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BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. December 9, 1940.

My dear Mr. Chamberlins

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On behalf of our Committee, I am writing to extend to you our most grateful thanks for your brilliant contribution to the Fereign Policy Association on Saturday last. Our members were unanimous in the expression of their great pleasure in hearing you, and many said that they felt they were at last hearing the truth.

We are enclosing our check as agreed upon, and are very glad indeed to have been able to present you again to our members.

OGO Very truly yours,

/s/ Elizabeth R. Stevens, Executive Secretary.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

HM:BG

The St. Louis Jewish community has tentatively planned to launch its Welfare Fund campaign on Sunday evening, May 4th.

January 13, 1941

They were creatly disappointed that they could not hear you during the last two years and feel that their compaign's success would be insured if you could accept the invitation to be there on May 4th. They I assure the community that there is a possibility of your accepting this invitation?

With Mindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henny Montor

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Have you walk resitivous for me

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Dear Dr. Silver:

It became very clear from our experience with the Inquiry and Allotment Committee of 1940 that what is taken into account is not "needs" but "expenditures".

Under these circumstances, therefore, it seems to me that we owe a definite obligation to the Jewish Agency to indicate to it that it must not be constricted in its expenditures by our conservative estimates of what may be forthcoming but must be guided by the fact that the mathematical termage in this country would enable it to spend more money than is indicated on the surface.

In other words, if we can visualize \$3,000,000 in 1941, Kaplan ought to be able to spend up to \$4,000,000 on the basis that Jews of America would make good for the money actually expended. If we could make this clear to Palestine, it would be helping them in the most critical period they are now facing. Dr. Bernard Joseph, who will be with you tomorrow, will discuss the subject at greater length. It was my feeling that a cable from you along the lines above to Kaplan would be the finest encouragement for the New Year that they could get.

I hope that you have had an opportunity to recover from your strenuous days at Atlanta. My own suggestion is that you should get away to Florida for a week to recover from the difficult times you have had during the past months and also prepare for the struggle during 1941. If you feel that a vacation at this time is too much like play, I could even arrange for Charles J. Rosenbloom to prepare a meeting in Florida for the key leaders who have assembled there from all parts of the country in order to escape the hazards of winter in their own communities. How does this strike you for the middle or latter part of February?

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM:BC

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

May I suggest that you write the appropriate officers of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, urging that the United Palestine Appeal be given the opportunity to present the story of Palestine at the biennial Council meeting of the Union, from April 27th through May 1st, at Detroit.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Monton

Executive Director

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Henry Montor UPA 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

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MINORITY REPORT SHOULD BE REDUCED BY HALF ALL QUOTATIONS AND REPITITONS OMITTED AS WELL AS ALL REFERENCES TO COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEE. PLEASE SEND ME REVISED REPORT FOR FINAL CHECK-UP.

SILVER

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February 5, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Chairman The Jewish Welfare Fund Committee 320 Chester-12th Building Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

HM:BC

With respect to your letter of January 29th requesting the United Palestine Appeal to select a local representative on the Jewish Welfare Fund Committee of the Federation for 1941, whom would you suggest we name? Would you wish us to rename Mr. Saul S. Danaceau?

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours.

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Executive Director Henry Montor Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We have made arrangements for the appearance of Mara Nordau at the meeting of the Cleveland Zionist Society on Sunday, February 16th. The fee will be \$125.00, which not only includes her honorarium, but all the expenses involved. Her lecture bureau is sending publicity material on to you directly.

I have asked Miss Nordau to speak on "Palestine And Zionism".

I trust that these arrangements are satisfactory.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

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EM: HEF

The Federal Security Administrator C Washington, D.C. C P February 7, 1941 Y Deer Dr. Silver: Many thanks for your cordial letter of January 28. I deeply appreciate your generous comments on my address. It was a pleasure to participate in the conference, With kindest regards, I am Very cordially yours. Signed Paul V. McNurt Dr. Abba Hillel Silver National Chairman U.P.A. MYC Copied by L3 2/11/41

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HENRY MONTOR.

February 7, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: The telegram which was addressed to the United Palestine Appeal by Rabbi El Silver of Cincinnati, a copy of which you sent me, should be answered courteously and in detail. It should be explained to Rabbi Silver why it is impossible for the UPA to undertake the sup ort of all the cultural and religious institutions in Palestine. He should also be informed that we recently made it possible through the funds of the UPA for a large number of Rabbis and Yeshivah students from Vilna to go to Paleatine by paying their transporation. Please also express the hope that we may be able in the near future to meet with Chief Rabbi Herzog and talk the whole matter over. With best wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

February 7, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montors

I am enclosing herewith a revised draft of the Minority Report. I think that it should be submitted to Mr. Lipsky and Dr. Wise for a final check-up.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

Mr. Henry Montor UPA N.Y.

PLEASE ENGAGE KNICKERBOCKER FOR SUMDAY MODBING, MARCH 16.





Henry Monton

Would it be possible for Wax Wordon to come to woodlineday evening

abba Hiller Silve

February 10, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors My visit to the Pacific Coast will mean that I will be absent from my pulpit at least two Sundays, March 16 and March 25. It is important for me to have two outstanding figures to occupy my pulpit on those two Sundays. I would appreciate it if you would let me know, after a survey f the field, who is available. Would it be possible for Pierre van Paassen to come one of these Sundays? I should like to know before long so that I will not be crowded at the last minute. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, LHS: BK

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Bear Dr. Silver:

I am glad to advise you of the following developments with respect to the United Palestine Appeal campaign:

(1) A very successful and profitable conference for the Tri-State area was held in Pittsburgh on February 9th. The Tri-State area embraces some seventy communities. A vote was taken as to the proportion in which funds raised in that area should be divided. The representatives of the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service had called the conference so that it should have binding effect. After prolonged discussion the decision was that all funds raised in the Tri-State area should be divided on the basis of 42% to the UPA, 42% to the JDC, and 15% to the NRS.

I believe that special credit is due to Charles J. Rosenbloom, our Treasurer, who did his utmost to secure this action; and also to Alex Lowenthal of Pittsburgh. Mr. Morris Neaman, Chairman of the Tri-State area, was greatly helpful. Judge Benjamin Lencher, President of the Tri-State Zionist Region, presided.

(2) A very successful two-day conference was held in Boston on Saturday evening, February 8th, and Sunday, February 9th. At the luncheon on Sunday and at the afternoon session there were some 1,100 people present. I think that this was the most successful conference that the UPA has ever conducted, especially because of the representative character of the men who attended from all sections of New England.

A resolution was adopted that in New England the UPA representatives should see to it that funds are divided on such a basis that the sum for the UPA shall be at least equal to the amount allotted to other refugee and overseas needs. This resolution is, of course, only a recommendation, since the Boston Conference was a UPA conference and did not have the character of the Pittsburgh Tri-State meeting. Mevertheless, those who participated in adopting the resolution were in large part the officers of the most important cities in the New England area.

Two new forces of great value for us were revealed at this

Conference: one was Rabbi Joshua L. Liebman who delivered two of the finest addresses on the UPA needs that I have ever heard and who spoke of "mechanical palliatives versus organic creation." He was particularly emphatic in asking for the rejection by New England of the majority proposal, now the basis of a referendum for the Council of Federations.

The other personality is Judge Lewis Goldberg, one of the leading jurists in Massachusetts, who has an extraordinarily high standing. He has been made Chairman of the Administrative Committee for the UPA in Boston.

The speakers in addition to Rabbi Liebman included, at the various sessions, Israel Sieff who delivered one of the finest addresses I have ever heard, James G. McDonald, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Emanuel Neumann.

- (3) Waterbury, Conn., has officially voted to divide the funds from its 1941 campaign on the basis of 432% to the UPA, 432% to the JDC, and 13% to the NRS.
- (4) As you have noted from a previous story, the Order B'rith Abraham has called upon its membership for contributions which are to be divided on the basis of 50% to the UPA, and 50% to the JDC and NHS combined.

I do not want to indicate that the UPA has only sanguine news but these developments are certainly encouraging.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours.

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THE TEMPLE E 105 ST AND ANSEL RD=

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LURIE SPOKE TO ME THIS MORNING SAYING THAT JDC BOARD HAD APPROVED WARBURG PROPOSAL MADE AT ATLANTA AGREEING PLACE NRS NEEDS WITH FACTFINDING COMMITTEE AND JDC UPA MEET DISCUSS THEIR RELATIONSHIP: NRS DISCUSSING THIS PROPOSAL TODAY WHAT YOUR ADVICE FOR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING UPA THIS AFTERNOON? MUST ADVISE BERNARD STONE OF FINAL SPECIFIC DATES YOUR VISIT TO COAST: WILL YOU INDICATE EXACTLY WHAT DATE YOU LEAVING CLEVELAND AND WHETHER BY PLANE BY TRAIN; WHETHER YOU ARE GOING TEXAS AND HOW MANY DAYS YOU PREPARE GIVE AND WHEN YOU THINK YOU WILL ARRIVE LOSANGELES AND WHEN TOUR MUST BE TERMINATED BY YOUR ARRIVAL CLEVELAND:

February 11, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: The letter addressed to me by Mr. Lurie on Pebruary 6 with reference to the understanding of the Council that the proposals which were presented at Atlanta for reconstituting the UJA would be presented to the agencies for considerations, I am wondering whether we should not have a meeting of the Administrative Committee soon at which this matter may be presented. There will be many other matters I am sure which should be discussed at such a meeting. I am to be in New York on February 24. I am wondering whether time can not be found some time during the day or, if necessary, on the following day for such a meeting. If such a meeting is arranged, please notify Mr. Lurie, over my signature, that such a meeting will be held at which the proposals will be presented. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

February 11, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors Mr. Saul Danaceau should be re-appointed as the representative of the United Pelectine Appeal to the Jewish Welfare Fund of Cleveland. Planse notify the office. with all good mishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have checked with Brainin as to the availability of van Paassen for either March 16th or March 23rd. He is already booked elsewhere for both these dates.

The William B. Feakins Bureau is mailing you a list of suggestions.

Listed below are several suggestions made by W. Colston Leigh:

For Sunday, March 16th - H. R. Kniskerbocker

Note: If you want to have him, it will be necessary to come to an agreement immediately, since Mr. Knickerbocker is in great demand and Mr. Leigh cannot hold the date open very long. His fee is \$400.

For Sunday, March 23rd - Max Fodor

Note: Mr. Leigh suggests that if you consider Mr. Fodor, you have someone hear him at the McBride Foundation of Western Reserve on Monday, February 17. He suggested this since he has never booked Mr. Fodor before and is not familiar with his style. Fee - \$250.

For either March 16th or March 23rd:

Louis Fischer - \$250.00
Fulton Oursler - \$300.00
Pertinax - \$250.00
Bertrand Russell - \$300.00

Mr. Leigh emphasizes that Eussell is not a good orator.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver Page 2 February 11, 1941 May I again emphasize the fact that H. R. Knickerbocker must be signed up immediately if you wish to have him for the 16th of March. With kindest personal regards, I am Cordially yours, Heary Montor Executive Director HM: aw

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Have you been able to make any decision with regard to the invitation to open the St. Louis campaign on May 47

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Monter Executive Director

HM:BK

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On the basis of your letter of February 11th, I am arranging for a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on Tuesday, February 25th, at 4:00 P.M. I am sure that it will not be possible for any such meeting to be held on February 24th since your day will be tremendously crowded. I do not think it will be fair to subject you to any further meetings than those planned in connection with the campaign itself.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on Tuesday afternoon, February 11th, there were present Mr. Lipsky, Dr. Goldstein, Mr. Ress, Mr. Wertheim, as well as Samuel Blitz, Mendel Fisher and myself. Dr. Bernard Joseph was also in attendance.

There was a general feeling that the subject of the Atlanta discussions should be left to a full meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal and should not be disposed of by the Executive Committee, especially in view of the limited attendance.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

Morris S. Lazaron 1914 Madison Avenue Baltimore, Maryland

February 12, 1941

Dear Abba:

I am sorry to have to write the enclosed. I am sure you will appreciate, however, that just as you feel keenly, so do I. And certainly there is no reason why sach of us should not follow the conviction that he has WRHS

With love from house to house, Faithfully,

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

February 12, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montors

I read a copy of the letter sent to you by Mr. Lawrence W. Crohn, President of the Detroit Zionist Council. He raises a point which has been raised by others. The report has been circulated by the Council that the UPA has agreed that under no circumstances whatsoever would it sanction an independent drive in a Welfare Fund community. Of course, no such pladge was ever given and it is ridiculous to assume that having broken nationally on the question of Falestine's right to a larger share of the funds from a united campaign, that we will yield to unfair allocations in local communities out of supreme regard for their Welfare Funds. We will not be maneuvered into any such position. I note that the JDC has refused to go into united drives in New York City and elsewhere where it believed that its interests were not adequately protected.

Some day right soon, we should make our position quite clear to our Zionist friends in the country. We are not assuming that Welfare Funds will not do justice to Palestine and we are not threatening. On the other hand, if any Welfare Fund assumes that the UPA will have to accept any amount allocated by its budget committee regardless how unfair and preposterous it may be because of some imaginary pledge which it assumes to have been given, it must be quickly disillusioned. The professional directors of campaigns have been quick to capitalize upon the published statement of the Council, and to interpret it in their own way.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordial's some,

AHS =BK

February 12, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors If I recall correctly, a resolution was passed at the Washington Conference, thanking me for my services to the UPA. I would appreciate it if you would send me a copy of that resolution. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

February 12, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors It has been suggested to me that it would be extremely helpful in the matter of getting Labor's participation in New York City's campaign to interest Mr. Abe Cshan, of the "Forward", who is likely to be much more influential in the Labor group than those who have been speaking for them at the various meetings of the administrative Committee. If you think that is desirable, you or Mr. Blitz might arrange for my meeting Mr. Cahan sometime on Tuesday, February 25. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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HERRY MOUTOR

TO TAKE. HEST WISHES FOR YOUR LUNCKHOR REPAYING THURSDAY. REGARDS

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 E. 42nd Street New York, N. Y. MEMORANDUM February 12, 1941 DR. ABBA HILLEL SILVER FROM: AND HENRY MODITOR Attached hereto is a statement showing estimates of income to the United Jewish Appeal from the 1939 and 1940 campaigns, together with an estimate of the share of the UPA in that income. You will observe that the total which the UPA may expect from the United Jewish Appeal 1939 and 1940 campaigns between February and June 1941 is approximately \$475,000. The UPA will begin receiving income on the 1941 UPA campaign, but in no substantial amounts until May 1941. HM: BG

United Jewish Appeal

342 Madison Avenue

February 11, 1941

MEMORALIDUM

TO Mr. Henry Montor

FROM Mr. A. Keller

As per your request I am listing below information desired: -

1940 Campaign

		UJA Estimate	UEA Showa
Balance	/ Keptivity C	\$375,000	\$ 25,000
	March	400,000	125,000
	1	200,000	75,000
	May	200,000	75,000
	June	100,000	37,000

1939 Campaign

		ULA Estimate	UEA Share
Balance	February	\$50,000	\$15,000
	March	75,000	25,000
	April	40,000	MO,000
	May	60,000	20,000
	June	54,000	15,000

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Mr. Weisgal, President of the American Zionist Guild. What enswer do you wish me to maket

Cordially yours,

enry Montor

Executive Director

HM: FW Enclosure

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver;

Might I refer to a previous letter that I wrote to you, asking when we could have an Ohio State United Palestine Appeal Conference in Cleveland, on a date satisfactory to yourself.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM: FW

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which Harry L. Lurie of the Council of Federations sent to Judge Levinthal of Philadelphia. You may be interested in its contents.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor Executive Director

HM: FE

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of the wire which we received from Dr. Solomon Goldman late this afternoon, following the luncheon to discuss the Chicago Welfare Fund allocation.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

HM:BC

Henry Montor

Executive Director

February 13, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I received the enclosed contribution from the National Hospital Service Society. Do you know who they are and why they have made this contribution? Please send them an acknowledgment. With reference to St. Louiss . should like to go there and I would be free to go since the Cleveland Campaign opens on April 27 this year. But again, I would like to know what the St. Louis Welf re Fund intends to do for the UPA. If the amount to be allocated is such that we can not approve, there is no point in the national chairman of the UPA opening their campaign. It will embarrass him and them. I would suggest that you write your friends in St. Louis to find out how the situation stands. I will then be in a better position to make a decision. with all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AllS: BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is the copy of the resolution that was adopted by the U.P.A. Conference in Washington on January 26th.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours.

February 13, 1941

Henry Montor

Executive Director

HM: JB Encl.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very much enheartened by your letter of February 12th. The Council people have certainly have been pounding away at the idea that there will be no independent campaign. I was at a loss to know what to do, for that is exactly the opposite of what we have always contended must be our policy in 1941 if we are to protect the interests of the UPA.

Whether in individual communities the Zionists are prepared to stand up for the rights of the UPA is a different matter, but certainly we foreclose our potency in relation to the Welfare Fund if it is stated in advance that whatever the UPA is allotted we shall not dare to take effective action.

It is possible that we shall be compelled to have an independent campaign in the very small community of South Bend, Indiana, which has already allocated its funds on the basis of 1940. We have told the community that unless we get a minimum of 60-40, they can expect am independent campaign. We are determined to go through with this. Fortunately, the Zionists in the community, although not many, or terribly strong, realize the justice of the UPA position.

Do you authorize me to make clear to our field representative the contents of your letter of February 12th quoting either yourself or making the same statement in my own name?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Hanry Montor Executive Director

Eury Krontor

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Tenth and Ansel Roads Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

HM: JB

Encl.

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter dated February 13th addressed to you by Mr. Harry L. Lurie with regard to further discussions on the 1941 U.P.A.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Ontor

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Dear Dr. Silver:

As you know, Brooklyn is having an independent United Palestine Appeal campaign.

wide aimer on the evening of April 3rd.

The officers of the Brooklyn campaign, whon
we want to encourage by every means possible,
are very urgent in their desire to have you
as the speaker for that occasion. Can you
say yes?

With kindest regards, I am

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Heary Montor

Executive Director

HM: BG

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have seen Morris Simon's letter to you of February 11th. He is a strange individual but really anxious to be fair.

Would you authorize me to compose a

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor Executive Director

February 14, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montors

with reference to Houston - is it the intention of that co numity to allocate the funds prior to the campaign, or after. Mr. Weingarten's telegrams are not clear on this subject.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

February 17, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

Please make sure to inform Mr. Lurie that the meeting on the 25th is an Executive Meeting and that we are not expecting any representatives from the Council of Federations and Melfare Funds at that meeting. Please request Mr. Lurie to transmit that information to Mr. Hollander.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very condially yours,

AHS: BK

February 17, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I do not believe that Mr. Morris Simon's letter deserves an answer, and I shall not answer it. He has gotten into a letter-writing stage which is one symptom of advancing semility. He has also become very consorious. Such people are not to be encouraged. I believe that the contents of my letter to you on February 12 should be communicated to our field representatives. It is not necessary to use my name and personalize this position which is, after all, a re-statement of the position which the United Palestine Appeal Conference in Washington adopted. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

Dictated over the telephone COMPIDENTIAL February 18, 1941 Mr. Louis Lipsky 386 Fourth Avenue New York City Bear Mr. Lipsky: It is February 18th. The Inquiry Report is supposed to be completed by February 20th. The Inquiry Report by Friedran is as malicious and mendacious a document on Palestine as I have ever seen. I must warn you that in dealing with Elisha Friedman, you are not dealing with a same, rational person. I therefore urge that you wire Perlatein as Chairman of the Allotment Committee to urge him to direct Elisha Friedman to carry out the resolution of the Allotuent Committee to the effect that the figures in his report be certified by the Chief Accountant of the Inquiry. It is my recollection that this resolution was adopted. I assure you that Friedman will do nothing that seems sympathetic to Palestine unless he is forced by such instructions. I regret that we shall have to see the Inquiry Report go cut without having made adequately clear in advance the malice and the incompetence with which it has been prepared. I see no reason to protect the reputation of Elisha Friedman when he has done nothing either by his attitude or by his work to deserve it. With kindest regards, I am Cordially yours, 101:JB Henry Mentor Executive Director oo: Dr. Silver

February 18, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I should like to receive, as soon as possible, my preliminary itenerary of the Pacific Coast. I am beginning to get letters from Rabbis and others on the Coast about meetings. As far as the meeting in brooklyn is concerned, on April 3, I shall make every effort to attend it. I would suggest that most of the prospective donors who are expected to attend this meeting should not be solicited prior to the meeting -- only a sufficient number of key givers. Once a man has signed up it is very difficult to get him to raise his subscription. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

February 19, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors Enclosed herewith is a copy of a letter which Rabbi Silver sent to Mr. Lurie today. Rabbi Silver has requested that you send copies of this letter to Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Mr. Louis Lipsky, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Mr. Edmund Kaufmann and Dr. Heller of Cincinnati. with best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, BJK Enc. Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

February 19, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Re letter to Tri-State Coordinating Bureau:-Inasmuch as the communication has been addressed to the individual communities by the JDC, a similar communication should be sent by us approving of the action taken at the joint conference and urging them strongly to adhere to their joint decision. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of the tentative itinerary that Bernard Stone prepared for your visit to the West Coast.

This itinerary contemplates your visits to Los Angeles, San Diego, Long Beach, San Francisco, Oakland, Portland. Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane, as well as at San Jose for the Regional Meeting of the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds. I have the conviction that your visit to the West Coast on this basis will mean the conquest of this entire territory.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

HM:JB Encl.

Hénry Montor Executive Director

P.S. Could you phone me in the morning since I must telephone Bernard Stone so that he may go ahead with the schedule.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a cablegram sent to you by Dr. Chaim Weizmann in acknowledgment of the cablegram you sent to him urging him to come to America.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

HM:BC Enc. Henry Montor

Executive Director

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February 20, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I have not yet seen the letter of Mr. Monsky to the Binai Birith about national budgeting. Is such a letter going out? It is very important that it should. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AES: BK

February 20, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors I have checked over the tentative itinerary which you sent me. I have the following comments to make: I should like to go Houston on this trip. That would mean that I will not get to Los Angeles much before the 13th. I should like to spend the week-end from the 13th through the 16th in Los Angeles. Inusmuch as I am to attend the Regional Conference at San Jose, the smaller communities of San Diego and Long Beach may well be omitted. From there on, the program seems to be all right except that I should like to omit either Tacoma or Spokane, or both, and spend a little more time in Portland or in Seattle. I do not wish to use myself up too much on this trip. There will be plenty of work to do after I return from the Pacific Coast. I am wondering whether a meeting could be arranged with the Movie Colony in Los Angeles. I had such pleasant contacts with them during my last visit. I believe that group should be caltivated more and more for Falestine. Perhaps our movie friends in New York could errange with their friends for a luncheon or dinner meeting in Hollywood. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

MEMORANDUM

Date February 20, 1941

To

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From

Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

Attached herewith is a copy of the letter addressed to you by James E. Becker, President, and Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary, of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, indicating what the Chicago Welfare Fund wishes to do in the distribution of funds from its 1941 campaign. You will note that what is intended is that 15% of the amount to be distributed should go to the United Palestine Appeal out of a total of 59% of the total income to the JDC, the UPA and the NES.

I call your attention, however, to a proviso to the effect that the Welfare Fund reserves to itself the right to distribute up to only 70% of the original allotment, and may or may not pay out the balance, even on the basis of the 15% decision.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 EAST 42nd STREET NEW YORK, N. Y. JEWISH WELFARE FUND 128 North Wells Street - Chicago February 14, 1941 Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman United Palestine Appeal 41 Bast 42nd Street New York City Dear Rabbi Silver: The Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago initiated its current campaign for funds during the month of Recember 1940, at a time when the United Jewish Appeal of 1940 was in existence, had during a time when it seemed possible that a United Jewish Appeal might be constituted for the year 1941. Hence, the discussions at the beginning of the campaign here in Thicago related to the general quote and, in a general way, to the type of organizations and activities that were to be included. Since the announcemnt of the termination of the United Jewish Appeal and since requests began to come to us for allotments to various organizations hitherto both direct and indirect beneficiaries of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, the Board of our Fund held heardnes with the three major beneficiaries, namely, the United Pelestine Appeal, National Refugee Service, and Joint Distribution Committee. Meantime, there have been a number of discussions with local representatives of some of these organizations and a number of meetings of the Board which concerned themselves with the primary and difficult problem of allotting funds equitably to these and other organizations. As you know, the Jewish Welfare Fund this year has included certain local needs. Of the local needs included, one is an additional need to those included last year, namely, the raising of a part of Building and Rehabilitation Fund commitments of The Jewish Charities. On the basis of a \$2,000,000 quota, The Jewish Charities was to receive, if needed, \$150,000 toward its net operating deficit for 1941, and also to receive the sum of \$300,000 toward the Building and Rehabilitation Fund. In addition, there had been budgeted, at the beginning, a sum of \$300,000 for the meeds of refugees in Chicago and of the resettlement program that is centered around Chicago. The \$750,000 thereby involved constituted 371% of the total quota. It has been possible to reduce this to a total of 35%. In all fairness to the various causes and organizations involved as beneficiaries of our Fund, it seemed proper that we follow, in a general way, the commendable practice hitherto established by the United Jewish Appeal in the years of 1939 and 1940. We refer to the practice of making an allotment of a considerable part of the funds to be raised, but not of all the funds to be raised, and reserving for decision at a later date the distribution of the remaining funds. Thus the Board of Directors of the Welfare Fund, at its meeting on February 11, 1941, decided that it would set up a distribution at this time of 70% of the gross total pledges made to the Fund. This implies a preliminary allotment of 70% of the gross total pledges to the various organizations. The final UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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allotment, of course, will be conditioned by a reserve for shrinkage in pledges and by the expenditures necessarily made to conduct the campaign, as well as by the total amount of money that will be known to be available at the end of the campaign.

In addition to the 35% which is allotted on the above mentioned basis for local Chicago needs, including local refugee meeds, an additional 6% is being allotted to the smaller and miscellaneous organizations such as Hias, Ort, etc., that have hitherto been beneficiaries of our Rund. The remaining 59% is to be allotted to the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal, and the Mational Refugee Service.

The allotment to your organization is 18%.

You understand, of course, and it is so stated in the resolution adopted by the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, that there is no obligation upon the Board of the Jewish Welfare Fund to divide the remaining funds in the same ratios as apply to the division of 70% of the gross pledges.

We are quite cognisant of the fact that because our community this year again was the first of the larger communities to have a campaign, your organization, among others, is somewhat dependent upon receiving cash collected by our campaign. We should be very happy, upon your request, to forward to you at an early date our check in partial payment of the above indicated allotment.

Very sincerely yours,

Signed - JAMES H. BECKER President

Signed - SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH Secretary

cc Dr. Silver February 20, 1941 Dr. Solomon Goldman 3800 Lakeshore Drive Chicago, Illinois Dear Dr. Goldman: Attached herewith is a copy of the letter dated February 14 addressed to Rabbi Silver by James H. Becker, President and Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary, of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago. The letter is vague in its commitment to the United Palestine Appeal. It speaks of a 15% allotment out of a total sum to be obtained by the Jewish Welfare Fund in 1941. Simultaneously, it adds that it is prepared to make a distribution of funds up to, and not beyond, 70% of the amount to be allotted to the organizations which, in the case of the UPA, would be 15% of the total to be allotted. In other words, the 15% in itself does not mean that, if the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago were to distribute \$1,400,000, for example, the UPA would receive \$210,000, inasmuch as the Welfare Fund has reserved to itself the right to pay only 70%, and the decision as to what is to be done with the balance above 70% remains exclusively in the hands of the Welfare Fund. You know how I have felt about the Chicago situation and the unfair advantage that was taken by the Welfare Fund in the discussion in which all of us participated Certainly, there was not the willingness to consider the needs of Palestine from that objective point of view that should be Required of an organization like the Welfare Fund. I would like to have your suggestions as to how you think Babbi Silver ought to answer the letter from Mesers. Becker and Goldsmith inasmich as the final responsibility for any action to te taken must of course rest with you and our other friends in Chicago. If Chicago could have declared its independence of the Welfare Fund insofar as the UPA is concerned, it would have been a great asset for our work. But obviously, the decision as to whether that can be done is one that rests with the Chicago people. In the meantime, we must do all in our power to avoid any acquiescence in a decision that can be destructive to the UPA not merely in Chicago,

Dr. Solomon Goldman -2-Feb. 20, 1941 but in every part of the country. Looking forward to early advice from you as to how we should proceed further with the matter, I am, with kindest personal regards Cordially yours, Henry Montor Executive Director HM:LS Copy to Dr. Silver Copy to Jacob Rich, marked "Personal, for your information". P.S. If one were to analyze the letter from Mr. Beaker and Mr. Goldsmith one would find the following: that, if \$1,400,000 were to be distributed by the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago, the UPA might receive \$210,000 as a 15% share of the total distribution. However, under the terms of the 70% reservation, the Jewish Welfare Fund would be within its rights, if this letter were to be accepted, in allotting to the United Palestine Appeal, for all purposes, \$147,000. Is that not the amount of which Mr. Goldsmith had originally spoken?

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Dear Dr. Silver:

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Attached herewith is a copy of a letter addressed to you from Mr. James Becker and Mr. Samuel Goldsmith, President and Secretary respectively of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago.

I am not answering this letter for the

Attached herewith is a copy of the letter that I have addressed to Dr. Solomon Joldman.

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Executive Director Henry Montor Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple

Dear Dr. Silver:

Cleveland, Ohio

The Western Region of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, which is having its Conference in San Jose in March, has advised me that it is planned that you are to be the principal speaker at the opening of the Conference in San Jose on Saturday evening, March 15, when a dinner is to be held.

The suggestion has been made that I come to San Jose in order to participate in a budget clinic at which representatives of the various agencies will present their needs and answer questions.

I would not like to get away from New York at this time, but do regard the San Jose conference as of tremendous importance. Do you suggest that I make arrangements to go or that I get someone else to go out to San Jose for this particular occasion?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

HM:JB

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Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which I have received from Mrs. Charles Amerbach of the Cleveland Chapter of Hadassah, asking me to speak there on Wednesday, April 16th.

Under ordinary circumstances I would answer no. Is there any reason you think that I should accept?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 EAST 42nd STREET NEW YORK, N. Y. CLEVELAND CHAPTER OF HADASSAH Corbon 10616 Euclid Ave. Cleveland, O. February 22, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor 41 East 42nd St. New York City Dear Mr. Montor: I should like to recommend your name to our executive committee for the speaking engagement of Wednesday, April 16th which is still open on our calendar - 2:00 R.M. Will you write by return meil whether you can consider this date? It is hat two weeks before the opening of our Walfare Drive and your message would be especially pertinent. Very sincerely. (Signed) Celia Amerbach, Program Chairman (Mrs. Charles Auerbach)

Dr Dred February 25, 1941 Mrs. Charles Auerbach Cleveland Chapter of Hadassah 10616 Faclid Avenue Cleveland, Chio Dear Mrs. Amerbach: Thank you for your gracious invitation of February 22nd. My dalendar at the present time is very erouded because of my obligations to the United Palestine Appeal, but if you will parmit mu to hold up a definite decision for the next week or ten days, I shall then be glad to advice you as to whether I can possibly accept your kind invitation. Sincerely yours, 1041JB Henry Montor Executive Director

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

Feb. 24, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor UPA 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.





PLEASE SEND ME TWO HUNDRED COPTES PROFESSOR KAPLANS STATEMENT ON NATIONAL BUDGETING AT ONCE. KIRDLEY REGARDS.

Abba Hillel Silver

February 27, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing a letter which I received from Mr. Harris Furlatein and I am also enclosing a copy of my reply to him.

With all good sishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS: BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which Harry Lurie sent to me on February 21st with regard to the ballot and the position taken by the Board of Directors of the Council toward the referendum.

With windest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Carl Alpert, Managing Editor of The New Palestine, in which he gives certain figures for the use of The New Palestine as the means whereby we may keep in contact with friends of the UPA throughout the country, sending them once a month The New Palestine, which will contain four pages devoted to the United Palestine Appeal, thus climinating the UPA Report.

I would be very glad to have your view of this suggestion.

With kindest personal regards, I

am.

Enc.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

HM:BG Executive Director

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1720 Sixteenth St., N.W. Washington, D. C.

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Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 E. 42nd Street New York City

Dear Montor:

Rabbi Breslau and I had a session the other day regarding the feasibility of including a monthly four page addition to the New Palestine, to be devoted entirely to UPA news, in addition to the regular space which I would normally give the UPA. Such a supplement would obviate the necessity of issuing your own monthly report, and would, at the same time, reach the entire membership of the ZOA.

I have very carefully gone into the figures of such an undertaking, and reckon that the cost of adding four pages to The New Palestine and printing an additional 22,000 copies (which I understand constitutes your list over and above ZOA membership) for the 5 months of March, April, May, June, and July, would be about \$3,000.

This figure is broken down as follows:

Cost of adding four pages once each month to the regular ZOA 16 page mailing - \$230.

Twenty-two thousand copies of a 20 page magazine at \$17.05 per thousand - \$375.00 per nonthly issue.

Cost of wrapping and mailing your twenty-two thousand copies - \$44.00 per monthly issue. Sent out with our regular mailing you get the benefit of our reduced postage rate.

These figures to not include postage.

Multiply the entire lot by five, for the five months, and it comes to about \$3,000. For this figure you can send the entire New Palestine with the added four pages to your own 22,000 non-ZOA members, and at the same time, know that your UPA material is going to and will be read by the forty-eight thousand or more ZOA members.

If you decide to do anything about this, please let me mow.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Carl Alpert

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Herewith is a memorandum to me from Mr. Blits on the subject of Mr. Paley, President of the Columbia Broadcasting System.

I think should be preserved.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

41 EAST 42nd STREET

NEW YORK, N. Y.

MEMORANDUM

To. MR. MONTOR

From MR. BLITZ

Date 2/26/41

RE: William Paley - Radio Division

Mr. Paley asked to convey to Dr. Silver his regrets because of his inability to keep the appointment having suddenly been called to Washington.

He asks that Dr. Silver communicate with him as he is anxious to have an opportunity to confer with him when he is next in New York.

(to 2/32/41)

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

PALESTINE FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD)
JEWISH NATIONAL FUND (KEREN KAYEMETH)
For the Defense and Upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine

February 27, 1941

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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from the Hechalutz Organization of America. I am referring the subject to

the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth.

I assume that this would have to

be placed on the agenda of the United Palestine Appeal. Do you believe that prior to that time I should undertake to

prior to that time I should undertake to meet with the representatives of this organization to discover what it is that

they want.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor

Executive Director

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February 21, 1941

Mr. Henry Montor, Exec. Dir. United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42 Street New York City

Dear Mr. Monter:

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Some time ago our representatives, Yosef Israeli and Moshe Furmansky, had the pleasure of discussing with you the possibility of our tie-up with Ort. As you know, we broke off our negotiations with the Ort since you, Dr. Silver, and a number of leading personalities in the Zionist movement advised us against it.

In the course of the convergation with our representatives, it was pointed out, as you will recall, that there is practically no Zionist body, in this country or in Palestine, which holds itself responsible for the activity and budgetary needs of Hechalutz. This problem has not been solved as yet.

In the meantime, Hechalutz work must go on. The war and the stoppage of Aliya did not relieve our burden; on the contrary, it has made it heavier. We must offer to the Chalutz, who is compelled to remain here, away from Palestine, better conditions for Hachshara, greater opportunities for preparation in order to enable the small and limited Hechalutz aliya to fulfill its task. In the light of present conditions, Hechalutz had to add to its traditional activities such projects as aviation, radio, auto mechanics, etc.

The financial situation of Hechalutz has not improved. We secured as \$8,000 loan from the Keren Hayesod which enabled us to purchase Mrs. Brown's farm at Hightstown, N.J., with a down payment of \$4,000, an additional \$1,000 to be paid within the next six months, and the balance of \$14,000 to be paid over a period of 10 years at 4% interest per year.

This farm at Hightstown offers great opportunities for Hachshara but requires additional investments. We are in great need of money and we are quite confident that you and the UPA are willing to give Hechalutz the opportunity to continue with one of the most important Zionist activities in this country.

We would appreciate your arranging for a meeting with our representatives at your earliest convenience in order to discuss this matter in greater detail.

Under separate cover we are sending you our memorandum, which we sent to the welfare funds.

With Hechalutz greetings,

HECHALUTZ ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

(Signed) Bialik Margoli;

(Signed) Harry Sosewitz

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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please note that as of February 26, 1941, the United Palestine Appeal has received \$3,902,833.00 on account of the 1939 United Jewish Appeal allotment of \$4,000,000.00 to the United Palestine Appeal. Collections have been very slow. To my mind, it is not likely that more than \$50,000.00 additional at the maximum, can be expected by the United Palestine Appeal.

The Joint Distribution Committee has received on account of 1939, \$7,805,666.00. The Joint Distribution Committee originally anticipated \$8,600,000.00. I doubt whether it will receive a total of \$100,000.00 more.

The United Palestine Appeal has received am of February 26, 1941, \$2,059,000.00 on account of the 1940 United Jewish Appeal allotment of \$2,900,000.00. It is my belief that the full \$2,900,000.00 will not be available, and especially because of large shrinkages in New York City as well as in other communities.

The National Refugee Service has received its full \$2,500,000.00 from the national United Jewish Appeal and \$979,500.00 on account of \$1,000,000.00 guaranteed to it by the New York City United Jewish Appeal. The Joint Distribution Committee has received on account of 1940 \$4,289,500.00.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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Executive Director Henry Montor February 28, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our desire, or rather your desire, to be considerate to Joe Weingarten in Houston is causing us some slight difficulty.

I received wires from Charles Brown, Chairman for Los Angeles as well as Chairman of the Frades Council of the Los Angeles Welfare Fund and from the Director of the Los Angeles Welfare Fund expressing anxiety about your late arrival in Los Angeles.

Los Angeles has arranged a Dinner to be followed by a meeting on the evening of March 12. The present schedule provides that you leave Houston by plane at 6:45 A.M. March 12 arriving in Los Angeles at 3:48 P.M. March 12. Los Angeles is worried that there may be bad weather with the result that you might be grounded.

Mr. Brown wires me "this schedule is dangerously close as important meeting is planned for same night at which two thousand people should be present. Dinner for members of motion picture colony and outstanding leaders in campaign planned for same night before meeting."

There is only one alternative if this pressure and uncertainty are to be relieved somewhat, i.e., if you were to break Houston's heart and leave Houston by air on March 11 at 8:25 P.M. which would bring you to Dallas at 11:55. You would then change the plane there at 2:10 A.M. March 12 bringing you into Los Angeles at 8:50 A.M. March 12.

What is your view of this situation, veteran traveler that you are? I suppose that if Houston must be, then the most convenient way for all concerned, would be to take the 6:45 A.M. plane from Houston on March 12.

With kindest regards,

Henry Montor

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CHICAGO PRESSING US FOR ANSWER TO GOLDSMITH'S LETTER

OF FEBRUARY 14 ADVISING US OF ALLOCATIONS. WHAT

SHALL BE OUR REPLY? YOU MAY BE INTERESTED TO KNOW

WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED BY OTHER COMMUNITIES OF CHICAGO

ACTION. REGARDS=

HENRY MONTOR.

March 3, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Rabbi Heller's statement on Mational Budgeting is excellent. I wish you would send me forty or fifty copies for distribution locally. With best wishes, I remain Very sincerely yours, AHS: BK

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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Executive Director Henry Montor Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It would seem evident to me, considering the progress of negotiations and the attitude with which our people have entered them, that the United Jewish Appeal will be reconstituted. As you know, I regard this as one of the most serious setbacks that the Zionist movement has suffered in this country. I believe it wrong from the point of view of developing a sound and intelligent interest in Palestine among American Jews and from the point of view of the cumulative financial strength that would accrue to Palestine if its needs were placed on a plane of independence.

Feeling as I do on the subject, I do not believe I have any place in the United Jewish Appeal. Accordingly, I herewith submit my resignation as Executive Director of the United Palestine Appeal, to take effect as soon as you have appointed my successor.

One of my chief concerns at this moment is to protect the men and women who work with and for the United Palestine Appeal. who entered the campaign in a spirit of liberation and who felt that at last they might have the opportunity of serving a great cause as free human beings instead of as cogs in a lifeless machine. We have a large staff which is to my mind the finest that has ever been associated with the United Palestine Appeal. The men in the field and the girls in the office assumed that when they entered the United Palestine Appeal campaign they were engaged for the year. I am hoping that in the final negotiations due consideration will be given to these people so that they are not cast out merely because in the month of March the United Jewish Appeal has been recomstituted. Moreover, some of the field representatives, taking it for granted that the independent campaign of the United Palestine Appeal would be continued. have taken an affirmative position with respect to Palestine. I am howing that this loyal attitude on their part will not be held against them when the staff of the United Jewish Appeal is constituted.

d) That any Allotment Committee to be created shall be under the full and exclusive control of the Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal - as to its composition, the method of its operation, its selection of operating personnel and the manner of the publication of its findings; that the Allotment Committee shall be guided by the continuing nature of the responsibilities in Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal; that it shall have no right to deal with or interpret the fundamental ideological bases of the Palestine upbuilding program; that it shall strive to consider the needs and not merely the expenditures of the agencies to be benefitted;

e) That the National Refugee Service shall continue to be a beneficiary and not a partner of the United Jewish Anneal;

f) That the two technical managing heads of the United Jewish Appeal, representing the Joint Distribution Committee and United Palestine Appeal respectively, shall have equal powers in the determination of policies and that in the sphere representing the interests of the respective organizations the decision of the representative of that organization shall be final as to policy - thus facilitating the advancement of the interests of the United Jewish Appeal through autonomous action of the particular organization in the framework of the United Jewish Appeal;

g) That at no time shall there be preference in payment to any organization, the funds to be distributed in relation to either the first fixed allotments or to subsequent distributions by the Allotment Committee, but never in excess of the ratio of the particular organization to the total funds available. Moreover, the Allotment Committee shall have no authority with respect to the distribution of the first fixed amounts nor shall it have the right to vote preferred payments within amounts at its disposal for allotment.

Even though I disagree with the decision that will be taken, I understand the reasons which impelled you to share in it. The unwillingness of many Zionist leaders to play their proper part in a strong and unified United Palestine Appeal campaign was evident from the beginning. The failure of many of the men of the rank and file to hold fast and not to submit you to a barrage that questioned the purpose of the campaign, was another vital factor that had to be taken into consideration. In fairness to the negotiators, I taink it ought to be said that the terms they obtained for the United Palestine Appeal seem to be the most favorable since 1938.

Knowing you as I do, I am convinced that the step that you have taken is one which you completely believe to be in the best interests of the Zionist movement in America and of Palestine.

It is not for me as an individual to take the self-righteous position that my view, which seems to be an isolated one, is more correct than that of the leadership which is entrusted with power and responsibility. I feel, however, that the reason why there has been so much misunderstanding now among the Zionists and so little willingness to serve the cause of Palestine gallantly and militantly is because in years past there has not been in effect the program of molding Zionist opinion in the one direction of unequivocal, forthright defense of Palestine as the supreme cause of a purposeful Jewish life.

The year 1941 is, to my mind, unique in the history of America's relation to Palestine. In the midst of a world crisis, Palestine stands as the preeminent contribution of the Jewish people toward meeting that crisis. It is possible to galvanize the sentiment of the young in spirit among American Jews who have begun to feel that men alien to basic Jewish values have been attempting to dominate the direction of Jewish life. But that is not to be. I do not know how long it will be before we can recapture into our ranks those men and women throughout the country, however limited in number, who took courage from the new banner that had been unfurled and who must now feel forlorn.

May I take this opportunity of saying that I am grateful for the years during which I have worked with you. Your encouragement and your confidence have made it possible for me to perform whatever service I might have given. That personal friendship has been one of the greatest assets I have treasured in these years. My home is that in whatever other capacity I may be serving in the future, I may continue to have that same confidence and good-will on your part.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

HM:BC

Henry Montor Executive Director

P.S. In view of the strong position that has been taken by the United Palestine Appeal among its friends, I would urge that a letter along the lines of the attached draft be sent to them as quickly as possible, in order to offset confusion and loss of morale.

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Los Angeles, California

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a memorandum issued by the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, together with a covering note to me who presumably was named to the Committee to Study National Budgeting Proposals.

Should I accept membership on this Committee, or reject it?

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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March 6, 1941.

COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS

FROM: H. L. LURIE, Executive Director

TO: MR. HENRY MONTOR

Attached is a preliminary list of 1941 national committees. Please note your appointment and advise us of your acceptance of the committee to which you have been assigned.





1941 NATIONAL COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL

(Preliminary List)

Mr. Sidney Hollander, President of the Council, has appointed the following committees to serve until the next General Assembly:

1. Committee to Study National Budgeting Proposals

This Committee was named by the President on action taken by the Board of Directors at its meeting May 26, 1940. Recommendations in the report of the Committee presented at the 1941 Assembly have been submitted to a referendum of member agencies and the further plans for work of this Committee will await the results of the referendum.

Jacob Blaustein, Co-chairman William Rosenwald, Acting Co-chairman

Mrs. Dora Ehrlich, Detroit
A. Richard Frank, Chicago
Samuel Goldhamer, Cleveland
Samuel A. Goldsmith, Chicago
William Haber, New York
Joseph C. Hyman, New York
George L. Levison, San Francisco
Solomon Lowenstein, New York

Henry Montor, New York Stanley C. Myers, Miami Ben M. Selekman, Boston William J. Shroder, Cincinnati Edward M. M. Marburg, New York James L. White, Salt Lake City Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland Ira M. Younker, New York

2. Committee on National Jewish Agencies

The function of this Committee is to work with the Council staff on the research and reporting services relating to the national and overseas agencies and the reporting service of the Council. The Committee is subdivided on the basis of fields of work. Each sub-committee will be responsible for the reporting service in its particular field.

Ira M. Younker, New York, General Chairman

a. Overseas - including refugees and immigration

Joseph Goldstein, Rochester George L. Levison, San Francisco Kurt Peiser, Philadelphia Harris Perlstein, Chicago William Rosenwald, Greenwich

b. Civic-Protective

Jerome Curtis, Cleveland Amos S. Deinard, Minneapolis Mendel B. Silberberg, Los Angeles James L. White, Salt Lake City

c. To and Health

A. Richard Frank, Chicago Dr. J.J. Golub, New York Isidore Sobeloff, Detroit Dr. Harold G. Trimble, Oakland

d. Cultural and Coordinating

Harry Greenstein, Baltimore Samuel Markell, Boston James Marshall, New York

3. Committee or Public Welfare Measures

The functions of this Committee are to study and report to the Jouncil on public welfare provisions or proposed measures that may affect directly the programs of Jewish federations and welfare funds. This year, new problems may arise in relation to the defense programs which may require the interest of a Council committee.

A. Richard Frank, Chicago, Chairman George Backer, New York Fred M. Butzel, Detroit Samuel A. Goldsmith, Chicago Solomon Lowenstein, New York Mrs. Irving S. Metzler, Beverly Hills, Calif. Dr. Ben M. Selekman, Boston

4. Committee on the General Jewish Council

This is a special committee which the General Assembly recommended to the Council at Atlanta on February 2nd. Its function is to represent the Council in any programs designed to work out problems of relationships between the constituent agencies of the GJO that are of interest to member agencies of the Council.

> James L. White, Salt Lake City, Chairman William J. Shroder, Cincinnati Ira M. Younker, New York

5. Committee on Revision of the By-Laws

It was discovered in Atlanta that various interpretations could be placed on various provisions of the by-laws concerning member agencies, accredited delegates and voting procedures. The function of this Committee will be to review the by-laws and to make such recommendations for revisions as may be required. This Committee will have to complete its work and report to the fall meeting of the Board of Directors in 1941.

Joseph P. Loeb, Los Angeles, Chairman Elias Mayer, Chicago Charles A. Riegelman, New York Eugene Warner, Detroit

March 12, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 Bast 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Eabbi Silver received the enclosed card. May I trouble you to answer it? I'm not sure to whom the tiny gift should be sent. Thanks kindly, and Most cordinally BJK Secretary to Rabbi Silver. Enc.

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MEETING FOR WEIZMANN IN NEWYORKCITY ON MARCH 27TH. IF THIS GOES THROUGH COULD YOU COME TO NEWYORK TO PRESIDE AT MEETING? PLEASE WIRE. TRUST YOU WILL GET SOME REST. PITTSBURGH, DULUTH, ST. PAUL, SHARON, PA. REJECTED PROPOSAL. REGARDS=

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HENRY MONTOR

MEMORANDUM

March 14, 1941.

To: Mr. Henry Montor

From: Mr. Abrem S. Magida

Mr. Blitz telephoned late this afternoon and during the course of our conversation he told me that the following had been selected as officers of the New York campaign:

Honorary Chairmen - Henry Ittelson Herbert H. Lehman Stephen S. Wise

Chairman - Jonah B. Wise

Executive Chairman - Sylvan Gotshal

Chairman, Exec. Com. - Edward M. M. Warburg

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Benjamin Buttenwieser
George Z. Medalie
Nathen Straus
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Abner Bregman Arthur Rosenbloom

Co-Treasurers

- I. Edvin Goldwasser

A Personnel Committee has been appointed to determine matters of personnel in the campaign organization with the understanding that whatever decision is reached by the Personnel Committee must be unanimous, otherwise the matter is to be referred to the Executive Committee.

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, as Chairman of the New York campaign, has taken the stand that he will brook no interference upon the part of the national campaign organization in the conduct of the New York campaign, which, as Mr. Blitz put it, is by way of explanation for the fact that neither your presence nor the presence of Mr. Joseph C. Hyman of JDC would be welcome at meetings of the officers of the New York campaign.

Mr. Blitz also asked me to convey to you the information that he has refused to take the Co-Directorship of the New York campaign. This is a matter which is to be decided on by the Personnel Committee.

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COULD YOU PRESIDE AT A RECEPTION TO DR. WEIZMANN IN NEWYORK ON WEDNESDAY EVENING. MARCH 26 TOMAHA. BRIDGEPORT.

TACOMA ADDED TO LIST OF REJECTIONS. MONSKY LETTER NOT SENT BUT ONE BY JUDGE GOLDEN. NATIONAL VICE PRESIDENT BNAI BRITH=

HENRY MONTOR.

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United Palestine appeal

PALESTIME FOUNDATION FUND (KEREN HAYESOD)
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March 21, 1941

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Executive Director Henry Montor Dear Friends

I am glad to send you herewith three articles which appeared as a series in the New York World-Telegram of Msrch 19, 20 and 21, constituting a report on Palestine by Dr. Bernard Joseph, Legal Adviser of the Jewish Agency.

With kindest regards, I am

Hecry Montor

Henry Montor

Executive Director

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300,000 Refugees Find a Haven in Palestine

War Hasn't Stopped Escape From Tyranny

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World-Telegram herewith presents the first article:

By DR. BERNARD JOSEPH.

If anyone were asked to draw a map, using human figures as pegs to indicate the spread of Mast power in Europe, the stream of refugee immigration to Palentine would chart more dramatically than any geographic outline of Hitler's conquest of Europe during the last eight years. For Palestine, though little larger than the slate though little larger than the slate of Rhode Island, has taken in nearly 200,000 man, women and children—a greater number of refugees from Nazi oppression than all of the countries of the world countried, including the United States.

The war has not stopped the flow of men, women and children who are desperately seeking to find a new life in Palestine. Enemy warships and submarines have

days of the 18th and 18th centuries. Three principal routes lie undesirable characters who are a noticy not possess the immigrants do spen for the prospective immigrant to Palestine. If he is for tundesirable characters who are attended to reach Lisben tracted by the substantial pay be no diegal entry into one a own tenate enough to reach Lisben which this traffic in human life home. The Jewish victims of little passage on a steamer spins. from Western Europe he may obtain passage on a steamer going to Palestine by way of the Cape of Good Hope. This journey requires 45 days. For Jews Beeing from Nazi invasion in Southeastern Europe, two avenues of escape remain. First is the route leading through Europe in the courterable through Europe development in the circultum route which covers more than 13,000 miles, cutting across the vast expante of Russis, Japan, the Pacific Ocean and Indian Ocean to Iran and then to Palestine. In some cases small vessels have been used to enable them to follow a course close to the follow a course close to the Eastern Mediterranean shore to avoid enemy men of war.
About a month ago American

Jews provided the sum of \$140,000. through the United Palestine Appeal, for transporting 995 refugees from Lithuania to Palestine. large number of these reached the Jewish homeland by following the route through Russia and Japan.

One Jump Ahead of Nanis.

The situation of many of the refugers has been so desperate that in their anxiety to reach safety, theorands of them have crowded into the Balkan ports. for a large number of them life has been confined to the sullcase. They have had in he ready to move at an hour's notice to keep one jump shred of the Nazi wave of conquest.

Those who lack liminigration certificates spend all their life's necessations to obtain place on an



Busins take the newcomers to Jawish settlements for refugee enlantestion.

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Some Walk Across Russia Fleeing Nazis

arrives in Palestinian waters is permit ed to land its passengers That is why many of them try to disembark their passengers under cover of darkness to avoid setzure, and send their passengers out in rowhouts to land in some deserted section of the constline, Capture by British authorities means the end of a ship's profitable career as a refugee carrier. A captain will very often spend many additional weeks at see to dodne British

Tumnerswi: How Palestine's Jews Fight for Democracy.

Palestine Vital for Britain's Defense

It's Most Modern Country in the Middle East

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By DR. BERNARD JOSEPH.

Somewhere in the all-Jewish city of Tel Aviv, which was only a stretch of barren sand dunes 30 years ago, armored cars are being made where camels used to pass n regular caravans. In Palestine. and of incredible contrasts, the refugees who were homeless wanderers only a year ago are today important cogs in the war machine which the Jews have geared to help Britain's war effort. In the first World War Palestine was a desert in hostile hands. Today it s the most modern country in the Middle East, a vital link in the chain of British defenses.

Military observers returning from the Libyan fronts have been struck by the fact that Hebrew is spoken in the British ranks and the blue and white Jewish flag has been valiantly carried into battle against the Fascists and Nazis in North Africa. For their bravery under fire the Jews have received the commendation of their commanding officers, including General Sir Archibald Wavell, chief of the Middle East Command, who has paid tribute to their courage at Sidi Barrani, Solum and Tobruk.

during the remarkable evacuation uncommon sight then to see a young woman swing a rifle over her back and march out to her post at the end of a day's work in the vineyards.

When Hitler drove the Jews out ordered out of St. Malo, of Germany he did not foresee that they would some day be facing his soldiers, pitting their heroism and scientific skill against the Nazi hordes and their Italian allies. The refugees who came to Palestine since the advent of the Nazi regime have developed an

It is not surprising that the first victims of Nazism should prove the most vigorous defenders of democracy. There are more than 8000 Jews from Palestine serving in every branch of the British fighting forces in the Near East, with more than 1500 of them encently reports reached this country of the strange spectacle of British orders being translated into Hebrew so that the Palestine government within the Hebrew so that the Palestine government within the Into Hebrew so that the Palestine and Nazis in Albania. Their heroism on the Greek front elicited the praise of the British Air Vice during the Arab disorders in the Marshal D'Albiac. Last summer previous three vears. It was no industrially and scientifically, was vividly illustrated at the all-important war economic conference which met at New Delhi in India several months ago. One of the most important branches of war industry is opticis—the production of sight instruments for cannon, antiaireraft guns, binoculars, etc. At the New Delhi conference it was found that there was great need for an export who could organize and direct that industry in India.

The Palestine delegats remarked that in the lists of experts which he had with him there was a certain Professor Goldberg of Tel Marshal D'Albiac. Last summer previous three years. It was no



A young Jewish farmer helps his girl feed a calf,

among the last contingent to be in the vineyards.

The Jewish pioneers of Palestine are a stardy breed, inchariships and sacrifice. built a community of 550,000 in the short space of two decades where desert and swampland had existed before. The present war Nazi regime have developed an industrial machine which today provides important war supplies to the British armies.

8000 Serve British. It is not surprising that the first the war spread to the Mediter-

What Palestine Can Give.

Palestine Jewry is really to place a Jewish military force of 40,063 in the field at Britain's side in the defense of Palestine. On the basis of comparative population frigures this would be equal to a mobiliza-tion of more than 10,000,000 men in the United States.

What Palestine is in a position to contribute to the war effort, industrially and scientifically, was vividly illustrated at the all-im-portant war economic conference

Refugees, Exiles Supply Military, Scientific Skill

present who knew something about optics asked whether that was "the" Professor Goldberg who had been one of the managing directors of the Zeiss Optical Works in Germany and if he was whether he could be brought immediately from Palestine. Our delegate telegraphed to Palestine, and Professor Goldberg was flown to India by the next plane. he arrived at the conference he made a tremendous impression.

In the words of one of the sen-ior government officers to me, "Professor Goldberg was the high spot of the Delhi conference." He was immediately appointed principal adviser in optics. Today Professor Goldberg is continuing his work in Tel Aviv and will, from time to time, fly to India to advise on the work there. There are many more Professor Gold-bergs in Palestine.

Many Products Supplied.

The Jewish community is now supplying a large variety of products for the British war ef-fort, ranging from jam to barbed wire, from shoes to ambulances. from stea mboilers to beer, from potash to socks. There are more than 1200 factories in Palestine which are manufacturing various types of materials suitable for war needs. Palestine is produc-ing detectors, uniforms, hospital equipment, eigarets, cocoa, mar-malade, motor car spare parts, searchlights and unlimited sup-plies of potash, bromine and other essential chemical by-products.

The presence of large numbers

troops in Palestine has stimulated the increase in the output of beer which Palestine is now producing at the rate of 500,000 liters a month.

Palestine is not only the arsenal but it is the granary as well for the British forces in the Middle

Skilled labor necessary for in-creased production in the metal industries is available toda; in Palestine as a result of the immigration of refugee experts.

TOMORROW: The Refugee Problem.

Palestine Seen as Hope Of Refugees After War

Can Provide Homes for 3,000,000 Under Modern Conditions, Says Expert

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By DR. BERNARD JOSEPH.

The refugee problem will not come to an end with the defeat of Hitler. On the contrary, this vast human tragedy which has grown increasingly acute with the expansion of Nazi power will confront the world with one of the most crucial issues of the day. Hundreds of thou-sands of men, women and children will have to be reestablished and rehabilitated. Wandering and misery which are now the hallmarks of a Europe in chains will have to to be banished and equal opportunity for all restored. No stroke of the pen at any peace table will solve this problem. It will require large-scale action and statesmanship backed up by international governmental

Jews will find themselves without any possibilities for normal existence in central and eastern Europe. Large sections of them who are now languishing in newly created ghettos will find themselves in

need of new homes.

Foremost Haven.

In any scheme for mass coloni-zation and resettlement Palestine must occupy a place of pre-eminence by virtue of the fact that
it has been the foremost haven
for refugees for the last eight
years of the Nazi regime. At the
end of the first World War the
Jewish population of Palestine was
55,000. At the Beginning of the
second World War it was 500,000.
Twenty years ago Zionist visionaries dreamed of a solden era, in aries dreamed of a golden era, in which Palestine would absorb an immigration of 25,000. Such dreams have been greatly surpassed by the realities of the last decade. The average immi-gration during hat period has been considerably in excess of the 25,000 yearly figure. In fact, in 1935 Jewish imm gration into Palestine reached the all-time high of 62,000. Neary 300,000 Jews from Germany. Austria, Rumania, Poland and Czechoslovakia have found a permanent home in Palestine since 1933.

those were not the days of the tractor and scientific cultivation of the soil which the Jewish pioneers have introduced during the last two decades. Immigration and absorptive capacity represent a cycle. Every new immigrant may be said to bring his own absorptive capacity in his suitcase. creased immigration brings about a comparable increase in available labor and in the need for agriculand industrial products to tural maintain the new arrivals. creates added opportunities for economic expansion.

Homes for 3,000,000.

It is not fanuatic to estimate that on the basis of the economic and agricultural achievements of the Jews in Palestine in the last istence on its own soil.

At the end of the second World 20 years the rebuilt Jewish home-War hundreds of thousands of land has the capacity to provide land has the capacity to provide homes for an additional 3,000,000 immigrants. I do not believe that any other country in the world or any group of countries can offer the same opportunities for largescale immigration and colonization

Since the issuance of the Balfour Declaration on Nov. 2, 1917, a series of governmental commissions have made pilgrimages to Palestine with extraordinary regularity to determine how many settlers Pa_estine could maintain. More than 10 years ago when the Jewish population was less than 250,000, a distinguished British official declared that the country was so crowded that there was not room left in which to swing a cat. Since that time the Jewish community has increased its popula-tion by 3:0,000. The secret of the constantly expanding absorptive capacity lies in the program of colonization in which American Jewry has had a large share the through United Palestine Appeal.

Cultivation of the soil and the creation of a modern Jewish peas-antry have been the backbone of the rebuilding of the Jewish homeland in Palestine. Desert wastes, malaria-infested swamps and rocky soil have been reclaimed How many more Jews can Palestine take in? The total population of Palestine today is 1,525,000. In Biblical times Palestine
sustained a population of from system of 257 agricultural colonies
four to five million parsons and straighter from contact of the chin country to the other which sup-port a rural population of more than 137,000 Jews.

Tal Aviv the Center.

What the agricultural colonies symbolize in the rural development of the country the all-Jew-ish city of Tel Aviv embodies as the center for industrial activity the center fo in Palestine. Its four-year-old harbor has made Tel Aviv one of the foremost commercial ports in the entire Near East. The Hebrew school system in Palestine pro-vides for the education of more than 56,800 Jewish children.

MEMORANDUM

March 21, 1941

To: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter which has been issued to Welfare Funds throughout the country, advising them of the joint fundraising effort which has been created by the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League.

Encl.

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JOINT APPEAR FOR THE AMERICAN DEPENSE ACTIVITIES OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE AND ANTI-DEPANATION LEAGUE OF B'RAI B'RITH Suite 1610 - 100 East 42nd St.

March 19, 1941

Mr. Henry Monter United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York City

Dear Mr. Montors

The American Jewish Cosmittee and the Anti-Defaration League of B'nai B'rith are pleased to announce that in the interest of reducing the number of competitive appeals for funds for Jewish defense, they have agreed to project immediately a joint fund-raising campaign for their defense programs. The plan also contemplates increased cooperation between the two organizations in their operations. In taking this step the two organizations hope to bring about the maximum attainable efficiency and economy in their defense activities.

This plan in no way affects the administration of either organization nor does it affect the integrity of their respective defense programs. Furthermore, both the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith will continue to take full part in the General Jewish Council for the settlement of questions of policy affecting all of the constituent members. Further details of this program will be sent you shortly.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) Sol M. Stroock, President American Jewish Committee

> Henry Monsky, President B'nai B'rith

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March 24, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Newark United Jewish Appeal is trying to rehabilitate itself in a fund-raising way and instead of having just a mass meeting to open the campaign is staging an initial gifts dinner for specific fund-raising purposes on Tuesday evening, April 8th. What is planned is to have some 250 to 300 people present and to call cards, name by name, following your address.

I am hoping you will be able to accept Newark's invitation because of the special stimulation which that community has always needed and needs even more this year.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Vice-Chairman

HM: EH

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HENRY MONTOR:

Call La 0150 449754

March 27, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: Mr. Gellman, President of the Mizrachi, telephoned me last night complaining that he had not received the Mizrachi allocation from the UPA on the ground that the Mizrachi had not submitted any finencial statement. He stated that such a statement had been submitted by Rabbi Berlin, in Jerusales, to the Dacquive of the Jewish Agency. He stated further that this financial statement would be made available to us here by the end of April. In the meantime, the Mizrachi had borrowed money to forward to Palestine. Just what is the situation? with all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

March 27, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. Nem York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors Mr. H. R. Knickerbocker occupied my pulpit on Sunday morning, March 16 during which time I was on the Pacific Coast for the United Jewish Appeal. I am enclosing herewith the bill for Mr. Knickerbocker's services which I paid. The Sunday following, my pulpit was occupied by Rabbi Marris so that there was no expendature involved. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.

\$12,000,000 War Emergency Campaign

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Executive Director Henry Montor Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

It is important that we maintain contact with the various people whom you met during your travels in Texas and the Far West. We should make use of the assets of your contact with the leaders in the various communities.

May I suggest that you give me the names of the people whom you remember as having met in the leading communities? For example, you may recall such men as Melville Monheimer, Max H. Block and Sol Esfeld of Seattle; S. Mason Ehrman, Abe Eugene Rosenberg and others in Portland; and the same for San Francisco and Les Angeles, etc.

During the year from time to time when. letters are written in your name to these men they will have the personal touch.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM: EH

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL 41 E. 42nd Street New York, N. Y. MEMORANDUM TO: DR. ABRA HILLEL SILVER March 28, 1941 FROM: HENRY MONTOR Attached hereto is an estimate of the income of the United Jewish Appeal for the calendar year 1921 showing what each of the three agencies in the United Jewish Appeal may expect during the period through December 31, 1941 on account of the allotments from various occumulties for 1941. The estimates for 1941 income do not include amounts that may accrue to respective organizations from the collections of the 1941 campaign. Two things ought to be emphasized with respect to the United Palestine Appeal: (a) That these figures are merely estimates based on the UPA experience for 1939 and 1940, and (b) That the share for the UPA represents gross income to the UPA. HM: BG Enc.

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

ESTIMATES

1941

	Gross Estimate \$8,800,000	48.579 JDC \$4,275,000	28.695 UPA \$2,525,000	22.726 NRS \$2,000,000
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February		-	-	-
March	-	_	-	
April	700,000	340,000	200,000	160,000
Nay	1,500,000	725,000	430,000	345,000
June	1,750,000	850,000	500,000	395,000
July	1,000,000	485,000	285,000	230,000
August	800,000 _{X/P}	390,000	230,000	180,000
September	700,000	340,000	200,000	160,000
October	800,000	390,000	230,000	180,000
November	650,000	315,000	185,000	150,000
December	900,000	440,000	265,000	200,000
	8,800,000	4,275,000	2,525,000	2,000,000

March 28, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 Bast 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montor: I notice from the builtin of the Hebrew University published by the smerican Spiende, that the Rosenwald Family made as gart posto, 000 to the He rew University. The Rozenwill letter announcing the mil't is dated February 25. Syding between the Mhes, I gather that it is an effort to of set the territic criticism to which I subjected Desning Rosersuld to the Mashington Conference. The University has to thank for it. Increasingly our Jewish philanthropists will be making contributions to Palestine institutions such as the University, the Orchestra, to everything but to the real work of the upbuilding of Palestine, in an effort to remove from themselves the condemnation of the masses of our people, and to throw sand in the eyes of men. "You see, we are not against Palestine. We are giving money to the University. We are only opposed to Zionism ... " Very cordially yours, AHS: BK

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Executive Director Henry Montor March 31, 1941

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Tenth and Ansel Roads Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

HM: jb

Now that the referendum is practically completed, our most important task lies in making certain that procedures to be adopted by the Council in counting the ballots are fair and equitable.

I am wondering whether you have been in touch with the Council concerning the forthcoming meeting of its Board of Directors at which the procedures in relation to the referendum are to be adopted.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Executive Director

March 31, 1941 Mr. Henry Montor United Palestine Appeal 41 East 42nd St. New York, N.Y. My dear Mr. Montors I received the enclosed telegram from Mr. Leon Gellman. I think his suggestion is a good one and a meeting in honor of Chief Rabbi Herzog should be arranged by the UPA Administrative Committee. With all good wishes, I remain Very cordially yours, AHS: BK Enc.