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## United Jewish Appeal, 1934.

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Jan. 31, 1934

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio. Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am writing to you on behalf of our local committee which is planning to inaugurate a fund-raising effort for the Joint Distribution Committee and the American Palestine Campaign about the middle of this month. While we are familiar with the fact that a noon-luncheon is to take place in your honor on the day that you lecture here, Feb. 15th, and while we fully realize that it is almost an imposition to ask you to speak three times in one day, our committee is very much disposed toward utilizing your presence in Johnstown in connection with our campaign if it will be at all agreeable to you. We had in mind an informal reception at our Jewish Social Center (which is near the High School where you will lecture in the evening) to take place following the lecture, about 10 O'Clock to which the entire Jewish community could be invited. It would probably mean that you would have to take an early morning train instead of your usual train at night.

We know of your deep interest and your efforts to relieve the tragic situation in Germany and sincerely feel that you can help us in J<sub>0</sub>hnstown to do our part, and that your participation in our effort will help to achieve better results. Accordingly, if you can see your way clear to do so, we will be very grateful indeed. Kindly let me hear from you promptly so that we may make our plans accordingly.

Very sincerely yours,

With kindest regards, I am

February 1, 1934.

Mr. Emanuel Teitelbaum, 630 Napoleon Street. Johnstown, Penna.

My dear Mr. Teitelbaum:

I wish I could comply with your request to address a meeting of your campaign. Unfortunately I must leave Johnstown right after my lecture to get home in time to keep some important appointments. Furthermore, I do not wish to tax myself too much. I have already six addresses scheduled for that week, three of them out-of-town. I trust that you will understand.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours.

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Jewish Agency for Palestine

IN CO-OPERATION WITH PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD)

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS: 111 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY

TELEPHONE ALGONQUIN 4-3600

March 11, 1934.

In order to meet the perilous position of German Jewish refugees scattered over Europe, and the many more Jews in Germany who look to Palestine as their hope for rebuilding their broken lives, a National Emergency Conference was summoned last November by the American Palestine Campaign of the Jewish Agency. This Conference launched an "Emergency Campaign for the settlement of German Jews in Palestine and for the Keren Hayesod (Palestine Foundation Fund)".

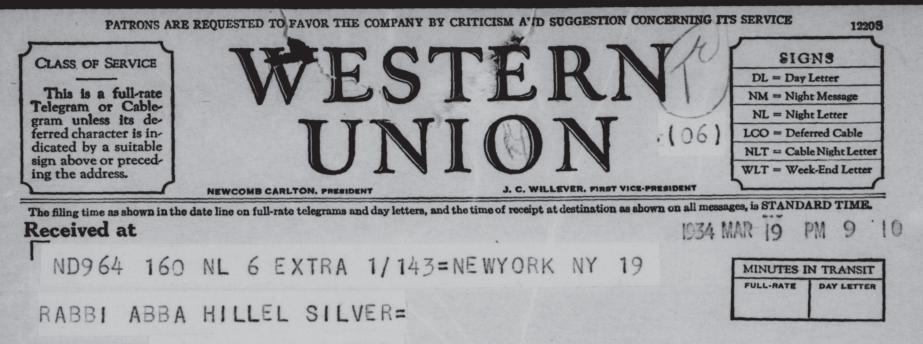
Recognizing, however, the prevailing sentiment that effective dealing with an unprecedented condition and avoidance of confusion and duplication, called for a unification of effort between the two chief American fund-raising agencies concerned with appeals for German Jews, the Conference adopted a resolution directing the officers of the American Palestine Campaign to confer with the representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee, with a view to bringing such unity about.

In pursuance of this mandate, the officers of the American Palestine Campaign and the Joint Distribution Committee, after extensive negotiations, have reached an agreement. In order to make certain that this information will reach all those who, like yourself, have loyally helped our cause in the past, and, we are certain, continue to be deeply interested in the subject, the official announcement with regard to the agreement is sent you herewith.

We feel certain that you, as all our faithful friends and coworkers, will welcome this union of Jewish forces and enroll for practical service in this serious crisis which faces so large a part of our People, so that Palestine may be made available to as large a number as possible of German Jews, as a permanent place of settlement, and so that the fullest measure of aid may be brought to the Jews of Germany wherever they may require help in this hour of their tragic need.

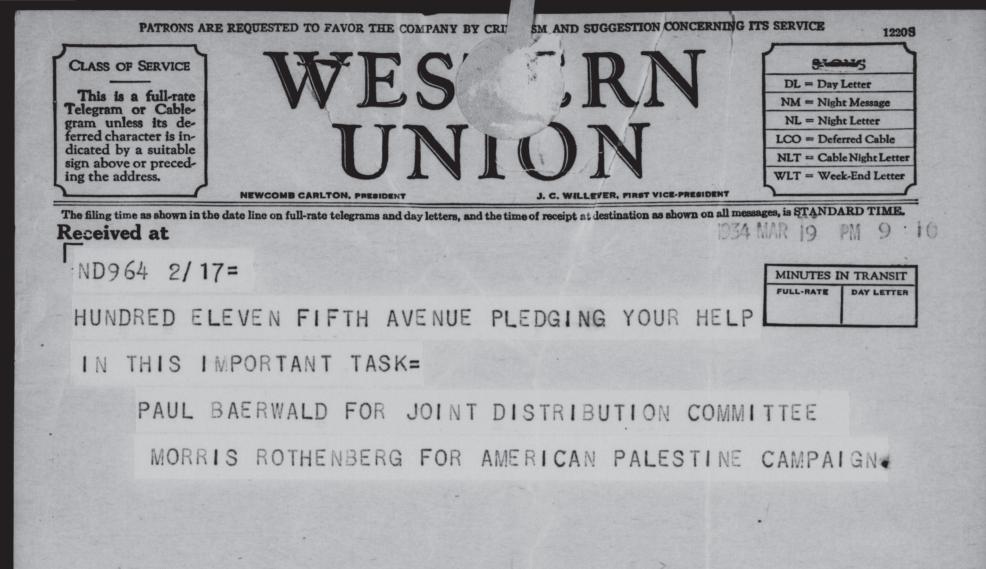
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March 20, 1934

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Heartiest thanks and deepest appreciation for your kind letter of March 19th. I was extremely happy to learn that you are ready to help all you can in the joint campaign. Your assumption that the meetings, including the one of April 29th will be revised by the new set-up is true. I am sure that your offer to help will be highly appreciated by everyone concerned.

I have given a copy of your letter to Mr. Morris Rothenberg and you will undoubtedly hear from him in the very near future.

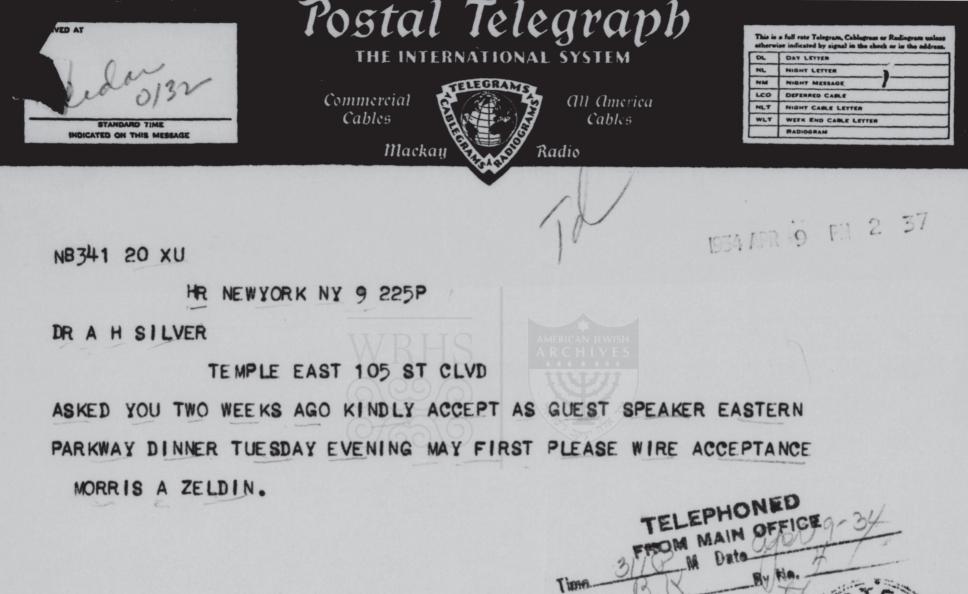
There is one banquet definitely scheduled in the Eastern Parkway Section to take place on May 1st at the Brooklyn Jewish Center. I would be able to arouse a much greater interest in that dinner if you would accept to be the guest speaker. Please wire a reply.

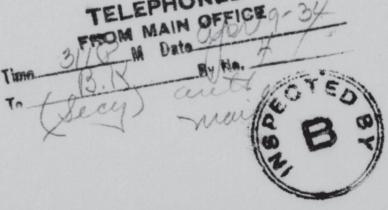
Faithfully yours,

M. A. Zeldin

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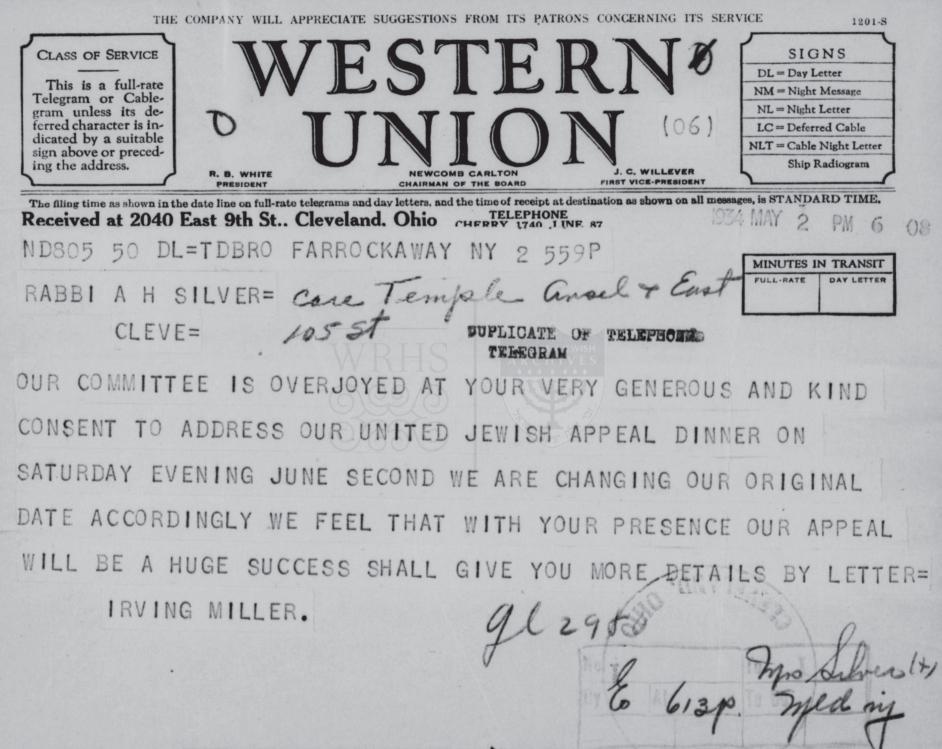
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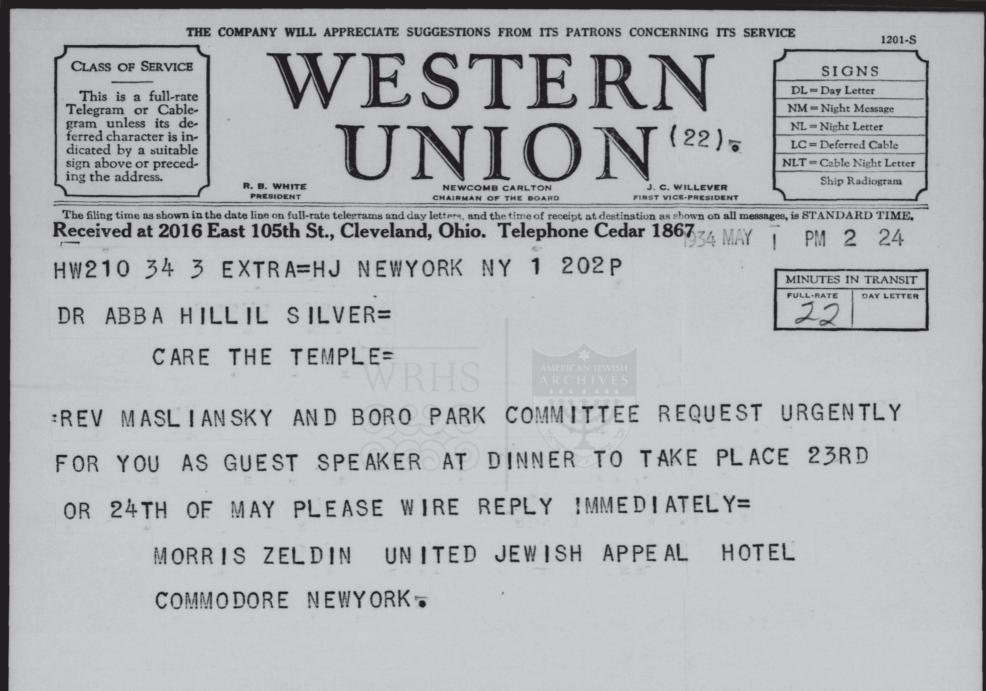


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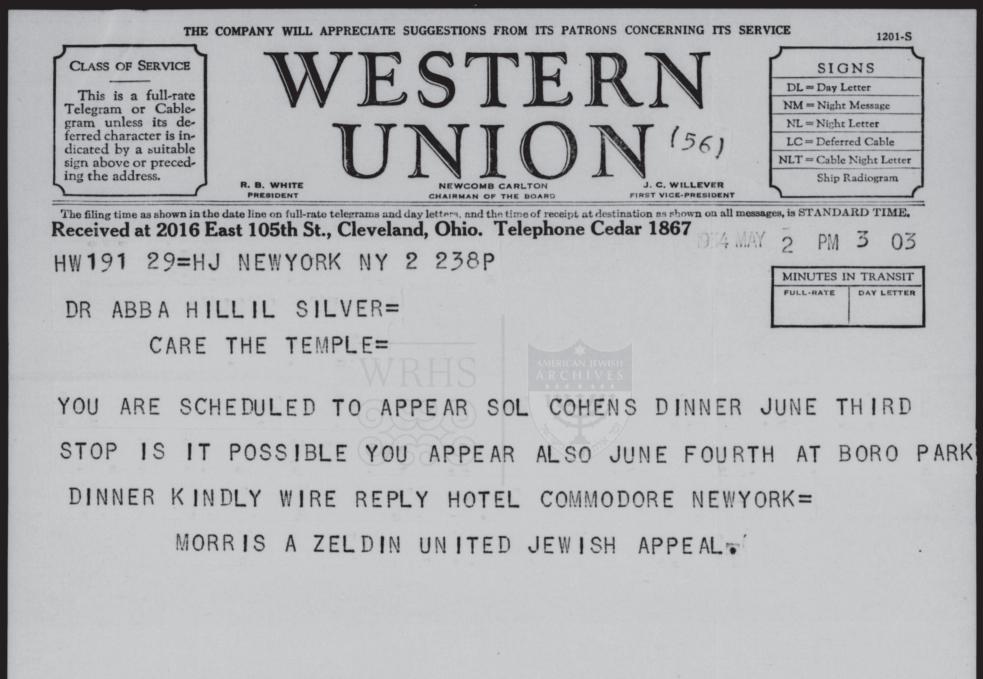


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May 14, 1934.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Ansel & 105th St. Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

As I have already indicated in my telegram to you, the Jewish Council of the Rockaways which takes in all Jewish organizations in the Rockaways and which is sponsoring the United Jewish Appeal considers itself unusually fortunate in being able to announce to the community that you will be guest of honor and speaker at the opening function of its campaign on Saturday evening, June 2nd.

This banquet will really constitute the most representative gathering of local Jewry and you might be interested to hear that the response to this appeal is absolutely unprecendented. As you probably realize the dinner on Saturday evening will naturally start somewhat later than usual because of the Sabbath.

If you will let me know where you can be reached that evening, we shall arrange to send a car for you. I shall be happy to advise you of any other details that you may like to be informed about.

With my very kindest personal regards to Mrs.Silver and yourself, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL JONAH B WISE 100 EAST 42 ST NEWYORK NY.

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JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE AMERICAN PALESTINE CAMPAIGN

HOTEL COMMODORE Twenty-Second Floor New York City Telephone: VAnderbilt 3-6340

June 18th, 1934.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I trust you will excuse the delay in forwarding to you the enclosed check which was handed to me today by the bookkeeping department.

I want to take this opportunity of extending to you my personal thanks for the very real sacrifice you made in coming to New York to address the two meetings, in Richmond Hill and Far Rockaway. Your presence on these occasions was largely responsible for the successful campaign in both these places.

Assuring you of my appreciation, I am with kind regards

Sincerely yours, sle )an Samuel Caplan

Director for Long Island

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### UNITED JEWISH APPEAL

FOR RELIEF AND REHABILITA-TION OF JEWS OF GERMANY AND OTHER LANDS, AND THE SETTLEMENT OF JEWS IN PALESTINE.

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The American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee 7 Hanover Street, New York The American Palestine Campaign of the Jewish Agency for Palestine 111 Fifth Avenue, New York

Paul Baerwald and Jonah B. Wise, representing the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee; and Louis Lipsky and Morris Rothenberg, representing the American Palestine Campaign of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, have issued the following statement:

Recognizing the need for mobilizing the combined forces of American Jewry to meet the tragic need of the Jews of Germany, a series of conferences have been held between the representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee and the American Palestine Campaign looking toward a united effort. As a result of these conferences and consultation with the executive boards of the respective organizations, we are pleased to announce that an agreement has been reached to conduct a combined appeal in 1934 for the funds required for the program of activities of both the Joint Distribution Committee and the American Palestine Campaign. The goal of the campaign will be \$3,000,000, a sum indispensably necessary for the work of relief, rehabilitation and refugee settlement now in progress.

The funds allotted to the American Palestine Campaign will be applied to the program being carried out by the Central Bureau for the Settlement of German Jews in Palestine, of which Dr. Chaim Weizmann is the Chairman, and to the normal budget of the Keren Hayesod (Palestine Foundation Fund). The funds allotted to the Joint Distribution Committee will be applied to continuing its activities of relief and reconstruction in cooperation with the German Jewish welfare organizations and with the refugee aid committees in various lands, and toward the continuance of its programs of aid in behalf of the Jews of Eastern and Central Europe.

The Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Joint Distribution Committee will continue to cooperate with Mr. James G. McDonald, High Commissioner for Refugees Coming from Germany, appointed by the League of Nations: and both organizations will also continue to work in cooperation with the Central British Fund for German Jewry.

The understanding was reached that, out of the first funds to be collected, the sum of \$250,000 each shall be allotted to the American Palestine Campaign for the program of the Jewish Agency in Palestine and to the Joint Distribution Committee for its normal program of activities. In addition, commitments already made by the Joint Distribution Committee and by the American Palestine Campaign, in aid of the Jews of Germany and for the settlement of German refugees in Palestine, will require a further allotment of \$250,000, which shall be made to each organization. The balance of the Fund to be collected during the period of the Joint campaign will be apportioned to meet the needs of the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Joint Distribution Committee, in aid of the Jews of Germany and for the settlement of German Jews in Palestine, by an allocation Committee jointly to be agreed upon by the representatives of both organizations, the members of which committee, we feel certain, will have the fullest confidence and approval of the public.

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The representatives of the American Palestine Campaign and the Joint Distribution Committee are still in conference with respect to the leadership and the administrative machinery of the Campaign, announcement of which will shortly follow. It is deemed desirable, however, to make this advance statement in order that the American Jewish public, which has given unmistakable evidence of its desire for unity of action in dealing with the problem of German Jewry, may be informed of the conclusion that has been reached, and make immediate plans for combined campaigns in their respective communities.