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April 3, 1939

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The enclosed memorandum I believe is self-explanatory. It represents the results of a good deal of thinking during the past several months and is an expression of the growing relationship between Pittsburgh and the Tri-State Area, which has long been amicable and more recently has become quite close.

We believe we are now in a position to take the next step in behalf of a more efficient service to our fellow Jews in distress. The plan as outlined has been informally discussed with the leaders of the following communities, all of whom have indicated their enthusiastic acceptance of the idea:

Altoona	Connellsville	Latrobe	Sharon
Beaver Falls	Coraopolis	McKees Rocks	Steubenville, Ohio
Canonsburg	Clairton	Monessen	East Liverpool, Ohio
Charleroi	Elizabeth	Punxsutawney	Weirton, W. Va.
Clarion	Donora	Rochester	Wheeling, W. Va.
	Greensburg		

What we should now like to have on the part of the committee representing each community is a formal decision to enter into active cooperation. Will you please submit this at your earliest opportunity and advise me in writing.

With best wishes and Passover greetings, I am

Cordially yours,

Maurice Taylor
Secretary.

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MEMORANDUM REGARDING DECISION OF UNITED JEWISH FUND
OF PITTSBURGH TO COORDINATE THE WORK IN BEHALF OF
REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT AND OVERSEAS FUND-RAISING IN
THE TRI-STATE AREA.

Prior to the creation of the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau for the resettlement of refugees in the Tri-State Area, there had always been a relationship born of mutual interest between the Pittsburgh Jewish community and the Jewish communities in this area. This had taken the form of the appointment of a general chairman of the Tri-State Area who was a member of the Board of the United Jewish Fund. Headquarters for the Tri-State drive had been established in Pittsburgh, and the facilities of the United Jewish Fund had annually been placed at the disposal of the Tri-State drive effort.

Pittsburgh Jewish leaders have given of their time and effort whether for addressing meetings or in other ways in order to make the Tri-State effort a success. Much dissatisfaction had occurred from time to time because of the presence in these small communities of representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal, frequently on a competitive basis, which did not make always for the best community harmony.

With the creation of the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau, through the combined efforts of the United Jewish Fund of Pittsburgh and the representatives of all the communities of the Tri-State Area, a new and vastly improved inter-city relationship become established with increasing benefit to all concerned. The program of the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau has resulted in a type and degree of service which has brought the whole Jewish community in Western Pennsylvania closer together.

With the appointment of Mr. Wolf on a full time basis there has been the development of a steady contact between Pittsburgh and the leaders of the various smaller Jewish communities. This satisfying experience has led to the desire on many sides that all efforts in behalf of refugees in this area, whether through service or fund-raising, should be coordinated. Most of our communities are small. The leaders and persons who are called upon to assist in various good works in each community are few. To unify the approach would be in the interest of efficiency and economy. Having the same groups approached by two or more persons in behalf of different aspects of the same general subject uses up an unnecessary amount of time and energy and leads frequently to confusion and discontent.

For that reason the United Jewish Fund of Pittsburgh has decided to recommend the combination of the service of the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau with the money-raising efforts of the Tri-State Appeal. It believes that Mr. Wolf, together with one assistant can carry out both functions to the satisfaction and advantage of all concerned and toward this is willing to make a substantial contribution just as it is now doing for the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau. Separate allocation of funds by individual communities toward the budget of the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau will no longer be necessary. The local leaders of each community will henceforth deal in all of these matters with one person who will be available to them for twelve months in the year and who will thus be able to organize both the service and money-raising efforts on a continuous and therefore a much more efficient basis. A new person coming in each year from outside necessarily takes much longer to get under way in view of the necessity of acquainting himself with the various communities and their leaders. The proposed plan will therefore be not only more efficient but also less costly, thus permitting more money to be sent overseas. In order that there may be no interference with plans already made, it is planned to put the new arrangement into effect following the Spring Campaigns.

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JEWISH WELFARE BOARD
HIAS

April 27, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Ansel Road and E. 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Since the receipt of your letter of April 17th, in connection with the meeting of the larger contributors which we hope to have you attend, we have made a canvass of what the possibilities are, and while of course it is indefinite what may be done, the feeling appears to be that we should raise somewhere between \$10,000 and \$15,000 for the emergency drive of the United Jewish Appeal. This, of course, is in addition to the \$15,000 now allotted in the general campaign of the Federation of Jewish Charities of Atlantic City to the agencies included in the United Jewish Appeal.

I am sending you this statement of the situation in order to frankly apprise you of the outlook as we see it. Atlantic City is a summer resort. This emergency campaign being held in the spring, it is the worst possible time financially for getting maximum results from the general community.

Our campaign committee is most anxious that you attend the meeting. If the frank statements which I have tried to make in this letter seem to warrant your attending, we will be most happy to have you accept. No one, of course, can foresee what might result from an eloquent appeal made to our best possible givers. One of the people who lives here and who was formerly from Allentown, Charles Kline, has already said he would give \$5,000 to the cause but wants \$4,000 of it credited to Allentown and \$1,000 to this drive.

Thanking you for an early response, I am

Cordially yours,

HC-P

MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS
President.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURESJANUARY 1, 1939 THRU APRIL 30, 1939

<u>Income</u>	<u>Pledges</u> \$6,012,116.59	<u>Cash</u> \$1,689,412.95
<u>Disbursements:</u>		
<u>Allocations:</u>		
American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc.	\$ 750,000.00	
United Palestine Appeal	375,000.00	
National Coordinating Committee	300,000.00	
	\$1,425,000.00	
<u>Campaign Expenditures</u>	<u>147,797.75</u>	<u>1,572,797.75</u>
<u>Balance April 30, 1939</u>		<u>\$ 116,615.20</u>
<u>Analysis:</u>		
Bank Balance - General Fund Account	\$ 59,611.70	
Bank Balance - Admin. Fund Account	50,000.00	
Petty Cash	500.00	
Postage	300.00	
Revolving Funds	6,203.50	
	<u>\$116,615.20</u>	

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

EXPENDITURES

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU APRIL 30, 1939

	<u>B u d g e t</u>	<u>Jan. 1, 1939</u> <u>Thru</u> <u>April 30, 1939</u>
<u>Payroll</u>		
National	\$101,625.00	\$ 35,186.78
Fieldmen	105,600.00	34,792.44
<u>Fieldmen's Expenses</u> (See Schedule #3)	67,500.00	25,986.54
<u>Speakers Bureau</u> (See Schedule #4)	30,000.00	12,303.76
<u>Publicity Department</u> (See Schedule #5)	30,000.00	13,898.12
<u>General Office</u> (See Schedule #6)		
Rent	18,000.00	1,500.00
Postage	12,500.00	4,750.75
Mail Service	12,500.00	4,477.26
Telephone	5,000.00	1,712.90
Printing & Stationery	5,000.00	3,200.19
Telegrams	3,000.00	1,069.55
Furn., Typewriters & Office Equipment	2,500.00	2,869.59
Insurance	1,000.00	568.81
Auditing	2,000.00	
Electric	1,000.00	79.10
Office Maintenance	2,500.00	506.00
Dinners & Banquets	2,500.00	895.40
<u>Contingencies</u>	10,000.00	
Miscellaneous		673.41
Legal Expense		100.00
Automobiles		3,227.15
	<u>\$412,225.00</u>	<u>\$147,797.75</u>

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.January 1, 1939 thru April 30, 1939F I E L D S T A F F

	<u>Per Diem</u>	<u>Traveling</u>	<u>Misc.</u>
Arthur Adams	\$ 784.00	\$ 554.91	\$ 260.22
Leo S. Adler	634.00	349.65	265.24
Albert J. Amateau	784.00	313.75	109.39
Baruch Braunstein	763.00	756.95	128.66
Archie L. Davidson	784.00	245.00	93.32
Walter Douglas	819.00	178.45	22.86
H. Lee Goldby	381.50	237.95	192.88
M. Robert Herman	154.45	307.03	77.45
Maurice Klatch	777.00	200.31	89.86
Irving Le Roy	504.00	382.04	140.20
Simon J. Levin	614.00	374.00	157.35
Abram S. Magida	266.00	527.89	67.81
S. Pereira Mendes	265.50	263.65	129.89
Meyer S. Mintz	335.50	232.93	142.58
Louis J. Platt	762.95	407.61	182.19
Philip Potash	378.00	199.03	14.52
High Salpeter	518.00	262.97	126.64
Harry L. Shapiro	598.50	370.26	117.89
Robert Silverman	287.93	236.70	11.03
Bernard Stone	427.00	758.20	58.84
Benjamin Teitlebaum	480.45	243.22	111.73
Elkan C. Voorsanger	682.50	193.49	154.18
Stanley F. Weiner	497.00	303.18	151.37
Nathan C. Weisman	674.25	283.53	68.89
S. B. Jacobson	23.00	129.02	4.74
Jack H. Raskin	104.50	36.20	4.58
<u>Special Traveling</u> - I. Coons		692.11	
- H. Montor		762.17	
 Total	 <u>\$13,300.03</u>	 <u>\$9,802.20</u>	 <u>\$ 2,884.31</u>

Summary:

Per Diem	\$13,300.03
Traveling	9,802.20
Misc.	2,884.31
	<u>\$25,986.54</u>

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU APRIL 30, 1939S P E A K E R S B U R E A U

	<u>Lectures</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Rabbi Reinhold Herz	12	\$ 312.50	\$ 229.90
Peretz Halpern	14	350.00	191.03
Dr. Joachim Prinz	14	490.00	221.51
Dr. Joseph Kornfeld	17	850.00	321.91
Dr. Ephraim Fischhoff	5	125.00	102.22
Miss Tony Sender	16	480.00	422.80
Pierre Van Paassen	4	130.00	22.30
Cantor A. Hyman	1	25.00	
Dr. Josef Dunner	20	700.00	342.71
Maurice Samuel	5	250.00	43.15
Marvin Lowenthal	8	410.00	5.66
Dr. Manfred Arie	18	450.00	605.66
Isaac Imber	1	15.00	2.50
Dr. Werner Rosenberg	2	60.00	3.35
Leo W. Schwarz	1	35.00	1.75
Rabbi David B. Alpert	1	15.00	
Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn	6	300.00	80.00
James G. McDonald	1	100.00	5.50
Rabbi Max Schenk	3	75.00	24.50
Mrs. Eva Lips	1	100.00	53.15
Eleazer Lipsky	1	30.00	45.85
Jan Masaryk	1	500.00	186.16
Harry Hershfield			165.33
Alexander L. Easterman			40.40
Rabbi Jacob Tarshish	2	60.00	13.60
Rabbi Joshua Liebman			25.00
Rabbi Aaron M. Kamerling	1	15.00	2.40
		<u>\$ 5,877.50</u>	<u>\$ 3,158.34</u>
Literature			\$ 9,035.84
			<u>173.97</u>
Volunteer Speakers Traveling Expense (see list attached)			\$ 9,209.81
			<u>3,093.95</u>
Total			<u>\$12,303.76</u>

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU APRIL 30, 1939VOLUNTEER SPEAKERS TRAVELING EXPENSES

Dr. Israel Goldstein	\$ 276.72
Mr. Arthur M. Lamport	47.61
Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser	16.30
Mr. Pinchos Cruso	2.86
Rabbi Jonah B. Wise	303.70
Rabbi Kadas	4.50
Sidney G. Kusworm	23.00
George Backer	122.06
Rabbi Aaron M. Kamerling	12.75
Rabbi Mann	10.00
Rabbi Wm. Greenberg	24.00
James G. McDonald	13.05
David B. Alpert	8.00
Rabbi Ebin	15.10
Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow	12.00
Rabbi William B. Schwartz	41.70
Dr. W. Rosenberg	19.10
Rabbi Morris Adler	8.05
Mr. Harry Friedberg	17.90
Abraham Goldberg	29.95
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver	452.58
Joseph Goldberg	14.70
Rabbi Brickner	207.72
Eugene Blachschleger	121.30
Alexander L. Easterman	107.97
Ingrid Warburg	81.77
Edward M. M. Warburg	56.55
Ferdinand M. Isserman	224.49
Fanny R. Adlerstein	6.30
Rabbi S. Joshua Kohn	3.64
Rabbi Harry H. Epstein	130.00
Charles H. Roemer	11.00
Father William C. Kernan	33.50
Judge Morris Rothenberg	4.57
Dr. Julie Meyer	2.80
Rabbi Solomon Freehof	110.00
Dr. Morton Goldberg	16.50
David Glick	78.50
Rabbi Benjamin Friedman	2.00
Rabbi Albert M. Shulman	12.00
Dr. Otto Rosenberg	4.46
Joseph Luckstein	53.11
Lady Reading	<u>345.14</u>
Total	<u>\$3,093.95</u>



UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.PUBLICITY EXPENSESJanuary 1, 1939 thru April 30th, 1939

Postage	\$775.69
Newspapers	31.96
Printing	307.02
Mail Service	346.98
Traveling	221.33
Clippings	53.25
Photos	1,227.11
Mats & Syndicated Material	810.03
Subscriptions	439.31
Cartage	382.48
Miscellaneous	85.47
Radio Broadcast & Transcriptions	1,176.45
Motion Picture	34.38
Art Work	51.00

Literature (See Schedule 5A)

Cuts, Electros, Artwork, etc.	847.94
Printing	7,078.03
Mail Service	17.25
Postage	12.44

\$13,898.12

Schedule 5A

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU APRIL 30, 1939

L I T E R A T U R E

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
<u>"We Are the Refugees"</u> (See #1)	157,900	\$ 2,028.73
<u>Survey Graphic Reprints</u> (See #2)	6,000	325.00
<u>"The Challenge"</u> (See #3)	133,000	1,910.23
<u>"A Call to Jews in America"</u> (Yiddish) (See #4)	50,000	348.88
<u>"Calling Humanity"</u> (See #5)	100,000	1,460.50
<u>"Good News"</u> (See #6)	80,650	427.42
<u>"The Refugees, etc." Poster</u> (See #7)	5,000	49.00
<u>Statement by the National Chairman</u> (See #8)	24,150	525.28
<u>Publicity Manual I - II</u> (See #9)	2,000	88.93
<u>"Hope"</u> (See #10)	54,835	<u>762.00</u>
	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$ 7,925.97</u>

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU APRIL 30, 1939

GENERAL OFFICE

Printing	\$ 1,899.82
Mail Service	3,704.25
Stationery & Supplies	1,300.37
Telephone	1,712.90
Telegraph	1,069.55
Rent	1,500.00
Light	79.10
Postage	4,750.75
Furniture & Fixtures	1,992.39
Office Equipment & Typewriters	877.20
Rental & Repairs	204.25
Insurance	568.81
Mailing Lists	773.01
Subscriptions	23.00
Moving Expenses	215.00
Office Maintenance	30.83
Banquets	895.40
Carfares	32.92
Total	<u>\$21,629.55</u>

(Appendix C)

May 1st, 1939

SPEAKERS BOOKED FOR UNITED JEWISH APPEAL SPRING CAMPAIGN - JANUARY 1st TO DATE

This year, in view of the unprecedented demands which have been made upon communities by the United Jewish Appeal, it has been necessary to expand greatly the services originally offered by the agencies constituting the United Jewish Appeal. This is particularly true of the Speakers Bureau. Communities which formerly held a single meeting for the purpose of stimulating the necessary contributions have found it essential to arrange several meetings this year -- sometimes as many as 4 or 6 -- at which speakers have been requested. Thus far, in more than 160 communities, some 350 meetings have been arranged for speakers provided by the United Jewish Appeal. Of these, some 70 volunteer speakers have addressed more than 155 meetings, and 26 fee speakers have addressed over 180 meetings. Some fifty additional meetings were addressed by members of the staff of the United Jewish Appeal.

The United Jewish Appeal has enjoyed unusual cooperation from volunteer speakers this year. The members of the official family have been most generous with their time.

The attached lists are a summary of the communities visited by volunteer and fee speakers.

VOLUNTEER SPEAKERS
January 1st, 1939 To Date

May 1, 1939

<u>SPEAKER</u>	<u>COMMUNITY</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Rabbi Morris Adler	Lorain, Ohio	March 19
	Pontiac, Mich.	April 13
Miss Fannie Adlerstein	Bridgeport, Conn.	April 17
Rabbi Saul B. Appelbaum	Passaic, N. J.	April 17
	Passaic, N. J.	April 18
	Westwood, N. J.	April 20
	Plainfield, N. J.	April 26
Bertram M. Aufsesser	Worcester, Mass.	March 18
George Backer	Minneapolis, Minn.	March 18
	St. Paul, Minn.	March 19
Joseph Baratz	Trenton, N. J.	February 12
Judge Jennie Loitman Barron	Springfield, Mass.	April 12
Rabbi Meier Berlin	Detroit, Mich.	April 30
Rabbi Louis Binstock	Minneapolis, Minn.	April 12
Rabbi Eugene Blachschleger	St. Augustine, Fla.	January 22
	West Palm Beach, Fla.	March 26
	Augusta, Ga.	April 16
Rabbi Barnett R. Brickner	Sacramento, Cal.	April 13
	Oakland, Cal.	April 15
	Portland, Ore.	April 17-18
	Seattle, Wash.	April 19-20
	Spokane, Wash.	April 21
	San Diego, Cal.	April 23
	Long Beach, Cal.	April 24
	Los Angeles, Cal.	April 25
Philip Cruso	Trenton, N. J.	February 22

Volunteer Speakers

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rabbi Daniel L. Davis	Ephrata, Pa.	March 29
Rabbi Nachman H. Ebin	Worcester, Mass.	March 20
Rabbi Harry H. Epstein	Portsmouth, Va.	April 23
	Greenville, S. C.	April 25 or 27
Rabbi Abraham J. Feldman	Meriden, Conn.	May 3
Hon. Phillip Forman	Plainfield, N. J.	March 26
	New Brunswick, N. J.	April 20
Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof	Braddock, Pa.	April 13
	Atlanta, Ga.	April 19
Harry Friedberg	Lincoln, Neb.	March 10
Rabbi Benjamin Friedman	Jacksonville, Fla.	Jan. 8 and 12
	Tampa, Fla.	January 15
	Oswego, N. Y.	March 27
David Glick	Louisville, Ky.	January 12
Dr. H. Raphael Gold	Tyler, Texas	March 28
Abraham Goldberg	Newark, N. J.	March 26
	Springfield, Mass.	March 27
	Lynn, Mass.	April 26
Joseph Goldberg	Clinton, Mass.	March 7
	Milford, Mass.	March 14
	Bridgeport, Conn.	March 16
Dr. Morton Goldberg	Communities near Galion, Ohio	February 5
Rabbi Solomon Goldman	Washington, D. C.	April 20
	St. Louis, Mo.	April 23
	Kansas City, Mo.	April 24
Samuel A. Goldsmith	Kansas City, Mo.	April 12
Dr. Israel Goldstein	Houston, Texas	January 31
	Beaumont, Texas	January 31

Volunteer Speakers

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Fort Worth, Texas	February 2
	Waterbury, Conn.	February 13
	Norfolk, Va.	February 22
	New Haven, Conn.	May 7
I. Edwin Goldwasser	Trenton, N. J.	February 5
	Harrisburg, Pa.	March 16
	Newark, N. J.	April 12
	Scranton, Pa.	April 30
Mortimer Goodman	Stamford, Conn.	May 4
Victor Greenburg	Somerville, N. J.	April 23
Sidney Herold	Marshall, Texas	March 27
Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman	Los Angeles, Cal.	March 30
Father William C. Kernan	Detroit, Mich.	May 2
Freda Kirchwey	Detroit, Mich.	May 10
	Cleveland, Ohio	May 12
Louis E. Kirstein	Portland, Me.	April 6
Rabbi S. Joshua Kohn	Massena, N. Y.	April 23
Arthur M. Lamport	Lynn, Mass.	February 28
	Kearny, N. J.	March 6
	Lowell, Mass.	March 14
	Worcester, Mass.	March 15
	Springfield, Mass.	March 28
	Passaic, N. J.	April 12
	Plainfield, N. J.	April 18
	Asbury Park, N. J.	April 23
	Reading, Pa.	May 1
	Erie, Pa.	May 6
	Milwaukee, Wisc.	May 7

Volunteer Speakers

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Detroit, Mich.	May 15
Albert D. Lasker	Detroit, Mich.	April 19
Judge Benjamin Lencher	Monessen, Pa.	March 26
	Charleroi, Pa.	April 12
	Braddock, Pa.	April 13
	Homestead, Pa.	April 16
	Tarentum, Pa.	April 19
	Latrobe, Pa.	May 14
Rabbi Burton E. Levinson	Oil City, Pa.	March 21
Rabbi Louis M. Levitsky	Bloomsburg, Pa.	March 26
Albert H. Lieberman	Norristown, Pa.	March 6
Rabbi Joshua L. Liebman	Flint, Mich.	January 12
	St. Paul, Minn.	
	Racine, Wisc.	May 1
Louis Lipsky	Lakewood, N. J.	April 2
	Bridgeport, Conn.	May 10
Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein	Louisville, Ky.	January 17
Hon. James G. McDonald	Trenton, N. J.	February 26
	Milwaukee, Wisc.	May 7
Rabbi Edgar F. Magnin	Tucson, Arizona	January 21
	Phoenix, Arizona	January 22
	Bakersfield, Cal.	March 7
	Stockton, Cal.	March 15
	St. Louis, Mo.	April 16
Rabbi Louis Mann	Decatur, Ill.	March 12
Rabbi David Marx	Rome, Georgia	February 20
Rabbi Louis D. Mendoza	Petersburg, Va.	April 28
Rabbi Irving Miller	Ridgewood, N. J.	April 12

Volunteer Speakers

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Springfield, Mass.	April 24
	New Haven, Conn.	May 11
Paul Muni	St. Louis, Mo.	April 16
The Marchioness of Reading	Chicago, Ill.	February 21
	Cleveland, Ohio	February 23
Charles H. Roemer	Reading, Pa.	April 24
Dr. Otto Rosenberg	Media, Pa.	January 15
	New Haven, Conn.	January 10
Judge Morris Rothenberg	Plainfield, N. J.	March 26
	New Haven, Conn.	April 13
	Rochester, N. Y.	April 16
	Detroit, Mich.	May 16
	Bridgeport, Conn.	May 2
Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow	Newark, N. J.	March 16
	Bridgeton, N. J.	March 19
David Schenker	Washington, D. C.	April 21
Rabbi Wm. B. Schwartz	Newark, N. J.	March 15
	Newark, N. J.	March 21
	Newark, N. J.	April 6
	Washington, D. C.	April 21
	New Brunswick, N. J.	May 3
	Binghamton, N. Y.	May 14
Rabbi Joseph S. Shubow	Milford, Mass.	March 7
Rabbi Charles E. Shulman	Joliet, Ill.	February 21
Rabbi Albert M. Shulman	Marion, Ind.	January 31
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver	Birmingham, Ala.	January 16
	Boston, Mass.	March 19
	San Antonio, Texas	March 28

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Boston, Mass.

Dallas
San Antonio, Texas

Grant Pa

January 16

Jan 24
March 19

March 27
March 28

Mar 22

Volunteer Speakers

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver	El Paso, Texas	March 29
	Fort Worth, Texas	March 30
	Indianapolis, Ind.	April 12
	Detroit, Mich.	April 16
	Nashville, Tenn.	April 25
	Richmond, Va.	April 26
	St. Louis, Mo.	April 30
	Newark, N. J.	May 4
Richard Sloss	Fresno, Cal.	April 2
Dr. Samuel D. Soskin	Port Arthur, Texas	March 1
Elihu Stone	Lawrence, Mass.	March 19
Abraham Tannenbaum	New Britain, Conn.	April 27
Edward M. M. Warburg	New Haven, Conn.	April 24
	Cleveland, Ohio	May 7
Ingrid Warburg	Louisville, Ky.	January 18
	Springfield, Mass.	April 18
Eugene Warner	Phoenix, Arizona	February
Rabbi Jonah B. Wise	Miami, Fla.	January 7
	Detroit, Mich.	April 24
	St. Louis, Mo.	April 30

FEE SPEAKERSJanuary 1st, 1939 To Date

May 1, 1939

SPEAKERCOMMUNITYDATE

Rabbi David B. Alpert

Plymouth, N. H.

March 12

Dr. Manfred Arie

Jersey City, N. J.

February 5

Boston, Mass.

March 13-17

Belmont-Watertown, Mass.

March 17

Trenton, N. J.

March 19

Harrisburg, Pa.

March 20

Boston, Mass.

March 26-27

New Orleans, La.

March 29

St. Louis, Mo.

March 31

Cleveland, Ohio

April 2

Lancaster, Pa.

April 6

Wilkes Barre, Pa.

April 12

Minneapolis, Minn.

April 14

Worcester, Mass.

April 16

Richmond, Va.

April 18

Newark, N. J.

April 20

Passaic, N. J.

April 20

Allentown, Pa.

April 23

Syracuse, N. Y.

April 25

Newark, N. J.

April 26

York, Pa.

April 27

New Haven, Conn.

April 28

Lebanon, Pa.

April 30

Hartford, Conn.

May 1

Savannah, Ga.

May 2

Detroit, Mich.

May 7

FEE SPEAKERS

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SpeakerCommunityDate

Dr. Manfred Arie

Butler, Pa.

May 9

Erie, Pa.

May 8

Philadelphia, Pa.

May 10

Beaver Valley, Pa.

May 11

New Haven, Conn.

May 15

Dr. Josef Dunner

Raleigh, N. C.

January 4

Chicago, Ill.

February 2

Lafayette, Ind.

February 19

Union City, N. J.

March 4

Atlantic City, N. J.

March 6

Springfield, Mass.

March 9

Lynn, Mass.

March 12

Revere, Mass.

March 12

Belmont-Watertown, Mass.

March 19

Woburn, Mass.

March 21

Worcester, Mass.

March 22

Troy, N. Y.

March 29

Salem, Mass.

April 6

Newark, N. J.

April 9

Passaic, N. J.

April 13

Newark, N. J.

April 15

Danbury, Conn.

April 17

New Britain, Conn.

April 20

Augusta-Gardner, Me.

April 23

Bath, Me.

April 24

Waterville, Me.

April 25

Savannah, Ga.

May 7

FEE SPEAKERS

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Alexander L. Easterman	Boston, Mass.	April 12
	Springfield, Mass.	April 12
	Minneapolis, Minn.	April 14
	Cleveland, Ohio	April 16
	Canton, Ohio	April 23
	Newark, N. J.	April 24
	Plainfield, N. J.	April 27
	Bradford, Pa.	May 7
	Stamford, Conn.)	May 9
	New Haven, Conn.)	
	Cleveland, Ohio	May 11
	Detroit, Mich.	May 12
Rabbi Ephraim Fischhoff	Cambridge, Mass.	January 25
	Malden, Mass.	January 26
	Norwich, Conn.	January 29
	Lynn, Mass.	April 11
	Waterbury, Conn.	January 5
Rabbi Peretz Halpern	Park Ridge, N. J.	January 15
	West New York, N. J.	January 22
	Scranton, Pa.	January 24
	Woodridge, N. Y.	January 31
	Raleigh, N. C.	February 12
	Arlington-Kearny, N. J.	February 17
	Rutherford, N. J.	February 26
	Newport News, Va.	March 12
	New Haven, Conn.	March 16
	York, Pa.	March 19

FEE SPEAKERS

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rabbi Peretz Halpern	Lakewood, N. J.	March 21
	Lansford, Pa.	March 23
	Bristol, Conn.	April 12
	Richmond, Va.	April 17-21
	Hudson, N. Y.	April 23
Harry Hershfield	Hartford, Conn.	April 16
	Kansas City, Mo.	April 19
	Omaha, Neb.	April 20
	Cleveland, Ohio	May 2
	Bridgeport, Conn.	May 7
	Boston, Mass.	May 15
	Detroit, Mich.	May 17
Rabbi Reinhold Herz	Lancaster, Pa.	February 12
	Rutherford, N. J.	February 19
	Boston, Mass.	February 20
	Syracuse, N. Y.	February 24
	New Bedford, Mass.	March 12
	Boston, Mass.	March 12-16
	Springfield, Mass.	April 6
	Harrisburg, Pa. (2 meetings)	April 12
	Passiac, N. J.	April 17
	Springfield, Mass.	April 21
	Springfield, Mass.	April 26
	Detroit, Mich.	April 30
Isaac Imber	Passaic, N. J.	March 13
Rabbi Aaron M. Kamerling	Rutherford, N. J.	March 8

FEE SPEAKERS

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Rabbi Aaron M. Kamerling	Verona, N. J.	March 21
	Passaic, N. J.	April 18, 24, 26
Dr. Joseph S. Kornfeld	Vineland, N. J.	January 9
	Fall River, Mass.	January 15
	Montgomery, Ala.	January 26
	Daytona Beach, Fla.	January 29
	St. Petersburg, Fla.	February 9
	St. Petersburg, Fla.	February 10
	Bridgeport, Conn.	April 16
Ludwig Lewisohn	Waterbury, Conn.	January 16
	Malden, Mass.	February 5
	Holyoke, Mass.	March 29
	Brockton, Mass.	April 12
	Taunton, Mass.	April 13
	Cleveland, Ohio	May 15
Mrs. Eva Lips	Detroit, Mich.	April 7
Ludwig Lore	Cleveland, Ohio	April 23
Marvin Lowenthal	Newark, N. J.	January 8
	Jersey City, N. J.	January 10
	Louisville, Ky.	January 18
	New Orleans, La.	February 14
	Houston, Texas	February 20
	Corsicana, Texas	March 2
	El Paso, Texas	March 6
	San Diego, Cal.	March 23
	Long Beach, Cal.	March 24
	Spokane, Wash.	March 31

FEE SPEAKERS

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Marvin Lowenthal	Portland, Ore.	April 6
	Salt Lake City, Utah	April 9
	Omaha, Neb.	April 18
	Sioux City, Iowa	April 19
	Duluth, Minn.	April 20
	Fargo, N. D.	April 23
	Milwaukee, Wisc.	April 28
	Newburgh, N. Y.	May 1
	Detroit, Mich.	May 8
	Cleveland, O.	May 10
	Erie, Pa.	May 15
	New Haven, Conn.	May 17
	Philadelphia, Pa.	April 24
Hon. James McDonald	Bridgeport, Conn.	April 24
Dr. Julie Meyer	Monticello, N. Y.	February 6
Dr. Joachim Prinz	Norristown, Pa.	March 6
	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	March 12
	Worcester, Mass.	March 25
	Chelsea, Mass.	March 30
	Hartford, Conn.	April 14
	Harrisburg, Pa.	April 16
	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	April 17
	Boston, Mass.	March 24
	Boston, Mass.	March 25
	Lawrence, Mass.	March 27
Dr. Werner Rosenberg	Newark, N. J.	May 2

FEE SPEAKERS

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<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Community</u>	<u>Date</u>
Maurice Samuel	Springfield, Mass.	April 17
	Worcester, Mass.	April 24
	Springfield, Ill.	May 14
	Wilmington, Del.	May 25
Rabbi Max Schenk	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	April 6
	Newark, N. J.	April 13
	Wallingford, Conn.	April 27, May 2
Leo W. Schwarz	Plainfield, N. J.	March 26
Tony Sender	Malden, Mass.	January 10
	Chelsea, Mass.	January 11
	Louisville, Ky.	January 18
	Paterson, N. J.	January 26
	Scranton, Pa.	January 29
	New London, Conn.	February 10
	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	March 14
	Lowell, Mass.	March 20
	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	March 27
	Omaha, Neb.	March 30
	Omaha, Neb.	March 31
	Goldsboro, N. C.	April 16
	Charlotte, N. C.	April 17
	Newark, N. J.	April 28
	Cleveland, O.	May 1
	Elmira, N. Y.	May 14
Rabbi Jacob Tarshish	Jersey City, N. J.	January 3
	Springfield, Mass.	April 19
Pierre Van Paassen	Fall River, Mass.	February 10
	Holyoke, Mass.	March 2
	Lancaster, Pa.	March 12

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April 28, 1939

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COMMITTEE UJA GOLDSTEIN SUGGESTED AND UPA APPROVED GRANOVSKY
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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

MEMORANDUM

May 1st, 1939

TO: Mr. Henry Montor

FROM: Mr. Isidor Coons

SUBJECT: Jewish National Fund - non-traditional collections in 1939

It is particularly gratifying to me as I know it is to you to have established in our conversation today an understanding and agreement that any funds raised in any community by the Jewish National Fund during the calendar year of 1939, and not included in the category of "traditional collections" are to be considered as belonging to the treasury of the United Jewish Appeal. It will be particularly helpful to adopt the procedure which you recommend, which is that the United Palestine Appeal will call upon the Jewish National Fund at the end of every three months period for an accounting of all monies received outside of the "traditional collections" category.

On the basis of our understanding, I am immediately advising the Joint Distribution Committee to release to the United Jewish Appeal treasury the contribution in the sum of \$350.00 which I asked them to earmark as an off-set for the funds raised by the Jewish National Fund in Atchison, Kansas, and I am also asking the National Coordinating Committee to release in the same way the \$140.00.

Copies of this memorandum are being sent to the officers of the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Coordinating Committee, respectively, who received copies of my initial memorandum to you on this subject.

(signed) Isidor Coons

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May 2nd, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
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Dear Dr. Silver:

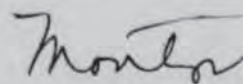
The New York State Zionist Region is holding its annual conference in Saratoga Springs on Saturday evening, May 27th and all day Sunday, May 28th.

I should like to utilize that occasion to build up the United Palestine Appeal sentiment in that part of the country. There is a splendid group of Zionists in Upper New York State who deserve the encouragement that would be forthcoming if you would accept the invitation to speak to them at the conference on Sunday, May 28th.

I realize that you are pretty well taken up at this time with Cleveland campaign problems, and I am wondering if the necessity of being in Cleveland on Sunday will still hold at the end of May.

If it is at all possible for you to be in Saratoga Springs on May 28th for this important conference I would appreciate your letting me know within the next few days so that we may start the machinery going in order to assure the kind of attendance which your presence at a conference of this sort would bring if properly announced.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM. sb

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 2, 1939

Mr. Mendel Fisher

Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum representing a conversation between Isidor Coons and myself.

It was imperative that we get a clear and cooperative understanding so that the functioning of the United Jewish Appeal, in which all of us have so great an interest, should not be held up.

I know that you are doing everything in your power to cooperate with the United Jewish Appeal.

HM:EH

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

111 FIFTH AVENUE
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Dr. Fisher
May 2nd, 1939

Mr. Mendel N. Fisher

Mr. Henry Montor

A regional meeting of the officers of the United Palestine Appeal for Eastern Pennsylvania was held in Chester, Pennsylvania on Sunday, April 30th. Mr. Kurt Peiser, one of the Honorary Vice Chairmen of the United Palestine Appeal spoke on that occasion and indicated, inferentially, that the position of the Palestine forces was being hurt by a campaign now in progress in Philadelphia and in the Eastern Pennsylvania Region, on behalf of the Leon Blum colony.

I know that you are weary of receiving memos from me on the subject of the Jewish National Fund activities. But in the interests of the United Palestine Appeal, which include of course those of the Jewish National Fund, do you not agree that it is a mistake to engage in activities which, particularly because the relative income is small, can only have the effect of adversely influencing our best interests?

I understand that one of the individuals approached, either accidentally or deliberately, was Mr. Lessing Rosenwald. He feels that an injury is being done to the United Jewish Appeal in Philadelphia and seems to have indicated that this campaigning, aside from the Allied Jewish Appeal, is characteristic of the Palestine forces.

You and I can devise many answers, all of them justified, to meet these objections. But on the other hand, there is a fundamental principle involved which I thought we had established, that is, that no campaigning of any kind was to be conducted in 1939 and that only traditional collections were to be carried on. I am sure you will agree that campaigning for the Leon Blum colony does not constitute traditional collections.

Please note that this memorandum comes to you from the office of the United Palestine Appeal, and that your answer is to be sent to me at 111 Fifth Avenue.

HM. SB

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL (Inc.) FOR REFUGEES AND OVERSEAS NEEDS

ON BEHALF OF
AMERICAN JEWISH JOINT DISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE, INC.
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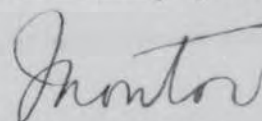
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The Temple
Tenth and Ansel Roads
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for sending the letter from Harry Cassman of Atlantic City which is herewith being returned to you after having been copied.

We are going on the basis of your having accepted the Atlantic City invitation for Monday, May 15th. We are hoping to build up a campaign that will arouse the type of response that the Atlantic City Jewish community is truly capable of.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:BJ
Encl.

\$20,000,000 is the National Goal for 1939

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342 MADISON AVENUE
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May 5, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This is in confirmation of our telephone conversation today with regard to Canton, Ohio.

We are informing Dr. Edward M. Feiman, Chairman of the Canton campaign of the two alternatives which they must consider:

(A) That the United Jewish Appeal will participate in the Welfare Fund campaign on the understanding that the United Jewish Appeal will be guaranteed priority to the extent of \$18,000;

(B) Or if this cannot be arranged because of local exigencies that it would be best for all concerned if a campaign for the Center were held now and a drive for the United Jewish Appeal be conducted in the Fall.

Mr. George Rabinoff was in the United Jewish Appeal office today discussing the Canton situation with Coons, Herman and myself. Mr. Rabinoff was present when the telegram to Canton informing them of our view was dictated. He did not dissent from the position taken and seemed to feel that under the circumstances it was proper to object to the inclusion of a capital fund in a Welfare Fund drive. The acceptance of the offer of \$13,000 by Canton or even of \$18,000 without a guaranteed priority would have had a most unfortunate effect upon the campaign not only in Ohio but in other communities which are always eager to take lessons on how not to give.

With kindest regards, I am,

HM:BC

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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May 5, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

We had a large and enthusiastic meeting in Newark, last night. I had to leave before I was able to learn how much was raised. I had the impression that the giving, with few exceptions, was on a rather low scale, but that it will be considerably better than last year.

I had a telegram from Rabbi Berlin asking for a meeting of the Executive of the United Palestine Appeal next week in order to present some important matter. I told him to get in touch with Dr. Stephen Wise.

In looking over the list of speakers, I find that you have omitted three meetings which I addressed: the one in Chicago on January 24; Scranton on March 22nd; and Dallas on March 27th. Please correct that in your statement; also omit St. Louis as I did not attend that meeting.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This will confirm our telephone conversation today during which you were kind enough to accept the invitation of Pittsburgh to address the series of lectures which will be held on Wednesday, May 10th.

Mr. Irwin D. Wolf, who is in charge of that special series of functions which is expected to be attended by 5,000 women, informed me by telephone that he would send you all details by mail. The broadcast is to be over Station WCAE between 1:30 and 1:45. All you are required to do is to speak over the telephone from your office and the amplification system in the Pittsburgh station will pick up your message.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
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Executive Vice-Chairman

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REQUIREMENTS OF UNITED JEWISH APPEAL WILL NOT BE DIMINISHED BY
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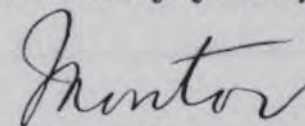
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

The plan for the installation of an automatic motion picture machine in the Palestine Pavilion is being delayed because of union trouble at the Fair.

Originally it was intended that one operator take care of five or six of these machines. The cost to the United Palestine Appeal would have been about \$25 per week. It now seems that there is a movement under way on the part of the union to compel the use of one operator for each machine. This would amount to \$150 a week. I would not be prepared to approve an expenditure of that size and am therefore delaying the ordering of the machines.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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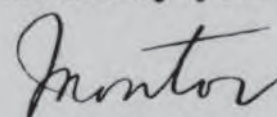
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

A further instance of problems arising out of local activities in relation to the National Coordinating Committee is provided by Los Angeles, which is now discussing the deduction of \$60,000 from the allotment intended for the United Jewish Appeal. It should be emphasized that this \$60,000 is not a separate item, but represents the effort of some of the community leaders to take from the United Jewish Appeal sum a certain item for local work.

Attached hereto is a letter from Mr. Rosenwald and accompanying memorandum which refers to the situation.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Mr. Montor

May 8, 1939

MEMORANDUM

FROM: Mr. Coons

TO: Mr. Herman
Mr. Montor

SUBJECT: Possible deduction from United Jewish Appeal allotment for local refugee requirements in Los Angeles

Attached hereto are copies of letters addressed by Mr. William Rosenwald to Mr. Ludwig Schiff, Chairman of the Los Angeles Refugee Committee, emphasizing that a consideration of such deductions is not in order.

I suggest that a copy of Mr. Rosenwald's letter be sent to Mr. Bernard Stone for his information.

I further recommend that wherever a problem of this type arises the onus of responsibility be placed on the National Coordinating Committee and that the matter be cleared through Mr. S. Bert Jacobson in a manner similar to this.

My understanding is that Mr. Jacobson is the official contact of the National Coordinating Committee in this campaign and that it is his responsibility to personally see to it that all problems arising in the relationship of the National Coordinating Committee to the United Jewish Appeal are cleared promptly to our satisfaction. This Los Angeles problem is a definite instance where the National Coordinating Committee must assume the initiative and the responsibility for keeping its own house in order. Mr. Rosenwald agrees with me in his stated attitude.

A copy of this memorandum is being sent to Mr. Rosenwald and to Mr. Jacobson.

IC:LG

Mr. Ludwig Schiff, Chairman
Los Angeles Refugee Committee
454 South Lorraine Boulevard
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Schiff:

The officers of the UNITED JEWISH APPEAL for REFUGEES and OVERSEAS NEEDS, in which the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. is included for a minimum allocation of two million dollars, have just received a report that the Los Angeles Jewish Community Council has decided to deduct from the United Jewish Appeal quota of \$600,000, the sum of \$80,000 for use in local refugee work in your community.

If true, this news, coming at a time when the officers of the United Jewish Appeal are making an unprecedented effort to raise the enormous quota of \$20,000,000 for the three participating organizations, is extremely disturbing. Frankly, if other communities adopt the procedure of deducting, for their local refugee activities, funds from the quotas which they have agreed to raise for the United Jewish Appeal, the programs of the three participating agencies would be seriously impaired on account of insufficient nation-wide support.

We of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, of course, are fully appreciative that Los Angeles Jewry is about to intensify its program of refugee aid and resettlement in your region. We are also fully cognizant that such a local refugee program must possess adequate operating funds. On the other hand, we feel most strongly, in common with responsible Jewish leaders in other communities, that local refugee activities must derive their financial support from the general welfare fund campaigns, just like any other local Jewish activity. In other words, funds which a community requires for its local refugee work should not be deducted from the quotas of the United Jewish Appeal which is faced this year with the vast responsibility of raising \$20,000,000 for the United Palestine Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee, and the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.

In consideration of the entire problem, I am sure that you realize that the minimum sum of \$2,000,000 which the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. is expecting to receive from the United Jewish Appeal represents the national budgetary requirements of the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc.

As far as the refugee problem in New York City is concerned, the overwhelming part of the activities, on behalf of the newcomers, originates and is carried on here for the obvious reason that New York is the principal port of entry. We in New York cannot, of course, carry the entire refugee burden,

May 5, 1939.

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Mr. Ludwig Schiff, Chairman
Los Angeles Refugee Committee

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Hence, the cooperation of the entire country is needed. Nevertheless, it is extremely important to point out that not a penny for our refugee work here is deducted from the New York City's United Jewish Appeal quota. The proceeds from the New York City campaign are turned over to the treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal, which then makes allocations to the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. in the same manner as it makes allocations to the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal.

I can say to you quite confidentially at the moment that with the tremendously increased load being placed upon the National Coordinating Committee at this time- and as far as we can see into the future- \$2,000,000 will not begin to represent the sum required for the national program and the necessities to assist refugees in this city. In my opinion we will require more than \$3,000,000 during the year 1959.

I emphasize this in order that you may know how serious it would be if any deductions were made by any community from their allotments to the United Jewish Appeal from which the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. must secure its sole measure of support.

The entire question involved was discussed with responsible leaders last January in Baltimore at the meeting of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, and it was there strongly felt that funds required by a given community for its local refugee work should be raised in addition to the requirements of the United Jewish Appeal, and not deducted from the latter's national quotas. My letter on the subject, written to a few communities on February 16th, 1959, is enclosed herewith.

Will you be kind enough to bring this most vital matter to the attention of your campaign and budget committee, with a view to reconsidering their decision to deduct \$60,000 from the Los Angeles United Jewish Appeal quota of \$600,000?

Eagerly awaiting your reply, and assuring you of my appreciation of the splendid response that is being made in Los Angeles this year, I am

Very cordially,

William Rosenwald, President
National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Pittsburgh campaign is closing
its successful drive with a Victory Dinner
at the William Penn Hotel on Wednesday,
May 31st.

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I. EDWIN GOLDWASSER
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Mr. Oliver Kaufmann, Chairman of the
campaign, is most anxious to have you as
the guest speaker for the occasion. Is it
possible?

Executive Vice-Chairmen

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HENRY MONTOR

Mr. Kaufmann and the other leaders
in Pittsburgh were highly gratified with
the address which you made by radio on May 10th.
I understand that the broadcast was carried to
300 Pittsburgh homes where women were gathered
for the launching of their drive.

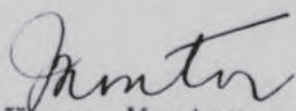
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Henry Montor
Executive Vice Chairman

HM:EH

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MR. ISIDOR COONS

MR. HENRY MONTOR

Detroit, Michigan

On my visit to Detroit on May 11th I was apprised of the fact that there is a group of men visiting a number of communities apparently on behalf of the American Jewish Committee campaign. The group is known as "The Caravan."

"The Caravan" is scheduled to be in Detroit for a private meeting on May 20th at which Leo M. Butzel, one of the officers of the Detroit Allied Jewish Campaign, will be host. "The Caravan" consists of Messrs. Henry Ittleson, Albert D. Lasker, Louis Kirstein, Samuel Leidesdorf and Lewis Strauss.

The Detroit campaign on May 12th reported \$500,000 toward a \$790,000 goal. It is evident that the Detroit campaign leaders will have to extend their drive at least until the end of May.

Two points are involved: (a) That in the midst of an unprecedented fund-raising effort in which the United Jewish Appeal is involved a group of men intimately associated with the United Jewish Appeal nationally is visiting Detroit for the purpose apparently of raising large funds; (b) Mr. Isidore Sobeloff, Director of the Detroit Allied Jewish Campaign, suggests the advisability of using this distinguished group of men for the purpose of bringing new life to the Detroit campaign when they visit the community on May 20th.

Attention is called to the fact that Messrs. Ittleson, Lasker and Kirstein have a particularly outstanding place in the United Jewish Appeal, since they are members of the Allocations Committee.

What procedure do you think ought to be followed to call to the attention of these gentlemen the situation in Detroit and the feasibility of their utilizing their trip to Detroit for the purpose of spurring a great response to the Allied Jewish Campaign, which, up to the present time, has not been marked by the type of double and triple giving which is characteristic of contributions in other major cities.

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May 15, 1939

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Y Mr. Morris Neaman
1024 Vickroy Street
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Mr. Neaman:

We have before us a copy of a letter issued by Dr. Maurice Taylor, Secretary of that which he designates a Tri-State Coordinating Bureau. We understand that Dr. Taylor has sent this letter to leaders of the some ninety communities of the so-called Tri-State area of which you have been honored chairman for many years in giving territorial leadership to (1) combined campaigns of the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee and (2) this year for the fund-raising effort of the United Jewish Appeal including these two agencies and the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.

Largely through your tremendous interest in advancing the fund-raising programs of these agencies and your willingness for these reasons to head up our campaign in the so-called Tri-State area, the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee have been not only willing but eager to utilize the so-called Tri-State area as an instrumentality for projecting its fund-raising campaigns in Western Pennsylvania, a portion of West Virginia and a small section of Eastern Ohio.

We have never assumed and we cannot assume now that this so-called Tri-State area was subject to local jurisdiction from Pittsburgh without consultation with the United Jewish Appeal and its agencies as to their wishes relative to the handling of the included communities.

We cannot concede to Dr. Taylor or to others in Pittsburgh that they have the right to instruct the communities of the so-called Tri-State area as to procedures for raising funds for the United Jewish Appeal and its included agencies. That which he recommends to the leaders in his form letter is in complete variance with our national fund-raising program through this unified campaign. We cannot accept the arrangement which he proposes, namely, that the duties of the professional social worker engaged for handling the local refugee problem should be combined with the organization and direction of fund-raising for the United Jewish Appeal.

We have not authorized Dr. Taylor to represent the United Jewish Appeal in the communities of the Tri-State area outside of Pittsburgh and we do not know whence his alleged authority sprung. As a matter of fundamental courtesy we believe he would have done well to counsel with us before issuing the type of letter which he did and thereby tend to create a spirit of distrust as to the economies and efficiency of our own national organization.

We hope that you, as 1939 chairman of the United Jewish Appeal for the Tri-State area, will take cognizance of this letter to the end that the problems involved may be clarified to the satisfaction of all concerned. We shall appreciate hearing from you as to what is being done so that the United Jewish Appeal may act in accordance with our best judgment in communities outside of Pittsburgh, which are not recognized by us at this time as subject to Pittsburgh jurisdiction in relation to our own national fund-raising program.

Hoping that we may have your reaction to this letter at your earliest convenience and with kindest personal regards, we are

Sincerely yours,

Jonah B. Wise

Abba Hillel Silver

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a letter apparently
intended for you personally. It has not been
acknowledged or answered.

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I believe that a meeting of considerable importance for the United Jewish Appeal is to be held in Cleveland this week-end. I am informed that the Board of Directors of the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds, or at least an important section of it, is to gather in Cleveland. One of the items on the agenda is rumored to be the overseas campaign, either for 1939 or for 1940.

It seems that a resolution has been formulated calling for the creation of a single overseas campaign in 1940, with the inclusion in that campaign of all agencies appealing for overseas funds.

I believe it would be most helpful to the interests of the United Palestine Appeal, as of the United Jewish Appeal, to cause postponement of final decision of that resolution until further action is taken, or rather further consideration given to the subject. Would it not be wise to suggest when the resolution is offered that it would be most appropriate to discuss the intentions of the resolution with such agencies as the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee, which are the major factors in the present overseas campaign?

I have noted that even though numerous communities are having far more successful campaigns than ever before in the past, a number of them are utilizing the newly discovered generosity of their communities to deal beneficently with other organizations with the result that the natural expectations of the United Jewish Appeal for justified increases have not always been adequately realized. Houston is a case in point--\$106,000 was raised out of which we have been allotted \$60,000. It is true that this sum is more than twice what we received in 1938, but groups like the Gewerkschaften, Hadassah and other bodies have received attention which they could not possibly have had if the campaign had not been so successful, and, as we know,

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it is the United Jewish Appeal which is the basis for most of the high pressure salesmanship which accompanies the 1939 campaign.

If you are present at the Council meeting or if you can make such a suggestion to someone who will attend, would it not be helpful if a resolution were adopted calling upon the Council to discuss the 1940 program with the United Palestine Appeal and Joint Distribution Committee?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

HM:BG



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Dear Dr. Silver:

The following cable came today from Leo Herrmann, Director of the Keren Hayesod, who is at present in London:

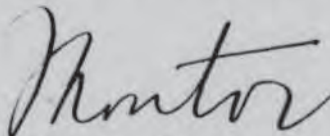
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What answer should be given to him by cable?

I am terribly sorry to hear of your illness. I do hope that you will recover quickly.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have your letter of the 16th enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. Yanoff.

As one of the treasurers of the United Jewish Appeal may I say that the matter referred to by Mr. Yanoff is one that does not concern the treasurers. I note that the Executive Committee refers the matter to the treasurers of the United Jewish Appeal with power to discuss the problem and report back. I assume this means power to discuss the matter with Mr. Yanoff. This I refuse to do.

I regret exceedingly that the Executive Committee should place me in the position of practically refusing to carry out this mandate, but I feel certain that there has not enough consideration been given to what are the duties of a treasurer when this matter was decided as indicated in the resolution quoted to me.

Sincerely Yours,

(signed) I. E. Goldwasser

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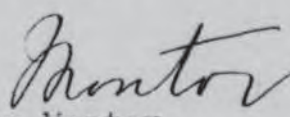
Dear Dr. Silver:

I understand from Blitz that you are
addressing the luncheon meeting of the
Amusement Division of the New York United
Jewish Appeal on June 1st.

Would you wish to have a meeting of
the Administrative or Executive Committee
of the United Palestine Appeal in the
evening, or perhaps in the afternoon?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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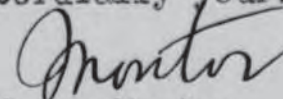
I hate to mention the word "Duluth" again, but I simply must. Maurice Labovitz, chairman of the campaign, who has really been most helpful in the past, and the other members of the campaign committee are insistent that they cannot possibly arouse their community from its lethargy unless they start with an event of such outstanding importance that the community will respond instantaneously.

They feel that they need you and cannot launch their \$50,000 drive this Spring without you. They are prepared to accept any date you will give them, whether it be June 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, or any day on your calendar that is at all convenient to you. They had originally thought of having their campaign early in June, but it has been continuously postponed because they have been discouraged by the lesser personalities that have been suggested to them as substitutes for you. Yesterday on the phone Mr. Labovitz made a stirring plea to me to urge your acceptance of the invitation.

Knowing how some of these communities are, I am afraid that Duluth may not have a campaign this Spring even though I believe that their reasoning is fallacious and that they ought to be able with their own resources to start the campaign.

Under the circumstances, however, could you say yes even though I know how much you wanted to avoid making this additional trip? Could you wire or telephone if it is satisfactory, so that I could communicate with Duluth at once and get them started on their campaign.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice Chairman

HM:EH

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May 19, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

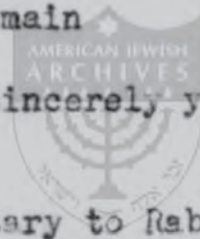
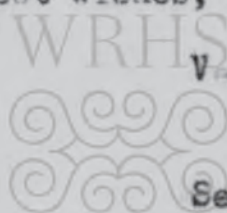
Rabbi Silver received the enclosed letter
from Mr. Joseph Z. Farkas of Kingston, N.Y. He
has asked me to forward it to you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver



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May 22, 1939

Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
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OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE UPA AFTERNOON JUNE 1st. KINDEST REGARDS

Abba Hillel Silver

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HENRY MONTOR

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NATIONAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE
165 West 46th Street
New York City

Dr. Silver

FROM: S. B. Jacobson

Date - May 22, 1939

TO: Mr. Isidor Coons

SUBJECT - Rosenwald Family Capital
Outlay Fund

1 - I want to refer to your memo of May 11th on the handling of contributions received by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. and in particular to sub-paragraph "C" on the second page of your memorandum, in which you state:

"It is a definite understanding that all funds received from all sources by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. from January 1, 1939 to December 31, 1939 are to be remitted to the treasury of the United Jewish Appeal."

2 - However, it is essential to point out that the Rosenwald Family Capital Outlay Fund, owing to the nature of its establishment and functioning, would appear to be exempt from inclusion in the United Jewish Appeal.

3 - As you know, the Rosenwald Family Capital Outlay Fund, is a small portion of the Rosenwald contribution to the United Jewish Appeal, which was to be matched with an equivalent amount by other donors, to be used for special projects in certain designated cases. It is a revolving fund in those cases where it is used as loans to individual refugees; and in all cases the amounts so used are matched by equal amounts from other contributors. To the extent to which the Rosenwald Family Capital Outlay Fund, matched by equivalent donations from other givers, is used in certain special cases, it relieves the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. from those expenditures and enables us to use our funds for our normal programs.

4 - Will you therefore be good enough to give this matter your thoughtful consideration so that definite exemption from inclusion in the United Jewish Appeal may be granted to the Rosenwald Family Capital Outlay Fund.

Regards.

(UPA stationery)

CC DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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May 23, 1939

Mr. Joseph Willen
New York United Jewish Appeal
200 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Joe:

Attached herewith is a copy of a
letter which I have sent to Edward M. M. Warburg
addressed to him because of his official capacity.

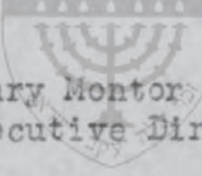
With kindest regards, I am

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Cordially yours,

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Executive Director

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CC DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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May 23, 1939

Mr. Edward M. M. Warburg
30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York City

Dear Mr. Warburg:

You will recall that as a result of the discussions held in the latter part of 1938 in the office of Mr. Henry Ittleson, the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal agreed upon a combined drive within the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and Overseas Needs.

In addition to the campaign that was nationally organized, the forces of the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee were united for the United Jewish Appeal in New York City.

On behalf of the officers of the United Palestine Appeal, may I suggest an early meeting between yourself, myself and any others who you think ought to be present to consider the plans regarding the termination of the campaign and what is to follow thereafter. I would not undertake to suggest to you who should be present at such a meeting but I assume that in view of the important part that Mr. Willen plays in the campaign, his presence would be helpful.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BG

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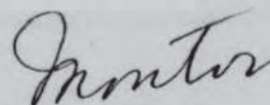
Rabbi Abba Millel Silver
The Temple
Tenth and Ansel Roads
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It would be most helpful if it would be possible to indicate even unofficially what the United Jewish Appeal may expect from the campaign in Cleveland. I assume the figure will be quite high. This will be an invaluable lever for us in other communities, particularly those in the list of the first nine.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
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342 MADISON AVENUE
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May 23, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We have purchased transportation for Mr. Sholem Asch and
Mr. Benjamin Hanft as follows:

2 first class round trip tickets - N. Y. to Cleveland	\$68.60
1 drawing room for two - leaving N. Y. Saturday 5/27	14.70
1 drawing room for two - leaving Cleveland 5/29	14.70
	<u>\$98.00</u>

We have been informed by Mr. Herman that this is to be con-
sidered an expense of the Cleveland Zionist District.

You also wished us to advise you the cost of your air travel
from Buffalo to Erie, which amounted to \$4.59.

Very truly yours,

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

A. Keller

AK:PW

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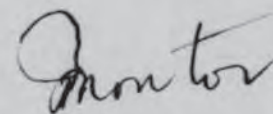
I have been sending you memos with regard to the Caravan. Attached herewith is another dealing with Pittsburgh.

Baltimore has already raised about \$100,000 for the American Jewish Committee; Washington raised about \$15,000. I have not yet had a report on the outcome in Detroit.

I realize that the U.J.A. cannot possibly expect to have a monopoly in the field of fund-raising. I believe, however, that the activities of three of the members of the Allocations Committee in raising large funds for the American Jewish Committee is noteworthy not because it is not necessary or advisable, but because sometimes the point may be raised that those connected with Palestine are not adhering to the spirit of non-competitive fund-raising.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BC
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For Silver

Mr. Isidor Coons

Mr. Henry Mentor

In any consideration of the problems facing the United Jewish Appeal in relation to allotments, we cannot lose sight of the fact that local and regional work of the N.C.C., one of our constituent bodies, is responsible for the diminution of funds which might otherwise go to the U.J.A.

You know, of course, of the large communities which are setting aside substantial funds for work in the cities and in the vicinity.

My attention is again called to the problem by the memorandum from Arthur Adams on Selma, Alabama which is allotting \$200.00 to N.C.C. work in Selma and \$200.00 to the N.C.C. State organization.

We have gone over all the arguments in relation to the N.C.C. but still I find it difficult to reconcile this overage which the N.C.C. receives beyond any amounts obtained directly from the U.J.A.

Altogether I believe that the N.C.C. is the least cooperative of the bodies within the U.J.A. It maintains its insistence that no complete reports should be submitted to us and that no checks should be directly turned over to us. I would like again to urge that Messrs. Goldwasser, Lamport, you and I meet with a committee of the N.C.C. to iron out the various problems which have arisen in the relationship between that body and the United Jewish Appeal.

HM:BJ

	<u>1938</u>	<u>1937</u>
	<u>As of 7/30/38</u>	<u>As of 7/7/37</u>
Pledges-National	\$1,019,844.49	\$685,876.44
Pledges-New York (Gross)	523,532.34	522,063.58
" Jewish National Fund (June, 1938)	<u>166,441.88</u>	<u>93,295.01</u>
	\$1,709,818.71	\$1,301,235.03
Youth Aliyah	<u>224,101.70</u>	<u>102,203.42</u> (June, 1937)
	<u>\$1,933,920.41</u>	<u>\$1,403,438.45</u>

CASH COLLECTED:

National	\$ 421,958.72	273,973.91
Greater N.Y.	200,000.00	242,205.68
Jewish National Fund	<u>166,441.88</u>	<u>78,734.44</u>
	<u>\$ 788,400.60</u>	<u>\$594,914.03</u>

	<u>1938</u>
Pledges - National	\$1,019,844.49
" New York (net)	440,834.78
" Jewish National Fund	<u>166,441.88</u>
	\$1,627,121.15
Youth Aliyah	<u>224,101.70</u>
TOTAL RAISED	<u>\$1,851,222.85</u>

(N.Y. Expenses-\$82,697.56)

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Copy for

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

At the request of Dr. Silver a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Palestine Appeal will be held on Thursday afternoon, June 1st at 4 P.M. at the office of the United Palestine Appeal, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Problems specially related to Palestine and a report on the United Jewish Appeal will be considered. Dr. Silver hopes that it will be possible for you to attend.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JS

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May 24th, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In view of what you said about wanting to have Willen attend one of our meetings, I have taken the liberty of sending him an invitation in your name, as per the enclosed copy, to the meeting called for June 1st.

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
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HM. SB

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

May 24th, 1939

Mr. Joseph Willen
United Jewish Appeal
200 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Willen:

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Palestine Appeal will be held on Thursday afternoon, June 1st at 4:00 P.M. at the office of the United Palestine Appeal, 111 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

You indicated that you would like to meet with the officers of the United Palestine Appeal. We shall welcome you at our meeting. Will you let me know whether we may expect you?

Cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS.SBM

May 25, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

In reply to your letter of May 23 -
in view of the fact that Cleveland pretty well
raised its full quota, I do not think that there
will be any reduction to speak of from the allocation
of \$500,000 which was set aside for the United Jewish
Appeal. If there is any reduction, it will be very
slight.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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May 25, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a draft of the
report for inclusion in The New Palestine
issue for the Zionist Convention.

Will you send me your observations and
additions or corrections at your earliest
convenience?

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BC
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1939 ALLIED JEWISH CAMPAIGN
1373 Hotel Statler
Detroit, Mich.

May 25, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Montor:

"The Caravan" was here last Saturday night, May 20th. Lewis Strauss, Samuel D. Leidesdorf, Joseph Willen and Michael Nisselson comprised its professional and lay representatives. Thirteen persons present at the dinner-meeting contributed a total of \$16,250. The contributions ranged as follows: \$3,000; \$2,500; \$2,000; \$1,500; six at \$1,000 each; two at \$500 each, and one at \$250.

It is our present plan to continue the campaign at least for another week after our next report meeting, scheduled for tomorrow. At the rate we are going, we should raise about \$635,000.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Isidore Sobeloff
Executive Director

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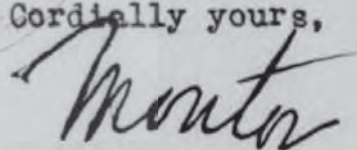
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith are copies of code
cables that have come from Palestine in
the last two weeks.

I am also attaching a copy of the last
cable of Leo Herrmann in reply to my own in-
quiry following my conversation with you as
to the details of the refugee settlement plan
in Palestine.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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MAY 25, 1939

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MONITOR
PALFUND

YOURS TWENTIETH DECISION HOUSE MAKES FINANCIAL
MOBILISATION STILL MORE IMPERATIVE MEANTIME CHAIM
CANCELLED RETURN PALESTINE STOP VISIT STATES DEPENDS
YOUR FRIDAYS MEETING STOP ESTIMATE FIGURE IMMIGRANTS
NEXT SIX MONTHS MINIMUM SIXTEEN THOUSAND IF FUNDS
AVAILABLE STOP VARIOUS CIRCLES CONSIDERING PLAN
REFUGEE SETTLEMENT LOAN STOP AMONGST THEM RUSKIN
SAILING NORMANDIE CONNECTED RUBLEE WILL COMMUNICATE
SILVER GOLDMAN STOP COST SETTLEMENT PERSON APPROXIMATELY
THOUSAND DOLLARS STOP SHOULD INSIST OBTAIN HALF
CONTRIBUTIONS HALF LOAN STOP THIS UNINCLUDES EXTRAORDINARY
KERRJESSOD KAYEMETH REQUIREMENTS

HERRMANN

May 9, 1939

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Tel Aviv

FLYING TODAY LONDON VIEW FINAL EFFORT UNDERSTAND FINAL
DECISION REGARDING PUBLICATION NEXT MONDAY WILL BE TAKEN
TOMORROW WEDNESDAY STOP PLEASE INFORM BRANDEIS BELIEVE
ONLY DIRECT CABLE FROM ROOSEVELT CHAMBERLAIN URGING
UNFORTUNATE EFFECT PUBLICATION PRESENT JUNCTURE CAN
NOW AVERT PUBLICATION MUST BE SENT TODAY



May 9, 1939

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Tel Aviv

AS PUBLICATION WHITE PAPER APPARENTLY INEVITABLE
AND YIHSUV WILL HAVE FACE BRITISH BAYONETS SUGGEST
NUMBER OF COMRADES AND LEADERS INFORM SKIPPER THEY
ARE PROCEEDING TO PALESTINE IMMEDIATELY TO SHARE
SACRIFICES YISHUV WILL BRING IN ITS STAND AGAINST
PROPOSED NEW REGIME



May 10, 1939

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Tel Aviv

SITUATION WORSENING PERHAPS POSSIBLE CHATHAM
CONVOKE OUR ASSOCIATES PLUS ROSENMAN LEHMAN
MORGENTHAU BARUCH OTHERS FINAL EFFORT VIEW
STOPPING WHITE PAPER BY AMERICAN INTERVENTION



May 23, 1939

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Jerusalem

INDISPENSABLE YOU PROCURE IMMEDIATELY FOR EXTRAORDINARY
REQUIREMENTS OUTSIDE ORDINARY BUDGET TEN THOUSAND POUNDS
COMMUNICATE SZOLD CHATHAM CABLE THIS CANCELS BEN ZVI'S
CABLE



May 24, 1939

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Jerusalem

WE MUST AND ARE PREPARED TO BRING IN FIFTY THOUSAND
JEWS THOUSAND WEEKLY THIS REQUIRES SEVEN THOUSAND
POUNDS WEEKLY OUR CONTRIBUTION COST BRINGING THEM
TO PALESTINE STOP CONSULT CHATHAM OTHER FRIENDS
DEVISE MEANS PROVIDING THESE FUNDS OUTSIDE ORDINARY
KEREN YESOD KEREN KAYEMET REQUIREMENTS STOP MOST
RELIABLY INFORMED GOVERNMENT WILL BE UNABLE PREVENT
THIS IMMIGRATION CARRYING OUT THIS PROGRAMME MEANS
DEFEAT WHITE PAPER INFINITE STRENGTHENING JEWISH
POSITION ALSO DECISIVE PREPAREDNESS EVENT WAR

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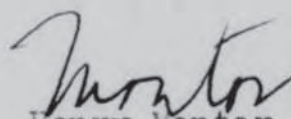
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you for your encouraging note of May 25th in which you state that the allocation of \$500,000 originally adopted for the United Jewish Appeal by the Cleveland Welfare Fund will stand, with the possibility that there may be a slight reduction.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice Chairman

HM:EH

\$20,000,000 is the National Goal for 1939

May 26, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

The enclosed is a copy of a letter which
Rabbi Silver sent to Rabbi Stephen S. Wise today.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

CC DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER

J. S. BROIDA
427 Market Street
Parkersburg, W. Va.

May 27, 1939

United Jewish Appeal for Refugees
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

We have completed our drive and regret to say we are somewhat disappointed due to the fact we expected considerable more from some of our members than we received. However, your allotment for 1939 will be \$2,500 less five percent making the net amount \$2,375.00. I am enclosing a check for \$375.00, which leaves a balance of \$2,000.00. We hope to make remittances to you from time to time as we collect.

Please note Hm

It is my understanding that West Virginia contributors are to deduct five percent from the United Jewish Appeal Agency for the purpose of taking care of the West Virginia Coordination expenses. These instructions were received from the last meeting which was held in Charleston and I trust I am correct in my understanding.

I sincerely regret we cannot send you more at this time for we appreciate your great needs, but you may be assured we will do everything we can to liquidate this obligation as quickly as possible.

Very truly yours,

(signed) J. S. BROIDA.

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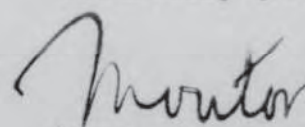
May 28, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Would it be possible for you to write a note such as the attached on your personal stationery from Cleveland to Attorney General David T. Wilentz, who seems to be most helpful in the Perth Amboy campaign of which he is Chairman.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:BG
Enc.

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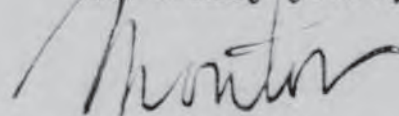
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is

- (a) A memo from Coons to me dated May 26th.
(b) A copy of a letter from William Rosenwald to Coons, and
(c) A copy of the memorandum which I addressed to Coons with respect to the reporting by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. of contributions which it receives directly in the Coordinating Committee office.

Does the procedure suggested by Rosenwald meet with your approval?

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

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MEMORANDUM

May 26, 1939

TO Mr. Henry Montor
cc to Mr. Abraham Keller

FROM Mr. Isidor Coons

SUBJECT Clearance of contributions sent directly to National Coordinating
Committee Fund, Inc. to United Jewish Appeal

I have been for the past two weeks working directly with Mr. William Rosenwald, President of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. on this subject.

After many conversations I sent to Mr. Rosenwald for his approval on May 18 a draft of a memorandum, which I attach hereto and mark "A". Mr. Rosenwald writes me as of May 25 as to the procedure which the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. would like to follow in this matter; copy of this letter marked "B" is also attached hereto.

I have submitted Mr. Rosenwald's letter of May 25 to Mr. Abraham Keller, Accountant of the United Jewish Appeal, who states that this procedure as set forth by Mr. Rosenwald, as President of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc., meets with his official approval and in his opinion with the necessities of clearing these funds between the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. and the United Jewish Appeal.

I take the position, as one of the Executive Vice-Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal and as representative of the Joint Distribution Committee in the United Jewish Appeal, that any procedure followed by any of the three agencies which is satisfactory to the Accounting Department of the United Jewish Appeal is satisfactory to me.

I hope that this arrangement as outlined by Mr. Rosenwald in his letter of May 25 will have your approval. If for any reason it does not, then I ask you to arrange for any type of meeting you wish to discuss the matter further.

(signed) Isidore Coons

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DRAFT OF MEMORANDUM

May 18, 1939

TO: Mr. William Rosenwald

FROM: Mr. Isidor Coons

SUBJECT: Clearance of contributions sent direct to National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. to United Jewish Appeal

In conversation on this subject subsequent to my memorandum of May 11, captioned "Acknowledgment and handling of contributions received by the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. - your memorandum of May 8", you indicated as the proper procedure:

- A. That the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. will acknowledge to the donor direct each contribution to the 1939 fund - this acknowledgment to be without a formal receipt - and that in the acknowledgment it will be indicated to the donor that he may anticipate a further acknowledgment and receipt from the United Jewish Appeal, to which the contribution is being made available in accordance with our agreement.

The United Jewish Appeal will, upon receipt of these contributions from the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc., send its official receipts to the specified contributors to the 1939 fund of the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc.

- B. I further understand that the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. will not endorse such checks received direct by it to the 1939 United Jewish Appeal, but will at least once a week send to the Accounting Department of the United Jewish Appeal a record of the amounts of the contributions with the names and addresses of the donors, and will enclose a check of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. equivalent to the sum total of the individual contributions received direct by it for that period.
- C. It may be that a contributor to the 1939 fund of the National Coordinating Committee Fund Inc. might indicate a total gift which would be properly considered as a 1939 contribution but which the donor plans to pay on an installment basis. The Accounting Department of the United Jewish Appeal requests that in instances of this type, it be informed as to the total amount of the contribution - the amount of cash received, the amount of the pledge and the dates of the balance due.

This memorandum has been submitted to Mr. Abraham Keller, Accountant for the United Jewish Appeal, who advises me that it meets in every detail the requirements of the United Jewish Appeal for clearance of contributions with the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc.

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WILLIAM ROSENWALD
122 East 42nd Street
New York City

May 25, 1939

Mr. Isidor Coons
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

Dear 'Dor:

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

Thank you for your memorandum of May 18, with regard to the clearance, with the United Jewish Appeal, of contributions sent directly to the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. The matter was reviewed with Mr. S. Marshall Kempner, Treasurer of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc., and a summary of the conclusions reached is outlined herein.

As you know, on April 22, Mr. Kempner wrote to Mr. Fainberg, as follows:

"Please be advised that all checks received by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. should be deposited in its account in the Commercial National Bank & Trust Company. All funds applicable to the 1939 U.J.A. Campaign should be handed over weekly by an exchange check drawn by us to the U.J.A. specifying the contributions represented."

Further, it has been felt that the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. should, properly, send a formal receipt (on getting contributions applicable to the United Jewish Appeal), together with a letter saying that the contribution was being turned over to the United Jewish Appeal; the United Jewish Appeal could then acknowledge by letter, without sending a formal receipt.

This handling would seem the most desirable for all concerned. You will recall, you pointed out recently that it was very important, for our own protection, that a donor should not get more than one formal receipt for a contribution. The cancelled check, endorsed by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Inc. will serve as one receipt; should the United Jewish Appeal send an official receipt, this would be a duplication. Issuing two receipts for one payment might, inadvertently, involve all parties in any confusion which might possibly result, especially in view of deductibility from taxable income involved.

Because of the dangers of double receipting, Mr. Kempner thinks that the procedure ~~above~~ indicated should be sustained. Both Mr. Kempner and I assure you and the United Jewish Appeal that, while we are eager to follow the procedures accepted by the J.D.C. and the U.P.A., respectively, the methods which we are employing seem to be best for our purposes. If you require, we shall be glad to give a certificate to the effect that all funds to which the United Jewish Appeal is entitled, have been transferred to it. As previously stated, our books, as far as they may concern the United Jewish Appeal, are always open for your inspection.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

(signed) Bill

cc: Mr. S. Marshall Kempner
Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser
Mr. M. Fainberg
Loeb & Troper

May 9, 1939

TO: Mr. Isidor Coons

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

I think it would be very helpful if the NCC Fund, Inc. would follow the procedure of the JDC and the UPA, that is to transmit to the UJA office checks as they are received together with accompanying communications.

The NCC Fund, Inc. is purely a fund-raising body, as I understand it, and since it is one of the three major beneficiaries of the UJA it is important that all its contacts be made available in full measure to the UJA.

Through the acknowledgment by the NCC itself of contributions which it receives directly there is lacking the intimate contact that should exist between the UJA and supporters of the NCC.

I do not raise any question whatever of the transmission by the NCC of all funds it receives, but I do think its compliance with the rules followed by the UPA and JDC would be helpful from the technical and psychological angles. I cannot see why there should be objection on the part of the NCC.

You know, of course, that the ruling laid down by the Executive Committee of the UJA is that all funds received by the three constituent agencies of the UJA should be placed in the treasury of the UJA.

It would probably be most helpful if you would take this matter up with the NCC authorities. Thanks.

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MEMORANDUM

May 9, 1939

TO Mr. Isidor Coons
FROM Mr. Henry Montor
SUBJECT

I have noted the memo to you dated May 8th from S. B. Jacobson, to which was attached a summary of a telephone conversation held between Mr. Stein of Loeb and Troper and Mr. Kempner on Monday, May 8th.

I take specific exception to paragraph 2 of the summary of the telephone conversation, in which it is stated that all contributions received by the NCC which are earmarked should be retained by the NCC. This is not at all in accordance with the agreement constituting the UJA.

With respect to paragraph 3, I must point out that the UJA should be the agency acknowledging funds received by the NCC in the same way as the UJA acknowledges funds received by the JDC and the UPA. If it wishes, the NCC can, of course, make its own acknowledgment, but the UJA should be the ultimate acknowledging authority.

I do not see how the UJA can make itself responsible for the expenditure of any funds by the NCC in connection with the raising of money for the NCC Fund, Inc. except insofar as such expenses are approved in advance by the UJA.

In view of Mr. Jacobson's memorandum and the summary of the telephone conversation I think it is more important than ever that there should be a meeting at which you and I would be present to iron out these details. I think it is important enough for the two treasurers, Mrssrs. Goldwasser and Lamport, to be present at the discussion.

In view of the initiative you took to clear up this matter I assume you agree with my view.

EH

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

cc: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

May 29, 1939

To: MENDEL N. FISHER

From: HENRY MONTOR

The office of Mr. Henry Ittleson has called to get certain additional information on items within the budget of the United Palestine Appeal. Certain of these questions relate to the J.N.F. In order that the information given to Mr. Ittleson may be authentic, I am transferring these questions to you and trust that at the earliest possible opportunity answers may be available for transmission to Mr. Ittleson.

A. You will recall that earlier in the year the U.P.A. got up a budget covering the budgets of the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth. One of the items referring to the Keren Kayemeth was for \$2,375,000 which we entitled as being "Payments on land already contracted for colonization". Mr. Ittleson would like to know what the conditions of repayment are on this item.

B. Mr. Ittleson would like to know when the \$2,375,000 is due to be repaid.

He would also like to know the maximum maturities and rate of interest, if any, that accompanies these payments.

C. Another item in the budget refers to the sum of \$3,400,000 as being for the "Acquisition of land for colonization". You will recall that our budgetary statement refers to the various parcels in the South, in Sharon, Samaria, Emek Jezreel, Beisan Plain, the North, Jerusalem-Tel Aviv road, and Mt. Scopus. Mr. Ittleson asks what is the total purchase price of the land covered by "Acquisition of land for colonization, \$3,400,000".

He also asks how much cash has to be paid and how are the terms arranged for as to the balance.

D. Mr. Ittleson has also asked us for a statement showing the expenditures for 1938 covering the individual items that are included in the 1939 budget of the United Palestine Appeal.

The U.P.A. is, of course, not a distributing but only a fund-raising body and the sums that it obtains in the United States are forwarded to Jerusalem for expenditure. Apparently Mr. Ittleson wishes to have the breakdown of expenditures by the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth insofar as these relate to participation by the U.P.A.

Mr. Ittleson indicated that he would appreciate whatever information we can supply at the earliest opportunity.

"Give Today --- Tomorrow May Be Too Late"

—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

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May 29, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your suggestion I arranged
for Mr. Louis Ruskin to attend the meeting of the Executive
Committee of the United Palestine Appeal here on Thursday,
at 4:00 P.M.

He felt that the matter was sufficiently important
to postpone his departure for Chicago. He arrived in America
today on the Normandie.

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

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ON BEHALF OF
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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL and
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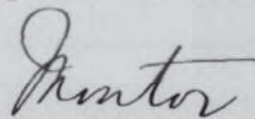
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Dear Dr. Silver:

You may be interested in the attached
letter giving income tax status of the
United Jewish Appeal Inc.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:CBJ
Encl.

\$20,000,000 is the National Goal for 1939

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

GOODELL, HOFFMAN & SPARK

Ruppert Building

535 Fifth Avenue

New York

May 27, 1939

The United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

In accordance with our telephone conversation of yesterday, I hand you herewith letter from the Treasury Department renewing and reaffirming the status of The United Jewish Appeal, Inc., as an organization exempt from Federal income taxation. The ruling in question seems to contain language broad enough to meet completely the requirements of the U.J.A. with respect to its own exemption and the deductibility of individual contributions.

However, as to contributions made to you by corporations, the only language contained in the enclosure is the following:

"The deductibility of contributions by corporations is governed by section 23(q) of the Revenue Acts of 1936 and 1938, and section 23(q), Chapter 1, of the Internal Revenue Code."

We would call to your attention that the foregoing language is substantially identical with that used in the exemption obtained by the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Incorporated. The attorneys for the last mentioned organization apparently felt that it did not constitute a sufficiently clear statement to the effect that corporate contributions were deductible. Accordingly they applied for and obtained the following additional Department interpretation of the wording in question:

"You are advised that inasmuch as you are a domestic corporation, it is the opinion of the Bureau that the ruling of March 13th, 1939, (the original exemption granted to the N.C.C.), holding that ***** the deductibility of contributions by corporations is governed by Section 23(q) of the Revenue Act of 1938 and of the Internal Revenue Code, constitutes a ruling such as you request, namely, that contributions made to you by corporations are deductible, within the limitations set forth in that Section of the law."

In view of the foregoing construction by the Treasury Department of its own wording, we believe that the inference might be drawn that the language contained in your exemption may be considered adequate for all purposes. However, we feel that the position of The United Jewish Appeal, Inc., is such that absolute certainty is required in the premises. Accordingly, we are forthwith asking the Treasury Department for an interpretation similar to that obtained by the N.C.C. but applying specifically to us. Pending receipt thereof, we suggest that the data contained herein may be submitted to potential corporate contributors without any interpretation thereof.

The foregoing has been discussed with Mr. George K. Hourwich of the firm of Rosenberg, Goldmark and Colin, who has informed us that he agrees herewith.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

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In view of the fact that the original minutes and other documents of The United Jewish Appeal, Inc., are now in the possession of our Mr. Hoffman, as your Assistant Secretary, we would suggest that the enclosed original ruling be returned to us after you have made such copies thereof as may be necessary for your purposes.

Very truly yours,

GOODELL, HOFFMAN & SPARK

(signed) PHILIP E. HOFFMAN.

CC - Mr. Hourwich
Mr. Goldwasser
Mr. Beckwith

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Washington, D. C.

Office of
Commissioner of Internal Revenue

May 25, 1939

The United Jewish Appeal, Incorporated
100 East 42nd Street
New York, New York

Sirs

Reference is made to evidence submitted in support of an application to renew and reaffirm your status as an organization exempt from Federal income taxation.

An examination of the records of this office disclose that under date of February 10, 1936, the Bureau held you to be exempt from Federal income taxation under the provisions of section 101(6) of the Revenue Act of 1934.

It is noted that the only substantial changes in your operation are those rendered necessary by the inclusion of the National Coordinating Committee Fund, Incorporated as a distributee of funds which your organization collects. The National Coordinating Committee Fund, Incorporated, has been held to be exempt from Federal income taxation under the provisions of section 101(6) of the Revenue Act of 1938 and section 101(6), Chapter 1, of the Internal Revenue Code, approved February 10, 1939.

You are accordingly advised that, inasmuch as section 101(6) of the Revenue Acts of 1936 and 1938 and section 101(6), Chapter 1, of the Internal Revenue Code, approved February 10, 1939, are similar to section 101(6) of the Revenue Act of 1934, your organization is held to be exempt also under the sections of the Acts cited.

Any further change in your organization or method of operation, however, should be immediately reported to the collector of internal revenue for your district in order that the effect of such changes upon your present exempt status may be determined.

The exemption referred to in this letter does not apply to taxes levied under other titles or provisions of the Revenue Act of 1936 and the corresponding provision of the Revenue Act of 1938 and the Internal Revenue Code, except insofar as exemption is granted expressly under those provisions to organizations enumerated in section 101 of the Revenue Acts of 1936 and 1938 and section 101 of Chapter 1, of the Internal Revenue Code.

Contributions to your organization by individual donors are deductible by such individuals in arriving at their taxable net income in the manner and to the extent provided by section 23 (o) of the Revenue Act of 1936 and the corresponding provisions of the Revenue Act of 1938 and section 23 (o) of Chapter 1, of the Internal Revenue Code. The deductibility of contributions by corporations is governed by section 23 (q) of the Revenue Acts of 1936 and 1938, and section 23 (q), Chapter 1, of the Internal Revenue Code.

A copy of this letter is being transmitted to the collector of internal revenue for your district.

Respectfully,

(signed) GUY T. HELVERING.

May 29, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am returning herewith the report of the
United Palestine Appeal with some slight corrections.
Please see that it reaches the New Palestine in time
for publication.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.
SUMMARY OF INCOME & EXPENDITURES
JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

	<u>Pledges</u>	<u>Cash</u>
<u>Income</u>	<u>\$9,488,876.57</u>	<u>\$3,364,246.11</u>
<u>Disbursements:</u>		
<u>Allocations:</u>		
American Jewish Joint Distribution		
Committee, Inc.	\$1,600,000.00	
United Palestine Appeal	800,000.00	
National Coordinating Comm. Fund, Inc.	<u>640,000.00</u>	
	<u>\$3,040,000.00</u>	
<u>Campaign Expenditures</u>	<u>193,001.84</u>	<u>3,233,001.84</u>
<u>Balance May 31, 1939</u>		<u>\$ 131,244.27</u>
<u>Analysis:</u>		
Bank Balance - General Fund Account	\$ 74,593.18	
Bank Balance - Admin. Fund Account	50,000.00	
Petty Cash	500.00	
Postage Fund	300.00	
Advances - Revolving Funds	<u>5,851.09</u>	
	<u>\$ 131,244.27</u>	

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Balance May 31, 1939



UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

EXPENDITURES

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

	<u>B u d g e t</u>	<u>Jan. 1, 1939</u> <u>Thru</u> <u>May 31, 1939</u>
<u>Payroll</u>		
National	\$101,825.00	\$ 44,684.68
Fieldmen	105,600.00	43,895.62
<u>Fieldmen's Expenses (See Schedule #3)</u>	67,500.00	35,274.21
<u>Speakers Bureau (See Schedule #4)</u>	30,000.00	19,764.01
<u>Publicity Department (See Schedule #5)</u>	30,000.00	18,636.95
<u>General Office (See Schedule #6)</u>		
Rent	18,000.00	1,500.00
Postage	12,500.00	5,734.05
Mail Service	12,500.00	5,284.16
Telephone	5,000.00	2,298.62
Printing & Stationery	5,000.00	3,992.14
Telegrams	3,000.00	1,476.47
Furn., Typewriters & Office Equip.	2,500.00	3,506.07
Insurance	1,000.00	729.53
Auditing	2,000.00	500.00
Electric	1,000.00	184.18
Office Maintenance	2,500.00	615.95
Dinners & Banquets	2,500.00	895.40
<u>Contingencies</u>		
Miscellaneous		822.50
Legal Expense		150.00
Automobiles		3,057.30
	<u>\$412,225.00</u>	<u>\$199,652.93</u>

Schedule 3

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

F I E L D S T A F F

	<u>Per Diem</u>	<u>Traveling</u>	<u>Misc.</u>
Arthur Adams	\$ 966.00	\$ 1,111.00	\$ 308.64
Leo S. Adler	924.50	612.25	421.53
Albert J. Amateau	1,029.00	490.68	159.63
Baruch Braunstein	1,008.00	1,060.37	173.81
Archie L. Davidson	1,029.00	333.90	140.46
Walter Douglas	1,015.00	271.15	29.21
H. Lee Goldby	588.00	344.28	332.52
M. Robert Herman	204.55	429.43	99.80
Maurice Klatch	973.00	298.81	119.44
Irving Le Roy	668.50	429.81	166.55
Simon J. Levin	761.00	501.78	230.61
Abram S. Magida	341.50	640.04	95.09
S. Pereira Mendes	437.00	449.59	221.20
Meyer S. Mintz	369.50	284.30	170.80
Louis J. Platt	902.95	1,317.10	200.03
Philip Potash	464.50	275.00	43.20
High Salpeter	731.50	329.22	151.86
Harry L. Shapiro	791.00	520.35	154.86
Robert Silverman	287.93	236.70	11.03
Bernard Stone	469.00	807.51	77.21
Benjamin Teitelbaum	588.95	366.88	134.58
Elkan C. Voorsanger	910.00	246.18	211.92
Stanley F. Weiner	623.00	405.45	210.89
Nathan C. Weisman	921.50	371.62	89.04
Jack H. Raskin	300.50	48.85	4.58
S.B. Jacobson	23.00	129.02	4.74
Special Traveling - I. Coons		806.71	
H. Montor		864.62	
Total	\$17,328.38	\$13,982.60	\$ 3,963.23

Summary:

Per Diem	\$17,328.38
Traveling	13,982.60
Misc.	3,963.23
	<u>\$35,274.21</u>

Schedule 4

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

S P E A K E R S B U R E A U

	<u>Lectures</u>	<u>Fees</u>	<u>Expenses</u>
Rabbi Reinhold Herz	16	\$ 412.50	\$ 301.40
Peretz Halpern	22	550.00	236.83
Dr. Joachim Prinz	14	490.00	221.51
Dr. Joseph Kornfeld	18	900.00	340.91
Dr. Ephraim Fischhoff	5	125.00	102.22
Miss Tony Sender	19	570.00	478.55
Pierre Van Paassen	4	130.00	22.30
Cantor A. Hyman	1	25.00	
Dr. Josef Dunner	32	1,120.00	493.47
Maurice Samuel	6	300.00	143.85
Marvin Lowenthal	30	1,510.00	486.62
Dr. Manfred Arie	36	900.00	1,082.36
Isaac Imber	1	15.00	2.50
Dr. Werner Rosenberg	3	85.00	6.35
Leo W. Schwarz	2	70.00	37.30
Rabbi David B. Alpert	1	15.00	-
Dr. Ludwig Lewisohn	2	350.00	132.20
Hon. James G. McDonald	1	50.00	96.60
Rabbi Max Schenk	6	150.00	50.00
Mrs. Eva Lips	1	100.00	53.15
Eleazar Lipsky	2	60.00	47.85
Jan Masaryk	1	500.00	186.16
Harry Hershfield	5	500.00	220.84
Alexander L. Easterman	12	600.00	349.65
Rabbi Jacob Tarshish	2	60.00	13.60
Rabbi Joshua L. Liebman			25.00
Rabbi Aaron Kamerling	1	75.00	6.35
Dr. Julie Meyer	1	25.00	3.65
Ludwig Lore	1	50.00	52.38
Mrs. Sarah Jackson Smith	1	25.00	5.82
Cantor Meisel	1	20.00	6.16
Sholem Asch			17.75
		<u>\$ 9,762.50</u>	<u>\$ 5,223.33</u>
Literature			\$ 15,005.83
			<u>194.75</u>
			\$ 15,200.58
Volunteer Speakers Traveling Expense (see list attached)			<u>4,563.43</u>
Total			<u><u>\$ 19,764.01</u></u>

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

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VOLUNTEER SPEAKERS TRAVELING EXPENSES

Dr. Israel Goldstein	\$ 291.47
Mr. Arthur M. Lamport	238.16
Mr. I. Edwin Goldwasser	65.04
Mr. Pinchos Cruso	2.86
Rabbi Kadas	4.50
Rabbi Jonah B. Wise	456.10
Sidney G. Kusworm	23.00
George Backer	122.08
Rabbi Aaron M. Kamerling	12.75
Rabbi Mann	10.00
Rabbi William Greenberg	24.00
Hon. James G. Mc Donald	13.05
Rabbi David B. Alpert	8.00
Rabbi Ebin	15.10
Rabbi Edward T. Sandrow	12.00
Rabbi William B. Schwartz	41.70
Dr. W. Rosenberg	19.10
Rabbi Morris Adler	8.05
Harry Friedberg	17.90
Abraham Goldberg	57.95
Rabbi Abba Hallel Silver	642.79
Joseph Goldberg	14.70
Rabbi Brickner	391.67
Eugene Blachschleger	121.30
Alexander L. Easterman	107.97
Ingrid Warburg	81.77
Edward M.M. Warburg	56.55
Ferdinand M. Isserman	224.49
Fanny R. Adlerstein	10.88
Rabbi S. Joshua Kohn	3.64
Rabbi Harry H. Epstein	130.00
Charles H. Roemer	11.00
Father Wm. C. Kernan	46.84
Judge M. Rothenberg	4.57
Dr. Julie Meyer	2.80
Rabbi Solomon Freehof	110.00
Dr. Morton Goldberg	16.50
David Glick	78.50
Rabbi Benjamin Friedman	24.00
Rabbi Albert M. Shulman	12.00
Rab Dr. Otto Rosenberg	4.46
Joseph Lookstein	58.11
Lady Reading	345.14
Dr. Stephen S. Wise	103.20
Mortimer Goodman	2.85

Carried Forward

\$ 4,048.52

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939VOLUNTEER SPEAKERS TRAVELING EXPENSES

Brought Forward	\$ 4,048.52
Rabbi Edward Israel	45.00
Abraham Tannenbaum	20.75
Rabbi Irving Miller	11.95
Louis Lipsky	12.80
Rabbi Solomon A. Fineberg	2.00
Rabbi Roland B. Gittlesohn	5.63
Rabbi Saul B. Appelbaum	7.22
Mrs. Israel Goldstein	1.66
Rabbi Meier Berlin	63.84
Dr. Solomon Goldman	60.00
Rabbi David Graubart	4.71
Abel E. Berland	12.00
Rabbi Albert I. Gordon	25.00
Judge Morris Rothenberg	3.10
Rabbi Simon G. Kramer	4.57
Rabbi Morton M. Berman	10.00
Rabbi Joseph J. Shubow	16.17
Freda Kirchwey	58.25
Rabbi Julius Mark	102.26
Elihu D. Stone	15.00
Rabbi Frederic A. Doppelt	25.00
Rabbi Benjamin Glazer	8.00
	<u>\$ 4,563.43</u>



Schedule 5

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

PUBLICITY EXPENSES

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

Postage	\$ 916.57
Newspapers	47.56
Printing	312.90
Mail Service	365.38
Traveling	221.33
Clippings	53.25
Photos	1,472.26
Mats & Syndicated Material	961.58
Subscriptions	439.31
Cartage	679.98
Miscellaneous	91.47
Radio Broadcast	1,246.75
<u>Literature (see Schedule 5A)</u>	
Art Work, aka. Cuts, Electros, etc.	929.61
Printing	10,120.01
Mail Service	17.25
Postage	12.44
Motion Picture	698.30
Art Work	51.00
	<u>\$18,636.95</u>



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Schedule 5A

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

L I T E R A T U R E

	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Cost</u>
<u>"We are the Refugees"</u>	257,900	\$ 2,992.40
<u>Survey Graphic Reprints</u>	6,000	325.00
<u>The Challenge</u>	209,250	2,668.20
<u>"A Call to Jews in America" (Yiddish)</u>	50,000	346.88
<u>"The Refugees"</u>	12,788	566.83
<u>"Calling Humanity"</u>	100,000	1,460.50
<u>Statement of the National Chairman</u>	24,150	525.28
<u>"Hope"</u>	62,694	1,116.93
<u>Publicity Manual I-II</u>	2,000	88.93
<u>Good News</u>	80,650	427.42
<u>If you Give They Live</u>	5,100	394.45
<u>The German Refugees (Current History)</u>	100	2.50
<u>Save Our Children</u>	25,100	66.15
<u>Give Them a Home</u>	25,100	66.15
		<u>\$11,049.62</u>

Schedule 6

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

JANUARY 1, 1939 THRU MAY 31, 1939

GENERAL OFFICE

Rent	\$ 1,500.00
Postage	5,734.05
Mail Service	5,284.16
Telephone	2,298.62
Printing & Stationery	3,992.14
Telegrams	1,476.47
Furn., Typewriters & Office Equip.	3,506.07
Insurance	729.53
Auditing	500.00
Electric	184.18
Office Maintenance	615.95
Dinners & Banquets	895.40



Total \$26,716.57

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.
342 MADISON AVENUE

MEMORANDUM

Date May 31, 1939

To BESSIE KLINE

From HENRY MONTOR

Subject

I would greatly appreciate it if you would address letters relating to the affairs of the United Palestine Appeal at the office of the U.P.A., 111 Fifth Avenue. From time to time I send letters on UJA stationery which, of course, call for replies to the United Jewish Appeal office at 342 Madison Avenue.

This may involve special trouble in differentiating between the two addresses, but I know you will do your best.

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June 1, 1939

TO : Mr. Coons - United Jewish Appeal
FROM : Louis Rosner
SUBJECT: Mischa Elman Non-Sectarian Refugee Concerts

The attached transfer check in the sum of \$4,861.17,
payable to United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
by American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, Inc.
represents the Joint Distribution Committee's share of the
net proceeds of the 19 concerts sponsored by the Mischa
Elman Non-Sectarian Refugee Concerts. This sum is being
transferred to you in accordance with your memo to me,
dated May 19th.

Although a check in the sum of \$6,861.17
was forwarded to the J.D.C. on May 27th by Miss Constance
Hope, Tour Manager of the Mischa Elman Non-Sectarian Refugee
Concerts, \$2,000 of this sum has been retained by the J.D.C.
as a reimbursement for an advance made against Mr. Elman's
tour expenses. Therefore, the net proceeds, or \$4,861.17,
are being transferred to the United Jewish Appeal.

Louis Rosner

(From Mr. Montor)

June 2, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Montor:

Sorry to have been addressing mail to the wrong office. Have somehow been under the impression that all mail would now reach you more quickly at 342 Madison Avenue. Thanks for calling my attention to this matter. I'll try to be more careful in the future.

Kindest regards.



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Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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MEMORANDUM

June 3, 1939

FROM: Davidson

TO: M. Robert Herman

SUBJECT: Tri-State Situation

CONFIDENTIAL

The following "excerpts" of correspondence exchanged between Maurice Taylor and Harry L. Lurie (National Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, 165 W.46th Street, New York City) are to be considered STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL, as the recipient of the copies of this correspondence does not want his name to be mentioned as an "accessory" in having disclosed to Davidson or any one else associated with the UJA, the contents of such correspondence: (These excerpts are being written from "memory". I am merely conveying to you the gist of Taylor's "tactful" tactics with Lurie.)

May 12th - Taylor to Lurie:-

We are considering "coordinating" the combined activities of Fund-Raising and Refugee Resettlement in the Tri-State Region, and our Executive Committee are willing to go ahead with this "coordination" providing the practical findings of your report are favourable to such coordination, in showing the "duplication of effort", the "duplication of Field Coverage", the "duplication of Expense", etc.

No one agency (the UJA) has the authority to "direct" the interests of the smaller Communities, who have other interests, (other than the UJA,) which they must serve. I suggest a survey, individually and collectively of these smaller Communities, to discuss and determine with and for them the values of the all embracing needs of Jewish Life. Demonstration to enlarge the Welfare Fund effectiveness. Perhaps Rosichan who is familiar with this locality could do this job or you (Lurie) personally.

May 16th - Lurie to Taylor:-

The matter you present in your letter is practical. However, I do not comit myself, as to whether the agency you mention (UJA) is dictatorial, until I see for myself, the present machinery and set-up for fund-raising and its effectiveness.

May 23rd - Taylor to Lurie:

The Field Representative of the UJA is beginning to do "Refugee Work". Several times, he called our office for information and advice as to Refugee Problems which have been referred to him. Obviously, this Field Representative is in no position to do Refugee Work, etc. hence, the duplication of work in the Field, etc.

No acknowledgement from Lurie to Taylor's last letter.

With reference to Taylor's May 23rd letter, wherein he mentions that "the UJA Field Representative is beginning to do Refugee Work", and "calling our office for information and advice" -

All that I can say, is that I feel highly flattered that the distinguished Executive Director of the Federation, has favoured me with his "personal mention".

The only time that I called Ed Wolfe on a Refugee Problem was "purely personal". Dr. Adolf Hirsh (Chairman of the Duquesne Campaign) called me last month, asking me if I could do anything for his cousin, Dr. Bloom, recent refugee from Austria, who was on Ed Wolfe's waiting list for a proper placement. I promised Dr. Hirsh to speak to Ed personally and find out what could be done for Dr. Bloom. I called Ed explaining the "purpose of my call". Ed in turn described the difficulties he had in properly placing a Physician and referred me to Miss Saul (of his office) who was familiar with Dr. Bloom's problem. Miss Saul, very graciously, promised to do her best (because of my personal interest in this case) and lo! and behold! within ten days after my call, I received a call from Libby Jaffe (Ed Wolfe's Secretary) that Dr. Bloom had been placed in the Uniontown Hospital and wished to extend his heartfelt thanks for my interest in his behalf.

So this is the extent of what "Dr. Taylor pleases to write to Lurie as to the Field Representative beginning to do Refugee Work, etc."

Since leaving the Federation Office in March, I've never been back there, never called (with the exception of this personal call for Dr. Hirsh) and haven't spoken a word to our L'ENFANT TERRIBLE, Taylor.

Regards.

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MEMORANDUM

June 3, 1939

FROM: Davidson

TO: M. Robert Herman

SUBJECT: Tri-State Situation - (Your letter of May 29th to Morris Neaman)

CONFIDENTIAL

This evening, met with Morris Neaman and exchanged "confidential notes" as to the latest developments of the action and reaction of the Tri-State Co-ordinating Bureau Executive Board Meeting of May 11th.

Morris imparted the following information:-

An assistant for Ed Wolfe was authorized at the above meeting in order to enable Ed Wolfe to visit more regularly and frequently such Communities who are beset with the problem of properly placing and supporting the Refugee Families who have become Community Problems.

Neaman was assured by Taylor that there would not be the slightest encroachment on part of his bureau or Ed Wolfe so far as fund-raising activities for the UJA are concerned.

Neaman also conveyed that, on Tuesday, June 6th, a Luncheon Meeting of the Officers of the UJF will be held at the William Penn. At this Meeting, Neaman will insist that the Executive Board of the Tri-State Coordinating Bureau RECORDS in their minutes that "no interference on part of the Coordinating Bureau in any Fund-Raising Activities in any of the Communities who will conduct Fall Campaigns" etc.

I deem the above recording necessary as I am somewhat skeptical about Taylor's sincerity, when the Fall Campaign begin. (For in Taylor's Memo "Regarding Decision of the UJF of Pittsburgh to Coordinate the Work of Refugee Resettlement and Overseas Fund-Raising in the Tri-State Area", which Taylor sent thruout this territory, Taylor mentioned that such "coordination" would be considered after the completion of the Spring Campaign in this area.

Hence, Neaman's insistence at the Luncheon Meeting, that for 1939, the Tri-State UJA should be in sole charge of the National Field Representative as authorized by National Headquarters of New York City.

As for 1940, Neaman is not concerned what Taylor's tactics may bring about. Morris states "next year, let New York Thrash it out with Taylor".

All the above is being written at the personal behest of Morris. He asked me to convey to you, Bob, that, "he cannot write back to you in response to your request for information (your letter May 29th) as anything in writing would place him on the spot". I told Morris that anything that he wrote to you would be considered confidential and that you or JBW or AHS would never "compromise" him, so far as his confidential correspondence concerning "These matters" were concerned.

However, all my personal pleadings could not move Morris and he begged me not to persist, (as he stated, "he doesn't want to be considered unethical", in writing to you what Taylor has written to the "outside"). Morris will let me know as to what "went on" at the luncheon Meeting of the Board of Tuesday. The rest of our discussion was devoted to regular Campaign Routine of Collections, Mop-up, necessary clean-up visits, etc.

Regards.

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Park Avenue Synagogue
50 East 87th Street
New York

June 6th, 1939

United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

It is my understanding that a delegation from the American Committee for the relief of Yemenite Jews, consisting of Rabbis Gohenson, Jung, De Sola Pool and others, is to call upon the responsible authorities of the United Palestine Appeal on behalf of the Yemenite Jews.

May I as one interested both in the work of your organization but also in the plight of these thousands of unfortunates among our brethren both in Palestine and in Yemen urge favorable action upon you. It is to me almost incredible that so large a body of Jews should be neglected by both the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee. Certainly it seems logical to me that between these two organizations some funds ought be earmarked for work among the Yemenites. These Oriental Jews have long been treated as the stepchildren of world Jewry. It is time, in my judgment, that our responsibility to them be recognized along with the others which we shoulder at the present time.

Very sincerely yours,

(signed) MILTON STEINBERG

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Morton J. Robbins, M.D.
62 Main Street
Nashua, New Hampshire

June 6, 1939

United Palestine Appeal,
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

As a member of the National Committee for the relief of Yemenite Jews, and as chairman of the local committee of your organization for the past six years, I am taking this opportunity to urge you to bear in mind the plight and suffering of the Yemenite Jews.

I feel that some money should be allocated for the relief of these unfortunate brethren of ours, from the general funds raised over the country.

The Yemenite Jews certainly come within the scope of the U.P.A., and their unfortunate situation in the general deplorable condition in which suffering Israel is in these days overseas, certainly should not be overlooked.

Faithfully yours,

(signed) M.J. ROBBINS

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Dr. Herman Seidel
2404 Eutaw Place
Baltimore, Md.

June 6, 1939

United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Attention: Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

My dear Rabbi Silver:

For some time there has existed in the United States a Committee to provide relief for the Yemenite Jews in Yemen as well as in Palestine. While I consented to have my name added to this committee, I always felt that the situation is not normal. I could not see the reason why the Yemenites should be singled out. I did not blame very much the Yemenite Jews for organizing themselves and attempting to bring their difficulties to the attention of the leadership of the various Zionist and non-Zionist funds, for the truth is that the Yemenite Jews did not so far receive the proper attention and have remained even in Palestine somewhat of a secondary group. This should not be! The leadership of the United Palestine Appeal, in particular, should do everything possible to make the existence of a committee in the United States for the relief of Yemenite Jews unnecessary.

I understand that a committee in their behalf is to appear before you to discuss their problems. May I ask you to please extend to their committee all attention possible and help clear up the existing situation.

Very truly yours,

HERMAN SEIDEL
(signed) ~~HERMAN~~

June 6, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

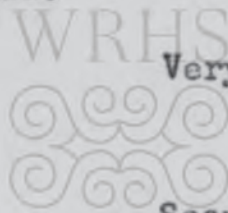
My dear Mr. Montor:

Rabbi Silver requested me to send you
the enclosed telegram which he received from
Mr. Herman Dana.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK
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Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



"Give Today --- Tomorrow May Be Too Late"

—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD)
JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH)
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On your last visit here I did not have an opportunity to discuss with you certain details with respect to the UPA campaign in New York and the UJA campaign nationally.

A peculiar situation exists in New York in this respect: The campaign machinery of the UPA in New York City is part of the campaign of the UJA. When the campaign of the UJA in New York will have been concluded, those who were formerly with the UPA and who are now in the New York UJA will undoubtedly want to have their interests considered for the balance of the year.

However, there is no budget or treasury for the New York UPA for 1939 since all sums have been going directly to the national UJA which has, in turn, been making distributions to the various treasuries. Under ordinary circumstances the New York UPA would make its own plans for budget and expenditures, but the situation that exists now makes this at least technically impossible unless the national UPA were to vote a certain sum to the New York UPA for its maintenance during the balance of 1939.

Since the end of the New York UJA campaign is in the offing the question is rather urgent. What do you think should be the procedure to be followed in this respect?

In view of the fact that representations will probably be made to you because of plans to leave go a number of men associ-

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ated with the UJA national staff, I thought you ought to have before you the facts in respect to those affected:

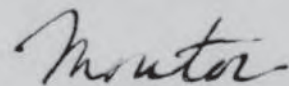
It is planned that five men shall be released. These include Baruch Braunstein and Philip Potash, formerly connected with the UPA; Archie Davidson, Leo Adler and Jack Raskin, formerly associated with the JDC. These men are being let go for one of two reasons, or both. That is, that they have not proved their capacity or that there are already so many men on the staff that to keep all of them on for the Fall campaigns when only 30% of the national income remains to be obtained would be uneconomical.

I should like to concern myself particularly with Braunstein and Potash. Braunstein is a most intelligent person who makes a good impression everywhere but he is not by any means a campaigner. He knows nothing of the technique of organization or follow-up, despite more than a year of activity. He is as innocent as a babe as regards the establishment of quotas, pressure to get money and influence to secure maximum allotments to the UJA. It was quite embarrassing during the past few months that the only way in which he could possibly cover his territory of Texas was to have the JDC field man in that area assigned to cover his job.

You know what my opinion of Potash's campaigning ability has always been. It has not changed despite the fact that a number of communities in which he has operated this year have raised more money. But most of these successful campaigns were actually set up by Robert Silverman before he became ill. Potash is undoubtedly a very good Zionist and I am afraid the encomium of him must end there.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Benjamin Koenigsberg
99 Nassau St.,
New York

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June 6, 1939

United Jewish Appeal,
111 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

I wish to join the plea of the committee recently appointed by the American Committee for the Relief of Yemenite Jews that in the allocation of funds raised by your organization, due recognition be given the Yemenite Jews residing both in Yemen and in Palestine, and proportionate allotment be made for them as is made for Jews of other communities.

Their miserable existence, brought about by no fault of their own but by pure neglect on the part of their more affluent brethren the world over, is well established fact. Nobody really knows the reason why they have been suffering such neglect at our hands during the period when American Jewry has done such noble work to assist the Jews in all other parts of the world. Now that their piercing cries have reached us, have we the right to discriminate against them and leave them to their own resources which we know are far from adequate to provide for their immediate necessities? They are in the unfortunate situation where everybody thinks that they are being taken care of by everybody else, as a result of which they are being taken care of by nobody.

I believe your organization ought to look into this matter with the view of making a fair financial allotment to them so as to ameliorate their condition somewhat at least.

Faithfully

(signed) B. Koenigsberg

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Law Offices
Aaron A. Melniker
Journal Sq. Bank Bldg.
40 Journal Square
Jersey City, N.J.

June 6, 1939

United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Jewish Community Council of Bayonne, N.J. held last night, I brought up the question of raising some money for the benefit of the Yemenite Jews. The overwhelming sentiment of those present seemed to be that they should be included in our next drive, and that is probably what will be done unless some good reason appears to the contrary. If they should not be so included, then an effort will be made to raise some money for these unfortunates by some sort of a campaign at the present time. Such a campaign should be avoided, if possible, as it seems entirely logical to me that these people should be looked after by the J.D.C. and the U.P.A.

I trust you will see your way clear to include this group in the scope of your work, and not make it necessary for us to run an independent campaign for them.

Very truly yours,

Aaron A. Melniker

President of the Borough of Manhattan
city of New York

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June 6, 1939

United Palestine Appeal, Inc.
111- 5th Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

I have a formal letter from the American Committee for the Relief of Yemenite Jews telling me that their group is being neglected because neither you nor the Joint Distribution Committee earmark funds for their benefit.

I am confident that there must be some misunderstanding -- quite probably you do not earmark any money for the benefit of any group. I write to ask whether I am correct in assuming that there is no discrimination against the Yemenite Jews and that they receive the same treatment in Palestine that all other Jews receive. I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Mortimer J. Propp, Chairman of the American Committee.

Very truly yours,

STANLEY M. ISAACS
(signed) President
Borough of Manhattan



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NORMAN SALIT
342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK

June 7, 1939

United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Gentlemen:

I write you with reference to the plight of the Yemenite Jews. I am sending a similar letter to the Joint Distribution Committee.

As a member of the National Committee of the American Committee For The Relief of Yemenite Jews, I feel that an appropriate portion of monies collected by your organization should be allocated to and for the benefit of the Yemenite Jews both in Yemen and in Palestine.

It is probably that no community of Jews has been subjected to the long, unrelenting, savage discrimination such as has afflicted our people in Yemen for a period far antedating the present wave of Jewish persecution in Europe.

It is also a fact that the Yemenite Jews in Palestine do not receive their appropriate share of the money collected in this country and sent to Palestine for and in connection with the subserving of the needs of the Yishuv.

This matter has long been a source of distress to those interested in the Yemenite Jews, who constitute an element of our people most valuable and greatly deserving of aid. The Yemenite Jew is hard working, deeply religious, devoted to tilling the soil, and uncomplaining. He constitutes a quiet, stable and honest element in our Palestine community. Perhaps, he is too quiet, for otherwise his needs would probably be more amply met.

From the standpoint of the continued growth and health of the Yishuv itself, one of the finest things that could happen would be the importation in large numbers of Yemenite Jews to Palestine.

It is precisely this type of person and attitude toward our community in Palestine and toward life in general that deserves most aid and I respectfully call your attention to what I trust is only an oversight, with the thought in mind that these oppressed and faithful brethren of ours may receive the consideration they have heretofore been denied.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) Norman Salit

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RABBI SIMON GREENBERG
2253 N. FIFTY-THIRD STREET
PHILADELPHIA

June 7, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been interested in the work of the American Committee for the Relief of Yemenite Jews, 2 West 86th Street, New York City.

In a letter I received recently from Mr. Mortimer J. Propp, chairman of that Committee, I understand that the United Jewish Appeal does not earmark any funds to be spent specifically for the Yemenite Jews. This news came as a surprise to me, because the Yemenite Jews are certainly as worthy, from every point of view, of direct and special attention as any other group.

I understand that a delegation of the American Committee for the Relief of Yemenite Jews is to confer with you and other representatives of the United Jewish Appeal on that subject. I am writing to express my sincere interest in this cause, and my hope that your Committee will find a way to satisfy the just claims of the Yemenite Jews.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Simon Greenberg

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
United Jewish Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York City

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June 7, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor,
United Palestine Appeal
111 - Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Mr. Montor:

Please advise if the Yemenites in Palestine
(Palestinian Jews) receive any support from the
United Palestine Appeal. If so, to what extent.

Sincerely,

(Signed)

Oscar Berman

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL (Inc.) FOR REFUGEES AND OVERSEAS NEEDS

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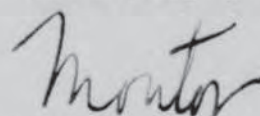
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is some material
which Coons prepared for submission to
officers of the Joint Distribution Com-
mittee.

The summary is of concern to all the
officers of the United Jewish Appeal. I
am therefore sending you the material which
Mr. Coon's prepared since it states the situ-
ation completely.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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IMPORTANT

June 7, 1939

To: — Rabbi Jonah B. Wise
— Mr. William Rosenwald
— Mr. Joseph C. Hyman

From: — Mr. Isidor Coons

Re: — Attempt of Pittsburgh group to preempt United Jewish Appeal fund-raising in so-called Tri-State Zone including Western Pennsylvania, outside of Pittsburgh, a large section of West Virginia and a small section of Northern Ohio

As this matter has reached proportions involving the national policy of the United Jewish Appeal, the National Coordinating Committee and the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, it is important that it be brought to your attention in some detail.

Briefly stated, Dr. Maurice Taylor, whose sensibilities were apparently hurt by Mr. Oliver Kaufmann, Chairman of the Pittsburgh campaign, not consulting him on fund-raising, sent a communication to the leaders of some ninety communities in Western Pennsylvania suggesting to them that the territorial representative being employed to handle refugees in this area should also be empowered to raise funds for the United Jewish Appeal. This was ~~done~~ without consultation with the United Jewish Appeal and there has been no correspondence to date between Dr. Taylor and the United Jewish Appeal on this subject. I am marking Dr. Taylor's letter to the list of Western Pennsylvania leaders "A".

Upon receipt of this information, Mr. Montor and I prepared a letter over the signatures of Rabbis Silver and Wise, the National Chairmen, to Mr. Morris Neaman, Chairman of the Tri-State Zone for the 1939 United Jewish Appeal. Copy of this is attached and marked "B". Mr. Neaman, for local reasons of which he made us aware informally, will not acknowledge this letter from Rabbis Silver and Wise but assures us that he will see to it that Dr. Taylor's plan does not interfere with the 1939 fund-raising effort and that he can have nothing to say at this time as to what might happen in 1940.

The most important document submitted herewith marked "C" is a confidential communication from Field Representative Davidson of the United Jewish Appeal who is handling our spring interests in the Tri-State Zone and who quotes verbatim from correspondence between Dr. Maurice Taylor and Mr. Harry L. Lurie of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. You will be particularly interested to note in Dr. Taylor's correspondence that he is undertaking to make a case of the United Jewish Appeal being guilty of "duplication of effort", "duplication of field coverage", and "duplication of expense". You will further note that Mr. Lurie believes that Dr. Taylor's proposal is practical but he is not prepared to say, until he sees for himself, that the United Jewish Appeal is "dictatorial", although Mr. Davidson explains the one instance in which he concerned himself with a problem of a refugee at the specific request of a leader of his territory.

Attached also is a copy of a memorandum from Field Representative Davidson which I am marking "B" giving further details on the situation.

In my opinion the United Jewish Appeal must take the stand when necessary that it cannot permit any community to handle its affairs in any given area without consulting with the United Jewish Appeal and without the approval of the United Jewish Appeal. The United Jewish Appeal cannot concern itself, in my opinion, with differences between leaders in any given community such as we know to exist between Mr. Oliver Kaufmann and Dr. Maurice Taylor in the handling of the United Jewish Appeal in Pittsburgh this year. Dr. Taylor's resentment is that Mr. Kaufmann invited the United Jewish Appeal to provide a Director, which the United Jewish Appeal did, and in view of the combined efforts of Mr. Kaufmann and his associates and our Director, Mr. Salpeter, Pittsburgh will raise this year some \$500,000 in its Welfare Fund campaign in contrast with \$105,000 last year.

It is my opinion that the officers of the United Jewish Appeal as well as the officers of the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Coordinating Committee should take cognizance of the implications involved between a Welfare Fund community, such as Pittsburgh, and the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds on a problem of exclusive interest to the United Jewish Appeal itself without the United Jewish Appeal having been consulted or advised by either party.



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—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

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June 8th, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

A tremendous campaign seems to have been initiated by the representatives of the Yemenite Jews and this office has been flooded in the past few days with letters from various sources. Apparently Rabbi Jonah B. Wise is receiving similar communications at the Joint Distribution Committee office.

Attached herewith are copies of the letters and my replies thereto. I should like to say that my reply is based upon correspondence with Leo Herrmann and Eliezer Kaplan.

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 8th, 1939

Honorable Stanley M. Isaacs
President of the Borough of Manhattan
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Isaacs:

We deeply appreciate the spirit as well as the substance of the inquiry addressed to the United Palestine Appeal in your letter of June 6th.

Those who know the situation of the Yemenites in Yemen are aware of the burdens which they carry and of the financial assistance which they could use in Aden. Much could also be done to improve their position in Palestine, although of course there cannot be any comparison between their situation in Palestine and in Yemen.

However, the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund, which receive their resources from America through the United Palestine Appeal, are endeavoring to assist that group as they are every other group within the Jewish community of Palestine.

This subject has been considered by Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, Treasurer of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, who feels that there is no justification for the separate drives of the kind now being suggested. Mr. Kaplan reports, in part: "The support which this community in Palestine receives from us is not less than that which we extend to others. In fact, just a few days ago we again approved a loan of \$10,000 for the purpose of building forty houses for Yemenite Jews".

It is obvious that larger funds could be utilized for the upbuilding program in Palestine, permitting larger expenditures for the Yemenites as well as for German, Rumanian, Polish and other Jews. The possibility of coping with this situation does not lie in separate campaigns in America, but in endeavoring to obtain for the United Palestine Appeal such funds as will permit the Jewish Agency for Palestine and the Jewish National Fund in Palestine to deal more adequately with

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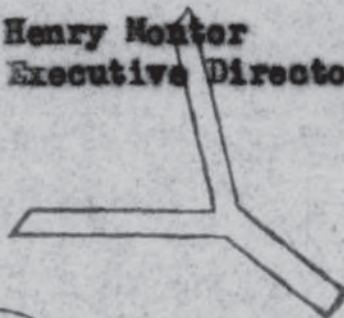
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the problems which they know exist and which they are attempting to solve.

Sincerely yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director



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June 8, 1939

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a telegram
from Elihu Stone, and my reply thereto.

I believe that the Boston office should
be discontinued, at least for 1939. At the present
moment the Boston office is serving the Jewish
National Fund and the Zionist Organization of
America, but not the United Palestine Appeal in any
way whatever.

What is your recommendation?

Cordially yours,

Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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TELEGRAM FROM BOSTON, MASS.

JUNE 8, 1939

ALEXANDER ROTHENBERG
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
111 FIFTH AVENUE

HAVE NOT RECEIVED UPA APRIL SUBVENTION IMPORTANT SAME
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ELIHU D. STONE



UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

111 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 8, 1939

Mr. Elihu D. Stone
80 Federal Street
Boston, Mass.

Dear Mr. Stone:

This will acknowledge your telegram in which you state that the "UPA April subvention" has not been received.

When the United Palestine Appeal established a series of regional offices in 1938 it was for the purpose of transacting specific United Palestine Appeal business. The amounts made available for this purpose were not designed to supplement funds being utilized for the maintenance of local Zionist institutions or offices, important though we all recognize they are.

As you know, a new situation was created in 1939 whereby the men formerly in the employ of the United Palestine Appeal were taken over by the United Jewish Appeal. Moreover, the fund-raising activities of the United Palestine Appeal as such were discontinued and embraced within the United Jewish Appeal. Accordingly most of the offices lost their usefulness for 1939. I believe that the Boston office is one of these. I do not believe it can be said that there is a specific United Palestine Appeal activity now being performed by the Boston office.

It is particularly urgent, when such large funds have to be sent to Palestine, that every effort be made to keep unnecessary expenses down. I believe that the contribution made by the United Palestine Appeal toward the maintenance of the Boston office, at least for the time being, is within the latter category.

A number of offices which we maintained in 1938 have already been discontinued. My recommendation will be for the discontinuance of the Boston office. But until final action is taken by the officers I am asking the bookkeeping department to send you a check for \$250, not as an "April subvention" but merely because

Mr. Elihu D. Stone

certain obligations were presumably incurred in connection with the office, and the national headquarters does not want you or our other friends, who have given of their services toward the office, to be inconvenienced.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Is there anything that you could do in the following matter:

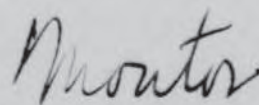
Dr. Kurt Nahm, who has just come here from Germany and who was a general physician and surgeon of good standing and fine practice in Germany, is looking for any kind of opportunity connected with medicine. He is willing and anxious to start all over again as an interne in a hospital. It seems to me that it is an ambition that ought to be realized.

Is there any institution in Cleveland in which your influence could be exercised so that Dr. Nahm could be placed as an interne or in any other capacity, great or small? He is married, with no children. He is thirty-eight years old and quite personable.

As you know, I have never before submitted any such matter to you, but feel that this case would be worth while your special attention.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

HM:BG

\$20,000,000 is the National Goal for 1939

June 11, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

With reference to the situation of the United Palestine Appeal campaign in New York - it seems to me that we ought not depart from our practices in previous years. Men who were engaged for the New York City UPA campaign, as I understand it, were engaged on a year round basis. The fact that this year the UPA campaign was merged with the UJA campaign does not, in my judgment, alter the situation unless it was clearly understood by those working in the New York campaign that they were engaged only for the duration of the campaign.

You may recall also that provisions were made to carry on some special activities in New York City at the time of the High Holy Days in case the New York goal is not reached. The New York goal has not been reached and an active program should be launched in the Fall both in the synagogues and in connection with the Night of Stars. I am not in favor of dropping any of our men.

As you probably know, I am sailing with my family for England on Wednesday, June 21, on the Queen Mary. It might be advisable to inform, in advance, any of our people in London who may wish to discuss with me matters pertaining to the UPA - the campaign for next year, etc. I shall remain in London for about two weeks. I would be particularly desirous of meeting any members of the Executive of the Jewish Agency who may happen to be in London at that time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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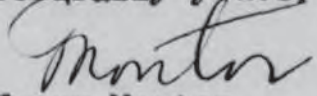
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is an exchange of memoranda between Coons and myself which further illustrates the opposite points of view we have on the UJA. I think this attitude on Coons' part has characterized the greater part of UJA public relations policy. I think it wrong--but that is only one man's opinion. I am also attaching the material which called forth Coons' comment.

You will recall that I discussed a similar situation with you some weeks ago. You felt that I ought to yield. I have.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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HM:BG

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

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NEW YORK, N. Y.

M E M O R A N D U M

June 9, 1939

To : Mr. Henry Montor

From : Mr. Isidor Coons

Subject: Eye Witness account of The Fate of the Jews in Germany and Austria

I note from the attached that you plan to supply some key people throughout the country with material concerning the ~~situation of the Jews in Germany and Austria~~, because of your opinion that this material has implications to the United Jewish Appeal.

I would regret it in view of previous conversations on this subject if you would not find it possible to counsel with Mr. Hyman or his representative at the J.D.C. as to the propriety of doing this, in relation to the J.D.C.'s responsibility and program in Central and Eastern Europe.

Assuredly there is nothing that I could do to prevent you, nor have I any desire, from issuing this material as you see fit. By the same token, of course, the J.D.C. could through me issue factual information on the situation within Palestine and on matters related to Palestine. We probably would not do this because we would not regard it as being in good taste in view of the unification of fund-raising activities of the three agencies this year.

I would say that the implication in your memorandum is that you personally do not believe that the J.D.C. is providing its friends and the Jewish community of America with sufficient factual information. Without going into detail I can say to you that you are quite in error if this is your opinion.

I am particularly interested to note that the eye-witness report emanates from a source completely favorable to Palestine, which in itself I take no exception to, even though you have deleted that portion.

Isidor Coons

IC:JB

Enclosure

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

June 10, 1939

TO: Mr. Isidor Coons

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

In asking that I do not send out the material on the position of German Jews to key people of the United Jewish Appeal, you make it appear that if it is issued it will hurt the Joint Distribution Committee. Since that is certainly furthest from my thought, I am prepared, purely in a spirit of personal friendliness, to yield to the strong urging from you against it.

This is not the first time that you have said, in effect, that the United Jewish Appeal is not concerned with anything that affects Jews, but merely with the raising of funds. It is because the two of us start with such utterly different conceptions of the United Jewish Appeal that our views seem irreconcilable.

In fairness to myself, however, I think I ought to state to you what I conceive to be the function and nature of the United Jewish Appeal, not only in relation to this particular bit of material which seems to alarm you but to general policy.

In the first place, the UJA is out to raise the largest sum in history. Its appeal to the country is a single one, based on the triple needs of relief and rehabilitation in Europe and elsewhere, upbuilding of Palestine and refugee adjustment in America. Hundreds of communities deal, in fund-raising matters, solely with the United Jewish Appeal. When you and I, and everyone else concerned with the UJA, visits communities, either to urge large quotas, to organize campaigns or to stimulate givers, the appeal is on behalf of the one organization and everyone stresses with equal warmth and interest the three important phases of the drive. In describing the necessity of \$20,000,000, it is obvious that the entire picture must be drawn, and not any special phase of it alone.

In the second place, the country's major focus in fund-raising today is the UJA. At least, that is our hope and aim. It seems to me, therefore, that everything which can improve the possibilities of raising more money for the UJA should be undertaken. To my regret, your position has isolated every important event from the one instrument which the country regards as the suitable medium for expressing its interest in a special situation. Thus, when the Czechoslovakian debacle occurred, you refused to correlate that with the work of the UJA, insisting that it was purely JDC. It seemed to me that the publicity work, the organization phase and all the machinery of the UJA could have been utilized to stress the new responsibilities of the JDC. This would, at the same time, have emphasized the JDC as the relief and reconstruction agency, while ensuring that the country would know how urgent it is to increase the funds for the UJA. More recently, when the Palestine issue arose and it seemed opportune to stress the fact that 25,000 refugees would be admitted within the near future if adequate funds were available, you insisted that this be excluded from the public activities of the UJA. A few days ago the eyes of America were directed to the passengers of the St. Louis. The general community

which was at all interested in the problem, and knowing of the existence of the UJA, wondered why nothing was being done by that fund-raising organization. Obviously, this was solely within the competence of the JDC or the NCC. Yet it is my belief that the use of that incident by the JDC within the framework of the UJA would have been most helpful to the UJA without injuring the interests of the JDC. The point I am trying so hard to make is that you cannot isolate the fund-raising functions of the UJA from the Jewish situations with which the public assumes it deals. We professionals may preserve technical distinctions but the general public does not. And since the UJA is the instrument we are trying to build up, for the advantage of the three agencies within it, every act which contributes to its prestige enlarges its fund-raising capacity, it seems to me.

In the third place, you started with and have apparently maintained what I regard as an unfortunate impression of the place of each worker within the United Jewish Appeal. I can speak for myself. Whatever I do, whether it be in correspondence or in contacts with leaders in communities or in addressing meetings, I never think of myself as a representative of the United Palestine Appeal. I consider myself a representative of the United Jewish Appeal, earnestly concerned with the raising of \$20,000,000 and with proving to all who can be reached that the urgent work of the three agencies within the UJA requires even more than the sum sought.

From time to time certain material has been submitted by me or by the publicity department. In many instances, you have judged the material not on the basis of its factuality but on its origin. You cannot apparently forget that I or Mr. Steinglass were related to the United Palestine Appeal. You apparently refuse to concede that our interest in the United Jewish Appeal overshadows every other interest.

Thus, as in the present instance of material concerning the position of German Jews, you affirm that if it concerns the Jews of a particular country, whether they be in Europe, South America, Palestine or even America, not the UJA should handle it but one of the agencies within the UJA.

On that theory, a campaign is impossible. For then, no speaker could be trusted to visit any community. For every speaker was previously associated with either the JDC or the UPA and could not be expected to deal with the UJA as a whole but only with the particular part of it. You and I know that that has not happened, and that the most remarkable thing about the UJA this year has been the harmony and the unity with which its cause has been presented to the country by all those associated with the UJA, everyone ignoring previous associations and throwing himself wholeheartedly into the success of the whole enterprise.

On the same theory, the UJA could issue no literature, for conditions are described in Europe, Palestine and America and every constituent of the UJA assumes responsibility for the whole. The fact is, however, that we have been issuing literature of various kinds -- devoted not merely to the technique of fund-raising but rather to the purposes for which funds are raised. Even the four addresses by Rabbi Wise and Rabbi Silver were published in pamphlet form by the UJA, though they discuss Jewish life in all its phases, without regard to the UJA as a fund-raising instrument alone.

To summarize:

(a) I contend that -- without overlapping on the functions of the UPA or JDC, both of which have specific duties and activities -- the UJA should be emphasized as frequently as possible in relation to situations for which funds must be raised through the UJA.

(b) I reiterate that it introduces an unfortunate atmosphere if any one connected with the UJA is made to feel that his interest in the whole of the UJA is suspect. As for myself, my relation with various people throughout the country whom I know or with whom I am in contact, is on the basis of stressing the importance of the UJA needs. If I can help that program by sending friends material from time to time which illustrates the gravity of the problem and directs their attention to the validity of UJA demands, I think it ought to be done. We are at an impasse because you think differently. Since you put it on the basis of the rights of the JDC within the UJA, I have no choice but to yield to that argument, regardless of my views as to its force.

A careful reading of the "Eyewitness Account of the Fate of the Jews in Germany and Austria" shows that it is most helpful to the JDC, because it emphasizes that increasingly help must be provided from abroad for the Jews in Germany.

You are kind enough to suggest that I take this up further with Mr. Joseph Hyman of the JDC. I think that would be going outside my purview. If you wish to consider it with him on the basis of this memorandum and the material which elicited it, you may want to do so to clarify your own judgment in the matter.

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HENRY MONTOR CLARIDGE HOTEL.

UPA.

June 16, 1939

Mr. Henry Montor
United Palestine Appeal
111 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing a letter which I received from the Secretary of the Zionist Organization of America, requesting that the UPA designate three representatives with voting rights to attend the Convention. I do not recall who represented us last year, but I would suggest the names of Judge Rothenberg, Mr. Lamport and yourself.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Enc.

The Fate of the Jews in Germany and Austria
by an Eye Witness

June 1939?

I doubt whether I shall be able to muster sufficient strength to describe this hell in all its gruesomeness. I want as far as possible to spare my readers' nerves and shall not tell about the atrocities in the concentration camps at Buchenwald and Dachau nor shall I refer to burned synagogues, murders and suicides but to such things as are ordinary occurrences in present day Germany. There are still 12,000 Jews at Buchenwald - instead of 60,000 some little time ago. I saw hundreds of people who had been discharged from Buchenwald to the hospitals. I saw people with shattered limbs. When I visited the Palestine Office in Vienna I noticed among those standing in the queues in order to register for an Immigration Certificate to Palestine people with concentration camp marks in the form of deep wounds and scars upon their bodies. It is difficult to close one's eyes to such atrocities. However, I shall try as far as possible to give a description of the "ordinary" everyday life of the 400,000 Jews at present in Germany and Austria to whom another 180,000 have been added from Czechia and Slovakia not to count the 80,000 Jews in Carpatho-Russia who have been taken over by Hungary.

DEPRIVATION OF LIVELIHOOD The most distressing fact about the life of these 400,000 Jews is their complete severance from every possible source of income. Less than one percent of Jewry in Germany and Austria still earn their livelihood. I compiled a list of such people from data examined by appropriate institutions and have found that of the 300,000 Jews in the former Reich only 2,200 people are earning. Of these, 50 are employed in tourist offices, 270 are in the Hilfsverein, 400 in the various Jewish communities, 120 by Zionist institutions, 150 are "consultants", that is to say lawyers who may give legal advice to Jews only; 400 are doctors and nurses while 400 are employed in Jewish boarding houses.

In Vienna 800 people are employed by the Jewish community and other communal institutions while the Palestine Office has a staff of 80. There are still 90 private doctors who are allowed Jewish patients, and 40 lawyers. Altogether 1,220. It follows, therefore, that throughout the length and breadth of Germany and Austria only 3,220 people out of 400,000 go daily to their work. Anyone else apart from the above mentioned who wishes to engage in work or business is exposed to the danger of Dachau. In Vienna there are still one or two chemist shops open owned by Jews of foreign nationality.

LOOTING OF GOODS There is a strict prohibition on business and work. Whoever has been to Vienna must surely have been impressed by the commercial traffic in Leopoldstadt. Now it is possible to pass street after street in that quarter without seeing one Jewish shop open. Of the 40,000 shops and workshops previously owned by Vienna Jews 20,000 have been Aryanized and the rest are closed down. The fact is made more apparent by the decree that came in force a fortnight before the November pogrom, to the effect that Jewish shops must display signboards in Hebrew characters. On passing through Vienna streets one can see all such shops closed. Only rarely does one come across an open shop, which is a sign that it has become Aryanized. Few people are seen on the streets. The picture is appalling. Vienna has assumed the appearance of a city ravaged by some dreadful plague. All Jewish goods have been plundered and transferred in most cases to the head offices of the Nazi party.

CONFISCATION OF PROPERTY The next thing is the confiscation of Jewish property. It is estimated that in the year 1933 the property of German Jews was worth 12 milliards marks; of these 6 milliards were in cash. As far as is known not more than several hundred thousand marks in cash have remained in Jewish hands. It is a fact that the Nazis are unable to collect the fine imposed upon the Jews in November for lack of ready money. Apart from cash the Jews had shares and immovable property and jewelry. The shares and bonds are registered so that it is known exactly what each individual

has and at present these are taken on account of the fine for which so far 200 million marks instead of the milliard have been collected. As for immovable property I could quote tens of examples as to how this is paid for. I will confine myself to one only: On my journey back to Palestine I traveled together with a German Jew. He was a lieutenant in the German army in the days of Kaiser Wilhelm, was awarded six distinctions and took part in 15 battles. In his own words he regarded as insane anyone who as recently as October 1938 dared to forecast that he would be forced to leave his "Vaterland". As recently as 1938 he netted a profit of 60,000 marks from his business. On the 10th of November his stores were plundered. Afterwards he was taken to Dachau and thenceforth to Nuernberg where he was conducted to a notary public and forced to sell his house to the "Labor Front" for the price of 0 marks. I saw the deed of sale with my own eyes. The house was worth ~~MP~~ 25,000. But that was not all: seeing that the house was mortgaged for 60,000 marks he was forced to redeem the mortgage from his own resources. After this transaction he had still some money left and hence an emigration tax was levied on him. After paying that he had still 14,000 marks left, he was then allowed to take out property - mainly clothes - to the value of 1,000 marks for which permission he had to pay an additional tax of 13,000 marks. This Jew who was worth hundreds of thousands of pounds left with nothing but his apparel.

I do not know how much property Jews have still left but one thing is clear: in a very short time nothing of it will remain. I also heard of rich Jews selling their property for ten percent of its value, in the best of cases. These were stripped naked, beaten and forced to sell. German Jews have still their jewelry left, but this too has now been foreclosed.

When the decree was issued recently I was at first unable to grasp its gravity to the full; afterwards I was able to realize what lay behind it. In recent months the Jews in Germany were subsisting in particular on the sale of their jewels. They used to sell their wedding rings, their silver and gold utensils and with the paltry sums they received maintained themselves and assisted their relatives. The new decree aims at cutting off the last source of succor. By the first of May all Jews had to turn in their jewelry and their gold and silver for which they will perhaps receive a little money to last them for several months - and that will be the end.

Jews leaving Germany can take with them in practice only their clothes and a few utensils. (They are allowed to take one fork, spoon and knife per person.) For permission to take these out a tax is levied which not all emigrants can afford to pay.

Jews are forbidden to take out books without permission. "Stuermer" published an article in which he claimed that the Jews were removing treasures from Germany - their books. Now a special permit is required for the export of every book and that is given only for books of no value. In these circumstances only about nine months will be required according to German estimation to liquidate all Jewish property in the Reich.

The result is that a third of the Jewish population in Germany and two thirds of those in Austria today live on charity. Of the hundred thousand Jews in Austria 28,000 queue up daily in order to receive their food rations which consist of half a kilogram of bread and vegetables. Another 26,000 Jews who cannot go to receive the food personally receive assistance sufficient for the purchase of the same amount of edibles. During my stay in Vienna I went daily to see these appalling queues. I could hardly tear myself away from them. When one stands an hour or so in these queues and listens, listens to the people's conversations their sad fate immediately reveals itself. They still address one another as "Herr Professor", "Herr Richter", "Herr Oberbaurat", etc., etc. I saw people standing in the queue to receive their pitiable rations who were previously leaders of commerce and industry. Every Viennese Jew knows that that is his fate. At present it affects 60,000 of them, soon all of them will be reduced to this position.

There is a difference between the situation in Vienna and in Berlin. In Vienna 60,000 Jews live on charity. In Berlin matters have not yet reached that head but even there it is proposed to open cheap soup kitchens. Things develop with lightning speed.

Figures for Vienna, or to be more correct, Austria may be reduced to the following: of the 33 Jewish communities in the provinces hitherto, only 4 remain - Baden, Klingfort, Gratz and Linz. There were 18,000 members belonging to these communities; 2,000 have remained.

RELIEF BUDGETS The relief budgets for Jews in Germany and Austria reached the sum of 48 million marks last year. Of this amount 30 million marks were spent in Germany and 18 millions in Vienna. According to the official rate of exchange this amount is worth about LP 4,000,000. Actually, however, it amounted to only LP2,000,000. The budget was spent in the main on direct assistance - food and clothing; the remainder went to the assistance of emigrants, the upkeep of the few remaining schools and medical aid. Where did all this money come from? In Austria local income is small and the money came chiefly from abroad. In former Germany there is another source of income. The communities are forced to sell their property. Its value was immense and estimated at milliards of marks. This communal property must now be sold for ten percent of its real value. It will be possible to realize about 25 million marks more for the property still remaining and in view of the extent of public assistance given at present this amount will last for about ten months. After the disposal of this property there will be no means left in Germany for the assistance of the needy so that in the former Reich too they will be dependent on assistance from abroad.

In existing circumstances there is small wonder at the measure of mutual help extended between relatives and acquaintances. This was most noticeable in the efforts made to alleviate the suffering in view of the dispossession of Jews from their houses. On the eve of Yom Kippur 20,000 Jews were thrown out of their dwellings. Most of the Jewish houses were destroyed in the pogrom of November the 10th, and if a house happened to strike the fancy of any member of the Nazi party he could evict the Jew taking also any pieces of furniture he wanted. 48 hours' notice was given for the evacuation of the property. Apart from that hundreds of people were receiving notices daily about the nullification of their leases because the landlords knew that the Jewish tenants would in the end be unable to pay their rent.

New houses were impossible to get and there was much overcrowding so that every family which still had a house for themselves accommodated two or three families in addition. There are instances of three or four families living in one flat. And things are going from bad to worse.

EDUCATION What cultural or educational activity can be carried on in such circumstances? After two visits to schools I stopped. Both the teachers and the pupils had one appeal on their lips: - Save us! It can be easily imagined how lessons are carried on. Up to the first of November 20,000 children between the ages of 6 and 15 attended Jewish schools and 18,000, general schools, 38,000 children of school age altogether. About 12,000 children emigrated during the last 5 months so that 16,000 children still attend Jewish schools and 9,000 children of school age are left with no education. In Vienna, out of a total of 9,000 children of school age only 3,500 attend schools. The law providing for compulsory education is, as it were, still in force in Germany for Jewish children. Were it not for that, fewer still would be attending. There were two teachers' training colleges in Berlin, but they were closed down two months ago. A special problem is constituted by education in the smaller communities. All their social and cultural activities have come to a stop. In Berlin the Jewish theater

under the auspices of the Kulturbund is still in operation. On the fateful November 10th the authorities forced the company to perform. I visited the theater which has accommodation for 400. About 15 old people were present. Only Jews may enter the theater and everyone seeking admission must prove that he is a Jew. But who goes to theater nowadays? All books taken from Jewish bookstores were deposited by the Government in a special book center attached to the Kulturbund in Berlin, but for the time being their distribution or sale is forbidden. New means of ridicule are invented daily. For example: there is the law regarding Jewish names. Every Jew must add Israel to his name and every Jewess - Sarah. Failure to do so is punishable by fine. Private letters are examined with the view of ascertaining whether the Jewish name has been added. Jews are forbidden to be seen on certain streets. For example no Jew may pass the Unter den Linden.

False accusations form a chapter in themselves. For example, treasury notes are placed into someone's attache-case in order to accuse him of attempting to smuggle currency out of Germany. During a search of the premises of a well-known Jewish communal worker in Germany military films were such as had been placed there intentionally by Nazis.

In the whole of Berlin there are only three restaurants which Jews may frequent. Two are Jewish, the third - Chinese. In Vienna there is not one Jewish restaurant; there are only two Aryan restaurants where Jews may secure food.

There is one Jewish cafe open in Berlin. Anyone who wants to see what likely suicides look like should enter this cafe. The conversation of people sitting there revolves round two topics: how to obtain a passage to Shanghai or how to commit suicide.

EMIGRATION - FLIGHT Leaving Germany or Austria cannot be termed emigration. It is flight. During the six years of Hitler rule 300,000 Jews have left Germany and Austria, that is to say over 40% of the Jewish population. During that period, 225,000 Jews have left the former Reich while during the last nine months alone 71,000 people fled from Vienna. The list of countries which during the recent months have taken in immigrants from Vienna numbers 45 among which are Siam, Manchukuo, Liberia and Nicaragua.

There is a special Viennese system of compelling the Jews to flee en masse and at the shortest possible notice. The Viennese authorities are certain that within a short time the old people alone will be left out of the hundred thousand Jews at present there. This system is among the things I have decided not to speak about.

COUNTRIES OF IMMIGRATION The following is the distribution of countries of emigration from the German Reich: North America 60,000; Palestine 45,000; Western Europe 30,000. 30,000 have returned to Poland and Roumania. South American countries - 20,000. Miscellaneous countries 20,000; Shanghai 4,000. Emigration from Vienna includes North America 12,000; Palestine 5,000; Western Europe 25,000; Miscellaneous countries 22,000; Shanghai 7,000. Apart from this there is a death list of 20,000 (including many suicides) while 6,000 Aryan wives of Jews have returned to Christendom. Thus 300,000 Jews remain in the former Reich and 101,000 in Austria. America heads the list of countries of immigration. North America absorbs 30,000 Jews per annum. Registration has already been completed for 3 years in advance.

England's assistance in comparison with that of other countries in Europe must be particularly mentioned. British visas were granted to 5,000 women as servants, while 4,000 Jews have now gone out to a special camp. So far 2,500 children were brought to England and a permit was granted to 1,000 chaluzim. This is perhaps the only door in Europe still open to German Jewry.

CLOSED DOORS Apart from America, Palestine and England, most countries have now been closed. Laws have been promulgated forbidding immigration of Jews from Germany to Columbia, Venezuela, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Paraguay and Uruguay. There are countries that permit the entry of parents only. This includes the Argentine and Brazil which until now have been important countries of immigration. Other countries have introduced serious restrictions. For example, San Domingo levies an immigration tax of 500 dollars. Chile demands of every immigrant possession of 800 dollars and Equador - 600 dollars.

One door unique of its kind is still left open, that is Shanghai. In recent months 10,000 Jews have left for Shanghai and all available accommodation on boats bound for Shanghai have been booked far ahead. What will the immigrants do there? News reaches us that there are no possibilities for earning a livelihood in Shanghai. Nevertheless, whoever receives a ticket for Shanghai regards himself as fortunate.

WHITHER? Much underhand business is being carried on in connection with emigration by all sorts of agents. However, in the midst of all this chaos particular mention must be made of the very important work carried on by the Hilfsverein, which deals with emigration and which employs a staff of 270. It is impossible to describe the efforts exerted by the employees of Jewish institutions in Germany and Austria. Work begins at eight in the morning and continues to a late hour in the night.

German and Austrian Jewry is faced by the alternative of emigration or suicide. The Jewish public lives in an atmosphere of flight, but the question is - whither?

COMPOSITION OF AGES The 400,000 Jews in Germany are divisible according to the following ages:

Age	0	-	14	in Germany	25,000	
"	"	"	"	Austria	12,000	37,000
"	14	-	16	Germany	6,500	
"	"	"	"	Austria	3,000	9,500
"	16	-	20	Germany	14,000	
"	"	"	"	Austria	5,500	19,500
"	20	-	25	Germany	10,500	
"	"	"	"	Austria	6,500	17,000

The total of ages between 0 - 25 of the Jewish population in Germany and Austria amounts only to 82,000, a proportion not to be found elsewhere.

Age	25	-	45	in Germany	74,000	
"	"	"	"	Austria	30,000	104,000
"	45	-	60	in Germany	76,000	
"	"	"	"	Austria	26,000	102,000
"	60	and upwards,		Germany	94,000	
"	"	"	"	Austria	18,500	112,500

World Jewry must exert all its efforts first of all to save the 250,000 Jews up to the age of 15. For the first 3 or 5 years the question was to find a collective solution. America was absorbing 30,000 per annum. Negotiations are in progress

with the Australian Government for the immigration of 15,000 Jews from Germany over a period of 3 years. Of the remainder Palestine should have taken the bulk. However, we were not given 5 years, not even 3. It is imperative to evacuate the Jews from Germany. World Jewry must realize that no matter under what circumstances, it will be necessary shortly to maintain all the German Jews out of funds from abroad. It were better to spend all those millions of pounds necessary for the maintenance of German Jewry in a more appropriate manner and thereby to put an end to the Jewish question in the Reich.



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STATEMENT OF PLEDGES AND PAYMENTS ON PHILADELPHIA CAMPAIGNS FOR THE PAST FEW YEARS

	<u>PLEDGED</u>	<u>PAID</u>	<u>CHAIRMEN</u>
1937	\$75,000	\$54,000.	Irving D. Rossheim Rabbi Simon Greenberg
1936	64,000	64,000.	Jerome J. Rothschild Joseph Kohn
1935		115,892.74	Julius S. Weyl Jerome J. Rothschild
1934		114,807.	Julius S. Weyl

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Philadelphia has 247,000 Jews

Cleveland - 80,000 Jews - gives
 Los Angeles - 65,000 Jews "
 San Francisco - 38,000 "
 Detroit 71,000 "
 Cincinnati 23,000 "
 Richmond, Va. 6,500 "