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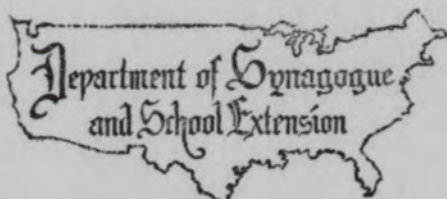


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Please send us your order as early as possible, both for your own convenience and to permit us to give you better service.

With kind greetings and best wishes for the New Year, I am

Very sincerely yours,

G.Z:RH

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January 18, 19, 20, 21, 1931

PHILADELPHIA

Dec 15

Oct. 6th, 1930.

Hon. Lillie Montague,
Red Lodge,
51 Palace Court,
London, Eng.

My dear Miss Montague:-

I learned from friends this week that you plan to visit the United States in January and to attend the Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. I was very happy to hear of it.

I wonder whether it is your intention to visit some of the principal cities of the United States during your visit. I am sure that it would prove distinctly helpful. Should you decide to do so, we would of course want you to visit Cleveland.

The women's organization of my Temple, comprising a membership of over fourteen hundred would be delighted to welcome you and to arrange a large public meeting on the occasion of your visit.

Cleveland is only a night's ride from New York or Philadelphia. We would of course be happy to cover all your traveling expenses and will make your stay in our midst a pleasant one. Please let me know whether you can come and when would be most convenient for you.

With kindest regards and best wishes and hoping to greet you on your visit to the United States, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Dr. Abba H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

A new textbook for our Elementary Department is just off the press. It is "Israel in Canaan", by Dr. Jacob S. Golub, who has already written one textbook for us.

Under separate cover I am sending you, in accordance with our usual custom, a copy of the new textbook.

With kind greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

George Zepin
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Dr. Abba H. Silver,
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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with our usual practice,
I am sending you under separate cover the
last two Bible Readers which we have pub-
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With kind greetings, I am

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Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Do you recognize the old building where we "went to college?" You have also seen the new campus. This work begun by our sainted teacher it is our privilege to continue. But we can't do this merely and only by serving our congregations, no matter how well we do it.

We must produce the funds to do for the next generation - what the rabbis who preceded us did for our generation. No future ever built itself.

The Union which Dr. Isaac Mayer Wise started in 1873 was as large as his generation could afford. What Dr. Wise visioned has become a reality. The multitudinous activities of the Union, both large and humble, are carrying to fruition his splendid dream of a religious renaissance of Judaism.

We, his spiritual children are now called upon to do our part. Does your congregation share this feeling of obligation? If it does - and participates fully and liberally - more strength to you - because it is your doing! But whether it does or does not - you and I can strengthen this sense of duty.

First, by publicly acknowledging our debt to Dr. Wise and to Judaism.

Second, by pledging our congregation to the high task of making Judaism safe for future generations.

Third, by bending all our energies towards doing



what Isaac Mayer Wise started - namely, to bring about a renaissance of Judaism in America.

A great effort will be put forth in November.

It is an opportunity that comes to us once a year to participate in an activity worthy of our best efforts.

I am requesting you, as I am requesting every Reform rabbi to comply with this plea and to assure the managing Committee that you will both hold a meeting in your own community and offer your services for a similar meeting elsewhere.

Sincerely,

Emil M. Leipziger
Emil Leipziger.



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Miss Montagu of London has just sent me a batch of invitations from all ends of the United States, asking her to address Congregations, Sisterhoods, etc. She states very innocently that she would be only too happy to accept all of them, if possible.

Meanwhile, she has accepted more invitations than she can possibly take care of unless she is willing to make a number of one-night stands and this, I know, she has no intention of doing.

According to present plan, she will arrive here December 22nd and proposes to spend two weeks in New York City. She is to speak in Temple Emanuel on Sunday, January 28th. She has accepted an invitation to speak in Detroit January 4th, and is to spend the remainder of the week in Chicago. She is hesitating between two invitations for Sunday January 11th, has three speaking engagements in Cincinnati for the remainder of that week, will spend the week following that (January 18th) in Philadelphia. That leaves her eight more days in America until sailing date. She wants to stay a few days in Washington and a few days in Boston, and has a speaking engagement in New York City the day before she sails, January 29th. And this does not include invitations from St. Louis, Harrisburg and other points which she has sent to me "for disposition".

You are somewhat of an old traveller yourself, but I doubt whether you would undertake a

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PHILADELPHIA

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schedule like the above.

The only suggestion I can make is that you invite her to address the Sisterhoods on her way from New York to Detroit. If you could have her on Friday, January 2nd, this would give her the opportunity of spending Friday and Saturday in Cleveland, Sunday and Monday in Detroit. Of course, this would make her leave New York on New Year's day, and I do not know just how she would feel about it. She has many friends in New York and that period of the year is a favorite one for private entertainment.

Nevertheless, if you will extend the invitation, I will keep Friday and Saturday open on her schedule.

Please advise me.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain



Sincerely yours,

Sam Spier
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November
Fourth
1930

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Tifereth Israel Congr.
E. 105th St. & Ansel Road

My dear Dr. Silver:

I hate to press you for a reply but would like to know from you whether January 2nd and 3rd will be acceptable for Miss Montagu's visit to Cleveland.

Her New York hosts are very eager to arrange a series of meetings in New York City and are demanding to know what engagements I have made for her.

Awaiting your response and with kindest greetings, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

G. Zepin
Secretary.

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PHILADELPHIA

card

Nov. 5th, 1930

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your
letter of October 28th.

I took the matter of Miss Montagu's visit
up with the Program Committee of the Temple Women's Association.
Our Organization will be very happy to welcome Miss Montagu
on Saturday afternoon, January 3d, 1931. We would arrange a
meeting and reception in her honor to which the members of all
the other sisterhoods in the city would be invited.

This date, I understand from your letter, would
fit in nicely with the program. Miss Montagu could then leave
on Saturday evening and be in time for her engagements in
Detroit on Sunday and Monday.

Please confirm this date as soon as possible.

Perhaps you are in a position to let us know
also under what arrangements Miss Montague is traveling, -expenses,
etc. Has she definite subjects for her forthcoming addresses in
this country? We should also like one or two photographs of
Miss Montagu for publication.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105th St. at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Answering your letter of November 5th, I beg to confirm the arrangement for having Miss Montagu address the Sisterhoods of Cleveland on Saturday afternoon, January 3, 1931.

My confirmation will consist in advising Miss Montagu that I have made the arrangements. Upon receipt of confirmation from her, I will again advise you, but I doubt whether she will suggest any changes.

I think she will want to arrange her trip so as to arrive Friday rather than Saturday.

With reference to travelling expenses, etc., I beg to state the following:

Miss Montagu insists that hotel bill and the travelling expenses from the last city (in this case, New York) should be paid by the community visited. This refers to her personal travelling expenses and, undoubtedly, her personal hotel bill. I say this because she is travelling with a party of four; her sister, Miss Marian Montagu; a friend, Miss Lewis; and a 'friend-secretary', Miss Stonestreet. The three members of her party are travelling, as I understand it, as her personal guests.

In Cincinnati, Mrs. Freiberg will have Miss Montagu and her sister as her house guests but, not having enough room for the others, she will put them up at the Vernon Manor hotel.

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The only suggestion I can make is that when you write to extend her a definite invitation for the dates mentioned in your letter, I would ask her to state the subject.

I am also writing in this mail, asking to state what subjects she wants published, but she may want to reserve a special subject for each city.

If there is any further information or service that I can render, please do not hesitate to command me.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

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A handwritten signature in dark ink, which appears to be "Dr. Silver".

Secretary

COPY

Nov. 7th, 1930

Rabbi A. H. Silver

Dear Dr. Silver:-

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I am also writing in this mail, asking to state what subjects she wants published, but she may want to reserve a special subject for each city.

If there is any further information or service that I can render, please do not hesitate to command me.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

George Zepin

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10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
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Dear Dr. Silver:

First, I want to congratulate you on the publication of your new book. We are getting a copy in the office and I am looking forward to seeing it.

We are proceeding regularly with the publication of tracts, as you may have noticed. In the series that has been planned by the Tract Commission, there are two subjects that we hope you will treat. One is "Judaism and Christian Science." I still have a copy of your address on that subject which you gave in 1919. It is our hope that you will convert this address into tract form. If you haven't a copy of it, please let me know and I shall be glad to send you our copy.

Or if you prefer to write a tract first on "The Messianic Hope," we shall be happy to receive your manuscript on that subject.

While there is no great hurry with reference to both these manuscripts, I believe the Tract Commission would be pleased to receive either one of these tracts from you within the next few months.

With kindest regards and best wishes to your family and yourself, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Louis I. Egelson
Secretary

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I take pleasure in informing you that in accordance with the Constitution, by virtue of your office as a member of one of the major Boards of the Union, you are a member of the Council with all the privileges of a delegate, including the right to vote and the right to office.

The Thirty-second Council of the Union will meet in Philadelphia, January 18 - 22, 1931. You will find your credential card enclosed. Please bring this with you to the Council. The registration desk will be open at the Benjamin Franklin Hotel, beginning Sunday morning, January 18th.

A folder showing available hotel accommodations, together with rates, is enclosed. You are urged to make your room reservations immediately. A card for this purpose is enclosed.

For hotel reservations please fill out the red blank and mail to Hotel Committee today, using corresponding envelope.

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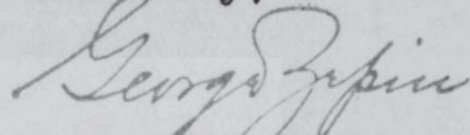
PHILADELPHIA

Whether you will stop at a hotel or privately, be sure to fill out and mail the yellow blank so that we may know you are coming.

I beg to call your attention to the fact that, by action of the Philadelphia Committee the term "visitor" is limited to a member of the delegate's family accompanying the delegate from his home city.

Trusting that you find it possible to attend this Council Meeting, with kind greetings, I am

Sincerely,



George Zepin
Secretary.

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Please mail this TODAY

Date _____

City _____

1. What is your most important service of the weekend for holding the Tour Meeting?

2. Can we count on you as a Speaker if we can arrange a meeting in your neighborhood?

3. If more than one Reform (Union) congregation in your city - do you prefer a separate meeting for your congregation or a joint meeting?

(Other side for additional information)

(Signed) _____

Nov. 14th, 1930

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

I am glad to know that Miss Montagu will be with the Temple Women's Association on January 3d, 1931. I do not understand exactly the arrangements for her traveling expenses. Am I to understand that the Temple Women's Association will have to pay traveling expenses for four people.

We shall be pleased to pay Miss Montagu's expenses and to take care of her and of her guests properly when they come here, but the Temple Woman's Association does not wish to pay for another mass Exodus. Please let me know about this matter more definitely.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
E. 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

In response to your letter of November 4th, beg to state that although there are four people in the party, it will only be necessary to pay Miss Montagu's personal expenses, both railroad and hotel. The railroad cost will be the trip from New York to Cleveland, the next city paying the cost from Cleveland to that city. The hotel expense will be her ^{personal} hotel expenses during her stay in your city, Friday and Saturday.

Miss Montagu has her Secretary travelling with her, Miss Stonestreet, and I believe arrangements can undoubtedly be made with her after she arrives in Cleveland.

I don't know that I mentioned it in my previous correspondence, but I do think that a letter from you to Miss Montagu extending personal invitation for the date given and telling her whatever you want her to know about the Society which she is to address will be very welcome.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

Gay Zepin
Secretary

GZ:SE

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PHILADELPHIA

Nov. 19th, 1930

Hon. Lillie Montagu,
Red Lodge,
51 Palace Court,
London, England.

My dear Miss Montagu:-

Under date of October 6th I sent you a letter extending an invitation of the Temple Women's Association of Cleveland to be its honored guest during your forthcoming visit to the United States.

I have since received word from Rabbi George Zepin to whom you turned over the arrangements for your lectures, informing me that it would be possible for you to be in Cleveland for an afternoon meeting on January 3d, 1931. We are delighted that it will be possible for you to be with us.

The Temple Women's Association is composed of over fifteen hundred Jewish women of Cleveland. It has planned to invite also the members of the sisterhoods in adjacent communities.

Any suggestions which you may have concerning the character of the program, we should be very happy to receive from you.

With kindest regards and looking forward with a great deal of pleasure to your visit, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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Dr. Abba H. Silver,
Tifereth Israel Congregation,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will probably recollect our correspondence last year with regard to having Rabbi James G. Heller come to Cleveland to speak on the Union at your Sunday morning service. Because of various circumstances, it was not possible to arrange a mutually acceptable date until the season was too far advanced.

I spoke to Rabbi Heller about coming this year. He will be very glad to do so if you are willing to arrange it and suggests February 14th or 21st.

Will you please let me know if this is agreeable to you or if some other date would be preferable?

Hoping to hear from you and with kindest personal greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

George Zepin
Secretary.

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PHILADELPHIA

Nov. 21st, 1930

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

The Temple Women's Association is very desirous of having some information about Miss Lillie Montagu which they can use in their publicity in connection with her visit here on January 3d.

I would appreciate very much if you will kindly send me a short biographical sketch or any information which you think we may be able to use in this connection.

With kindest regards and thanking you in advance for your cooperation, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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Miss Irene Rothenberg
Secretary to Rabbi Silver
The Temple, Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rothenberg:

In response to your letter addressed to Rabbi Zepin, asking for information about Miss Lillie Montagu for publicity purposes, beg to state that we are gathering this information and will send it to you at the earliest possible moment.

Very sincerely yours,

Henry Segal

Henry Segal
Publicity Director.

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The Hon. LILY H. MONTAGU, J.P.
Liberal Jewish Synagogue,
28, St. John's Wood Road,
LONDON, N.W.8.

The Red Lodge,
51, Palace Court,
London, W.2.

November 28th, 1930.

Dear Dr Silver,

Thank you very much for your kind letter
of November 19th.

I am looking forward to addressing The Temple
Women's Association in Cleveland. I have chosen "Religion in the
Home" as my subject and hope that this will meet with your approval.
Perhaps you would be good enough to let me know how long you would
like the address to be. I think you know that I am sailing from
Southampton on December 16th and for the first 10 days I shall be
staying in New York,

c/o Mrs Moskowitz,
147 West Ninety fourth Street,
New York City

so that if you want to write me any further particulars, letters
will reach me there.

You mention in your letter of Nov. 19th that you
want me to address the Temple Women's Association on January 3rd,
but I understood that the date fixed for this meeting was Jan. 2nd
from an earlier letter which I received from Rabbi Zepin. However,
I am sure I shall be able to manage whatever you and Rabbi Zepin
arrange.

With kind regards and looking forward to making
your acquaintance,

Yours very sincerely,

L. Montagu

Dec. 3d, 1930

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

In connection with Miss Montagu's visit to us on January 3d, we have invited the members of the sisterhoods of the other Temples in the city, as well as the members of the sisterhoods in adjacent communities to attend this meeting.

her coming.

We are all looking forward eagerly to

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

President Temple Women's Ass'n.

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Dr. Abba H. Silver,
Tifereth Israel Congregation,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

A couple of weeks ago I wrote you with regard to the possibility of arranging a Union meeting in your congregation on some Sunday morning with Rabbi James G. Heller as the speaker. I have no doubt that you have been very busy, which accounts for my not having as yet heard from you.

Perhaps you would wish to make this an exchange with Rabbi Heller. This, or any other arrangement which you would care to make, would be entirely satisfactory to us. May I suggest that to facilitate matters, you might wish to write to Rabbi Heller directly to fix a suitable date. If you do this, I should appreciate a copy of your letter for our records.

With kindest personal greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

George Zepin
Secretary.

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Dec. 9th, 1930

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

Permit me to thank you very kindly for sending me the publicity material in connection with Miss Montagu's visit.

We are, however, very desirous of knowing what the subject of Miss Montagu's address will be and would appreciate it very much if you can send us her subject or a list of subjects from which one could be selected.

As the Association is planning to use this in their publicity for this coming week-end, may I ask that you kindly let us hear from you by return mail.

With kindest regards and thanking you in advance for your cooperation, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

"Religion
In the Stone"

Dec. 9th, 1930

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which we are sending to Lady Montagu, in your care, which is self explanatory.

We have made reservations for Lady Montagu at the Wade Park Manor.

May I ask that you kindly acknowledge the acceptance of the luncheon engagement.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Jos. H. Gross,
President, Temple Women's Association.

Dec. 9th, 1930

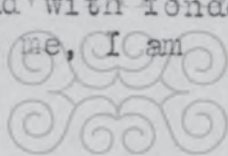
Hon. Lillie Montagu,
c/o Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Lady Montagu:-

In behalf of the Board of the Temple Women's Association and myself I wish to extend to you and to your party an invitation to be our guests at a luncheon preceding our meeting on January 3d.

The luncheon will be held at the Excelsior Club at 12:15. A member of our committee will be most happy to call for you and your friends.

Anticipating with great pleasure a personal acquaintance and with fondest greetings in which my sisterhood joins me, I am



Sincerely yours,

Ruetta D. Gross

Mrs. Jos. H. Gross,
President, Temple Women's Association.

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Miss Irene Rothenberg
Secretary to Rabbi Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street At Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Rothenberg:

To my great regret we do not know the subject of Miss Montagu's address in Cleveland, but would advise that you communicate directly with her after her arrival in New York, December 22nd. She will be the house guest of Mrs. Henry Moskowitz, 331 Madison Avenue, New York City.

Very sincerely yours,

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January 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 1931
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Dec. 12th, 1930

Hon. Lily H. Montagu,
c/o Mrs. Moskowitz,
147 West 94th St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Lady Montagu:-

Thank you very much for your kind letter
of Dec. 1st.

The date of your meeting with the Temple
Women's Association is for Saturday afternoon, January
3d not January 2d. The organization has made extensive
preparations for your coming and I believe that you will
be highly pleased with the meeting.

We are looking forward with keen interest
and pleasure to your coming.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Dec. 17th, 1930.

Hon. Lily H. Montagu,
c/o Mrs. Henry Moskowitz,
147 West 94th St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Lady Montagu:-

Mrs. Myron Metzenbaum of the Temple Women's Association has asked me to secure from you the following information:

The exact day on which you will arrive in Cleveland, so that reservations may be made for you.

How many rooms and how many baths should be reserved for your party and yourself.

We would appreciate this information as soon as possible so that the proper reservations can be made.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

P. S.

May I also ask that you advise us which title you prefer us to use in our publicity: Lady Montagu or The Honorable Miss Montagu.

HENRY MOSKOWITZ
147 WEST 94th STREET
NEW YORK CITY

December 23rd, 1930.

Dear Miss Rothenberg,

Thank you very much for your kind letter of Dec. 17th., which I have just received.

We shall be grateful if you will kindly make reservations for us for two bedrooms, with two single beds in each, and one bathroom between the four of us at a simple hotel.

We arrive in Cleveland on Friday evening, Jan. 2nd and leave for Detroit on the evening of Saturday Jan. 3rd, so will only require the rooms for one night.

With regard to my title, I prefer that you should put my name down as follows:-

The Hon. Lily H. Montagu J.P.

With kind regards, and thanking you for the trouble you are taking on our behalf,

Yours sincerely,

Lily Montagu

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HENRY MOSKOWITZ
147 WEST 94th STREET
NEW YORK CITY

December 23rd, 1930.

Dear Dr Silver,

I have just received your very kind letter
of Dec. 12th.

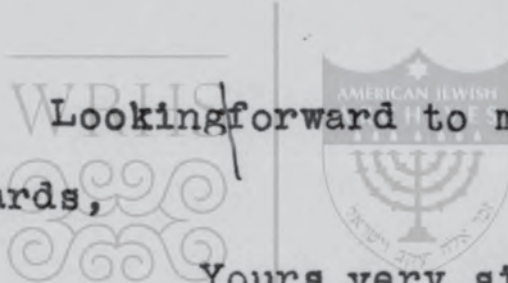
I note that the date for the meeting with
the Temple Women's Association is for Sat. January 3rd.

I have chosen as my subject "Religion in
the Home" and hope that this title will meet with your
approval.

Looking forward to meeting you and with
kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Henry Moskowitz



147 WEST 94TH STREET

December 24th, 1930.

Dear Miss Rothenberg,

Since writing to you yesterday I have seen Rabbi Zepin, who is very kindly arranging my American tour for me, and he tells me that ~~he~~^{he} thinks rooms have been reserved for me at Wade Park Manor Hotel. On receipt of my letter of yesterday's date you will know what rooms we require and for how long. I will let you know in a few days what time we shall arrive, it will probably be in the early evening of Friday, Jan. 2nd.

Thanking you for all your kindness in the matter,

Yours sincerely,

Isidore H. M. M. M.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will recall that some time ago when I passed through Cleveland, I called you up to talk about the filling of vacancies on the Executive Board. You promised to write me your suggestions with reference to the Cleveland situation.

You have undoubtedly overlooked this. Can you let me have a line from you at your early convenience or, if you prefer not to write, will be very happy to confer with you in person at the Convention.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

Secretary

D.L.

Jan. 15th, 1931

The Union would like to know whether you would consider reappointment on the Executive Board Please wire stop

• XXXII COUNCIL Our best wishes to you and Mrs. Lowenstein.

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HARRY A LEVY.

Have not heard from Lowenstein
Suggest that he be reelected

A.H. Silver

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Dr. A. H. Silver
105th & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I take pleasure in sending you herewith an Outline of a Proposed Manual for Jewish Religious Schools. The preparation of such a manual was authorized by the Commission on Jewish Education at its last meeting. The Committee also approved our invitation extended to Professor Cronbach to prepare this manual. The outline enclosed was prepared by Professor Cronbach. I heartily recommend that we encourage Professor Cronbach to proceed with the completion of the manuscript as soon as possible.

I shall write to you again shortly enclosing a detailed report on this subject.

With kind personal greetings and looking forward to hearing from you as soon as possible, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Emanuel Gamoran

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February 7th

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Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple, Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,--

I am writing you to inform you of the condition of the project of the Commentaries to be published by the Commission on Jewish Education of the U. A. H. C., in accordance with the report of the Commentaries Committee adopted by the Commission. Dr. Gamoran and I are at work on Selections from the Pentateuch and on Selections of about fifty Psalms. As soon as we have the thing in shape, we will present the matter in the form of a tentative selection to you for your approval or for whatever suggestions and modifications you wish to make. I feel that this would be the best thing to do, as I have not heard from you since I last wrote you. Gamoran has done the work thus far in connection with the Pentateuch, and I am going over his matter in accordance with certain ideas I have in mind, inasmuch as in my report to the Commission, you will recall, I recommended a Commentary on Selected Portions of the Pentateuch, which recommendation was adopted.

With respect to authors of Commentaries, I have had a list of names, and you have them in the letter I last wrote you. Both Dr. Gamoran and I tentatively suggest to you Dr. Sidney Tedesche, as the author of a Commentary on "Hosea and Amos and Dr. Solomon B. Freehof as the author of a Commentary on about fifty selected Psalms. We think they would be excellent men for these books. I would like very much for you to write me your opinion, in strict confidence. I hope you will see your way to approve the suggestion made with respect to these authors. If you do, we can immediately proceed to make arrangements for the preparation of the Commentary on Hosea and Amos and for one of the Psalms. If you think that you could recommend a better man for either one of the books, the Prophets and the Psalms, please let me know.

As to the matter of a Commentary on the Pentateuch, which I consider the most difficult and delicate piece of work, I have no one particular in my mind just now and would very much urge you to suggest names to me. The only thought I care to express now, in connection with this book, is that the author

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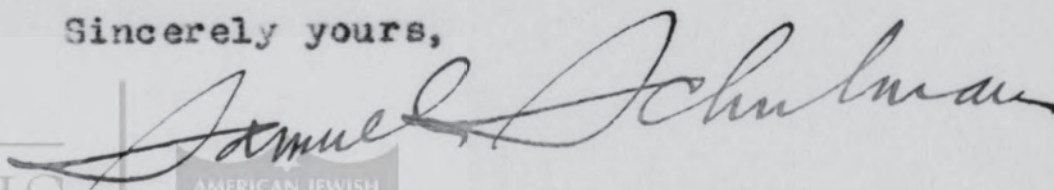
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decided upon, ought to be a mature person. It is a question not only of scholarship and of facility as a writer, but of good judgment and of experience as a Rabbi. I would consider it a great favor if you would reply as soon as possible to this letter, so that our Committee could have something definite to present at the next meeting of the Commission on Jewish Education,

With cordial personal greetings, I beg to be

Sincerely yours,



Chairman Committee on Commentaries.

Feb. 9th, 1931

Dr. Emanuel Gamoran,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Gamoran:-

Permit me to thank you for the Outline of a Proposed Manual of Peace Instruction for Jewish Religious Schools which you sent me.

The general outline is excellent. Some of the illustrations brought from the Bible are a bit far fetched. It is better to give fewer and more effective illustrations.

I believe also that care should be taken not to give the impression that Judaism is a pacifist religion or that the Jews always looked upon war as a sin. Historically, of course, this is not true and we should not falsify history. The Rabbis clearly distinguished

You may remind Dr. Cronbach of the correspondence I had with him two or three years ago when he set about organizing his Pacifist Society.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your prompt reaction to the Outline of the Proposed Manual on Peace Instruction. I have not quite completed my examination of the passages but I fully agree with you that it is better to give fewer illustrations and to make them more telling. I shall also convey your sentiments to Dr. Cronbach.

May I take this opportunity to congratulate you on the publication of your volume of essays. I have seen two or three reviews of it, chiefly favorable, and I have also seen a critical one by Kqrolnik in the TAG. I am looking forward to reading it in the near future.

With kindest greetings from house to house, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Emanuel Gamoran

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February 26th

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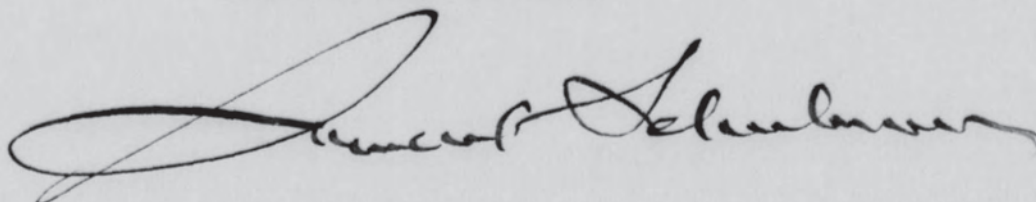
Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland,
Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,--

I regret very much that I did not hear from you, in reply to my last letter, asking you for your opinion on possible writers of Commentaries. Since writing you, I have heard from the other members of the Committee. I herewith enclose a copy of a letter I am writing to all the members of the Committee.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Samuel Schulman", written in a cursive style.

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Rev. Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver,--

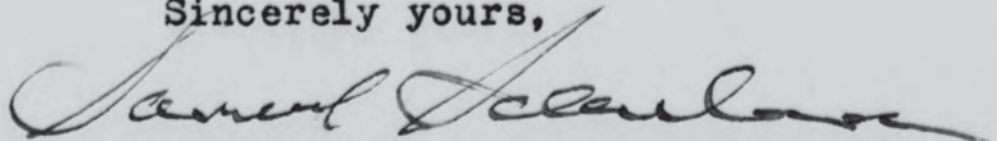
I beg to inform you that the Committee by a vote of three to one, that means Dr. Morgenstern, Dr. Rosenau and myself, have approved the selection of Dr. Sidney Tedesche, as the writer of the Commentary on Amos and Hosea, and of Dr. Freehof, as the writer of the Commentary on the selected Psalms.

It is my intention to write to Dr. Tedesche immediately, informing him of his appointment and inviting him to write the Commentary. And if he accepts, Dr. Gamoran will write to him details, as to the rules with respect to the Commentaries, as adopted by the Commission, and as to compensation etc.

I do not think it advisable to write a formal invitation to Dr. Freehof until both Dr. Gamoran and I have decided upon a tentative selection of fifty Psalms. The same procedure will be followed with respect to the book of the Commentary on the Pentateuch. It seems to be difficult to make the selections through the Committee, although I asked for suggestions. Therefore, Gamoran and I will do the best we can. Members of the Committee are, however, cordially invited, and in fact urged to make suggestions if they care to do so.

With cordial greetings,

Sincerely yours,



CHAIRMAN OF COMMITTEE ON COMMENTARIES.

March 3d, 1931

Dr. Samuel Schulman,
Congregation Emanu-El,
Fifth Ave. at 65th St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Schulman:-

Permit me to thank you for your letters
of February 26th and March 2d.

I note that the committee has selected
Dr. Tedesche and Dr. Freehof to write the two commentaries.
Of course I approve of the selection made.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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LUDWIG VOGELSTEIN
SIXTY-ONE BROADWAY
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March 5, 1931.

The Reverend Dr. Abba H. Silver,
Temple Tifereth Israel,
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Dear Rabbi Silver:-

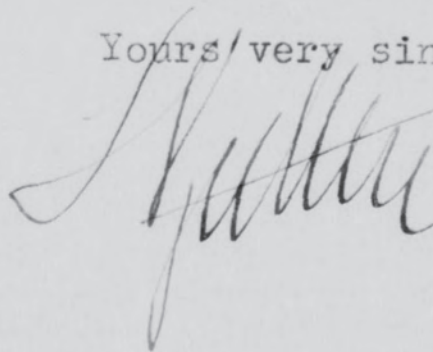
Mr. Meyerowitz called on me
on the eve of my departure for Europe and re-
ported your criticism of the work of the Union.

I am sure your criticism is
always constructive and, if I were not going to
Europe at the moment, I would take up this dis-
cussion with you. Under the existing circumstances
I am asking Rabbi Zepin to find a way in which
you can cooperate with the committee recently
appointed to evaluate the work of the Union, and
I sincerely trust that you will give it a help-
ful hand.

With kindest regards,

Yours very sincerely,

LV.MM.



Ag - Rev. Silver

March 5, 1931

Mr. Eugene Wolf
Engineers Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Wolf:

I am very happy indeed to inform you that Mr. Ludwig Vogelstein, Chairman of the Executive Board of the Union, upon my recommendation will appoint Dr. A. H. Silver a member on that commission which he has just appointed a few days ago to make a survey of the activities of the Union.

Dr. Lee K. Frankel is Chairman of that Commission. The other members are David A. Brown, Dr. Samuel Schulman, Marcus Aaron, Milton M. Alexander, Julius W. Freilberg, Dr. David Philipson, Abraham Lewenthal, and Horace Stern.

This appointment will afford Rabbi Silver a splendid opportunity to air out his criticisms and to present his constructive suggestions as far as the general plan of operation and each individual activity of the Union is concerned, all of which fall under the scope of this Commission's investigation.

With best personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

ARTHUR MEYEROWITZ
Representing David A. Brown

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith my report on Dr. Cronbach's outline for our Peace Manual. It is self-explanatory. It does not yet include the suggestions made by all the members of the Committee nor the suggestions made by yourself. The reason for this is that I am still waiting to hear from several members of the Committee. As soon as I do, I shall collate all the suggestions and confer with Dr. Cronbach. If you have any further thought on the subject either with reference to Dr. Cronbach's outline or concerning my report on same, I shall be pleased to hear from you.

With all good wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Emanuel Gamoran
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March 6, 1931

Report On
"Outline of Peace Manual"
by
Dr. A. Cronbach

The plan proposed by Dr. Cronbach for the Peace Manual, which we invited him to prepare, seems to me to be satisfactory. I like the division of the material into that which is suitable for older children and that which will be more appropriate for the younger. In connection with the present list of sources, I would make the following suggestions.

Genesis 32:25 - I think this would be difficult for the younger children.

Joshua 5:13 - This passage seems to me very poor. It represents the captain of the hosts of the Lord with a sword in his hand.

Judges Chapt. 13-16 - I think it would be a mistake to make the use here suggested of the Samson story. If Samson was a bully, what were the Philistines with whom he fought?

I Samuel Chapt. 3 - Some error must have crept in here as I see no reference to war and pestilence.

I Samuel Chapt. 4-6 - I doubt very much whether this is not equivalent to forcing the passage to a meaning which it does not possess. After all, the Philistines returned the Ark because they were afraid of it. It may be a good sermonic idea but it is hardly suitable for purposes of instruction inductively.

I Samuel Chapt. 15 - This will have to be explained a great deal if it is to serve as peace propaganda. See, for example, verses 2 and 3. On the whole, verse 9 shows Saul as taking pity while God, as represented by Samuel, seeks complete destruction of everything. Of course, mixed motives enter. Saul wanted to save the booty as well as Agag. However, again it appears to me that we have to force interpretation into the text.

II Samuel Chapt. 10 - This shows David in a kindly light. See, for instance, verse 2. As for his taking Beth Sheba, that seems to have little relation to war except that David used war as a means of killing Uriah.

I Kings Chapt. 20 - Ben Hadad appears extremely overbearing and most provoking. Is this a good illustration?

I Kings Chapt. 22 - I have similar doubts about this passage concerning Micah Ben Imlah. The interpretation seems extremely forced.

In Isaiah I would add Chapter 11.

See also Bialik & Rabnitzki's "Aggadah", Book V, pages 144-147, on the subject of peace, also pages 235-236 on the subject of war.

In general, I would use quotations from our literature only when they clearly reflect the ideal of peace. I would omit them if it is necessary to force interpretation into the text.

In view of the fact that the material for younger children may be used separately from that which is to be prepared for older children, I would suggest that as soon as that is available, the author should present the manuscript to us. It may be advisable to mimeograph it without waiting for the completion of the rest of the manuscript.

Respectfully submitted,

Emanuel Gamoran

Educational Director

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Dr. Abba H. Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have been away from the office for a period of six weeks, owing to an operation (which they tell me lasted only one hour) but entailing a recovery which was prolonged and painful.

Among the correspondence that I found on my desk was a letter from Mr. Vogelstein dated March 5th in which he refers to a talk with Mr. Arthur Meyerowitz with reference to certain criticisms made by yourself with regard to the work of the Union. In this letter, he states: "I am sending you herewith copy of my letter of even date to Rabbi Silver, which is self-explanatory". In the copy of the letter to which reference is made, he mentions the discussion with Mr. Meyerowitz and ends his letter by saying the following:

"Under the existing circumstances, I am notifying Rabbi Zepin to find a way in which you can cooperate with the Committee recently appointed to evaluate the work of the Union and I sincerely trust that you will give it a helpful hand".

The above may mean many things. For example, it may mean that I should get in touch with the Chairman of the Committee, Dr. Lee K. Frankel, in order that he might write to you and ask for a statement of your criticisms. Or that he might invite you to a meeting of the Committee, etc., etc. This, however, is the privilege of any individual and can hardly have been what Mr. Vogelstein had in mind. Undoubtedly, it was his intention to place you on that Committee. I shall take the letter to mean that and if you can accept, will notify the remaining members of the Committee of your appointment. Please advise me of the course that will best accomplish what you have in mind.

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With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,

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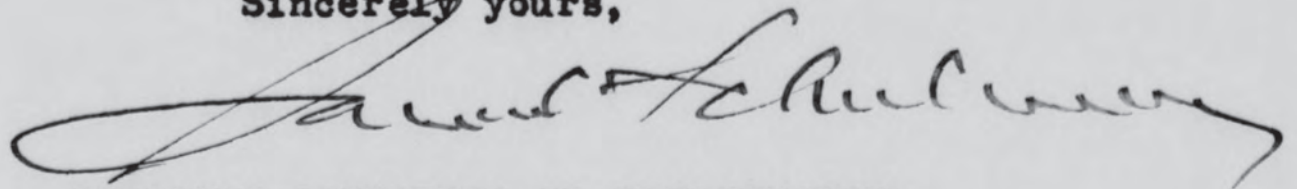
Dear Dr. Silver,--

With respect to a possible author of the Commentary on Selections from the Pentateuch, I have come to the conclusion, after studying the list of names suggested, that it would be highly advisable to invite Dr. William Rosenau to write this Commentary. He is qualified for the work, in my opinion, from various points of view, and will on the whole, best carry out the spirit of our purpose and the rules laid down for such a Commentary in the report adopted by the Commission.

If you agree with me that Dr. Rosenau is the best man we can choose for that Commentary, please write me by return mail, so that I can formally invite him. I have an impression that he will accept. I would like to be in a position to be able to report at the next meeting of the Commission that we have assigned all three Commentaries, with which we intend to launch the enterprise.

With very best wishes,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Samuel Schulman', written in dark ink.

CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON COMMENTARIES.

April 21st, 1931

Dr. Samuel Schulman,
Congregation Emanu-El,
5th Ave. at 65th St.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Schulman:-

Your choice of Dr. Rosenau to write a
Commentary on Selections from the Pentateuch is an admirable
one. I fully concur in it.



Very sincerely yours,



AHS/IR

April 21st, 1931

Rabbi George Zepin,
Merchants Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Zepin:-

Permit me to thank you for your letter
of April 13th.

I did not understand Mr. Vogelstein's
letter nor am I particularly clear about your own.

I would suggest that you wait for Mr.
Vogelstein's return to discover what he has in mind.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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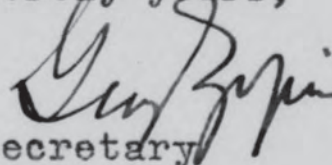
Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have your letter of April 21st.
You left me no alternative except to
put the matter up to Mr. Vogelstein when
he returns late in May.

I thought I had made my letter quite
clear, namely that you should accept mem-
bership on the committee to make a survey
of the Union. Will write you again about
the situation upon Mr. Vogelstein's return.

With kindest regards

Sincerely yours,


Secretary

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Dr. Abba H. Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

A meeting of the Commission on Jewish Education is herewith called for Monday, June 15th, at Wawasee Hotel, Wawasee, Indiana.

As the Executive Board of the Conference usually meets a day before the sessions of the Conference, in this case Tuesday, June 16, the only time that we could meet is Monday, June 15th. The Commission has not had a meeting for some time and as there are many important matters to be discussed I trust that you will arrange to come to Wawasee for the meeting scheduled. The additional expense involved in coming two days ahead of the regular sessions of the Conference, or one day as the case may be, will be reimbursed by the Department.

A schedule of business for the meeting will follow shortly.

I understand that there is some difficulty in reaching Wawasee. It is on the main line of the B. & O. between Pittsburgh and Chicago. I am securing information as to whether or not the through trains stop at Wawasee during the summer. I shall let you have further information with reference to this at a later date.

With kind greetings, I am

Very sincerely yours,

George Zepin
Secretary.

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P.S.. I will appreciate very much if you will fill out the enclosed card and mail it to me.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Upon my return to this country within the last two weeks, I found on my desk a letter from Rabbi Zepin containing a copy of the letter that you wrote him some time ago with reference to your appointment on the Committee to Evaluate the Work of the Union. Of course, it was my intention that you should serve on this Committee.

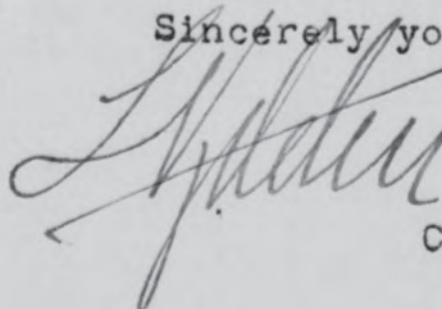
However, we have fallen upon evil times. Our budget for next year has been reduced by about \$120,000.

Dr. Lee K. Frankel, who was aware of the situation, tried to get an appropriation of \$10,000 from a fund in New York City in order to make this investigation. His request was turned down. Before he left for Europe, he wrote us a letter stating that the situation discouraged him very much and that he proposed to resign from the Chairmanship of the Committee. He also told me that his work in connection with his European trip would occupy his exclusive attention for about six months.

I have since written to him that I would not hear of his resignation but that as long as he would be absent from the country for about six months, that the work of this Committee might be postponed until he returned. Perhaps by that time, our finances will be in better shape and we will be able to afford the cost involved.

With kindest regards, I beg to remain

Sincerely yours,



Chairman

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Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have the honor to inform you that
the Chairman of the Executive Board, Mr.
Ludwig Vogelstein, has appointed you a member
of the Committee to Evaluate the Work of the
Union.

The full membership of the Committee
is as follows:

Dr. Lee K. Frankel, Chairman
Marcus Aaron
Milton M. Alexander
David A. Brown
Abraham Lewenthal
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Dr. Samuel Schulman
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
Horace Stern
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With kind regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Jacob D. Schwarz
Assistant Secretary

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