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March 18, 1938

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a tentative
program for the Midwest conference to
be held in Chicago on April 24th.



Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
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HM/GH
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April 8th
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road and East 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In assuming the chairmanship of the Mid-West Regional Executive Committee, one of the first duties placed upon me was to call a Conference to reestablish the Region.

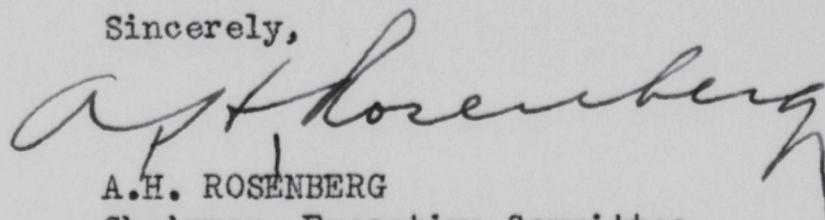
As Chairman of this Conference, I have been counting on you, the National Chairman to grace the platform and address the delegates, both non-Zionist and Zionist alike, who will be here from the nine states. We are most desirous of having this Conference, the first of its kind in twelve years in the Mid-West Region, to be a huge success.

Cleveland is an important part of the Region and to have the National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, reside in the Region and not attend, would be a calamity.

While I fully appreciate the demands being made upon you, and the duties you owe to your synagogue, I still feel that in extending you this invitation as our honored guest, there should be no hesitancy on your part to come here, even if only for the evening session.

Your presence will not only be helpful to the key-workers in the Region, but will spread enthusiasm to the delegates who will attend, making them work wholeheartedly for the Cause.

Sincerely,



A.H. ROSENBERG
Chairman, Executive Committee
Mid-West Region

AHR:ALK

April 13, 1938

Mr. A. H. Rosenberg, Chairman, Executive Committee,
Mid-West Region,
160 N. La Salle Street,
Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Rosenberg:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 8th and for your gracious invitation to address the Conference of the Mid-West Region on April 24. I wish I were free to come. Unfortunately my schedule for the month of April is so crowded that I cannot in justice to myself accept any additional out of town engagements. As you know, I have just returned from a tour of the Pacific Coast in behalf of the United Palestine Appeal. During the remaining two weeks of April, I am scheduled to address meetings in connection with our campaign in New York City, Newark and Kansas City. I must also devote a great deal of time to the Cleveland Jewish Welfare Fund Campaign of which I am chairman and which opens officially the first week in May. I must therefore forego the pleasure of being with you on April 24.

I hope that the meeting will prove greatly successful and that it will contribute to the stimulation of interest in Palestine in this section of the country. I shall send you a message on that day. I shall be very happy to hear from you about the meeting.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

April 23, 1938

A. H. Rosenberg, Chairman Executive Committee
Mid-West Region - United Palestine Appeal
Covenant Club
10 N. Dearborn Street
Chicago, Ill.

WRHS



PLEASE CONVEY TO THE DELEGATES ASSEMBLED AT THE FIRST MID-WEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL MY CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES FOR SUCCESS IN THEIR DELIBERATIONS STOP A WIDER AND DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF THE NEED FOR A HOMELAND IN PALESTINE IS REFLECTING ITSELF IN AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITIES THIS YEAR IN LARGER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UPA ~~FOR~~ STOP PALESTINE HAS IN THE LAST FEW YEARS ABSORBED MORE THAN SEVENTY PERCENT OF THE TOTAL WORLD JEWISH IMMIGRANTS STOP THIS TOGETHER WITH THE GLORIOUS RECORD OF PIONEERING AND ACHIEVEMENT BOTH MATERIAL AND SPIRITUAL, AND THE HISTORIC SIGNIFICANCE OF A JEWISH HOMELAND, ENTITLES PALESTINE TO A PLACE OF PRIME IMPORTANCE IN JEWISH LIFE TODAY STOP ALL SUCCESS TO YOU

ABBA HILLEL SILVER, National Chairman
United Palestine Appeal

Wish Congratulations

WRHS



Shabbat day

CLEVELAND ZIONIST SOCIETY

Enclosed please find check for \$_____. Kindly reserve
_____ plates for me at the third annual Chanukah Banquet and Dance
at Hotel Cleveland on Sunday evening, November 28, 1937.

Name_____

Address_____

\$2.00 per plate

The Officers of the
United Palestine Appeal
earnestly invite you to attend the
Mid-West Regional
Conference for Palestine
Sunday, April Twenty-fourth

Nineteen hundred and thirty eight

Covenant Club

Ten North Dearborn Street

Chicago

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to further the upbuilding of the

Jewish Homeland in

Palestine

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ON THE ENCLOSED CARD

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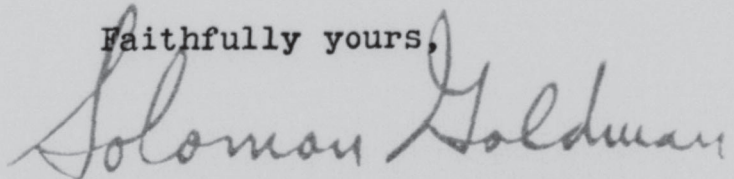
Dear Friend:

For two thousand years Jews have been compelled from time to time to seek a haven of refuge. In one generation they were the victims of Rome, in another generation they were expelled from Spain, in our own day they are fleeing from Germany. In every such crisis Jews invariably turned toward Palestine.

In the twenty years since the Balfour Declaration was published the Jew achieved in Eretz Israel unparalleled success. He has literally converted a primitive desert into one of the most civilized countries of the world. That achievement is due to the stalwart Halutz who risked hardship, disease, starvation, and to the American Jew who provided the pioneer with the sinews of battle. Through the United Palestine Appeal we made it possible for the Halutz to toil, to sacrifice and to achieve. Our task is not yet done. Palestine must be made ready to receive many more thousands of refugees from Germany, Austria, Poland and Rumania.

Therefore, we are summoning a Mid-West Conference for Palestine in Chicago, Illinois, on April 24th. Your presence as a leader of your community is essential at that Conference.

Faithfully yours,



Chairman - Mid-West Region
United Palestine Appeal

SG:LB

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(subject to revision)

CONFERENCE FOR PALESTINE

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At the Chicago, Illinois.

1. Morning Session

- 10:00 A. M.- Col. A. H. Rosenberg, Chicago -- Presiding
10:30 A. M.-(a) Open session introducing chairmen presiding at other sessions.
10:35 A. M.-(b) Dr. A. K. Epstein, Chicago -- Presiding
The reading of Messages
10:30 A. M.-(c) Two to five minute Greetings from Organizations
1. Zionists - Wm. Katz, Chicago.
2. Hadassah - Pearl Franklin, Chicago
3. B'nai B'rith - Richard E. Gutstadt, Chicago
4. Rabbinical Conference - Rabbi (?). Chicago
5. Youth Groups (?) Chicago
6. Council Welfare Funds & Federations- Samuel Goldsmith, Chicago
7. Anglo-Jewish Press - (Phil Slomovitz, Detroit) etc.

11. Close of Morning Session

- 11:25 A.M. - Hon. Senator Jacob Wise, Indianapolis -- Presiding
(a) Address - Rabbi Samuel Wohl, Cincinnati "Problems Confronting U.P.A."
11:50 A.M.(b) Financial Report U.P.A. - 1937 and Budget Requirements
for 1938 - Ezra Z. Shapiro, Cleveland
12:00 A.M (c) Appointment of Resolution Committee
Judge Harry M. Fisher, Chicago- Chairman
Daniel Frisch, Indianapolis Abe S. Hymen, Gary
Joseph I. Brody, Des Moines Rabbi Joseph Gorfinkel, Evansville
Morton Wax, Milwaukee Rabbi Louis E. Cardon, Springfield, ILL.
B. Abrohams, Green Bay Harry Frankel, Peoria
Abe Mintz, Madison Sam Rivkin, Davenport
Jack Rabinovitch, Flint Max Kohrman, Cleveland
12:05 P.M. - Discussion U.P.A. Problems by Delegates
Robert Hess, Milwaukee Rabbi Abromovitz, Chicago
Jesse Calmenson, St. Paul Rabbi Meisel, Dayton
Ezra Shapiro, Cleveland Rabbi Taxay, Terre Haute
Herman Gessner, Escanaba Rabbi Gordon, Minneapolis
Barney Baron, Sioux City
111. 1:00 P.M. - Adjourn for Buffet Luncheon
Rabbi James Heller, Cincinnati --Presiding
1:10 P.M. -(a) Prayer by Rabbi Jerome D. Folkman, Grand Rapids
1:15 P.M. (b) Luncheon served
2:00 P.M. (c) Reading Resolution - By Judge Harry M. Fisher, Chicago
2:15 P.M. (d) Address by (NON-JEWISH SPEAKER)
(suggest choice of one of the following)

AGENDA (CON'T)

Hon. McNut- Indiana
Gov. La Follette, Wisconsin
Sen. LaFollette, Wisconsin
Mayor La Guardia, New York

Blind Senator of Iowa
Sen. Borah, Idaho
Sen. Wagner, New York

3:00 P.M. Adjourn for Afternoon Session

IV. Afternoon Session

3:15 P.M. - Oscar Berman, Cincinnati, - Presiding
(Addresses on various phases of Palestine)

3:20 P.M.(a) Rabbi Felix Levy, Chicago

4:00 P.M.(c) Rabbi Joshua Loth Liebman, Chicago

V. Close of Afternoon Session

Simon Shetzer, Detroit - President

4:20 P.M. (d) Rabbi Leon Feuer, Toledo

4:40 P.M. (●) Rabbi Shulman, Chicago

5:00 P.M. (f) Closing address afternoon session,
Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Chicago

7:30 P.M. (If Banquet is decided)

8:30 P.M. (If Mass Meeting is agreed upon)

Rabbi Solomon Goldman, Chicago — Presiding

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Addresses

Rabbi Mannheimer, Des Moines

Rabbi Morton M. Berman, Chicago

Rabbi David Aronson, Minneapolis

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Closing with Hatikvah