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September 1st
1932

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Mr. Leiserson said that you had mentioned several days in September or early October, when it would be impossible for you to attend a Commission meeting. Because of the importance of the next meeting and because it will be the last one you can attend before leaving for Europe, we are very anxious to arrange it ^{at} for a time when you will find it possible to come to Columbus. Can you let me know which dates during the last two weeks of September and the first week of October are impossible for you?

At the Wednesday morning meeting it was agreed that a short preliminary report be prepared to be printed with the bill. A committee was appointed to work on this draft and Mr. Lincoln asked that it be sent out two weeks before the next Commission meeting. We want to be prepared to set the date of the meeting as soon as the draft is ready.

I will appreciate hearing from you about this.

Very sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee
Executive Secretary.

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Sept. 6th, 1932

Miss Elizabeth S. Magee,
Ohio Com. on Unemployment Insurance,
State House,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Miss Magee:-

Thank you for your kind letter of Sept. 1st.

I find that the only days that I will be free this month are Monday, Sept. 26th and Tuesday, Sept. 27th. My program between now and October 15th will be exceedingly crowded not only with preparations prior to my going away but also with the opening of congregational activities and the oncoming of our principal holidays early in October.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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September 13th
1932

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
105th & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing herewith the
third draft of the bill.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee

Executive Secretary

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To Elizabeth Magee, Ohio Commission on Unemployment Insurance

Street and No. State House

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Have you fixed definite date for Commission meeting?

A.H. Silver

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September 27th
1932

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road and E. 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The committee appointed to draft the preliminary report has about finished its work and Mr. Leiserson is accordingly calling a meeting of the Commission for Wednesday, October 12th. I am sorry that it will be impossible for you to attend the meeting, but I will see to it that a draft of the report reaches you early next week.

I wonder whether your secretary could send me your address both at the boat and in Europe, so that we will be able to communicate with you.[?] I can imagine that these are very busy days for you.

Very sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee

Executive Secretary

Ohio Committee for Unemployment Insurance

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September 27, 1932

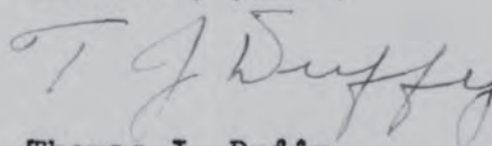
General interest in unemployment insurance has naturally grown greatly during the past two years, with the spur of economic conditions. This growth has been reflected in many organizations and labor unions which have endorsed and are working actively for unemployment insurance, and others which have put it on their programs for serious study.

We are asking representatives of these organizations, and other interested individuals, to meet in conference in Columbus to discuss plans for the fall and for the coming legislative session. This marshalling of resources should greatly increase the effectiveness of our activities for unemployment insurance by enabling us to work with economy of effort toward our common goal.

This Unemployment Insurance Conference has been set for Thursday, October 6th, at the Deshler-Wallick Hotel in Columbus. A business meeting with reports from local committees and cooperating organizations is scheduled for 11:00 o'clock. Following this will be a 1:00 o'clock luncheon at which a resume of reports will be presented and Dr. William M. Leiserson, chairman of the Governor's Commission on Unemployment Insurance, will speak. (Luncheon tickets at 85¢ can be purchased during the week through the Ohio Welfare Conference. Those not attending the luncheon are invited to come in afterward.)

We hope that you will meet with us. We hope also that you will invite any in your own community whom you think should be included and whom we might not reach. The date has been particularly selected for the convenience of two groups who are meeting in Columbus. It comes the day following the Ohio Federation of Labor meeting and during the meeting of the Ohio Welfare Conference.

Sincerely yours,



Thomas J. Duffy,
Chairman

For those interested in learning more of the history of unemployment insurance and of the principles involved in this type of legislation, we recommend particularly the study course given by Elizabeth S. Magee, executive secretary of the Governor's Commission on Unemployment Insurance, during the meeting of the Ohio Welfare Conference, October 4, 5, 6, 7. The fee for this course is \$5 which includes the \$2 registration fee for the Welfare Conference. Prospectus and application blank may be obtained from Perry P. Denune, 109 Commerce Building, Columbus.

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Sept. 28th, 1932

Miss Elizabeth S. Magee,
Ohio Commission on Unemployment Insurance,
State House,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Miss Magee:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your letter of September 27th. I am sorry that I will not be able to attend the meeting of the Commission on October 12th.

I am sailing on the Italian liner, Conte Grande, from New York on Saturday noon, October 15th. My address in Europe will be, The American Express Company, Nice, France.

Please convey to the members of the Commission my deep regret that I will be unable to attend the further meetings of the Commission. I shall make a very careful study of the draft of the report which I hope to receive from you and will send in any comments which I may wish to make.

I wish you every success in this great cause. I hope that we may succeed in persuading the forthcoming Legislature to write an Unemployment Insurance Act upon the statute books of our state.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:ME

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October 5th
1932

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am enclosing a copy of the first draft of the material for the preliminary report which was prepared by Dr. Leiserson. The committee on the preliminary report had a meeting last Saturday and went over the draft in great detail. After the meeting different members took responsibility for revision of different sections. The second draft will be much "toned down" and will be less in the nature of propaganda at certain points. It will also be shorter. I am so fearful that the revised sections may not reach the office in time so that a typed copy can be sent to you in the revised form. For that reason I am sending you this draft now.

The Commission is to have a meeting on October 12th, the very day you leave Cleveland, and we hope to be able to start the printing of the report and the bill very soon after that. With that in mind Mr. Leiserson has asked me to find out from you what arrangement you would suggest for giving authorization for your signature on the report. It may be necessary for me to send the second draft to you in New York. Will you have your secretary send me your address there (in addition to your sailing address), so that we will know how to communicate with you?

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee

Executive Secretary

I have your sailing address.

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Ohio Chamber of Commerce
Huntington Bank Building
Columbus, Ohio

October 7, 1932.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Temple, 105th Street and Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a letter
which I addressed to the Chairman of the Ohio Com-
mission on Unemployment Insurance, a copy of which
I am sending to each member of this commission.

Very truly yours,

ARCH D. SCHULTZ,
Director of Research.

ADS:M
Enc.

October 7, 1932.

Dr. William M. Leiserson, Chairman,
Ohio Commission on Unemployment Insurance,
Antioch College,
Yellow Springs, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Leiserson:

I yesterday for the first time learned with amazement, not unmixed with indignation, that Dr. Gordon Hayes, Professor of Economics at Ohio State University, stated at one of the sessions of the Commission that after I had opposed unemployment insurance in debate, I had finally granted that I personally was not opposed to unemployment insurance, but that I was taking an opposing position because of my employment with the Ohio Chamber of Commerce.

This is to advise you and your associates that there is not the slightest foundation for the statement made by Dr. Hayes. At no time have I made any statement remotely resembling that quoted by Dr. Hayes. This remark seems to have followed my address on this question before the Ohio Council of Statisticians on April 10 at which time Dr. Hayes shared the platform with me.

For your further information I wish the Commission to know individually and collectively that at no time during my two years of employment by the Ohio Chamber of Commerce have any instructions ever been given to me as to opinions which I should publicly express. The Ohio Chamber of Commerce does not do business that way, and they can not do business with me in that manner if they should try to. My opinions are not for sale.

My conclusions regarding unemployment insurance were reached long before any conclusions were reached by the Ohio Chamber of Commerce, and they came as the result of an independent investigation conducted by me over a period of several months. It is my belief that the conclusions I had reached are shared by many of the best economists in the nation and by those who have been in contact with the actual operation of existing unemployment insurance plans.

I am sending a copy of this letter to each member of the Commission.

Very truly yours,

ARCH D. SCHULTZ,
Director of Research

ADS:M

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
STATE COMMITTEE ON WORKERS' SECURITY

January 26, 1933

Dear Billikopf:-

The clipping enclosed in your letter of January 25th (which I return herewith) did not surprise me as I have already seen the attack made on the Ohio Report by the Ohio Chamber of Commerce. Since you may not have seen this criticism, I am sending you herewith my copy for your study.

Although, of course, the personal attack on the Commission was outrageous, there is much sound criticism in the analysis itself, which I think cannot be too lightly brushed aside.

Will you please be good enough to return the pamphlet to me when it has served your purpose. I shall be glad to have your comments on it also.

Sincerely yours,

Charles K. Denby

January 30, 1938.

Charles Denby, Jr., Esq., Chairman,
State Committee on Workers' Security,
Packard Building, Philadelphia.

Dear Denby:

Thanks for letting me read the Critical Analysis of the Report of the Ohio Commission on Unemployment Insurance. My reaction to it? Candidly, it is difficult for me to approach the Analysis coolly and dispassionately. Those who framed this Report have acted so outrageously in their vicious attacks on Prof. Leiserson, Dr. Rubiner and Rabbi Silver, that I am compelled, of necessity, to discount their criticisms. To think that in the year 1938 there should be raised the question of a person's birthplace! I do not know how well you are acquainted with the records of Leiserson, Rubiner and Silver - all born in Russia - but rest assured that long after the authors of the Critical Analysis will be forgotten, the names of those at whom the attack was particularly levelled, will be remembered for the unusual contributions each one has made in his own way to American life during the past two decades or quarter of a century.

Reminds me of an experience of my own some twenty-six years ago. I lived then in Kansas City, Missouri and, among other 'iniquitous' measures, I sponsored the first law in this country entitled, "Pensions to Widows and Orphans." I recall making a plea before the Senate Committee in Jefferson City for permissive legislation which would enable Kansas City, Missouri to set aside out of its municipal treasury \$18,000. with which to take care of widows and orphans in their own homes. Said the Chairman of the Sub-Committee: "Isn't this socialism?" Commented the Senator to the right: "It is worse than socialism; it is rank Paternalism!" Whereupon the third Senator to the left whispered in the Chairman's ear: "Why in the h... doesn't he go back where he came from?" Meaning, of course, the country where Leiserson, Rubiner and Silver were born.

In this connection you, as Chairman of the State Committee on Workers' Security might find solace in the fact that Samuel Fels, whom you, Tyson and the Governor were so eager to have on your State Committee, declined the invitation. Read Samuel Fels' chapter on "Can We get Rid of Worklessness?" in the February Survey Graphic. And in a month or two read his book, THE CHANGING WORLD, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co. Why, Mr. Fels is attacking the entire profit system! To him, as to the Committee on Social Trends, unemployment insurance, old age pensions and a shortening of the working hours are

mere palliatives. He brushes these aside and pleads for a redistribution of wealth. Think what would happen to your Committee's Report if the legislators in Harrisburg discovered that one of the members of the Committee, who only yesterday was a highly respectable citizen, a large manufacturer of soap, became a 'Bolshevik!' Luckily, Samuel Fels was born in North Carolina and not in Russia, but that would hardly save him or your Report from bitter attacks.

And now that I have gotten this off my chest I shall attempt to be dispassionate. In their preliminary statement the authors of the Critical Analysis indulge in the following grandiloquent language, language which causes one to wonder whether the authors are aware that we are suffering from the worst depression this country has ever had - a depression to which there seems to be no end. And here are those grandiose words:

"America has America to offer. We offer the American System. Our economic structure is intact. Our workmen, refusing to be beguiled by Communist agitators, imported to wreck our institutions, have been grim, patient and patriotic."

I am assuming that Leiserson and Rubinow (Rabbi Silver is in Europe) will have something further to say about such questions as who should pay premiums, interstate competition, liquidating reserves, is unemployment insurable, etc., etc. But, in the absence of their reply to the Analysis, written with such bitterness and rancor, I would prefer to hold final judgment in abeyance. And yet, when I read the majority report, I, too, felt that there were perhaps certain statements which might have been considerably softened. Of course, insurance will not "banish the dole."

In quoting the late Halsey Fiske, on the subject, "Is Unemployment Insurable?" the author should have also referred to the recent pamphlets gotten out by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, although, as you recall, Mr. Hunter, Vice-President of the New York Life Insurance Company, has come out unequivocally for unemployment insurance. It is possible, also, that if Ohio had acted ten years ago, the benefits from unemployment insurance would not have been as great as the authors of the majority opinion indicate.

Then, too, I share the belief expressed a year ago before the Hebert Committee in Washington, that unemployment insurance should be made mandatory by Federal law, so as to obtain uniformity throughout the United States. The chances are that if I had been a member of the Ohio Commission, I would have urged the modification of some statements, and probably insisted on laying greater stress on others. But all such criticisms would not vitiate the final conclusions arrived at by the sponsors of the majority report. However, how can anyone argue with folk who, though they find themselves in the midst of the greatest economic catastrophe in generations, stand on the formula, "America has America to offer. We offer the American System." Even so conservative

a report as the one issued by the Committee on Social Trends - and no one on that Committee who happens to have been born in Russia - makes proposals besides which the Ohio Unemployment Insurance Recommendations are pale and almost insignificant.

As I am concluding this letter I am reminded of correspondence I had a little over a year ago with Frances Perkins, and am enclosing copy of a letter which you may find quite useful.

With kindest regards,

Cordially yours,

Jacob Billikoff



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330 SOUTH NINTH STREET

January 31, 1933.

Dear Lazon:

I am enclosing copy of correspondence I have had with Charles Denby, Jr., Chairman of the Pennsylvania State Committee on Workers' Security. He is a young socially minded lawyer in Philadelphia, and is the son-in-law of Senator David Reed of Pennsylvania.

I do not know how to reach Abba, but it occurred to me that he might be interested in my correspondence with Denby.

As ever,

Yours,

Billikopf

Rabbi Morris S. Lazon.

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April 11, 1933.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
c/o American Railway Express Co.,
Nice, France.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I must apologize for being so long in replying to your last letter. I took a little vacation after finishing the Commission's work, and returned to the Consumers' League office on the first of this month.

I am not sure what news you may have received of the status of the Unemployment Insurance Bill. Much to our surprise it was recommended out by the Insurance Committee of the House, by a vote of 10 to 1, but it has not yet been put on the calendar for vote. The Legislature took a recess on March 30th and plans to reconvene on May 15th. Senator Harrison thinks that if we can get the Governor to tell the Rules Committee to put it on the calendar, the bill will pass the House. We are working now on getting people in different parts of the state to send letters to the Governor and to the chairman of the Rules Committee, and we are working also on getting the support of the Scripps papers in hammering away at the Rules Committee to put it on the calendar.

Two other encouraging things have happened in the Legislature: one, the ratification of the National Child Labor Amendment which went through the two houses with only two dissenting votes in each; and the passage of the Old Age Pension Bill. The latter had attached to it some bad amendments, most of which Senator Marshall of Cleveland was responsible for. However, Senator Harrison is on the Conference Committee appointed by the two houses and is hopeful that the important parts of the bill will be saved. Two other events outside the state have encouraged us also: one, the passage of the minimum wage bill by the New York Legislature. This is a new bill which Professor Frankfurter has drawn and which he believes will stand the test of constitutionality. The other is the Unemployment Insurance Bill which just passed the House in Maryland. It is modeled rather closely on the Ohio Bill.

With warm regards to you and Mrs. Silver, I am

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee
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Executive Secretary

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May 10, 1933.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
c/o The Steamship "Rex,"
Italian Line,
New York City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are all so very sorry to hear of the sadness which has come to you and Mrs. Silver during your absence. I am sure it is very hard for you to have your year of rest end in this way.

I hope you will forgive me for immediately bringing to your attention the situation about unemployment insurance in Ohio, but I am sure you will be glad to know that we have not given up hope yet. The Legislature has been in recess for six weeks, but it convenes again on Monday, May 15th. Before the Legislature recessed, the bill had been recommended for passage by the Insurance Committee of the House by a vote of 10 to 1, but had not yet been put on the calendar for consideration. We are working as hard as we can to get the bill put on for vote at an early date. Senator Harrison, who is never over hopeful about possibilities, thinks that it can pass the House if it is put on the calendar. Meantime he is holding off for the present on any vote in the Senate Labor Committee, because he feels that a favorable vote in the House will help tremendously in the Senate.

In view of the situation, we believe that it is very strategic to have a public meeting in Cleveland in the near future, to be addressed by a number of prominent persons making short speeches in favor of unemployment insurance. Our Executive Committee had a meeting last Friday night at which this plan was discussed, and we had decided tentatively on Thursday evening, May 25th, since this will make possible the presence of Senator Harrison and other members of our delegation. When we learned of your return and that you are to be in the city on the 21st, of course we immediately hoped that you would be here and able to preside at the meeting. We know that it will make all the difference in the world in its success.

Professor McPherson of Cleveland College is chairman of the committee making arrangements. If it is possible for you to make plans now, I would appreciate it tremendously if you would wire me, since we want to clinch the

Rabbi A. H. Silver.....2

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date and to be able to announce the meeting.

With warm regards to you and Mrs. Silver, I am

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee

Elizabeth S. Magee,
Executive Secretary.



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May 19th, 1933

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am very sorry I will not be able
to take part in the Symposium on Unemployment Insurance.

For years I have felt very strongly
that unemployment insurance is the best solution to
the present problem. The present dole system of
America seems so utterly inadequate. If industry can
make financial pools for the protection of their stock
holders, there is no reason why such pools cannot be
made for the protection of employees.

Recently I was seated next to a
prominent banker and was interested to hear him say,
"If we had had unemployment insurance ten years ago
the severity of the depression would not have been
nearly so bad."

You can use your own discretion
about reading this letter or any part of it at the
Symposium.

Faithfully yours,

Dilworth Lupton

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May 24, 1933

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

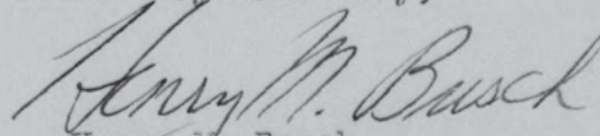
My dear Rabbi Silver:

I greatly regret my inability to be present on Thursday night at your meeting in support of the Ohio Unemployment Insurance Bill. As you know, I had a long-standing engagement to speak to another Cleveland group on this night, and I had made my acceptance conditional upon my ability to leave that meeting early. I find, however, that it will be utterly impossible for me to get away in time to attend the meeting in the Cleveland College auditorium.

I want to take this opportunity of expressing to you my hearty sympathy with the cause of unemployment insurance and my hope that your meeting may mobilize the sentiment of intelligent and social-minded Cleveland citizens on behalf of the cause of unemployment insurance. I believe that there never was a more opportune time than the present to bring to the attention of the people of Ohio the need for constructive social legislation, looking toward the stabilization of our economic system. If we are to replace our haphazard and somewhat irresponsible scheme of private philanthropy for the relief of the sufferings caused by unemployment with a socially responsible plan which makes possible the maintenance of adequate and decent standards of living, it must be done at a time when the American people are conscious of the failures of our unplanned economy.

In my judgment the people of Ohio should support the splendid lead given by the federal government in attempting to take the first steps toward a moderate plan of social responsibility and social control.

Yours very sincerely,


Henry M. Busch

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May 24, 1933

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I learned of the meeting of the Consumer's League at which you are to preside too late to readjust a conflicting engagement so as to permit me to attend. I venture to express my regret and my hearty sympathy with the cause of unemployment insurance which is to be considered at the meeting.

For a long time it seems to me to have been clear that the casual misfortune of unemployment cannot be fairly imposed upon accidental victims, but that the whole theory of our industrial civilization requires that those especially skilled and willing should be assured protection against unemployment which arises because we have not yet learned how to adjust the industrial machine so as to prevent such misfortunes.

With warm personal regards and welcome back to America, believe me

Cordially yours,

Newton D. Baker
Newton D. Baker

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Speakers for Unemployment Insurance Meeting
Thursday, May 25, 1933

~~5~~ William J. Corrigan, Counsel for the Cleveland Federation of Labor

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~~4~~ Dale Cox, Columnist for the Cleveland Plain Dealer

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~~6~~ Judge Bradley Hull,

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~~6~~ Prof. Jacob Meyer, Western Reserve University,

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~~2~~ Miss Helen Phelan, Head Worker, Merriek House

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~~1~~ James A. Reynolds, County Commissioner

~~8~~ Rev. D. Ormond Walker, Pastor of St. James Methodist Church,

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~~3~~ Rev. Louis Wright, —

~~2~~ Senator Marvin C. Harrison

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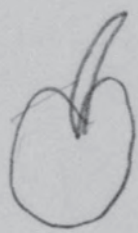
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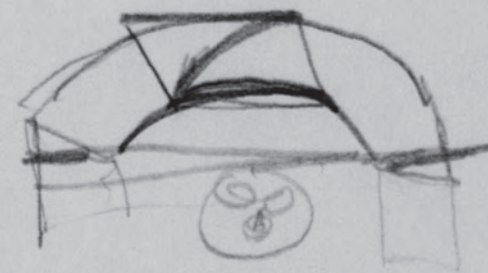
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Street and No. COLUMBUS, OHIO

Place

MAY I URGE UPON YOU TO LEND YOUR SUPPORT TO THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE
BILL WHICH HAS NOW BEEN PASSED BY THE HOUSE AND WHICH IS AWAITING ACTION BY THE
SENATE STOP DELAY AT THIS TIME WOULD DEFEAT THIS GREAT AND CONSTRUCTIVE MEASURE

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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June 13, 1933.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It occurred to me that you might be interested in the account of Marvin Harrison's five-minute speech last Thursday on unemployment insurance.

I reached Mr. Harrison in Columbus at noon, and told him of Mr. Leiserson's message from the Governor. He was greatly interested. I believe he decided on the basis of this information that it would be best to wait until Wednesday to introduce his motion rather than introduce it today. I hope that it means that the criticism of individuals and of the papers has made some real impression on the Governor.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee
Elizabeth S. Magee,
Executive Secretary.

Encl.

Governor George White:
Columbus, Ohio.

Day letter

6-13-33

Ohio is on the eve of enacting a measure of social legislation of historic significance -- unemployment insurance. The House has already approved this measure. It now awaits Senate action. The Senate is waiting for your courageous leadership. Your party has advocated unemployment insurance in its national platform. The President of The United States has urged upon you to further this measure. This is the time to act. The recent passage of the Minimum Wage Law was a fine tribute to you and to the intelligence and social vision of the Legislature. Passage of the Unemployment Insurance Measure Bill will put Ohio in the vanguard of the nation. Many other states will quickly follow. The fate of this financially sound and socially just and constructive measure to protect men and women against the tragedies of unemployment is in your hands. In the name of millions of our citizens and in the spirit of the new day and the new deal, please act now.

Abba Hillel Silver

Chairman, Unemployment Insurance Committee.

THE WOMEN'S CITY CLUB
2110 PARK AVENUE
DETROIT

June 16, 1933.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Marvin Harrison made a splendid speech at our meeting on Unemployment Insurance this morning. He told me an interesting thing; namely, that he had had a very warm letter of commendation from Henton Baker this week, in regard to his part in both minimum wage and unemployment insurance. He feels the letter is too

personal to make public,
but he says that a public
statement from Newton Baker
would of course be very
helpful. Do you think of
any way in which that
could be secured? We do
know that Mr. Baker wrote
to the Governor last week
on both issues, and therefore
he might be persuaded to
take another step!

I shall be back on
Sunday evening, and
will telephone you on

THE WOMEN'S CITY CLUB
2110 PARK AVENUE
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Monday -
Wasit the Press Editorial
fine - and also Carlton
Reardon's story ? ,

Sincerely yours,
Elizabeth S. Magee



GEORGE WHITE
GOVERNOR

STATE OF OHIO
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
COLUMBUS

June 16, 1933.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
1010 Hippodrome Building,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

Thank you very much for your telegram
dated June 13th with reference to the Unemployment
Insurance Bill.

I am always glad to have your point
of view.

Yours very truly,

George White

GW:W

Governor

June 26, 1933.

Miss Elizabeth S. Magee,
Consumers' League,
Engineers Building,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Magee:

I have just received a letter from Mr. Jacob Billikopf of Philadelphia in which he states that Judge Horace Stern of that city had read in the New York Times an article from its Cleveland correspondent describing the efforts which were made in Ohio in behalf of minimum wage legislation. Judge Stern would like to obtain any material bearing on the subject which may be in possession of the Ohio Consumers' League and which may help him in his work. He has been appointed by Governor Pinchot as a member on the Sweat Shop Commission of Pennsylvania. I would appreciate it very much if you would send me any material which you have available and I shall forward it to Judge Stern.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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June 30, 1933.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
Ansel Road & East 105th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

That was such a fine letter you wrote me last week in connection with our "victory luncheon." We missed you very much that day.

These last few months have been some of the most strenuous ones that the Consumers' League has ever known, and with the continuous effort that had to be expended in our legislative campaign we have had to neglect some of our other work, especially the work of the finance committee. We are now concentrating on an effort to secure enough of our regular contributions and any new ones we can get to meet our current bills and the regular expenses through the summer.

You have usually given your contribution in October each year, and were out of town last fall before we got around to sending you a "reminder". If you could send us \$50 now, it would be a very great help. You do so much for the League all the time and render such valuable service, that we are very hesitant to turn to you with this financial appeal in addition. I am sure, however, that you know the problems of budget balancing and will understand our need.

Yours faithfully,

Marie R. Wing

Marie R. Wing,
Finance Chairman.

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July 7, 1933.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Many, many thanks, for your prompt and generous response to my reminder of the needs of the Consumers' League. Your faith in the work we are trying to do and your generous support is one of the things that inspires and helps us always.

Yours cordially,

Marie R. Wing
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Rabbi A. H. Silver,
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City of Cleveland

RAY T. MILLER
MAYOR

July 31, 1933

My dear Rabbi Silver:

On Sunday, August 6 at 2:00 P. M.
we are holding a mass meeting at Public Auditorium
to properly inaugurate the President's Emergency
Re-employment Campaign.

I should greatly appreciate it if we
might count upon you to give a short address at that
time.

This is a most important occasion in
Cleveland's civic life. I hope I may have your ac-
ceptance at your earliest convenience.

With best personal wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

Ray Miller
Mayor.

Rabbi Abba Hilliel Silver,
The Temple,
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August 1, 1933.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
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Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

In accordance with a proclamation of President Roosevelt, we have organized the President's Emergency Re-Employment Campaign Committee. You are hereby appointed as a member of the Advisory Committee.

You may well regard this appointment as a public duty. You are called to take an active part in this war against unemployment, hunger and hardship. By being a member of this Committee you are performing a constructive service for the city and nation.

The first meeting of the Committee will be held in the Public Auditorium on Sunday August 6 at 2:00 P. M. The Advisory Committee will have chairs on the stage of the Auditorium. Will you therefore please show this letter to the head usher so that you may be directed to your seat?

Please do not let anything interfere with your attendance at this meeting as it is highly important that every member be present so that instructions may be thoroughly understood.

Sincerely yours,

Ray Miller
Mayor

RTM:DD

August 2, 1933.

Mayor Ray T. Miller,
Cleveland,
Ohio.

My dear Mayor Miller:

I appreciate very much you kind invitation to address the mass meeting at the Public Auditorium on August 6th in connection with the emergency re-employment campaign. I would gladly have accepted it. Unfortunately, I have a long standing engagement out of the city next Sunday and I must forego the pleasure of accepting your invitation.

Trusting that I may be of service to you at some future time, and with kindest personal regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

New Federal tax measure--"offsets" for employer contributions under State laws

This is a Federal tax bill, which will raise revenue and will also work in such a way that it will promote the passage of State unemployment insurance laws. A new tax is imposed, and then offsets are allowed for contributions to unemployment insurance funds set up under approved State laws.

I. Tax; and offsets under State laws.

- A. A new Federal tax will be imposed on all employers (except very small employers, and a few special classes--farmers, hospitals, etc.). The tax will be based on each employer's pay roll after July 1, 1935. It will reach practically all employers in interstate commerce, and put them on equal footing.
- B. An employer need not pay this tax if he has contributed an equal sum of money to unemployment reserves under a State law. He may offset against the tax whatever he contributed. (An additional offset would later be allowed, whenever an employer's contributions are scaled down because of steady employment and adequate reserve funds.)
- C. The employer will thus have to pay his money to the Federal Government, unless he can keep it at home under a State law for the benefit of the local unemployed. If he prefers to keep it at home, he will favor the passage of an unemployment insurance law in his State.
- D. The old "interstate competition" argument could not be used to defeat such State laws, because the Federal tax would apply to employers in any State which failed to enact legislation.

II. Freedom left to the States.

This is a Federal bill, and does not dictate to the States what kind of laws they shall pass. Each State may decide for itself:

- (1) Whether to have State-wide funds, industrial pooled funds, or individual reserves;
- (2) Whether to have joint contributions, or contributions only by employers;
- (3) What employers shall contribute;
- (4) What employments are to be covered;
- (5) Who is eligible to benefits;
- (6) What the waiting period shall be;
- (7) What (above an absolute minimum) the benefit rates shall be and how long benefits shall be paid.

III. Standards which State laws must meet.

An employer can offset against his Federal tax only those contributions paid under a genuine unemployment compensation law, which the Secretary of Labor has certified as meeting certain minimum standards. No State law will be certified by the Secretary of Labor unless it provides for:

- (1) Regular contributions by employers;
- (2) Systematic weekly benefits over substantial periods of time;
- (3) No insuring through private insurance companies;
- (4) State administration or supervision, with joint advisory committees assisting;
- (5) Impartial hearings on disputed compensation claims;
- (6) Specific safeguards for labor standards and union membership.



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Notice to Consumers' League Members:

The organizations which cooperated in the minimum wage campaign are planning a luncheon to celebrate the victory on Friday noon, June 23, at 12 o'clock at the Hollenden Hotel. Since minimum wage is one of the projects for which the League has worked for years, we are sure you will be interested in attending. Mr. Newton D. Baker, Dr. Philip Bird, Mr. Daniel E. Morgan, and Mr. James A. Reynolds will be among those who will give brief talks.

The luncheon is 65¢. Please telephone your reservation or send a postal card by Thursday, June 22nd.

Sincerely yours,

Elizabeth S. Magee