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National Conference for Palestine, 1939-1940.



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

—DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN

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December 12, 1939.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

On behalf of the officers of the United Palestine Appeal I send you herewith your credential as a representative to attend the National Conference for Palestine at the Hotel Mayflower, Washington, D.C. Saturday evening, January 6th and Sunday, January 7th, 1940.

- (1) Hotel reservations: In order to obtain most satisfactory accommodations, it is suggested that you reserve rooms in advance through the Hotel Mayflower. A reservation blank is enclosed.
- (2) Schedule of program: The program already fixed includes a Saturday evening session, beginning at 8:30 P.M.; a Sunday morning session, at 10 A.M.; a luncheon session, at 1 P.M.; an afternoon session, at 4 P.M.; a closing banquet, at 8 P.M.

The events in Europe and the continued growth of Jewish Palestine have focussed attention anew on the outstanding role that American Jewry will have to play in the coming years in fundamental solutions of the Jewish problem.

Your attendance at the National Conference for Palestine will be another index of your deep concern with that problem.

Sincerely yours,

*Henry Montor*  
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December 14, 1939

Manager  
Mayflower Hotel  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Please reserve for me a double bedroom  
and parlor for January 5, 6, 7, 1940.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

National Chairman  
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL





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December 16, 1939

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

It gives the management of The Mayflower much pleasure to reserve a suite of parlor, bed room with twin beds and bath for you, commencing January 5th, for the Palestine Conference, as requested in your letter of the 14th.

Thanking you for this reservation, and assuring you of our best attention to your comfort, we are

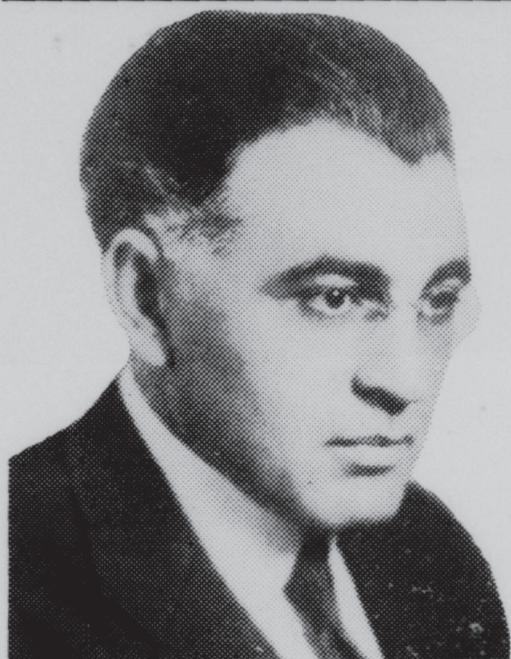
Very truly yours,  
THE MAYFLOWER.

*J. E. Brown*  
J. E. Brown  
Office Manager.

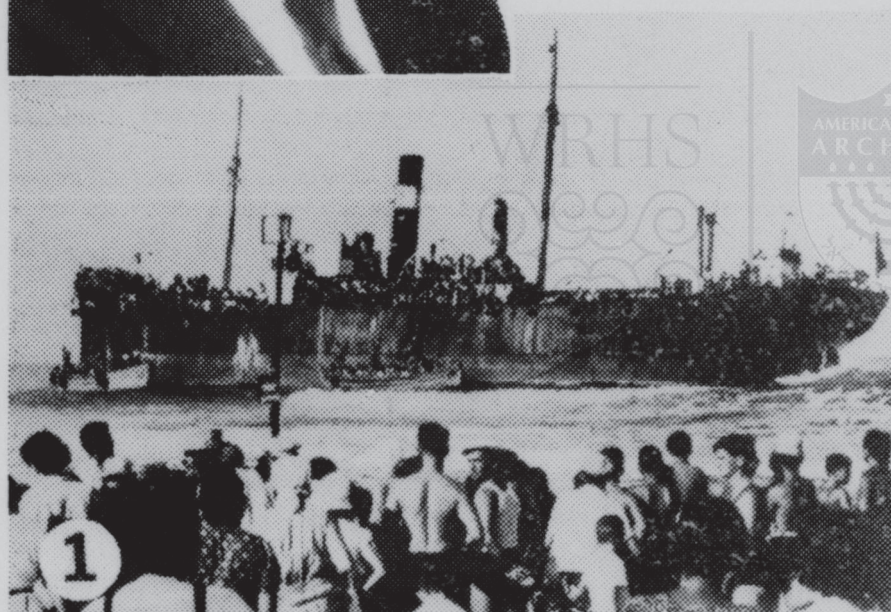
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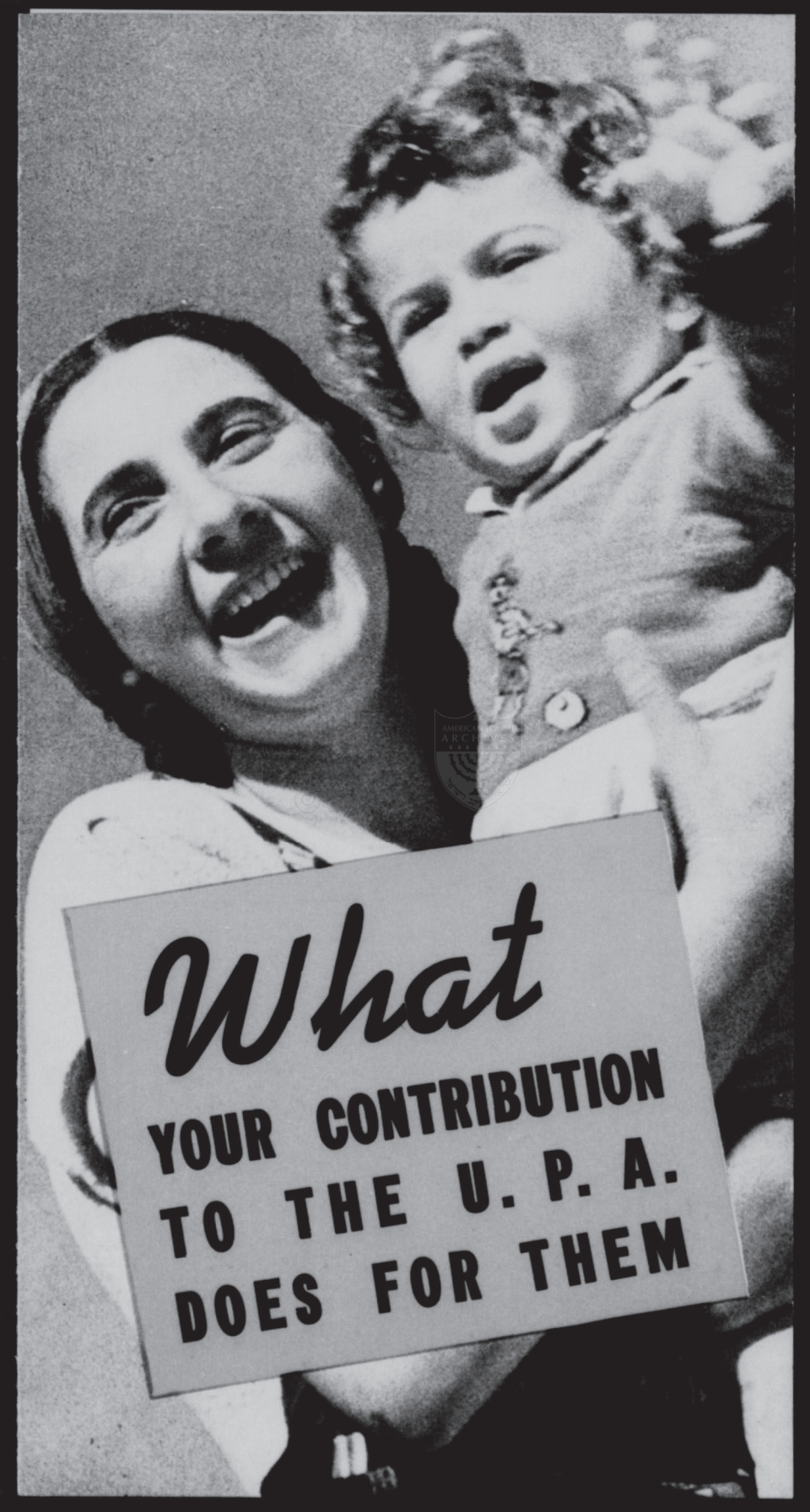
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*What*  
**YOUR CONTRIBUTION  
TO THE U. P. A.  
DOES FOR THEM**



# You Share in the Greatest Constructive Effort of the Jewish People through the United Palestine Appeal



1. U.P.A. Helps Immigration to Palestine



2. U.P.A. Builds Homes for Settlers



3. U.P.A. Establishes New Colonies



4. U.P.A. Purchases and Reclaims Land



5. U.P.A. Provides Farming Equipment



6. U.P.A. Encourages Commerce



7. U.P.A. Retrains Refugees



8. U.P.A. Helps Develop Marine Activity





## 9. U.P.A. Aids in Education of Children

AS THE central American instrument for the rebuilding of Palestine, the United Palestine Appeal, which combines the fund-raising efforts of the Palestine Foundation Fund and the Jewish National Fund, has made possible the establishment of a Jewish community of 500,000 in Palestine. In 1940 the United Palestine Appeal will be called upon to provide larger resources than ever before, if Palestine is to absorb successfully 35,000 refugees who came to its shores in 1939 and thousands of others who continue to find a home there, despite the war.



## 10. U.P.A. Provides for Security

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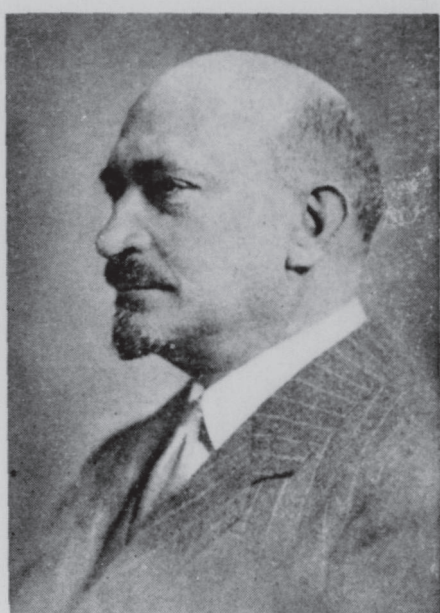


*Have you reserved these Dates?*





DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN, President of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, symbol of the will of the Jewish people for survival, will bring a message of new stimulation and inspiration for those who have shared in the task of rebuilding the Jewish National Home. His visit to the United States is welcomed by American Jewry eager to understand its responsibilities in their fullest scope.



DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN



ATTORNEY GENERAL  
FRANK MURPHY

ATTORNEY GENERAL FRANK MURPHY, renowned for his devotion to liberalism, will address the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal on a question vital to all Americans. He will participate in a session devoted to "Palestine and Democracy."

DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, will convey to the leaders gathered in Washington the appreciation which they have earned by their devoted service in 1939 to accelerate the upbuilding program in Palestine through the most successful fund-raising effort in the history of American Jewry.



DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER



# *Résumé of Program*



*Saturday Evening, January 6, 1940—8:30 P.M.*

*"Palestine and the World Jewish Crisis"*



*Sunday Morning, January 7—10:00 A.M.*

*"The Rôle of American Jewry"*

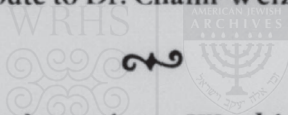
*Luncheon—1:00 P.M.*

*Sunday Afternoon—4:00 P.M.*

*"Palestine and Democracy"*

*Sunday Evening, Banquet—8:00 P.M.*

*Tribute to Dr. Chaim Weizmann*



*Broadcasts from Washington*

*Dr. Chaim Weizmann*

*Saturday, January 6—6:15-6:25 P.M.*

*Columbia Broadcasting System network*

*Dr. Abba Hillel Silver*

*Sunday, January 7—1:00-1:15 P.M.*

*Mutual Broadcasting System network*

*Attorney General Frank Murphy*

*Sunday, January 7—4:15-4:30 P.M.*

*National Broadcasting Company network*



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