/IR

JULIAN W. MACK
WOOLWORTH BUILDING
NEW YORK CITY

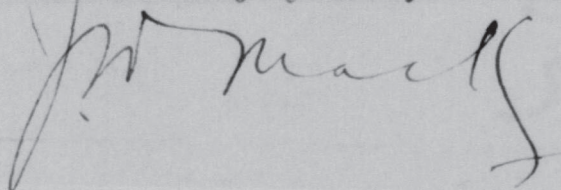
November 27 1931

Dear Silver:-

Bob just tells me that you are getting up a purse to be presented to Neumann at the dinner next Wednesday night. I did not know of this until this afternoon. In the circumstances, I think you ought to know just what we have done and are doing and to consider whether you should present a purse or whether you should make whatever you have received a part of this fund. Furthermore, whether you think you can get any substantial pledges for us, not merely for this year, but for two years.

All this, of course, is quite confidential. The only ones who have the full information are I.B.B and R.S.

Cordially yours,



Rabbi A.H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland Ohio

November 27 1931

Dear Ben:-

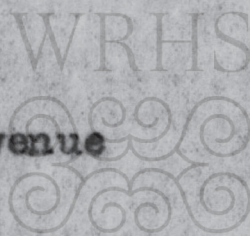
Enclosed suggested draft of letter to Neumann.

Change the form, however, any way that you please,

As ever,

Yours,

Mr. I.B. Brodie
420 Lexington Avenue
New York City



Dear Neumann:-

I have had your letter of November 19th under careful consideration and regret that I cannot share your understanding of the matter. The situation as Bob and I both understood it is as follows:

At the time of the Congress, we assumed that you would receive from the W.Z.O. \$400 a year and that on our pledge to make up the difference between that and not less than \$10,000, we should be called upon for \$5200.

It then turned out that the payment from the W.Z.O. had been reduced to 60 pounds a month, which we regarded as equivalent to \$3600 a year, and we willingly stood that difference, increasing our pledge to \$6400.

No one contemplated at that time that 60 pounds might be subject to exchange fluctuations. In view of the fact, however, that the money was for use in Palestine, and in further view of the fact that while we Americans mentioned \$10,000 a year, we all regarded this as equivalent to 2000 pounds a year, and in further view of the fact that the cost of living in Palestine, as elsewhere, is not what it was, we do feel very strongly both that we should be held ^{not} only to the difference between 720 and 2000 pounds, that is 1280 pounds, but that the 720 pounds should still continue to be regarded as the equivalent of \$3600, leaving our pledge \$6400.

You state in your paragraph I - "and that this amount (that is at least \$10,000 a year for two years) is not to be affected by any change which may take place

in the salaries of members of the Executive, fluctuations in the value of the pound, or any other unforeseen changes."

Of course, none of these matters were discussed at the time and we cannot agree with you that our pledge should be subject to an increase because of any of these matters.

It is quite true that we said that if possible, we would raise up to \$12,000. You know the conditions, however. We do not see the possibility of that.

As to your Par. II, you say it was agreed that between \$2500 and \$3000 for expenses should be secured. I regret that neither of us has any knowledge of such agreement. When you suggested that, if possible, we increase from \$10,000 to \$12,000., nothing was said about transportation expenses.

Whether anything can be secured for this purpose from the Z.O.A., we do not know. You know the conditions there as well as we. If, on the basis suggested by you of your acting in the capacity of the Z.O.A. representative abroad, anything can be so secured, well and good - but we have made and can make no promises in this respect.

As to getting it from any other sources, we know of none now.

Up to the present time we have the following contributions:-

R.S.	\$600	a	year
J.W.M.	600	"	"
Palitz	600	"	"
I.B.B.	500	"	"
A.T.	500	"	"

We count on getting an additional \$400 and will certainly get it, although we are not sure of the source.

On this basis, the other half of the \$6400 has been guaranteed \$1600 by L.D.B. and \$1600 by Mrs. Rosenbloom, but under^a/specific agreement that if we can get any additional money over and above the \$6400, their guarantees will be reduced pro rata, so as to bring their annual personal obligation down to a reasonable amount. In our minds, but without any direct statement to them, we have considered not exceeding \$1000 a year for each of them as such a reasonable amount.

Therefore, if in addition to the \$400 a year, which we are still lacking, we should be able to raise up to \$1200 a year more, it could not inure to your benefit, but would have to be used in accordance with our agreement with L.D.B. and Mrs. R.

Of course, if we can possibly raise more than this, it would go to increase the amount payable to you.

While we have guaranteed that you should get the minimum amount from America, we have considered as a matter of course that if any money comes to you directly from American sources for the purpose for which the Fund is engendered, such money should be deemed a part of the fund.

I greatly trust that this will be agreeable to you. It has been shown to J.W.M., who has been most active in raising the money, and he approves of it.

Sincerely yours,

Day Letter

Dec. 2d, 1931

Mr. Emanuel Neumann
Hotel Edison
W. 47th St.
New York, N. Y.

In these difficult times it is a source of great satisfaction to know that you will be among the authorized few to guide the course of our Movement. I wish you every success in the important tasks ahead of you.

Abba Hillel Silver



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December 8, 1931.

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

Dear Abba:

Let me thank you for the fine message you sent to my Dinner. If you would have been there the evening would have been complete from my standpoint, but I know it was impossible for you to attend.

I hope you are making some progress with regard to the matter you undertook. You will be glad to learn that Vice-President Curtis has agreed to sponsor the affair, and I have also secured the cooperation of Senators LaFollette and Wagner, and others.

With kindest regards, I am as ever

Cordially yours,

Emanuel



210 BLACKSTONE BOULEVARD
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Enclosed please
find my check for twenty-
five dollars towards the
Emmanuel Primmann fund.

I would I could make
it for a larger sum but
business conditions
are such as to make me
cut my donations appra-
ciably in order to have
enough to go around.

I trust you were more
fortunate with the others.

Best wishes from

Cordially yours,
Ida M. Shuman

rec. 8, 1931.



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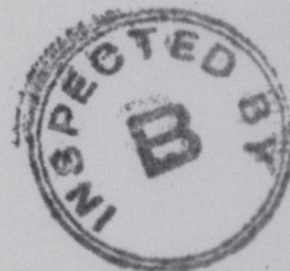
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LEAVING FOR WASHINGTON TONIGHT TO ATTEND PRIVATE MEETING JUSTICE
BRANDEIS HOME MAKING FINAL PREPARATIONS FOR DINNER MEETING TO BE
SPONSORED BY COMMITTEE HEADED BY THE VICE PRESIDENT BADLY NEED OF
FUNDS COULD YOU SEND ME CHECK FOR PART OF SUM AND ADVISE ME BY WIRE
TOMORROW MORNING HOTEL MAYFLOWER WASHINGTON

EMANUEL NEUMANN.

*8170
Mrs L. 92-17
5-mail*



Personal



Emanuel
Neumann

The Mayflower
Washington, D. C.

12/17/31

Dear Abba,

In connection with the forthcoming dinner here & the proposed organization of the "Friends of the Jewish National Home", Mr. Wm Hopkins of Cleveland came out here today at our invitation to help get certain people in line.

In view of the important & delicate nature of this work, it is important to know all there is to know about Mr. Hopkins, his standing, character, etc. Do you know him well or could you make discreet inquiries which would reveal any possible blemish on his reputation or character, either politically or in a business way.

He has made a very good impression on me, but I would rather not depend on impressions. Could you please do this

for me and let me know ~~is~~ addressing
me at my office 110 William St.?

With warm regards to you wife & yourself
as ever yours,

Emmanuel



Dec. 17th, 1931

Mr. Emanuel Neumann,
Hotel Mayflower,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Neumann:-

I have not had much luck in raising
the sum of money which I undertook to raise.

I wrote letters to the people whose names
you gave me and so far I have received from them a total
of \$145.

I have also received letters from New
York indicating that what other funds are to be raised
for your work should go into the general fund which was
raised to supplement your salary as member of the Executive.
Under those circumstances I felt hesitant about writing
to other people.

I am enclosing herewith a check for \$200.
Perhaps during the month a little more money might come
in.

With kindest regards and best wishes and
hoping to have a chance to see you before you leave,
I remain

As ever yours,

AHS/IR

Fund for Emanuel Neumann

\$50 from George Klein-A.H.S. has check

50 " Louis P. Rocker

10 " Dr. A. J. Rongy

10 " Louis A. Levinthal

25 " Mrs. Ida M. Silverman

WRHS



Ch for \$200 sent to Mr Neumann

200

✓ George Klein ✓

✓ Louis Levinthal, Phila. ✓ Bankers Trust Bldg

✓ Mr. Perskie Atlantic City 5 N. Plaza Bldg.

✓ Louis Rucker ✓ L.P. 15 Broad St. N.Y.C.

✓ Mr. A.J. Rongy Rongy - 590 West End Ave. N.Y.C.

✓ Mrs. A. ^{Archibald} Silverman ✓ 210 Blackstone Bldg.
Riverside

S. Han

Robert Bernstein

Harry Friedberg Kansas City -

in Max Blumberg -

Mrs. Peter Schwedje, N.Y.

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110 William Street,
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December 19th, 1931.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I am enclosing a brief report on a conference which took place at Mr. Brandeis' home on Thursday.

Mr. Hopkins was quite helpful and made any number of suggestions. There is one about which I would like to have your opinion. He spoke very highly of Dr. Charles F. Thwing, President Emeritus of Western Reserve University. Mr. Hopkins during his student days, acted as secretary to Dr. Thwing, and says that they are very close and intimate.

He believes that Dr. Thwing, despite his advanced age, is still a great moral and intellectual force, and enjoys great prestige throughout the country.

It is Mr. Hopkins' view that we are most likely to gain supporters among a certain type of Christians who have been brought up on the Scriptures, and who have a sentimental and emotional attitude toward the Holy Land, which makes them pre-disposed to favor the Zionist cause. He warns against depending merely on politicians and liberals, who have no such background and sentimental attachment to Palestine.

As a matter of fact it was Dr. Adler who had first urged me to have the Pro-Palestine Committee include a number of outstanding people in academic circles, and avoid giving it a purely political coloring.

Dr. Hopkins intends to speak to Dr. Thwing and hopes to bring him down to the dinner meeting in Washington in January, and thinks that Dr. Thwing would make a good national chairman or President - if necessary we could have an Executive Committee with a Chairman of the Executive in the east.

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December 19th, 1931.

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Won't you please give these suggestions your earnest consideration, and give us the benefit of your judgment of Dr. Thwing and the whole matter.

We had thought of Butler and Judge Mack, and I will lunch with him on December 29th, but it is doubtful whether Butler would lend himself, and even if he does, there is still doubt as to whether he is the ideal person for our purposes.

With kindest regards,

as ever,

yours

Emanuel Neumann

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Dec. 22d, 1931

Mr. Emanuel Neumann,
110 William St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Emanuel:-

I am just getting over a three-day cold and that accounts for the delay in answering your Washington letter.

Mr. Hopkins has been a good friend of the Movement for quite a number of years. He has made a study of it and appears to be genuinely in sympathy with it. There is a fine, Old Testament background to his Zionist interests.

He is well thought of in the city, although his political influence has been considerably lessened in the last two years by his being dismissed from the office of City Manager by a machine controlled council. In the last two years he has been engaged in a bitter political controversy with the Republican machine and there has been considerable mud-slinging on both sides, but Mr. Hopkins' personal integrity seems not to have been impugned.

I am not so sure about Dr. Thwing as head of your organization. When he was President of Western Reserve University he was not regarded by the Jewish community as particularly philo-semitic. He is of the old school of Gladstonian English gentleman whose interest in Palestine would be a purely academic one. He should be a member of your organization but I think you ought to get a more positive and a more vigorous chairman.

With kindest regards, I am

As ever yours,

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110 William Street,
New York, N. Y.

December 24th, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

Thanks for your letter of the 22nd with regard to Mr. Hopkins and Dr. Thwing. The information is most useful. I did not get your letter of the 17th with the enclosed check until yesterday, when I got to the Mayflower again in Washington. They received the letter apparently after I left last week, and stupidly kept it there instead of forwarding it to my home, though they had my home address.

Let me thank you for the check, and more so for your efforts. This is timely aid. I have succeeded in raising a little more money for the purposes of this political work, though not very much.

You refer to certain letters which you received from New York. If you are not precluded from doing so, by the seal of confidence, I would appreciate a little more detailed information as to the persons from whom you received the letters and just what they contain. It would be very useful to me personally to have this information confidentially. I can assure you I will treat it as such.

With best regards, as ever

Yours,

Emanuel

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June 27th, 1932

Mr. Emanuel Neumann,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Emanuel:-

I found your telephone message in my hotel room and I called you back but was unable to connect with you.

I am happy to know that you are back in the United States. How long do you plan to remain here and what are your plans for the future?

I have heard talk in the East of your accepting the chairmanship of the Administrative Committee of the Z.O.A. for next year. This would be a magnificent thing if you could see your way clear to do it.

With best wishes, I remain

Yours as ever,

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July 6, 1932.

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

Dear Abba:

This has been my first chance to reply to your letter of the 27th. I had at first hoped that you would be at the Convention. I was sorry to miss you there.

The talk with regard to my accepting the Chairmanship of the Administrative Committee of the Z.O.A. was both unwise, as far as I was concerned, and, I regret to be compelled to add, ill advised, under the circumstances. I have never given my consent to such a procedure, and it only served to stir up unnecessary hostility toward me on the part of certain elements.

I have heard that you are taking a year's leave of absence from the Temple. I am anxious to hear about your plans. I intend to sail for Europe between the 15th and 19th of this month, to attend the Committee meeting and the Administrative Committee meeting in London, and then proceed to Palestine for a protracted stay.

May I hear from you again?

My warm regards to Virginia and the children.

As ever,

Faithfully yours,

Emanuel Neuman

July 8th, 1932

Mr. Emanuel Neumann,
Zionist Organization,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Emanuel:-

I was glad to receive your letter of July
6th.

I read the statement which you made at
the Philadelphia Convention with a great deal of interest.
I hope that the Z.O.A. set-up for next year will prove
effective.

I am leaving on my sabbatical year October
15th. I plan to be gone until September, 1933. My plans
are as yet quite indefinite. I wish to spend a few months
in Russia and Germany and the Spring of next year, around
Purim and Pesach in Palestine. I am taking my family along
with me and we shall probably make our headquarters some-
wheres in southern France near Nice.

How long do you plan to stay in Palestine?
Is there a chance of our meeting there in the Spring of 1933?

With best greetings from house to house,
I remain

As ever yours,

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[1932?]



The Mayflower
Washington, D. C. Feb 4—

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The more I think of
the reception tonight, the more
I see what an unusual opportunity
it is for you to register Zionism
and the American Palestine
Committee with Hoover, Mellon,
Secy. Hyde (who attended the dinner & joined)
and Secretary of the Interior Wilbur,
who is a declared friend, though
unable to attend the dinner.

It occurs to me that
this is the first time, at least
within recent years, that a Zionist
has been invited to a White House

For I know all this is superfluous.
I know you will "do your stuff"
without extra hints from me.

But the coincidence of your
attending this reception tonight
is too unusual and rare,
not to overemphasize the
important opportunity it presents.

We have been terribly busy all
day, and really had no time
to think of it until after
I left you - we talked of so many
things - so with your anticipated
forgiveness, I ^{leave} ~~left~~ this note
so my conscience ^{will} ~~is~~ be
entirely clear. Tonight you
are not merely attending a reception -
you are a "Shohach" of Zion.

function. ² L.D.B. never goes out
of appreciation

Your emphatic expression,
to Hopper for his friendship in
our cause and his fine message
to the recent dinner, - and the
right and warm words to Hyde
and Wilbur - and a "beginner"
with Mellon - are perhaps more
important than they might
appear at first.

They know of your prominence
and a Rabbi at a Presidential
reception is a rare article -
what you say there - if only
a brief word - will register -
more than a special visit and
a long conference.

I feel rather apologetic
in writing you this note after
my conversational references already,

Whether the ⁴ Lord of Israel will
be kind and give you the chance
to capitalize the opportunity remains
to be seen.

Zealously,

Max Rhoads

205 Union Trust Bldg.
Washington



Feb. 5th, 1932

Mr. Max Rhoads,
205 Union Trust Bldg.,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Rhoads:-

I enjoyed seeing you in Washington very much
and the pleasant conversation which we had.

The reception at the White House was delightful. I had an informal conversation with Vice President Curtis about the pro-Palestine League and told him how delighted I and my friends were at the great interest which he had shown in the Movement. He seemed very pleased.

I also had a moment's conversation with Secretary Wilbur. He was impressed with the progress which the Movement was making among the officials in Washington.

Mr. Mellon was not there. Nor did I see Hyde.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I
remain

Very sincerely yours,

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July 11, 1932.

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

Abba
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am glad to know your plans for next year. The chances are all in favor of my remaining in Palestine all of next year, until the next Congress, so that I -- I should say we, because I expect to have Fannie and the children come out in September -- will be able to welcome you in Palestine in the Spring. If you do make your headquarters somewhere in France, I hope you will drop me a line to Jerusalem, so I will know where to correspond with you.

With warmest greetings, I am,

As ever,

Yours,

Emanuel



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