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February 11, 1941

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Have the reprints of my Cleveland address been made? If so I would appreciate receiving a few hundred copies of it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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December 26, 1941

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

HAVE YOU OBTAINED GOTSHAL CONSENT TO NEUTRAL ALLOCATION COMMITTEE FOR NEW YORK CITY UNITED JEWISH APPEAL TO BE SELECTED BY UNANIMOUS AGREEMENT. THIS IS OF BASIC IMPORTANCE. IF YOU HAVE NOT ADVISE THAT LIPSKY DOES NOT SIGN THE CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION. IN REPLY LETTER OF LURIE THIS MORNING HAVE WIRED HIM UPA CAN NOT ACCEPT NEW PROPOSALS GRANTING NRS RIGHT TO SOLICIT CERTAIN CLAIMS OF INDIVIDUALS

SILVER

December 30, 1941

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have seen Mr. Fisher's statement to you about the set-up of the UPA official family for the coming year. I note that there is not included in it the list of the new Administrative Committee which of course is an important committee. I should like to have it.

I note that I am given authority to add five new members to the Administrative Committee. I would appreciate it if you would give me the names of five prominent laymen in the larger cities outside of New York who would add strength to the Administrative Committee. Generally speaking, all lists of officers should be far more representative of the country at large outside of New York than last year. I would appreciate receiving from you as soon as possible the complete list of all the officers together with the National Council.

I should think that among the vice-chairmen, two or three names of prominent Jews on the Pacific Coast should be added.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL

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

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

Dear Dr. Silver:

National Co-Chairmen

Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from a Marie Aronsky, who wishes to have a Palestine exhibit of products at the United Palestine Appeal Conference in Cleveland.

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

I resisted these exhibits in Washington last year, because I discovered that we finally had the experience that the Arab had with his camel. We had no room for registration and for emphasis on United Palestine Appeal activities, in the face of the tremendous deluge that looked like a Damascus bazaar.

Solomon Goldman
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I would like to tell Miss Aronsky and all others that they will be permitted to exhibit in a small room at Cleveland, but only beginning Sunday morning. Having these exhibits on Saturday night creates a great deal of confusion.

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Abraham L. Liebovitz
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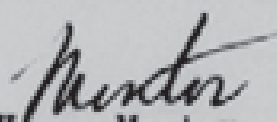
In view of the fact that a Cleveland person is involved, I would like to have your comment in this regard.

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With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Henry Montor

HM:ET

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MARIE ARONSKY
"HOLY LAND IMPORTS"
2760 Hampshire Road
Cleveland Heights, O.

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12/29/41

Mr. Monter
Executive Director,
U.P.A.
New York City

Dear Sir:

I am handling all Palestinian Industries for the
last 16 years since I came from Palestine and reside in
Cleveland.

Therefore, I believe it will be in place to have a
Palestinian exhibition at U.P.A. Conference which is going to
be in Cleveland January 16-17, 1942.

I trust I will have your kind permission for the above
exhibition.

Thanking you in advance, I am

With the Greetings of Zion.

Sincerely

Marie Aronsky

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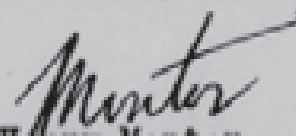
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a cablegram signed by Eliezer Kaplan and Leo Herrmann with reference to a cable in which I had advised them that there was no likelihood of any modification in the agreement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal for 1942, since that understanding had been arrived at before the war.

Do you have a reply that could be sent to Mr. Kaplan?

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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JANUARY 1, 1942.

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FOURHUNDREDTHOUSAND DOLLARS MEET ORDINARY NEEDS AND SUPPLY REQUIREMENTS
STOP PEREAPS CHESTFUND COULD ADVANCE ACCOUNT PLEDGES

ELIEZER KAPLAN LEO HERRMANN

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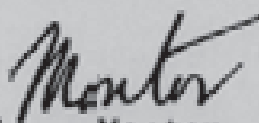
Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your request, I am sending you under separate cover a list of the men and women who have been invited to become members of the National Council for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal. The list consists of 3,800 names in New York and throughout the nation. The overwhelming bulk of the names is, of course, outside of New York, as you will see.

The Joint Distribution Committee National Council consists of a similar number of names.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE

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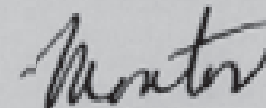
I am acknowledging your letter dated December 30th, having waited until you would receive the list of the Administrative Committee as approved by the Keren Hayesod and Keren Kayemeth. That list includes names which I have suggested from outside New York City. I have noted that of the 111 members of the Administrative Committee, 44 are from the country outside of New York. If only we could obtain participation by some of these outsiders in our meetings, it would certainly be most helpful and desirable.

I also wish that we could recruit from among the New Yorkers some of the men who are leaders in the campaign of the U.J.A. here.

Do you have any additional names to suggest beyond those that you have seen on the list as sent to you a few days ago?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE

P.S. Do you have any definite word from Mayor Lausche that he will greet the delegates on Saturday night?

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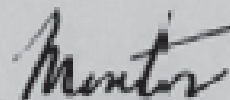
Dear Dr. Silver:

I shall be speaking to you about this beforehand, but I thought I ought to put in a note the fact that Dr. Stephen S. Wise will not be attending the Cleveland Conference on Sunday evening, since he has a standing engagement made a year ago to participate in the 90th anniversary ceremonies of Rabbi Morton Berman's congregation in Chicago.

Dr. Wise has therefore asked that if he is to participate in the Cleveland conference at all, it would have to be on Saturday night, since he would have to be leaving Saturday, midnight.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BG

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January 2, 1942

Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

Are there three competent stenographers who could be made available to us in connection with the work required to be done in connection with the National Conference in Cleveland?

These girls must have the following qualifications: they must be prepared to work on a wartime basis, which means to begin at any time and to end at no particular time; to be amenable to taking dictation, typing and anything else necessary for the good of the cause. To have them personally pleasing would, of course, be the ultimate objective.

Could you wire me or else let me know by special delivery whether such three people would be available so that we could guide ourselves accordingly? Naturally, we plan to pay those who are employed.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:BC

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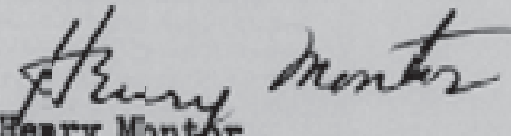
Here is another responsibility that I want to shift to your shoulders.

Could you ascertain for me what agencies, if any, there are in Cleveland which normally take photographs of public functions? In Washington previously we have had agencies badgering us to take photos of the luncheon and banquet sessions because they always hoped to sell quite a number to the participants. The UPA was usually given a number of free copies for the permission it granted to these agencies to take the photographs.

I am also interested in having the services of a photographer who could take candid photos and otherwise photograph delegates to the Cleveland conference for use in subsequent publicity. Perhaps you may know a proficient photographer on one of the Cleveland papers who would be prepared to take on the assignment.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

EM:BG

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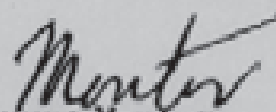
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Rabbi Doppelt of Fort Wayne, Indiana, who has indeed been most helpful to the United Palestine Appeal.

I am not acknowledging his letter from this office; inasmuch as he plans to be in Cleveland on January 8, you might wish to drop him a note, indicating whether or not you wish to use him while he is in Cleveland.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:ET

TEMPLE ACHDUTH VESHOLOM
500 West Wayne Street
Fort Wayne, Indiana

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December 31, 1941.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am in receipt of your communication to the effect that you are proposing my name for the National Council for Palestine. I appreciate the nomination and shall be glad to serve the cause of Palestine in whatever capacity you may call upon me.

It may interest you to know that beginning with January 25th I am going on a three week's lecture tour under the auspices of the Anti-Defamation League which will take me through a number of cities in Ohio and Pennsylvania. I have communicated with Mr. Schulson of the Z.O.A., offering to address Zionist groups in any of the cities on my itinerary. I am scheduled to be in Cleveland on February 8th, and if I can be of any service to you and the cause of Palestine, please do not hesitate to call upon me.

With kindest personal greetings and with best wishes for a victorious New Year, I am

Sincerely yours,

(signed) F. A. Doppelt

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January 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have procured Mr. Monsky to occupy
my pulpit on Sunday morning, January 13. This
I know will be a great relief to you.

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BX

P.S. I have just had word that Mayor Frank J. Lausche
has accepted our invitation.

THE JEWISH WELFARE FUND OF CHICAGO

128 North Wells Street

January 5, 1942.

Mr. Henry Montor, Executive Vice-Chairman
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

My dear Mr. Montor;

Your letter of December 29th, in which you ask about the response we are meeting in our current Jewish Welfare Fund campaign, and ask me to delineate the problems that seem to arise and devices being used to meet such problems and situations, has been before me for several days. It would require a good deal of writing on my part to be completely explicit about the problems and situations that have already appeared in our campaign. However, very briefly, this is the general and specific situation as I, personally, see it:

(1) There is no United Jewish Appeal so far as a national campaign is concerned. There is an announcement of an Appeal; there are speakers sent out; and there are some organizers sent into the small communities to put on campaigns. The general organization of a national campaign, which implies agreed upon and specific policies for the solicitation of funds; agreed upon and definitive national publicity programs; agreed upon and definitive policies with regard to solicitation of corporations; agreed upon and national attack upon giving by various classes of givers, etc. -- all of these are lacking. There is a great deal of difference between an appeal and a campaign, and the United Jewish Appeal has always remained an appeal. The principal reason for this is that it has not and under the circumstances under which it is organized and under which it raises funds, cannot receive the wholehearted cooperation of the communities. It is organized entirely apart from the communities. This is an immediate, substantial, and almost insuperable obstacle to the raising of large sums of money.

(2) In our community, and from my discussion with people from other communities, both lay and professional people, the primary psychological problem which we face, of course, is the desire on the part of American Jews this year to do everything they can for the war effort of the United States, and their difficulty in rationalizing the work of the J.D.C., U.P.A. and E.R.S. as part of that war effort. This is in spite of all the statements and apparently cogent arguments projected by the National Chairmen at meetings held here, and by such statements as emanate from the U.J.A. office.

(3) As for giving -- the upper brackets are giving less than they did last year. The middle and lower brackets will probably maintain their giving with some exceptions. We will, therefore, raise less in the large communities than we did last year -- possibly much less.

January 5, 1942.

(4) The large national campaigns directly associated with the war effort of the country are going to cut deeply into not merely the funds but more particularly into the ranks of workers and leaders. Currently, we are, in a sense, in competition with the Red Cross campaign. Later in the Spring there is going to be a \$30,000,000 national campaign for U.S.O. That will have a similar effect upon the workers and leaders of the Spring campaign.

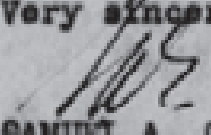
It should have been and would be part of the national campaign organization to reach understandings with these other national campaigns in order to have a working relationship with regard to the formulation of public opinion and with regard to timing of campaigns. That would have been helpful but it probably is too late to do anything about it. At any rate, we are currently suffering and other communities will suffer later on from competition with these efforts. These efforts, taken together with the usual Spring and Fall campaigns of the local Community Chests are going to leave very little by way of time and energy on the part of Jewish leaders, as well as of the entire community for the Welfare Funds.

Beyond all of this lies the grave problem of finding adequate support for local Jewish work which, in the larger communities is of such a volume and extent that it may require much more energy and time and a proportionately larger amount of the available money than it has hitherto.

(5) As for devices to meet these situations, they are many and I am sure well-known to you and your associates who are in touch with the various communities. There is the general device of expanding the middle-class and lower bracket giving which we have been doing over a period of time and on an intensive basis this year. There is the device of making responsible for the work those in the upper brackets of giving. This is not, in our instance at any rate, as productive as it has been in the past. There is, finally, the necessary device which we, to some extent, have been successful in obtaining through the national organizations, of having those high in the government service or responsible for the competitive war appeals, express themselves as finding it desirable and necessary that the United Jewish Appeals be supported as adequately as possible. This last will be the core of the situation that you will need to meet in the larger communities where all classes of givers face the necessity for participation in many local and national funds that have grown out of the war, in addition to the local and national funds that make the usual appeals.

A concrete suggestion that I would make to you and which could still be carried out, would be that the United Jewish Appeal bring together not more than fifty key people, lay and professional, for a full day's session in New York or in Chicago, or at some other point, for the purpose of integrating the campaign with the communities, and for the purpose of planning the campaign. Whereas our Chicago effort has been for the last several years the first effort in the country, I am inclined to believe definitely that this is the last year that we shall take upon ourselves this responsibility. If we are to have a national effort, it should be national and not dependent upon a local community for its impetus.

Very sincerely yours,


SAMUEL A. GOLDSMITH
Secretary

January 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Mr. Samuel Goldsmith of Chicago, referring to a letter which I wrote him on January 2. I do not recall any letter of mine to him as of that date. Was a letter sent to him from headquarters over my signature? If so, I should like to see it.

I read with interest Mr. Goldsmith's letter to you dated January 5. It gave me the chuckles. Here is a gentleman who refused to have anything to do with national headquarters of the UJA, but who is now trying to unburden the responsibilities of the Chicago campaign on to the shoulders of national headquarters. You will recall that he did not want Rabbi Jonah Wise and me to visit Chicago at the beginning of their campaign. We had to fight for the chance to talk to the members of his board about Chicago's inadequate giving in the past few years. Mr. Goldsmith more than anyone else is responsible for the steady deterioration in Chicago's giving. He has been producing alibis for his people right along. During our last visit, when we tried to challenge the members of his board to greater giving and to greater exertion, pointing to what other communities were doing, he told them that in relation to New York City, Chicago was doing very well indeed and that the percentage of the total campaign which was turned over to the UJA was no lower than in any other communities, dexterously avoiding the issue that the total amount raised was pitifully small.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

January 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

The difficulties which will confront the UJA in 1942 are quite apparent, and they are so grave. We will require a new approach and a new technique in 1942. It is therefore imperative that the Administrative Committee of the UJA, now that the Agreement is signed, should meet without any further delay to canvass the situation thoroughly and to lay plans for 1942. I would suggest that you get in touch with Mr. Hyman at once and have him speak to Mr. Warburg. Convey to him my strong recommendation that a meeting be held as soon after January 18 as possible.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

January 8, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Have you a fresh short Palestinian movie that we can show Friday evening at our home? I was thinking of having that interlude in the reception, or some music.

Along with the Executive Directors whom we have invited, I was also thinking of inviting the officers of the UPA to our home on Friday evening unless the number of executives is too large. I shall be pleased to receive from you the complete list.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

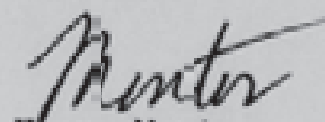
Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which was sent to Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith in connection with the opening of the campaign on January 7th. This is a standard form used for opening functions for 1942, because on several occasions, the U.P.A. has been criticized for not having its message available at such functions when the messages are read from the J.D.C. I trust that the contents of it will meet with your approval.

You must have received a copy of Mr. Goldsmith's letter to me dated January 5th even before I received it, for the letter came to me exactly the same time as your own comment on it did.

I believe that in one respect Mr. Goldsmith is right. That is, his indictment of the form of the U.J.A. campaign. It is undoubtedly true that for reasons which may or may not be necessary, there is a lack of that dynamic approach which should characterize a campaign of the magnitude of the U.J.A. I am sure I need not describe the reasons for that lack of dynamism. It is part of the structure into which the U.P.A. has woven itself.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Minton
Executive Director

HM:JB
Encl.

AIRMAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

January 2, 1942

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary
Jewish Welfare Fund
130 North Wells Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

As the leaders of the Jewish community of Chicago gather to open the 1942 Jewish Welfare Fund campaign on Wednesday evening, January 7th, I take pleasure in extending my warmest greetings and best wishes for the success of the appeal. I trust that you will present to those who attend, this message regarding the immediate program and necessities of the United Palestine Appeal.

The effect of the war upon the program of the agencies in Palestine financed by the United Palestine Appeal has been to increase rather than to diminish their tasks.

First, American Jewry ought to realize as the basis for the extension of its moral and material support of Palestine that it is today a bulwark of the democratic cause in the Middle East. Some 15,000 Palestine Jews have enlisted in the British army and many of them are today distinguishing themselves by gallantry in the drive across North Africa by the allied troops. Tens of thousands of Palestine Jews constitute the skilled workmen who are helping to manufacture and to repair the war machine upon which the Middle East command must depend. Palestine Jewry is mobilizing its maximum agricultural and industrial resources to provide food on the one hand, and, on the other hand, to cut down the amount of shipping space that is so urgently necessary for other purposes. The degree of interest which the American Government has in this sector of the war is illustrated by the fact that a lease-lend administrator is stationed in Palestine.

Secondly, the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund, which derive their income from American Jewry through the United Palestine Appeal, are playing a powerful role in every avenue of the war effort. It is the Jewish Agency which has served as the recruiting instrument for the thousands of Jews with the British army. It is the Jewish Agency which is stimulating the expansion of old plants and the erection of new ones, as well as the provision of raw materials for the manufacture of war supplies. It is the Jewish Agency which is serving as the registration instrument for the formation of the Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service which was launched last week. It should be noted that Palestine is the

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith

January 2, 1942

only sector of the British Empire with the exception of Canada, where women are being called into such war service. It is the highest tribute to be paid to the loyalty and skill of the Jewish women of Palestine. It is the Jewish Agency which is accelerating the production of food in the Jewish settlements throughout the country.

Thirdly, the following brief summary of the current responsibilities and prospects of the agencies supported by the United Palestine Appeal indicates their wide variety:

- (1) Immigration into Palestine continues from Syria, Turkey, Iran, Iraq, Yemen and Australia. The Jewish Agency has just applied for 6,000 additional immigration certificates because of the need of additional manpower for agricultural and industrial production.
- (2) The Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund have planned a program for the establishment of eight to ten colonies in the year 1942. Of these, four have already been started, two of them in the southernmost section of Palestine, only a few days ago. The extension of colonization is vital for the production of food for the civilian and military population, for the absorption of the immigrants who have come into the country and for the strengthening of the foundation of the Jewish homeland in relation to the absorptive capacity of the country.
- (3) The situation in the Middle East makes essential the continued maintenance of internal security measures against any eventuality. Everyone realizes that the Jews alone of all the peoples in the Middle East are unreservedly loyal to the democratic cause. It is because the Jewish Agency provided for the training of men during the past four years that it is now able to offer to the British Government a contingent of between 60,000 to 75,000 men for the formation of a Jewish army in Palestine.
- (4) The Jewish Agency, in its quasi-governmental role is playing a vital part in the stimulation of trade and industry and in the encouragement of artisans and small traders upon whom the wartime economy of Palestine depends in large part.
- (5) In order to provide for the thousands of young men and women who have been trained for agriculture and in order to consolidate the settlements that already exist, it is essential that at least some of the opportunities for land purchase now available should be utilized. The full size of the garrisons in Palestine is a military secret, but it is no secret that the various allies could use far greater amounts of all types of food products if the Jewish settlers could make them available.

To serve the war needs today and to strengthen the foundations of Jewish Palestine, it is vital to extend the areas of land in the possession of the Jewish National Fund.

These are the highlights of the program upon which the agencies financed by the United Palestine Appeal are now embarked. It is a budget involving the expenditure of \$8,037,527. In 1938, continental Europe provided 21.4% of the budgets of the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Fund. That share has now been reduced almost to the vanishing point. The necessity of increasing America's participation is obvious.

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith

January 2, 1942

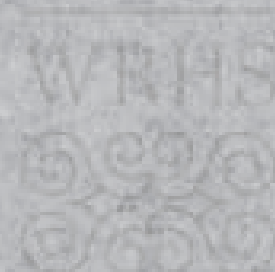
Never in the modern history of Jewish colonization in Palestine have two aims so closely coincided: the desire of America to aid every group and every individual fighting against the Axis and the desire of Jews to help salvage those who have escaped from Hitlerism.

The support of both of these aims will mean speeding of the day of victory for the American and democratic cause.

Very cordially yours,

ARS:QJB

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman



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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have decided to be in Cleveland all next week in order to clean up all the odds and ends, and to meet with you as frequently as your time will permit, to go over all the fine points of the program and the set-up of the 1942 U.P.A., and other matters relating to the U.J.A. as well.

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

I shall be stopping at the Hotel Statler. What time would it be convenient for you to have me come in to see you on Monday, if at all?

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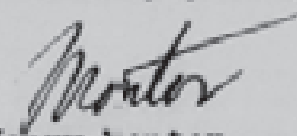
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"Copy for your Information"

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Tenth St. & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am directed by Dr. Silver, National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal, to advise you that in accordance with the nominations made by the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth, you are to be named a member of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal for 1942 at the National Conference of the U.P.A. to be held in Cleveland on January 17th and 18th.

The Administrative Committee is the governing body of the United Palestine Appeal, with all policies and activities of the organization being directed by it.

I would appreciate having confirmation from you of your willingness to accept membership on the Administrative Committee for the guidance of the National Conference.

With kindest regards and best New Year wishes,
I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

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MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF UJA COULD BE HELD ON THURSDAY EVENING, JANUARY 22ND. IT COULD BE IN THE FORM OF A DINNER AT 6:30 TO CONTINUE ALL EVENING SO THAT THERE COULD BE A THOROUGH DISCUSSION OF THE PROBLEM. WIRE WHETHER THIS DATE ACCEPTABLE TO YOU. REGARDS=

HENRY MONTOR.

UJA 22 6:30

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:HENRY MONTOR..

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January 16, 1942

My dear Mr. Montors:

There will be two pages of introduction to this address which are in the nature of a report of the 1941 Campaign.

Please see that this address is not distributed to anyone before the meeting tomorrow night -- Mr. Steinglass may, of course, wish to use it for his advance publicity. That is entirely satisfactory.

Very cordially,

AHS:BX
Enc.

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd STREET

MEMORANDUM

Date January 21, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Mentor

Subject

I am attaching, for your information, a copy of a memorandum received by the United Jewish Appeal.

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San Antonio, Texas

January 19, 1942

TO: Messrs. Montor and Coons
FROM: M. Robert Herman
Subject: San Antonio, Texas

U.J.A. meeting is called for today, but last night J.N.F. had fund-raising dinner for Mrs. Archibald Silverman. Same condition throughout Texas. Local big givers are wild and I am none too pleased. About 50% as much raised for J.N.F. as same givers pledge to entire welfare fund. Shapiro will report in more detail.

Over the week end U.A.H.C. held southwest convention in San Antonio and met many leaders from smaller towns throughout state. Julius Mark, Nashville, was main speaker. He is taking leave to go in Army as Chaplain. More after meeting today.

Regards.

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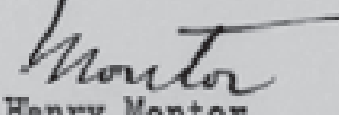
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending to your attention the attached exchange of correspondence with Mr. Lionel Weil of Goldsboro, North Carolina, in the event of an incident in the future which may require your knowledge of this situation.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


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LIONEL WEIL
GOLDSBORO, NORTH CAROLINA

January 14, 1942

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In my great bereavement your kind words of sympathy are deeply appreciated. Your thoughtfulness for me is indeed a sustaining influence in my present sorrow and loneliness. One of these days I hope to see you and thank you personally.

Sincerely,

(sgd)

Lionel Weil

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 Madison Ave.
New York City

December 23, 1941

Mr. Lionel Weil
H. Weil & Brothers
119 West Centre Street
Goldsboro, North Carolina

Dear Mr. Weil:

May I express my deep sympathy as you
mourn the untimely loss of your wife. All who
know you will share your grief at her passing.

Perhaps you will find some solace in
the realization that many feel keenly the void
which has been left in your life.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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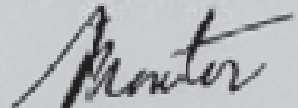
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I assume that you are sending a word of acknowledgment and appreciation to Mayor Frank Lausche for his part in welcoming the delegates to the Conference of the United Palestine Appeal in Cleveland.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

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FOLLOWING WIRE RECEIVED TODAY QUOTE SORRY THAT MY WORK
WITH DEFENSE COUNCIL PREVENTS MY LEAVING CITY BEFORE
CHICAGO MEETING. WILL HAVE TIME TO CONFER WITH YOU
CHICAGO DURING FRIDAY OR SATURDAY MORNING IF YOU WISH.
WILLIAM J. SCHRÖDER. UNQUOTE=

HENRY MONTOR.

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(Dictated January 31, 1942)

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

There was a meeting today at the office of the Joint Distribution Committee to discuss the Matzoth Fund which the JDC administered early in 1941, when it was still conducting an independent campaign under the title of the United New York Appeal. Present at the meeting were Morris Troper, Joseph Hyman, Moses Leavitt for the JDC, Mr. Max Ogust, who is the Chairman of the Council of Jewish Organizations for the JDC, and Mr. Blitz, who accompanied me to provide certain facts in regard to the United Jewish Appeal.

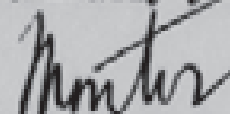
The JDC people uniformly took the position that the money was contributed by the Landsmanschaften, and that it constituted a transmittal item. The JDC ignored the fact that all the publicity referred to the Moes Schitem Campaign, and that the literature was issued from the office of the JDC or the United New York Appeal, which included the JDC and the NRS.

No amount of reiteration of these facts had any effect. The JDC said that the money had been spent, and that they were not going to be penalized at this late date. The fact that we have been trying to call attention to this matter since March 21, 1941, and that this was the first meeting which had been arranged was ignored.

The meeting, after about an hour and a quarter ended with my statement that the United Palestine Appeal could not accept as valid and binding the decision of the JDC. Since the JDC takes this position, I would recommend that the United Palestine Appeal withhold from the United Jewish Appeal the proceeds of the Night of Stars which normally comes to the United Jewish Appeal.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

January 23, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Enclosed herewith is a letter which Rabbi Silver received from Mr. H. L. Lurie. I am also enclosing a copy of Rabbi Silver's reply to it.

We'd appreciate it very much if you would kindly send us about a dozen of the mimeographed copies of Rabbi Silver's address delivered at the opening of the UPA Conference in Cleveland.

Thanks kindly, and best wishes.

Very sincerely yours,

BJE
Enc. - 2

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

January 23, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a letter and a brochure which are self-explanatory. The American Palestine Fund is going ahead with its solicitation in the communities. I think the matter ought to be discussed by our Executive and final action, affirmative or negative, taken.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ANS:BX

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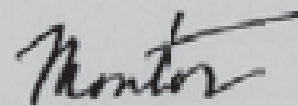
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which came to you from Dr. Julian Morganstern, President of the Hebrew Union College. It is not being answered from this office in view of the personal relationship between yourself and Dr. Morganstern.

Please let me have a copy of any letter which you address to Dr. Morganstern.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE
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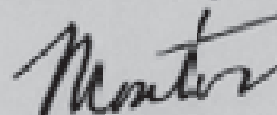
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Mr. Leon Falk, Jr., President of the Dominican Republic Settlement Association.

You will note his statement that he is "more than pleased to serve on the National Council for Palestine". In view of the attitude which he expresses, I think that everything possible should be done to cultivate his good will. He does not seem to be, according to Mr. Rosenbloom, the type of anti-Zionist whose interest in other places of settlement is linked to his anti-Zionism. On the contrary, he seems a good Jew who is troubled by the problem and who seems to find an outlet for his energies in this particular task. He is perhaps the type of man whom, by cultivation, we can bring closer to our work.

For that reason, I have undertaken to draft a letter which I am herewith submitting to you to see whether you approve of it. Kindly advise me whether the letter is satisfactory and has been sent off. If not, could you send me a copy of the letter which is finally written.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

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DOMINICAN REPUBLIC SETTLEMENT ASSOCIATION, Inc.

165 Broadway

New York

Ciudad Trujillo, R.D.

January 13, 1942

Rev.
Rabbi Abba H. Silver
National Chairman
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York City, N. Y.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I am in receipt of your letter of December 29, which was just forwarded to me in the Dominican Republic requesting my permission to having my name presented as a member of the National Council for Palestine. I note that the meeting will be held January 17th and 18th in Cleveland and wish indeed that I might be able to attend. As you probably know I have been giving practically all of my time to the immigration problem which I feel will be one of the major post war problems facing the Jewish people. The feeling of most well informed men with whom I have discussed the question including Dr. Chaim Weitzman, is that there will be at least three million Jews wishing to leave Europe when the war is over. All of us are thankful that Palestine presents a major focal point where these people might go and anything that I can do to contribute to the ability of Palestine to absorb large numbers will be gladly done.

I must say, however, that I recognize the impossibility of Palestine offering the complete solution and am therefore devoting my efforts in an attempt to find other lands to which these many millions might also go. It is indeed my hope that the time is not too far distant when all of us who are concerned with this problem might meet together and formulate a plan leading to an orderly presentation of the immigration problem which will confront us at the conclusion of the war.

In the meantime I will be more than pleased to serve on the National Council for Palestine.

Cordially yours,

(signed) Leon Falk Jr.

Leon Falk, Jr.

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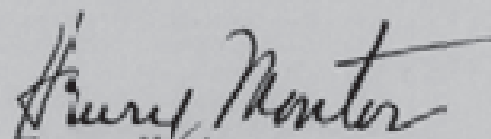
Dear Miss Kline:

Thank you for your letter of January 23rd, enclosing a letter which Dr. Silver received from Mr. H. L. Lurie, and the reply thereto.

In accordance with your request, there are being forwarded to you, under separate cover, 12 copies of Dr. Silver's address which he delivered at the opening of the National Conference for Palestine at Cleveland.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM/CRW

January 26, 1942.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Louis Lipsky
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At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal it was voted to appoint a committee to study the question of accounting of the national United Jewish Appeal in relation to the income of the New York U.J.A. Do you wish to indicate any names for that committee, which is supposed to report at the next meeting of the Executive Committee? Perhaps Messrs. Goldwasser and Liebovitz might be asked to consider the problem if that is agreeable to the other officers.

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

With kindest personal regards, I am

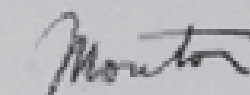
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HM:EH

January 27, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In reply to your letter of January 26 permit me to state that it is agreeable to me to have Messrs. Goldwasser and Liebovitz appointed to the committee to study the question of accounting of the national United Jewish Appeal in relation to the income of the New York UJA.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

January 27, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

You will recall that I mentioned over the phone the advisability of printing a few thousand copies of my address at the Conference. There have been many demands for it. I would suggest that this be done without much delay while the Conference is still fresh in the minds of people.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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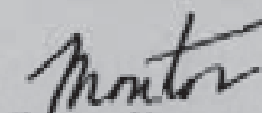
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith a letter from Richard Lichtheim dated December 26th with reference to work being done by the JDC in Europe.

I thought you might be interested in the feeling he exhibits regarding the American situation.

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE
Enc.

C O P Y

THE EXECUTIVE OF
THE ZIONIST ORGANISATION/ THE JEWISH AGENCY FOR PALESTINE
GENEVA OFFICE

Geneve 26.12.41
52 rue des Paquis

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

Dear Mr. Montor,

I received to-day by ordinary mail
your letters dated November 6,7,13,19 and memoranda
dated October 30, November 6,10,18.

I am afraid there will be no more
letters by ordinary mail, but fortunately the airmail
service by Clipper seems to continue.

I have just been informed that the
office of the Joint in Lisbon is closing down. Owing
to war conditions they will have to stop practically
all their relief work in Europe, perhaps with the
exception of unoccupied France and the few remaining
neutral countries like Switzerland, Sweden and Portugal.
This must mean something like a revolution in all their
plans for the 1942 campaign and I am sure that you will
make good use of this complete change which ought to
open up new possibilities for the UPA.

With kindest personal regards and in the
hope to hear from you as hitherto, I am dear Mr. Montor,

Very truly yours,

(Signed) R. LICHTHEIM

P.S.

I intend to remain here and to see
the thing through.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the meeting of the Executive Committee held in New York City prior to the National Conference, it was decided to name a committee which would go into the question of making up a list of nominees of members representing the United Palestine Appeal from the members and the Board of Directors of the New York United Jewish Appeal, as well as to help in the formulation of the by-laws of the New York United Jewish Appeal.

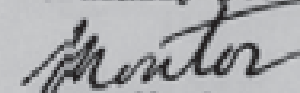
Mr. Lipsky, who was presiding as Chairman of the Executive Committee, named Rabbi Irving Miller as Chairman of a committee. No associates have been named with him. The question as to who is to represent the United Palestine Appeal among the members, as well as on the Board of Directors, is of great importance.

It would be very helpful if you could address yourself to Rabbi Miller, whose address is 701 Bolton Avenue, Far Rockaway, Long Island, New York, asking him to concern himself, as early as possible, with the getting up of a list of names. That list is then to be submitted to the Executive or Administrative Committee of the National United Palestine Appeal for action. Perhaps you might wish to name with Rabbi Miller as members of the committee, Dr. Israel Goldstein, Charles Ress, Sylvan Gotshal, David Wertheim, and myself.

If you send such a letter to Rabbi Miller I would appreciate receiving a copy.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:GG

C O P Y

Jan. 28, 1942

To HM from SSW

Is it true, Montor, that, according to a statement made to me by someone quoting Ed Norman, the ORT has already been taken into the New York UJA? I thought under the constitution that was impossible.

Will you permit me incidentally to observe that the "Montor-Blitz Krieg" is just rotten. I think your boss, Dr. Silver, ought to bend his energies to the solution of the problem of Montor-Blitz. Your relations seem to any quite impartial observer as intimate and cooperative as those of Admiral Kimmel and General Short. To me it is really sad. Blitz has charge of a big slice of our common work, and there is war. I have my views as to the causes of it. But I deplore it nonetheless. I am sure Dr. Silver does, and others who observe the state of mind between you and your distinguished lieutenant.

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January 29, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In printing my address, I would suggest that a certain number of copies should be printed beginning with the 5th paragraph: "At this juncture in world history, Jewish Palestine needs a two-fold need". These copies might be sent to public officials and non-Jews who would not be interested in the discussion of the first five paragraphs of the address. For general distribution, however, among our own people, the address in full should be used. The address as printed in the New Palestine omitted one or two paragraphs. I should like them included.

I have written to Dr. Morgenstern that he still wishes that his name should not be included on the Council of the UPA.

With all good wishes, I remain:

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BE
Enc. 2

January 29, 1942

SSW

HM

In answer to your memorandum of January 28th, I have no knowledge as to whether or not the Ort has been taken into the New York UJA. Mr. Blitz informed me some time ago during a casual meeting that pressure was being brought to bear upon Mr. Dubinsky to include the Ort into the UJA. Mr. Dubinsky was alleged to have said that if the Ort was not included he would withdraw all union support from the UJA.

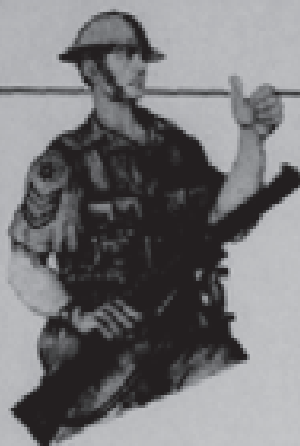
On the subject of my relationship with Mr. Blitz, this is of a purely personal and not of an official character. The officers of the Executive or Administrative Committee of the UPA have never seen fit to make it clear that as National Executive Director of the UPA I had absolute authority over Mr. Blitz, as over any other employee of the UPA. On the contrary, when last year I asked for specific authority in the New York situation, several of the National Chairmen and other New Yorkers made it very clear that I was asking for authority which I had no right to acquire and that "New York can take care of its own".

The whole relationship between New York City and the UPA has been an anomalous one. There is no formal or legal manner by which any relationship exists between myself and Mr. Blitz who is an employee of and paid by the New York UJA and, as such, cannot be controlled by the New York UPA which does not exist.

If I were so minded, I assume that I, too, could feel that I am an employee of the National UJA by whom my salary is paid. If I were to restrict myself completely by the National UJA I am sure that I could save myself a great deal of time and energy. It may, in fact, be significant to some of the officers of the UPA that a complete national organization is in operation requiring as careful supervision and administration as in any other national Jewish body.

Whatever services I give to the UPA I do because I happen to believe that it is one of the few effective instruments for creating and maintaining interest in Palestine. Unfortunately, New York is a lost province for the New York UPA. Ultimately, the way to solve it will be to say to Mr. Montor that he should exercise his authority as National Executive Director in New York or that someone should be put in his stead. --Perhaps that someone might be Mr. Blitz, who has proved his capacity to supervise the New York situation.

HM:BC



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Henry Montor

I am requested by Dr. Abba Hillel Silver to advise you formally that at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal held at Cleveland on January 18, 1942, you were named a member of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

It is a pleasure to transmit this information to you and to thank you for the cooperation which the cause of Palestine upbuilding has consistently had from you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EC

"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, *Secretary of the Navy*

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February 3, 1943

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

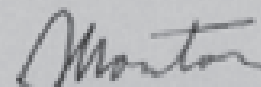
I am sorry that I had no opportunity of saying goodbye to you following the session on Monday morning at Chicago. I did want to say that, as usual, you delivered a remarkable address which seemed to be considered by all the delegates as the highlight of the Conference.

At the succeeding luncheon session, where the techniques of fund-raising were discussed, the dominant impression seemed to be your speech and it was referred to by Edwin Schanferber of Columbus, who had told me privately that he thought the Palestine session was splendid in all respects. Considering all the difficulties with which the Council sessions were attended, I think that the opportunity we had of presenting the Palestine story seemed to be of supplementary value to the Cleveland gathering.

I am leaving on Thursday night for the Southwest and shall end up my tour by visiting with budget committees in Kansas City and St. Louis before my return to New York the middle of the month. The office will know my whereabouts so that, in the event we need to communicate with each other quickly, you will know where I can be reached.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

February 4, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

Mr. Charles A. Cowen writes me that he missed his name among the National Council membership although we had written to him on December 29 stating that his name was being proposed. This was evidently an oversight and his name should be included.

Please write to Mr. Cowen to that effect. His address is 10 Sheridan Square, New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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February 4, 1942.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

You will recall that the Agreement constituting the 1942 United Jewish Appeal requests that "the Allotment Committee shall be named not later than February 15".

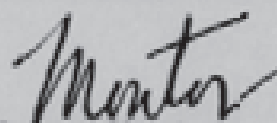
No discussions have yet been initiated with respect to the Allotment Committee, but I assume that the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, if no one else, will soon begin correspondence, etc.

Last year the question arose as to whether the men who were then members of the Allotment Committee should be retained. A different group was named, consisting of Messrs. Frederick Greenman, Samuel Markell and Amos Deinard.

Would you suggest the retention of these, or should there be a discussion of others?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:ET

February 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

You will recall, I am sure, Dr. Jerome Gross who played so beautifully at my home at the reception to the delegates. Dr. Gross will appear in a recital in Town Hall on February 27 and it would be a generous gesture of reciprocity if we could pass the word down among our friends in New York City to turn out for this recital. Dr. Gross has been so generous of his time and services to Palestine and all Jewish causes in our city. I am sure that those who will attend the concert will be amply rewarded.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

MEMORANDUM

Date February 5, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

I am attaching, for your approval, a letter which is to be sent to the Secretary of the Treasury, Henry Morgenthau, Jr., in connection with the conference being planned by the United Jewish Appeal.

HM:bg

Enc.

February 5, 1942

Hon. Henry Morgenthau, Jr.
Secretary of the Treasury
Treasury Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Morgenthau:

We are confronted with a problem on which we should like very much to have your counsel. A number of people in various sections of the country are saying that in view of our participation in the war it is unpatriotic to send funds abroad.

Although we are, of course, aware of the enormously heavy schedule under which you are operating, we should deeply appreciate the privilege of a meeting with you, at your convenience, in Washington during the coming days to consult with us upon the means of answering this question most effectively.

We have in mind calling a private, small, select meeting of Jewish leaders with whom we can take up the problem of increased support for the United Jewish Appeal and are therefore particularly eager to have the benefit of your advice.

We look forward to the pleasure of meeting with you in Washington or in any other city of your choice.

Sincerely yours,

William Rosenwald

Abba Hillel Silver

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National Chairman

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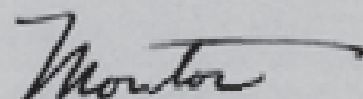
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am attaching, for your information,
a copy of a letter which has been received by
the United Jewish Appeal from the Jewish
Federation of Texarkana, Texas.

Inasmuch as we are likely to receive
a number of such letters during the course of
the campaign, I should appreciate having word
from you regarding the type of answer we should
make.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

EM:rh
Enc.

W. Silver

February 5, 1942

Mr. Edward A. Norman
American Palestine Fund, Inc.
60 Beaver Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Norman:

My attention has been called to a form letter which you seem to have circulated throughout the United States. It has reference to conversations which you have held with Judge Louis Levinthal and with representatives of the United Palestine Appeal in regard to the American Palestine Fund.

Some of the community leaders who have received the letter have taken it for granted that the American Palestine Fund has already been fully endorsed and that it has the complete participation of American Zionist leadership. I am sure that you did not wish to give that impression before the fact was true.

Do you not agree that this matter of advising the communities of current discussions as a basis for bolstering the campaign appeal may not be properly understood?

The particular reason for my writing to you is that I had not been advised by Judge Levinthal of his statement to you that "I have been authorized by Judge Louis E. Levinthal to tell welfare funds that negotiations have been carried on and are practically completed for the inclusion of important representatives of the Zionist movement in the Directorate of the American Palestine Fund."

With kindest personal regards, and looking forward to an early opportunity of meeting with you, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:ES

February 5, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In looking over the financial statement of the UJA, I find that included among the voluntary speakers whose traveling expenses were paid by the UJA was Mr. William Rosenwald and that he received between March 15 and December 31, 1941, the sum of \$3,955.70. Just what traveling did Mr. Rosenwald do for the UJA to warrant this staggering item of expense? Does it cover his trip to the Pacific Coast in behalf of the NRS early in 1941? If so, then Troper and I who also toured the Pacific Coast are pikers when it comes to sending in expense accounts. By the way, what was my expense account for the Pacific trip, and who paid it, the UJA or the UPA?

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

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February 5, 1942

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

There was a meeting on Wednesday, February 4th, called by Rabbi Irving Miller at the U.P.A. office. He invited Charles Ress, Dr. Israel Goldstein, David Wertheim and the other people to whom you had referred in your letter to him recently. Those who attended the meeting, which was a luncheon session, were Mr. Charles Ress, Rabbi Miller, Samuel Blitz and myself.

I have no doubt that Rabbi Miller will communicate with you.

A list was gone over and the ten who were suggested for Membership on the Corporation of the New York United Jewish Appeal included Nathan Straus, Sylvan Gotshal, Charles Ress, Abraham L. Liebovitz, Jacob Sincoff, Rabbi Irving Miller, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Louis Lipsky.

Mr. Blitz advised that the ORT has applied to the New York United Jewish Appeal. The request is for \$150,000. Apparently a number of officers of the New York United Jewish Appeal remembering the experience of the previous campaign two years ago are not happy at the thought. Mr. Blitz believes, however, and apparently some others in the campaign also believe that way, that to reject the ORT would alienate Mr. David Dubinsky, ORT sponsor, who is very anxious to have the ORT included. Mr. Blitz feels that an amount of \$50,000 should be offered to the ORT more as a matter of preventing it from sabotaging the campaign than from concern for its interests or belief in the value it offers to the fund-raising campaign.

A committee of the New York United Jewish Appeal consisting of Miss Ethel Wise, Abraham L. Liebovitz and

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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February 5, 1942

Abner Bregman seems to favor this suggestion.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE



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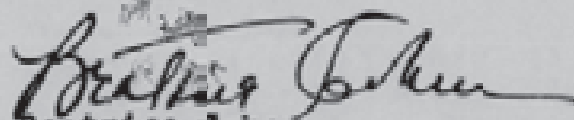
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of February 4th, addressed to Mr. Montor, with reference to Mr. Charles A. Cowen.

Mr. Cowen's name is included among those who have been offered membership on the National Council. The attached is a copy of a letter which has been forwarded to him.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


Beatrice Cohen
Secretary to Mr. Montor

BC:EE
ENC.

February 9, 1942

Mr. Charles A. Cowen
10 Sheridan Square
New York City

Dear Mr. Cowen:

It is my pleasure to inform you that at the National Conference of the United Palestine Appeal held in Cleveland on January 18, 1942, you were named a member of the National Council for Palestine of the United Palestine Appeal. This was a token of appreciation of the service you are rendering within your own community to the cause of Palestine upbuilding.

From time to time, we hope to make available to you information with respect to the important phases of progress in Palestine.

Looking forward to a year of effective cooperation to speed the upbuilding of the Jewish Homeland, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Office of Dr. Wise
40 West 68 Street,
February 11, 1942.

Dr. Silver

Mr. Henry Montori
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42 Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Montori:

I understand that Goldmann, Miss Shultz or Lipsky spoke to you about a year's leave of absence for Kadis, who, I assume, with your approval and sanction, is coming into the work of the American Jewish Congress.

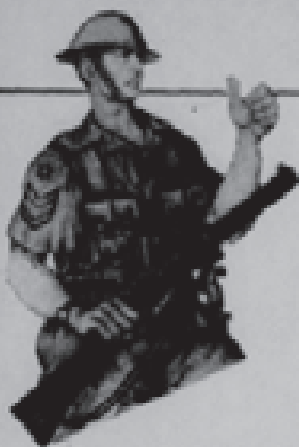
Naturally, Mr. Kadis would not like to give up his place and status in the UPA or UJA, and I know you will be good enough to make possible his transfer to us by authorizing a leave of absence for one year without loss of status.

Mrs. Wise and I are to leave New York early tomorrow morning and shall settle down somewhere within the next three or four days. If you will telephone to Miss Schwartz or to Miss Meyer, at the Synagogue House (Miss Willig is no longer with us), you will learn where I can be communicated with. But you understand, of course, that I will make no addresses. I must have absolute rest while away from New York.

All good wishes!

Yours,

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

In Mr. Montor's absence from the city, I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of February 11th and complying with the request contained therein.

Under separate cover there are being forwarded to you 300 copies of your Cleveland address, copy of which is enclosed.

Also enclosed is a reprint of your address which was circulated thus far to all the senators and congressmen at Washington.

With kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Beatrice Cohen
Secretary to Mr. Montor

BC:EE
ENC. 2

"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, *Secretary of the Navy*

February 16, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I would suggest that the copy of my Conference Address (in the short form) be sent to the select list of key people, Senators and some Congressmen, and the non-Jewish members of the Palestine Council (Mr. Neumann's Committee) and in the fuller form to heads of welfare funds, to all the members of the Boards of the American Jewish Committee and the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds. I should like to put it in the hands of as many non-Zionists as possible.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK

MEMORANDUM

Date February 16, 1943

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

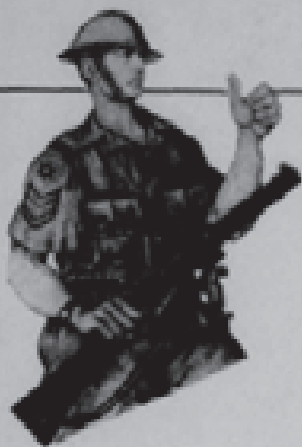
Subject Proposed UJA Conference

All arrangements regarding the proposed UJA Conference are, at the moment, being held up. Dr. Wise has informed Mr. Coons that he prefers to do nothing on the question until he has had an opportunity to discuss the whole matter with you in detail.

Accordingly the letter to Secretary Morgenthau has not yet been sent.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Under separate cover, there is being sent to you a specially engrossed copy of the resolution adopted in appreciation of your leadership at the United Palestine Appeal Conference held in Cleveland.

To my mind, this is the smallest token the United Palestine Appeal can offer you for four years of very hard labor.

With kindest personal regards,
I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:CEE

"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

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MEMORANDUM

Date February 17, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

I am attaching hereto a copy of a letter Mr. Coons and I have received from Professor Eli Ginzberg.

HM:rh
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February 18, 1942

Dr. Stephen S. Wise
40 West 68 Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Wise:

This will acknowledge your letter of February 11, in which it is stated that Mr. Isidor Kadis is planning to enter the service of the American Jewish Congress and that it is desired that Mr. Kadis be given "a leave of absence for one year without loss of status".

May I point out that the anomalous character of the United Palestine Appeal makes completely impossible any such action. Mr. Kadis is an employee of the United Jewish Appeal of New York City. He has been that since January 1, 1939. The national office of the United Palestine Appeal has no jurisdiction over Mr. Kadis. As Executive Director of the United Palestine Appeal, I have never exercised any authority over Mr. Kadis and had no relations with him except for cordial, personal contact.

It would seem to me that the situation is one to be acted upon solely as between Mr. Kadis and the New York United Jewish Appeal.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

EM:BC

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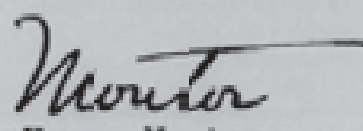
Dear Dr. Silver:

It is suggested by the leaders of the Houston campaign that you send a personal letter to the 210 major contributors to the Houston campaign. I am, therefore, sending you the draft of such a letter for your approval.

If this is satisfactory, please have Miss Kline wire me to that effect in order that the letters may go out immediately.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:rh
Enc.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

*National Chairman
United Jewish Appeal for Refugees
and Overseas Needs*

February 18, 1942

Dear _____:

Under the vigorous leadership of Mr. William Salman, the Jewish community of Houston is preparing to mobilize its resources so that the task of aiding our people, wherever they may be reached, can be speeded.

Through the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service, which comprise the United Jewish Appeal, American Jewry is supplementing the effort of our own government to sustain the life and spirit of those people who were the first victims of Hitlerism and who stand out today as the symbols of the eventual destruction of the Axis powers.

Millions of Jews in Russia, France, Switzerland, Portugal, North Africa, South America and elsewhere depend upon us for the comradeship that will enable them to survive. In Palestine, which is becoming increasingly the concern of the United Nations, the Jewish community of 550,000 stands fast in its defense of the democratic cause. In upholding their hands we strengthen the defense of our own frontiers. Provision for the integration of the refugees in America is an essential part of meeting our responsibilities as Jews and as Americans.

Jews realize that the winning of the war will mean devotion and sacrifice. It is a war which has not only a military front but also a humanitarian front. The defense of both runs in parallel lines -- both have the same objective, that is, the rescue from despair and defeat of those oppressed or threatened by enslavement by the Axis powers.

Having had the pleasure of meeting the leadership of Houston, I know it can be relied upon in the coming weeks to give Mr. Salman that measure of support which will enable the United Jewish Appeal to carry forward with its tasks, involving life or death for countless numbers of our people.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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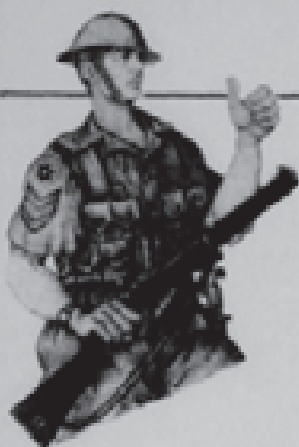
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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd ST.
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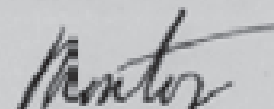
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of an acknowledgment of the receipt of your Cleveland speech from Mr. James G. McDonald. All the members of the President's Advisory Committee received the speech.

I imagine that you want to acknowledge this note to Mr. McDonald directly. He has, as you know, been most helpful and cooperative with the U.P.A. in recent years.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
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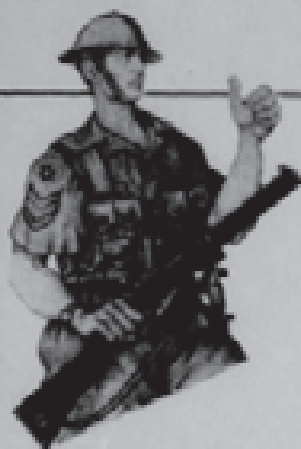
Dear Dr. Silver:

Congratulations on the stirring piece, "In War and Peace".

It is splendid, too, to have Secretary Knox's vigorous endorsement.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed) JAMES G. McDONALD



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Dear Dr. Silver:

With Bernard Stone now representing the U.P.A. exclusively, he is engaged in the task of building up conferences of the U.P.A. One of these is to be held in Los Angeles, another in San Francisco, and a third in the Northwest area.

Charles Brown, Chairman of the Southland U.P.A. Council, has written to urge your availability as the guest of honor at the conference to be held in Los Angeles on April 12th. Would it be possible for you to accept that date? Your presence on the West Coast at that time could also be helpful to the U.J.A. I do hope that you can let me know within the week, since it will take a great deal of time and careful planning if the Los Angeles conference is to be worth all the effort and energy that will be invested in it.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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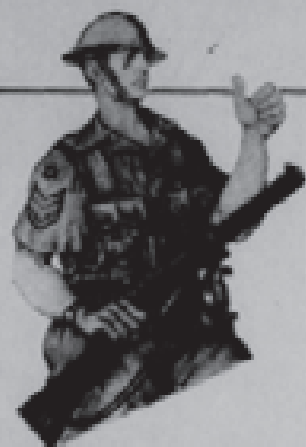
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have just returned from a two weeks' visit throughout the country on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal. I went to such places as San Antonio, Corpus Christi, Beaumont, Galveston, Kansas City, Saint Louis, Des Moines. Everywhere I found a great readiness to continue giving and even to give more, but it all depends on leadership. Wherever there is aggressiveness and militancy, the Jews are prepared to follow that line, but wherever there is indecision among the leaders, there is even greater bewilderment among the communities as a whole. It is the old story of the value of leadership accentuated by the general confusion prevailing at this time.

The optimism which I had this year in contrast to previous years has been corroborated by my actual contacts in the communities. At the same time I recognize that the crazy system which is the U.J.A. cannot possibly take advantage of the moral impulses which exist in the Jewish communities of America. The U.J.A. has been reduced to the lowest common denominator in intelligence and emotional drive. The effect shows financially. Apparently when there is a wedding of a stone and a flower, even the flower turns to stone.

I should like to report to you at greater length on what the general attitude of the communities is, except that I believe that you are even now preparing to leave for the West Coast for your visit to San Francisco. In accordance with your previous conversation on this subject, I have not communicated with any of our friends in that city.

In this letter I want to touch briefly on several of the matters that have arisen during my absence from the city. These have, I believe, been taken care of promptly by Dr. Braunstein and by Miss Cohen.

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On the subject of Mr. Rosenwald's contribution, I note that Mr. Rosenbloom has been in touch with you directly from Florida. I should imagine that it would be just as fair for you to take the entire bill of expenses which you incur for the U.P.A. in any one year and submit the bill to the U.J.A. for reimbursement. That is exactly what Mr. Rosenwald did. Of course, it loses its mercenary aspect when it is recalled that a check for the same amount or an even larger sum is immediately turned over to the New York City United Jewish Appeal as Mr. Rosenwald's contribution. In the first place, the expenses of the N.R.S. are less by this system. In the second place, I believe that there is some counter-value on income taxes. In the third place, the U.J.A. national expenses go up.

I am wondering whether your attitude toward the Santo Domingo project as described in your letter of February 6th can be most helpful to our common purposes at this time. Such a statement from you at this stage can only be interpreted as an endorsement. The Dominican Republic Association is engaged in a very effective drive throughout the country. It is a drive which has the moral support of the J.D.C. officers and personnel. In the case of the J.N.F., I am in receipt of daily memoranda from field men of the U.J.A., as well as from officials of the Welfare Funds who wonder why the J.N.F. should engage in campaigns aside from the share which the U.P.A. has in the U.J.A.

I realize that the parallel between the J.N.F. and the DORSA is not complete, because by law, DORSA is a completely separate corporation and its receipts do not accrue to the J.D.C., but it is equally clear that DORSA has not only the moral but the financial participation of the J.D.C. office. The DORSA project is even more important from the point of view of principle than from the \$200,000 or \$300,000 that will undoubtedly be deducted from the U.J.A. allotments to make up its quota.

The idea that five or six men can foist a project upon a community and ask that community to finance it after the sponsors have gotten tired of spending their own money, even though they have not gotten tired of the project itself, is one which you have very consistently attacked. Up to this time, and in my absence, the U.J.A. when it has been called upon to answer inquiries on the Sosua project, and these inquiries are multiplying, has used your statement; that is, that the U.J.A. has no connection with the project, that it is an independent enterprise, that the communities must use their own judgment as to whether and to what extent it is deserving of support, and that in any event inquiries should be referred to the Council of Federations and Welfare Funds.

The necessities arising out of our relationship to the U.J.A. may require a noncommittal answer of that type, but I am wondering for your sake whether you want to be the author of such recommendations.

On the subject of the U.J.A. national conference on which I had thought there was some agreement, there seems to have been a deadlock during my absence. I find that Rabbi Wise has some reservations on the

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subject. He has indicated that he has been or will be in direct communication with you on it. I wonder whether you have any advice following your conversations or correspondence with Rabbi Wise. The unwillingness of the J.D.C. to engage in this project may be related to its persistent unwillingness to center attention on the U.J.A. as an entity of its own. It may also be due to the unwillingness of many J.D.C. officers to sponsor the assembling of more than five or six Jews at one time in any one place. Personally, I think it is a good idea, even though I recognize that it can easily be spoiled by the time the four hundred cooks who would be employed in dishing up the ingredients get through with their enterprise.

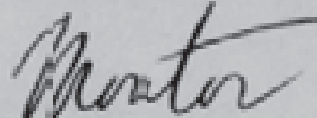
I am hoping that you may be in New York immediately after your visit to the Coast, so that you and Rabbi Wise and Mr. Rosenwald can get down to the heart of this and related problems.

I am meeting today with Mr. Blitz on the subject of the New York City Ort, and looking forward to having regular meetings with him at least once a week so that we can clear problems of relationship between the National and the New York scenes.

I have written to Mr. Rosenbloom, suggesting that he call an early meeting of the Budget Committee of the U.P.A. and the Finance Committee of the Z.O.A. Mr. Rosenbloom usually spends the complete month of February in Florida. Possibly he will want to call a meeting in Pittsburgh. In any event, I shall advise you as soon as I hear from him.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Mentor
Executive Director

HM:JB

February 20, 1942

Mr. Mendel N. Fisher

Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter which I have sent to Miss Blanche Renard of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, who had written to me as per copy attached on February 13th, enclosing a copy of the letter to you dated the same day.

This will also acknowledge your memorandum of February 16th in which you suggest that "we ought to have a consultation before replying".

I must say unequivocally that it is the responsibility of the J.N.F. to answer every single inquiry addressed to you by Miss Renard. I shall, of course, be most happy to meet with you for the framing of such answers as you may wish to make, but certainly the answers should be responsive, factual, and as detailed as are required. I cannot think of any more serious injury that could be done to the J.N.F. and to the U.P.A. and to the cause of Palestine than the necessity for such a question as was raised at the Palestine session at the Council meeting in Chicago on February 2nd. Under the circumstances I think it is more imperative than ever that your answers be prompt and detailed.

Perhaps we could meet on Tuesday to go over the material. In the meantime, I would suggest that you have your office compile it as carefully as you know how. Please advise me what time on Tuesday would be most convenient for you.

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Dr. Fisher

February 20, 1942

Miss Blanche Renard, Secretary
Committee on National Jewish Agencies
Council of Jewish Federations & Welfare Funds
New York City

Dear Miss Renard:

Because of my absence from the city on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal, I have not been able to acknowledge earlier your letter of February 18th, to which was attached a copy of the letter which you addressed on the same date to Mr. Mendel Fisher, Executive Director of the Jewish National Fund.

I believe that you are warranted in receiving complete answers to every question that you have presented, and I am sure the Jewish National Fund will be happy to cooperate with you. I am communicating with Mr. Fisher on the subject to see that the material which may take some time to gather is placed at your disposal as quickly as possible. Please advise me if within the next ten days you do not receive the material in which you are interested.

Attached hereto is a copy of the agreement constituting the 1942 United Jewish Appeal, which has reference to permission to the Jewish National Fund to engage in its traditional collections. The other questions can more appropriately be answered by the Jewish National Fund.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

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Dr. Silver

COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS & WELFARE FUNDS
165 West 46th Street
New York City

February 13, 1942

Mr. Henry Montor
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Montor:

Because of the frequent inquiries we have received concerning Jewish National Fund appeals outside of the United Jewish Appeal, both by letter and at the Assembly in Chicago, I am directing the attached letter to Mr. Fisher with the hope that we will be able to secure sufficient information to explain why any collections made by the Jewish National Fund outside of the UJA.

I am sending this to you for your information, but I am hoping that you may also be of some assistance to us in interpreting the question of JNF collections.

With thanks in advance,

Cordially,

(Signed) Blanche Renard, Secretary
Committee on National Jewish Agencies

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JEWISH NATIONAL FUND
41 East 42nd Street
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MEMORANDUM

February 16, 1942

To : Mr. Henry Montor

From: Mr. Mendel N. Fisher

Attached herewith is a communication received from Miss Renard which I have immediately acknowledged. Some very fundamental things are involved and I think we ought to have a consultation before replying. I also want to make sure that it is in harmony with the arrangements made by the U.P.A. with the National Council, for Miss Renard is asking us not only for an audited statement but also for a detailed reply to the various questions propounded in her communication.



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165 West 46th Street
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Mr. Mendel E. Fisher, Executive Director
Jewish National Fund of America
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

Dear Mr. Fisher:

We have had a number of inquiries concerning the Jewish National Fund collections outside of the United Jewish Appeal in 1941.

Would you please send us your complete certified financial audit for the year 1941 and such other information as would enable us to prepare a statement answering the questions which have been posed by welfare funds.

What seem to be the particular questions raised are:

1. What is the agreement with the UJA which permits of collections by the JNF outside the UJA appeal?
2. What traditional devices are used and how much was collected in 1941 through each of these devices?
3. Does the JNF solicit direct contributions for special projects? If so, how much was raised for such projects in 1941?
4. How much was received from each of the agencies which collect funds and transmit them through the American office of the JNF to the Keren Kayemeth? (Hadaassah, Pioneer Women's Organization, Zionist Organization of America, etc.)
5. What receipts (by source) directly received by the JNF are transferred to the UJA for distribution as between its beneficiaries?
6. Do you have any record of costs involved in your various forms of collection by local groups where you receive a net amount, and can you classify your receipts on the basis of those that do and those that do not involve payment of fund-raising costs from your national office?
7. What in general is the form and scope of your fund-raising efforts classified by method and type of solicitation?

Perhaps there is other information you might suggest as a means of clearly interpreting the process of collections for JNF outside the UJA.

We will, of course, submit to you any statement prepared, before it is distributed. There is no doubt of the fact that welfare funds are anxious to understand and adequately interpret JNF collections to their contributors, and we hope to be able, with your assistance, to answer their questions.

With personal greetings to you,

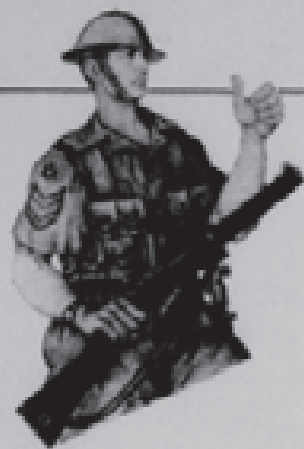
Sincerely yours,

(Signed) BLANCHE RENARD, Secretary
Committee on National Jewish Agencies

P.S. Since dictating this letter we have had an inquiry about the Jewish National Fund state organization in Wisconsin, which seems to be campaigning for funds. We are asked by one of our members in Wisconsin why an appeal is being made for the JNF, when the agency is a beneficiary of the UPA, which in turn receives funds from the United Jewish Appeal.

Will you please give us information about the purpose of and type of appeal now being made on a state-wide basis in Wisconsin.





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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be interested to know that I have this day approved a bill for \$1,238.00, which represents the cost to the United Palestine Appeal of the special issue of The New Palestine which covered the Cleveland Conference of January 17th and 18th. This is in accordance with the previous agreement with the Zionist Organization of America.

I think you ought to know, however, that I continue to believe that this is an unwarranted expenditure and is typical of the kind of "service" which the United Palestine Appeal receives from the Zionist Organization of America.

With kindest personal regards, I am

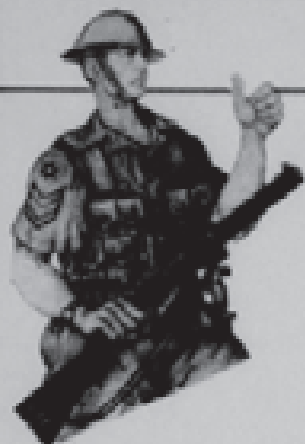
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Dear Dr. Silver:

This is to advise you, in answer to your letter of February 16th, that all the people to whom reference is made in your letter have been sent copies of your Cleveland address.

In addition to the copies sent by us to Senators and Representatives, some 550 copies were given to the Emergency Committee for distribution to a supplementary list of members of the American Palestine Committee.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

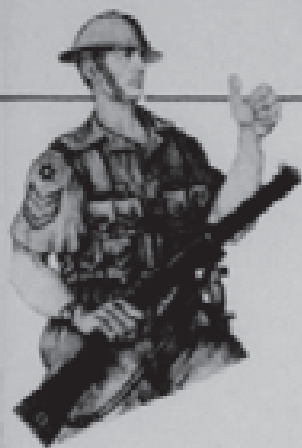
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Inasmuch as a meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal is scheduled for Monday, March 16th at 4:00 p.m., do you not feel it would be advisable to have a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal that same evening?

You will note that we have had no meetings of the Administrative or Executive Committees since the UPA Conference was held in Cleveland. There may not be any immediately urgent matters to take up, but as a matter of keeping the United Palestine Appeal intact and giving its officers a sense of continuity, I am sure you will agree that it is helpful to have more regular gatherings. Do you think that 8 o'clock would be a satisfactory time for such a UPA meeting?

With kindest personal regards, I am

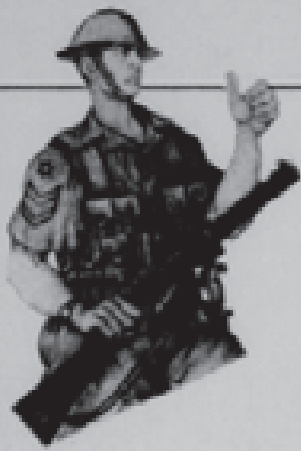
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Dear Dr. Silver:

It occurs to me that it would be an excellent idea to have a meeting of the National Council for Palestine of the UPA in New York in the latter part of April. This would give us another fine opportunity to fix attention on the work of the UPA. Primarily, of course, we must depend on attendance of members of the Council from New York City and vicinity, but we shall also send invitations to the other members throughout the country.

In the first place, we have had criticism in the past from people who are annually elected to membership on the National Council who feel that the membership means nothing and that they are never called to any meetings to hear a report or to discuss UPA affairs.

In the second place, such a gathering gives us a perfect opportunity to get some of the stimulating publicity which we had in connection with the National Conference at Cleveland. Naturally, it cannot be on the same scale but the benefits, I think, would be great, particularly in the New York area.

My thought is that we could have a luncheon meeting on Sunday and an afternoon session. Please advise me if you agree with this idea. What date would be most convenient to your calendar, because obviously the success of the gathering would be bound up with your attendance at it. We might want to get one or two other speakers to dress up the affair. Do you have any particular type of speaker in mind upon whom I could work?

With kindest personal regards, I am,

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

As I advised you previously, copies of your Cleveland address were sent to the Executive Directors of all Welfare Funds with the suggestion that we can make additional copies available for distribution among their leading personalities. This was in addition to the copies that we had sent directly to many key people.

I note that Boston has asked for 250 copies for distribution among its biggest givers.

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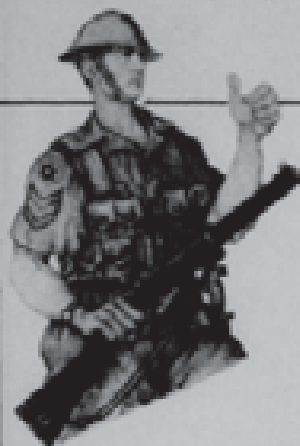
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I wonder whether you have had a chance to read the minutes of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Z.O.A. of January 10th, as released with a covering letter of February 13th.

I am amused by the inaccuracies and deliberate mis-statements which abound in these digests of what are purported to be factual statements made on the subject of the United Palestine Appeal.

I notice that one gentleman made a very long statement on what he is alleged to have said at a meeting of the United Palestine Appeal in regard to Z.O.A. allotments. It happens that the record shows that for years he has never attended a meeting of the UPA except for three minutes that he happened to pop in some time last year; but at no time did he make any statement whatsoever.

Undoubtedly, you must find the version of what happened at Chicago, in its effect upon the UPA, particularly amusing.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

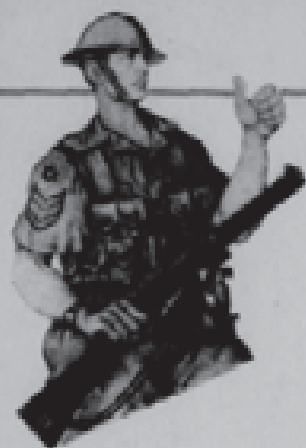
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Dear Dr. Silver:

As a result of the observations made by yourself and Dr. Wise I decided that it rested with me to come to some understanding with Mr. Blitz so that the work of the United Palestine Appeal could be improved. Accordingly I met with him and had a very pleasant and thoroughgoing discussion which I trust will be the basis for a coordinated relationship in the coming year. I am hoping that Mr. Blitz and I can meet at least once a week to go over common problems and I shall be able to report to you on matters of interest in relation to the New York campaign.

1. Mr. Blitz advises me that there has been little progress in connection with the Ort matter. A great deal of pressure is being applied by Mr. David Dubinsky and other Union leaders, and also by Mr. Alexander Kahn who is not only a member of the Board of the Joint Distribution Committee but also manager of the "Jewish Daily Forward" which is the keystone in the Ort structure. Mr. Blitz says that the demands of the Ort are so excessive that few people in the New York United Jewish Appeal are interested in yielding. He stated that Mr. Bregman and Mr. Rosenwald are both opposed to the inclusion of Ort. It is understood by all concerned that there will be no final decision until each of the agencies approves.

Mr. Blitz says, however, that it would be most undesirable if a situation were created whereby the UPA would be made to appear the one organization holding out against the inclusion of Ort. You will recall that such a situation existed three years ago, with very unhelpful results at that particular time. Mr. Blitz says that his strategy is to see to it that such offers might be made that the Ort, finding them unacceptable, would continue on its own.

2. We discussed the question of the members on the Board to represent the UPA on the New York UJA. You will recall that Rabbi Miller was appointed Chairman of a committee to consider membership of the Board after Members of the corporation had been selected. I wrote to you on February 5th giving you the names

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of the suggested members as follows: Nathan Straus, Sylvan Gotshal, Charles Ress, Abraham L. Liebovitz, Jacob Sincoff, Rabbi Irving Miller, Judge Morris Rothenberg, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Dr. Israel Goldstein and Louis Lipsky.

Mr. Blitz informs me that there seems to be no hurry about the naming of Board members. Everyone concerned with the New York UJA seems to be especially preoccupied with campaign problems rather than with organizational problems. Apparently once the corporation had been created, all the talk of by-laws, etc., lost validity.

In the meantime the New York UJA is proceeding on the assumption that once a community has officers, it needs nothing else. That happens to be the position which you originally took yourself, but now that it is legalized by a charter it seems to be accepted by others too.

There is no indication at the present time how the New York campaign will be going, since it has not officially started, although in one or two isolated areas, where the amount of money is not large, solicitation has started.

Mr. Blitz informs me that Mr. Henry Ittleson was invited to become Honorary Chairman of the UJA in New York. He replied to Rabbi Jonah Wise by wire that his gift for 1942 would not be determined until later in the year but that in any event it would be substantially lower than in 1941. If under these circumstances the New York UJA wished to name him Honorary Chairman, he would be glad to serve. Naturally there could be no other alternative than to name Mr. Ittleson as Honorary Chairman. If there is any consolation it lies in the fact that Mr. Ittleson's reduced gift will not be announced until later on in the year. Unfortunately that is going to have a severe effect on some other communities, particularly St. Louis where they are jittery about their campaign, since Mr. Sydney Shoenberg measures his giving by Mr. Ittleson's. You will recall that last year Mr. Shoenberg reduced his gift from \$50,000 to \$30,000. I understand that the market value of Commercial Investment Trust, in which Messrs. Ittleson, Shoenberg and Mortimer May have a great part of their fortunes tied up, has shrunk by fifty percent in the last six months.

3. I discussed with Mr. Blitz the transfer of the proceeds of "Night of Stars" to the UPA. At the present time it is in the treasury of the Night of Stars. Is it desirable that this money be transferred to the UPA, and we notify the UJA that we have the money; or shall it continue to remain in the treasury of Night of Stars for further adjudication? What I have in mind is the refusal of the JDC to consider its income

of approximately \$100,000 of early 1941 in the Matsoth Fund as part of the income of the UJA of 1941. It was decided at a meeting of the Administrative Committee in 1941 that the money of the Night of Stars would be withheld until after the Matsoth Fund had been disposed of. However, it seems to me deplorable that money should be remaining in a bank of the Night of Stars where it cannot possibly do anybody any good. Naturally the Night of Stars is prepared to act upon our request in the matter. What do you think ought to be done?

With kindest personal regards, I am

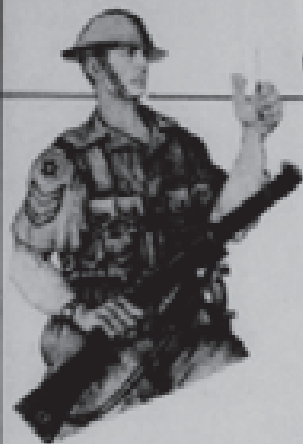
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P.S. A great many people who were active in the 1941 campaign in New York are out of the picture. I am thinking especially of Mr. Edward Warburg who, as you probably know, has enlisted as a private in the United States Army. There are others who have gone to Washington to serve in either the military or governmental branches.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

I send you herewith an excerpt from a letter sent to me on February 23rd by Charles J. Rosenbloom in response to one from me asking when he could set a meeting for the Budget Committee of the UPA to meet with the Finance Committee of the Z.O.A.

Have you any further advice or instructions in this matter?

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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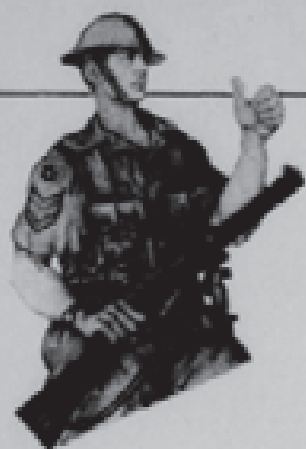
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Excerpt of letter from Charles J. Rosenbloom to
Henry Montor, dated February 23, 1942.

It seems to me that on the question of a meeting to consider what U.P.A. activities might be transferred to the Z.O.A., the Budget Committee is not the committee to consider such action. I believe that such decisions should lie in the hands of an Executive Committee if there is one. Of course, I do not understand why if the U.P.A. does give up some of its activities it should mean that the Z.O.A. should get the money that might be saved. The proper and decent thing to do with such savings is to turn them over to the I.K. and the K.H. but maybe I am too naive to hold such views. In any event should this matter rest with the Budget Committee of the U.P.A. there is not much chance of my attending an early meeting.

I shall be down here until the beginning of April and I do not know how soon after it would be possible for me to get to New York. It certainly would be much more convenient if the meeting can wait until then to have it held in Pittsburgh.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

The case of Mr. Meyer Goldberg is being pressed very seriously on the United Palestine Appeal.

The situation in brief is as follows:

Mr. Meyer Goldberg joined the staff of the Palestine fund-raising efforts in New York, variously known as the American Palestine Campaign, Keren Hayesod, United Palestine Appeal, in about 1925. He was the Director in the Bronx section of these New York campaigns until about 1937. At that time he was retired from service. It is my understanding that on several previous occasions an effort had been made by Mr. Blitz, Director of the New York campaign, to retire him on the ground that he was not doing the most effective work in that section. But in each instance Mr. Blitz was met with great resistance on the part of the Bronx leadership which felt that Mr. Goldberg was doing an excellent job.

At the time of Mr. Goldberg's retirement he was voted \$1,500 by the Keren Hayesod.

Mr. Meyer Goldberg is now reported to be very ill. The leaders of the Zionist District in the Bronx — and especially Mr. Max Schneider and Mr. Louis Altschul — feel that it is only fair that the UPA should make some financial provision for Mr. Goldberg who has no other resources. Mr. Schneider has intimated to Mr. Blitz that Mr. Goldberg has perhaps only six months to live, and that surely the UPA would not wish to deprive Mr. Goldberg of the comfort of some financial security in these last days. Mr. Schneider has suggested an amount of \$25 per week.

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In view of the fact that there is actually no New York fund-raising effort of the UPA, the problem comes squarely before the national UPA.

Because Mr. Goldberg's position is reported to be so serious, I take the liberty of pressing for some action perhaps even before the meeting of the Administrative Committee which might be held on March 16th.

Mr. Blitz has suggested the possibility of making available \$500 to Mr. Max Schneider for the latter to administer for Mr. Meyer Goldberg as he sees fit. Do you believe that this is possible?

I have no knowledge of the long background involved in this case, but my own opinion would be that it would be much more economical and desirable for the UPA to err on the side of generosity than of penuriousness in this particular case.

If you would make some suggestion, would you wish me to consider it promptly with Messrs. Lipsky and Goldstein to get their approval? Naturally it would also have to be submitted to Mr. Rosenbloom as Treasurer in accordance with the decision of the Budget Committee that no new financial engagements were to be undertaken by the UPA without prior approval by the Budget Committee.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,



Henry Manton
Executive Director

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P.S. Attached hereto are the relevant resolution and correspondence which I had previously submitted to you.

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Feb. 10, 1942

To Mr. Henry Montor

From Mr. Samuel Blitz

Attached is letter received from Mr. Max J. Schneider regarding the case of Meyer Goldberg.

As Mr. Schneider is our leader in the Bronx and also a tower of strength for the UJA in a number of industries, I hope you will urge Dr. Silver to give this matter prompt attention.



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THE NATIONAL SAFETY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY
of New York

Max J. Schneider
President

February 6, 1942

Mr. Samuel Blitz
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

Dear Sam,

Pursuant to my conversation with you some time ago,
relative to Meyer Goldberg, I wrote a letter with resolutions
enclosed to Rabbi Silver.

Up to the present time, nothing has been done and
unless something is done immediately there will be no need for
it, as Mr. Goldberg is in desperate straits both physically and
financially.

May I hear from you as soon as possible?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely,

(Signed) MAX SCHNEIDER

MJS/pla

C O P Y

WHEREAS, Meyer Goldberg, one of the outstanding Zionists in the Bronx Borough is now unfortunately permanently disabled, and without any means of support and sustenance, and

WHEREAS, Meyer Goldberg has devoted his entire mature life to the cause of Zionism and in the employ of the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America, and

WHEREAS, it is the earnest conviction of all Zionist members of our district that justice and humanity demand that the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America by whom Meyer Goldberg was employed for the many years, should establish a life annuity in consideration of his employment and valuable and faithful services rendered;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it RESOLVED that the Bronx Zionist District No. ~~14~~²⁵ respectfully and earnestly urges that the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America establish such annuity for Meyer Goldberg of \$25.00 weekly during his lifetime, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a committee consisting of one representative from each district and from the Bronx and Upper Manhattan Zionist region be appointed under the chairmanship of Mr. Max J. Schneider to present and urge the adoption of this resolution upon the United Palestine Appeal, the Jewish National Fund and the Zionist Organization of America.

The above resolution was unanimously adopted at a meeting of the Bronx Zionist District ~~14~~²⁵ this // ²⁴ day of December, 1941.

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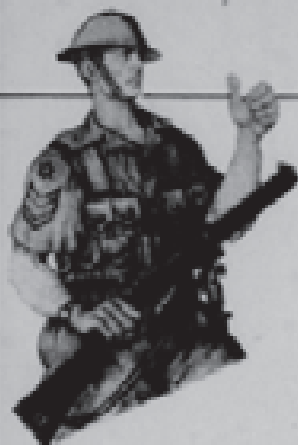
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Dear Dr. Silver:

You will recall that last year consideration was given to subscriptions by the United Palestine Appeal to the Independent Jewish Press Service.

An application had been submitted by the latter for subscriptions totalling \$2,000. It was suggested that at that time the amount should be \$1,000.

Will you authorize me at this time to continue the subscription for an additional thousand dollars, to apply to 1942?

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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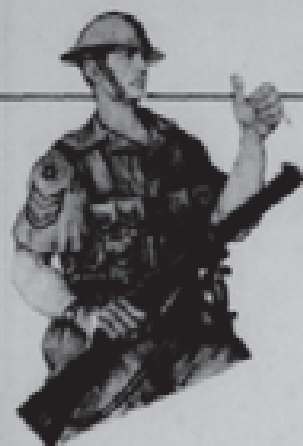
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The question of naming the members of the Allotment Committee will probably be discussed at the mandatory meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal March 16.

Do you have any thoughts as to the position of the United Palestine Appeal toward the members of the Allotment Committee for 1942?

With kindest regards, I am

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Cordially yours,

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United Palestine Appeal
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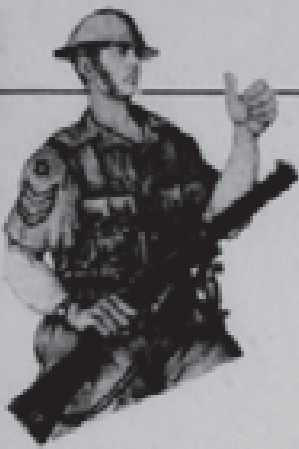
I am enclosing herewith a letter from Dr. Harry Frankel. Since he asks for greetings from Rabbi Silver both personal and on behalf of the UPA, I thought you might wish to do something about it. I'd appreciate receiving a copy of such greetings if you see fit to send them.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



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March 6, 1942

Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

At the request of Dr. Silver, I am
herewith returning to you the two original
texts of his Cincinnati Conference sermon.

Thanks very much for your helpfulness.

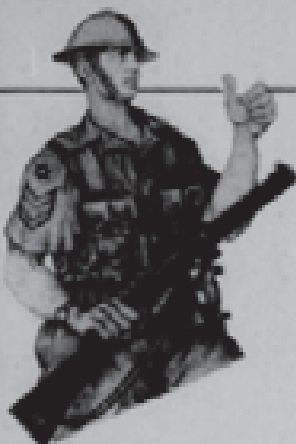
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Miss Beattie Kline
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Dear Miss Kline:

This will acknowledge your letter of March 6th.

Telegrams, long distance calls and similar costs incurred in connection with Rabbi Silver's trip to England should be submitted to Keren Hayesod, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City, which finances the expense involved in the trip.

As you request, the check for \$25 will be made out to you personally during Dr. Silver's absence.

I saw Dr. Silver off on Saturday. He was in particularly good spirits, and Mrs. Silver took the parting with that stoicism which is characteristic of her. I know that you share my own eagerness to see Dr. Silver return soon.

With kindest regards, I am

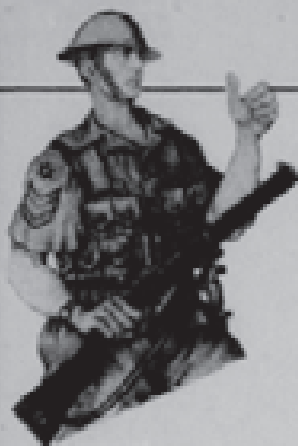
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Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Dr. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

I am sending you, herewith, a copy of a note of greeting I have sent in Dr. Silver's name to Dr. Harry Frankel, the Executive Director of the United Galician Jews of America in New York.

Thank you very much for calling Dr. Frankel's request to my attention.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM/BRW
Enc.

"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

March 10, 1943.

Dr. Harry Frankel, Executive Director
United Galician Jews of America
175 Fifth Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Dr. Frankel:

I have heard with a great deal of interest that the United Galician Jews of America is about to issue a bi-lingual monthly Journal. I want to send you my sincere good wishes for its success.

Today more than ever, our people must be acquainted with their status in the world. Information on all aspects of Jewish life, both the good and the bad, must be made available. Unfortunately, the general press is withholding much important data and news material concerning the life of our people here, in Europe and in Palestine. I therefore salute your new Journal as a step in the direction of informing Jews of what is going on in the world touching their own life and their own future.

The United Galician Jews of America has always recognized its close relationship with the work of redemption of our people in Palestine. I trust, therefore, that the Journal will be an additional instrumentality of carrying on Zionist education. I feel sure it will bring to your readers, under your guidance, a new understanding and a better appreciation for the Jews of America of the work that is now going on in Zion.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS/BRV

March 12, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

At Rabbi Silver's request I sent the enclosed letter from Doresh Zion to Mr. Bernstein of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Cleveland. As you can see from the enclosed correspondence it was meant for Rabbi Silver as chairman of the United Palestine Appeal. I am therefore sending it on to you.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

ED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

MEMORANDUM

March 16, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Mentor

The problem of conflict of Jewish National Fund fund-raising with the campaigns of Welfare Funds and of the United Jewish Appeal is becoming increasingly severe. I attach hereto a copy of a letter from Mr. Harry L. Lurie, Director of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds and my acknowledgement thereof.

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COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS

165 West 46th Street,
New York, N. Y.

March 6, 1943

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Mr. William Rosenwald
National Chairmen of the
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Dear Sirs:

The attached letter is typical of a number of requests we have had from welfare funds asking us to explain why the Jewish National Fund appeals for contributions outside the United Jewish Appeal.

According to the agreement between the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal, it is indicated that traditional collections of the Jewish National Fund are not to be included or to be considered a part of the United Jewish Appeal.

Does this type of appeal (made, so far as we know, in York and Minneapolis and the State of Wisconsin, and possibly other cities) constitute a traditional fund collection?

We would appreciate the interpretation of what, according to the UJA agreement, constitutes "traditional funds".

Sincerely yours,

(signed) E. L. Lurie

E. L. LURIE

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M & L SHOE STORE
MOSE LEIBOVITZ, Inc.
19 West Market Street
York, Pa.

March 5, 1942

Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
New York City, New York

Gentlemen:

Rabbi Freedman, representing the Jewish National Fund is coming to York to raise funds for the 40th anniversary to buy additional land in Palestine.

Since the JNF is one of the constituents in the greater USA, I would like to know what has been the reaction to this drive. Rabbi Freedman reports that Wilmington is giving \$3,000 and that Lebanon, Lancaster and Harrisburg will conduct separate fund-raising drives for the JNF. These drives to be conducted quietly among the so-called laymen who are sympathetic to this special cause. Is this type of fund-raising generally popular?

I will appreciate your advising me regarding this and any other information you can give will be appreciated.

Very truly yours,

(signed) Mose Leibovitz
MOSE LEIBOVITZ
President
JEWISH ORGANIZED CHARITIES
of York

March 13, 1942

Mr. E. L. Lurie, Executive Director
Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds
165 West 48th Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Lurie:

I am taking the liberty of acknowledging your letter of March 6th, which deals with the subject of fund-raising by the Jewish National Fund.

May I affirm the agreement constituting the United Jewish Appeal for 1942, which provides that no campaign shall be conducted by the Jewish National Fund, which is a constituent agency of the United Palestine Appeal and therefore in turn of the United Jewish Appeal. As you have indicated, the agreement permits traditional collections by the Jewish National Fund.

So that there may be no misunderstanding as to what is intended, may I indicate that it was not contemplated nor approved that the Jewish National Fund should engage in fund-raising campaigns that would be in any way competitive with or harmful to the fund-raising program of the United Jewish Appeal itself, inasmuch as the major part of the proceeds accruing to the Jewish National Fund derives from the campaign of the United Jewish Appeal.

I do not know what representations are being made by individual representatives of the Jewish National Fund, but I am taking it for granted that in the event that any one of them is asserting that a competitive fund-raising campaign is permissible under the agreement of the United Jewish Appeal, he is unauthorized to make such statements or to act upon that assumption insofar as the Jewish National Fund leadership is concerned.

Cordially yours,

Henry Foster
Executive Vice-Chairman

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