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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
New York, New York

MEMORANDUM

March 16, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
FROM: Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter addressed to
Mr. Harry Lurie, Executive Secretary of the Council
of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds.

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42ND ST.
NEW YORK CITY

March 16, 1942

Mr. Harry L. Lurie
Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, Inc.
165 West 46th Street
New York, New York

Dear Harry:

In reading the attractively published March 5th issue of "Notes and News", I was struck by the circuitousness of the language used on Page Seven in reference to the Budget Research Committee.

The clause marked (2) reads as follows: "The Budget Research Committee can undertake modifications or expansions of its program that may seem advisable but the Board of Directors of the Council will not initiate recommendations for a full national advisory budgeting service without submitting the question to the General Assembly for approval. The Budget Research Committee will probably adopt the procedure of action by a two-thirds majority in dealing with the specific question of extending service to include advisory budgeting."

In reading very carefully the long exchange of correspondence between Mr. Jacob Blaustein and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, it would seem to me that the action taken between them and by their respective constituents is summarized as follows:

Any recommendation for an expansion of the Budget Research Committee's activities must be passed by a two-thirds majority and then, after approval by the Board of Directors, submitted to the next General Assembly for its action.

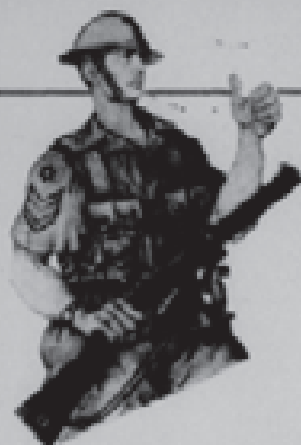
The language used on Page Seven of "Notes and News" is not, to my mind, clear. I would be grateful for this additional clarification.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EE



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March 19, 1942

Dear Friend:

Attached hereto for your information are
(1) a copy of a letter dated February 1, 1942
from Mr. Eliezer Kaplan, Treasurer of the
Jewish Agency, which summarizes the budget of
the Jewish Agency and the Keren Hayesod for
the year 5702 (ending October 1, 1942); and
(2) the Combined Report of Income and Ex-
penditures for October, 1941.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:JB

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"We in the United States must help strengthen Palestine"

—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

March 24, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

Will you kindly answer the enclosed letter of Mr. Sablosky? This letter was unfortunately addressed to Rabbi Silver at his residence and was just referred to my attention.

Thanks kindly and

Most cordially,

BJK

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WE HAD PLANNED MEETING OF NATIONAL COUNCIL OF UPA IN NEWYORK
ON APRIL 26TH BUT POSTPONED THIS TO MAY THIRD IN VIEW OF DELAY
YOUR DEPARTURE. PLANNING AFTERNOON SESSION AND DINNER YOUR
HONOR FOR EVENING. KINDLY WIRE IF DATE ACCEPTABEL. REGARDS=
HERNY MONTOR.

UPA 26TH.

April 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I received your telegram with reference to the meeting of the National Council of the UPA on May 3rd. Do you feel that any real gain is to be had by holding such a meeting at this time? It will come in the very heart of the major campaigns ~~throughout~~ throughout the country -- Pittsburgh, Detroit, Cleveland, etc. The leaders in these communities will be busy with their local campaigns. Is it wise to urge them to come on to New York?

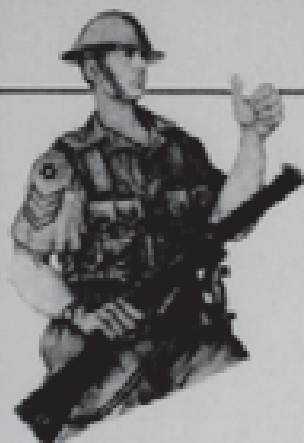
As far as I am concerned, I shall of course be very happy to come on that day if it is finally determined to have such a meeting. I could not come for the noon meeting inasmuch as I shall have to be in my own pulpit that morning. I have been away from my own pulpit so much. I would take a plane and arrive in time for the evening meeting. I do feel, however, that the whole matter should be discussed again at the forthcoming meeting of the UPA next Tuesday.

On March 19th, Dr. Eli Ginsburg sent me a set of galleys of his forthcoming Report. I have not had an opportunity to go through it. Have you seen the galley proofs of the Report and have you checked it carefully? Were there any changes made in the final draft? If you have not received such a set of proofs, I shall be very pleased to send you mine. In the meantime you might wish to explain to Dr. Ginsburg the reason for my failure to reply.

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 assume you know that during your absence there were elections for officers of the Keren Hayesod. Judge Louis Levinthal was elected Chairman to succeed Mr. Louis Lipsky; and Judge Bernard A. Rosenblatt was named to succeed Charles Ress as Chairman of the Board of the Keren Hayesod.

What all of this portends is to my mind very clear. I was interested to note that you were not re-elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Keren Hayesod.

With kindest personal regards, I am

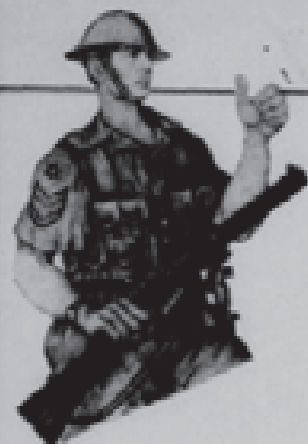
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am looking forward to your visit to New York next week so that I can have an adequate opportunity of discussing with you quite a number of items that have developed in your absence. In the meantime, I would like to list a few of the things about which you might let me know in writing in advance.

A) As I wired to you, we are proposing to hold a meeting of the National Council for Palestine in New York on May 3rd. This will be in the form of an afternoon meeting and a dinner meeting in your honor. I do hope that the date will be acceptable. You will recall that prior to your departure for England we had thought that April 26th would be an appropriate date.

B) The J.D.C. people have been pressing me for a meeting to name the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. for 1942. Do you want me to arrange a meeting while you are here next week?

C) A great many communities have been sending invitations to the U.J.A. for you to open their campaigns. I note that you will be in Detroit on April 15th. I told Mr. Rosenbloom that the date of either April 19th or 20th would be agreeable for the Big Gifts meeting in Pittsburgh to be followed by the public opening. Pittsburgh prefers the April 19th date.

Among the major communities which have asked for you, I want to direct special attention to two, i.e., Kansas City and Milwaukee. Both are anxious to get dates as early as possible so that they can begin their plans for Big Gifts meetings.

Mr. Blitz has asked me to convey to you invitations for three functions he regards of utmost importance for the campaign. One is to open the Bronx campaign on April 29th. The other date he would like is May 12th. Mr. David Bernstein, Chairman of the Amusement Division insists that he cannot have a Big Gifts function unless you are the speaker. That affair would be held at luncheon. In the evening the Queens Division will have its opening. Mr.

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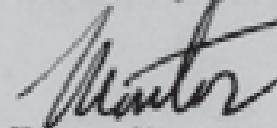
Blitz tells me that this Big Gifts meeting represents about \$150,000.00.

I do hope that you will be able to let me have dates convenient to your calendar or be able to accept the New York suggestions.

D) I am hoping to be able to meet with you next Tuesday morning to go over with you the agenda for the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A. to be held on Tuesday, April 14th, at 4:30 P.M.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

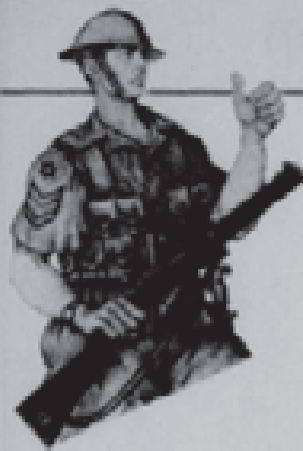
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Dear Dr. Silver:

With further reference to our telephone conversation of today:

(1) I do hope that it will be possible for a meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 14th, of yourself, Rabbi Jonah Wise and Mr. Rosenwald. There are a number of situations on which the counsel of the Chairmen is most important, and in general I am sure the morale of the campaign will be strengthened by such a meeting.

I hope that instead of 11 A. M., which is bad for the other two, you might possibly arrange to be in New York in time for a 9:30 meeting. It happens that every Tuesday morning the Executive Committee of the New York U.J.A. meets at the Hotel Commodore for breakfast at about 8:30 A. M. That meeting would last until about 9:30 or 9:45 A. M. Perhaps you might even come in time to attend that breakfast and then after its conclusion you, Rabbi Wise, Mr. Rosenwald, Coons and I could get together on the spot to go over the agenda.

(2) The Executive Committee of the U.J.A. was to have held a stated meeting on March 16th, but this had to be cancelled because of your absence in England. It is suggested that a good date for this postponed meeting could be April 28th or 29th, depending on your convenience. I do hope that you can let me know about both these matters by Thursday or Friday of this week so that notices can go out and the necessary arrangements made.

(3) As I informed you over the phone, Kansas City advised us that its Welfare Fund has definitely decided to enter a War Chest which will take place in October. Normally, Kansas City has a quota of \$225,000. It is adding \$113,000 to make up for the difference in campaign time, so that the Jewish Welfare Fund will be in the campaign for \$337,000. It is probable that the total quota will be \$3,000,000, since the Community Chest, the JSO and other bodies are also involved.

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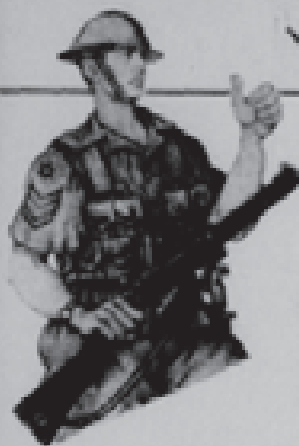
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In view of the necessity of influencing the Miami community as quickly as possible and of trying to get a quick reconsideration of a decision to reduce the 1941 allotment of \$48,000 to \$40,000 this year, I have taken the liberty of having the enclosed letters sent over your signature. I trust that I have conveyed the spirit that you would like.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH
Encls.

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.

342 MADISON AVENUE

NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 5, 1942

AIR MAIL

Mr. Stanley C. Myers
Saybold Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Myers:

Upon my return from England I have looked into some of the major questions confronting the United Jewish Appeal and was frankly surprised to see the action which is contemplated by the Miami leadership. In England I found a spirit of sacrifice among our Jews which gave me new courage to carry on. It is truly disheartening to see, upon my return, that that spirit is far from moving the Jewish community in this country.

At this early stage of the 1942 campaign we are interested in raising the standards in key cities. Miami, representing the first major campaign in the country, threatens to deliver a very serious blow to the United Jewish Appeal throughout the nation.

I trust that the Miami leadership which has always been interested in giving proper consideration to the United Jewish Appeal within the possibilities of fund-raising in the community will not thus jeopardize hundreds of thousands of dollars in other campaigns yet to be held.

May I have some confirmation from you of the fact that Miami is reconsidering this most unfortunate decision to reduce the allocation to the United Jewish Appeal.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS:GRH

AIR MAIL

April 6, 1942

Dr. Frank Coret
Ingraham Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Dr. Coret:

Within the last several days I have returned from a visit to the Jewish community of England which is meeting gallantly the obligations of wartime. Upon my arrival here I have sought information on the progress of the United Jewish Appeal campaign in which I am naturally vitally interested. It has, therefore, been a distinct shock to note the contemplated action of the leadership of the Miami Jewish community.

It is somehow inconceivable to note, after the bravery and the calm courage of English Jewry that the Jewish leaders of Miami have even entertained seriously the thought of reducing the allotment to the United Jewish Appeal. This is so foreign to the spirit in which the war should be fought that I am asking for your own impression of the possibilities of reconsideration.

Surely the men who make the decisions in the Miami Jewish community cannot stand by while such an injustice is done to the basic cause in Jewish life.

I hope that this first impression I have had regarding a reduced allotment — a sad impression indeed — is altered by new energies and new determination on the part of our friends in Miami to give far more generously to the United Jewish Appeal out of the proceeds of this campaign. Far more is involved than the question of dollars you can allocate. We are concerned here with hundreds of thousands of dollars in other cities which have not yet begun their campaigns and which will undoubtedly be influenced by Miami's decision.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

AHS:RRH

AIR MAIL

April 6th, 1942

Mr. Samuel Blank
690 North West 13th Street
Miami, Florida

Dear Mr. Blank:

May I have your advice and good judgment in a matter which gives me great concern in these first days after my return from England. I find that there is contemplated among the Miami leadership a reduction in the United Jewish Appeal allotment this year to \$40,000. This appears to me inconceivable in the light of the fact that we Jews have a vital stake in the winning of the war and must support our people with the maximum of our resources in 1942. The English community which I have just left is resolute in its determination to carry forward the war to final victory. A reduction in the level of giving to the United Jewish Appeal, the basic cause in Jewish life, is wholly out of keeping with that spirit.

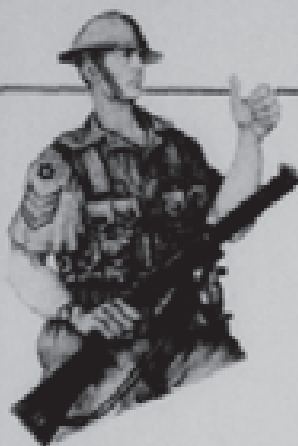
I am concerned with the fact that Miami is one of the pivotal campaigns in the nation. Therefore other communities follow its example. We are in danger of losing hundreds of thousands of dollars in other cities if the influence of the reduction in Miami is allowed to seep into other campaigns.

I trust that some extraordinary action will be taken to redirect the thinking of Miami so that more money can be made available to the United Jewish Appeal.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
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AHS:GRH



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Dear Dr. Silver:

With respect to the report by Dr. Ginzberg, which is being printed by Harper & Bros., I saw an early version of it. I made extensive observations to Dr. Ginzberg verbally and in writing. He told me that he made use of many of my suggestions.

Before the matter went to press finally, he let me see the section dealing with the United Palestine Appeal and that with the United Jewish Appeal, but not the material relating to the other agencies. I trust that it will all turn out satisfactorily. In any event his point of view seems quite sympathetic.

I am advising Dr. Ginzberg as to why you could not communicate with him.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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April 9, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I have received invitations from the following communities: Newark - April 28 or 29; Omaha - April 28; Bronx - April 29. You suggested, in your last letter, a meeting of the Executive Committee of the UJA for April 28. Please let me know which of these invitations I should accept. The Amusement Division in New York has again invited me for May 12. Should I accept that invitation?

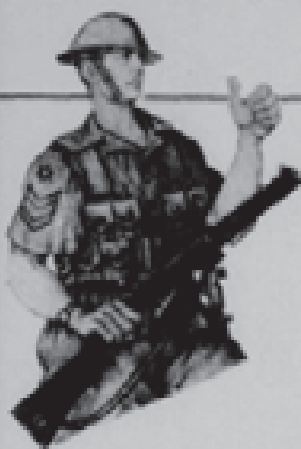
If I come to New York for April 28 and 29, I would be able to take care also of the Executive meeting. I would then have to forego Omaha. I do not wish to deliver more than one address a day. Please tell Blitz that if I accept the Bronx invitation for the 29, I do not wish any other meeting crowded in on me.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

P.S. I will not be able to get to New York next Tuesday in time for a 9:30 a.m. meeting.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter
I have taken the liberty of writing in your name
to Mr. Rose M. Feld of Houston, Texas.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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MEMORANDUM

April 10, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

You will be interested in a copy of a memorandum prepared by Dr. Martin Rosenbluth on the basis of financial data issued by the Joint Distribution Committee.

HM:FE
Enc.

March 31, 1942

To Mr. Henry Montor
From Martin Rosenbluth
Subject FINANCIAL DATA OF JDC

Since the appearance of my memorandum of December 26th, 1941, the JDC has issued three additional documents on finance:

- 1) Statement of financial status as of December 31, 1941
- 2) Program and Budget for the first six months of 1942
- 3) Summary of cash payments made during the first ten weeks of 1942, i. e. as of March 15, 1942.

With regard to Number 1): It is noteworthy that despite an excess of expenditure over income in 1941 totaling \$143,815, the general fund deficit of January 1, 1941, \$415,088 in amount, emerged as a surplus, as of December 31, 1941, of \$93,332. This transformation was effected chiefly by the depletion of the working fund reserve of \$620,000 which had been "officially established during years 1934-1938." It will, perhaps, be recalled that ever since 1934 (when I made my first visit to the States), memoranda from me have harped on the tactic of the JDC whereby a cash surplus is rendered a reserve fund for the sole purpose of exhibiting an annual deficit.

Of the total expenditure of \$5,694,100, the sum of \$446,000 (less than 8%) was expended for operating costs, which includes \$110,000 for information and community services. However, an additional sum must be added for administration - which expenses, apparently, are included in the over-all expenditure of \$5,248,100 for the JDC program of activities. According to Professor Ginsberg's Report, Page 23, administration expenses, as of September 30, 1941, amounted to \$509,000. (Incidentally, in the table on Page 23 of the Report, the figure for emigration and relief expenses is incorrectly listed as \$1,209,000 instead of \$1,010,000 -- the error undoubtedly being typographical).

The total liabilities as of December 31, 1941 are \$2,799,965; to meet this indebtedness there are resources of \$2,893,298. There seems to be no reason to question the resources; the liabilities, however, appear to be somewhat inflated. For example, an amount of \$250,000 is cited as payable to the Agro-Joint. Even if this is a loan which must be repaid, rather than the unpaid balance of an old commitment, it should properly have been included in the \$968,700 which represent the total commitments deferred to future years. It should be noted that the deferral of these commitments to the future is more or less offset by the exclusion from the item "resources" of assets held in the Joint Reconstruction Fund, the Palestine Economic Corporation and other corporations, since these assets are said to be "of no present cash value to the J.D.C."

With regard to the bulk of liabilities, consisting of "overseas commitments for relief disbursed through clearance arrangements and for funds borrowed" and of "unpaid balances of commitments", amounting to \$2,245,315 (after the deduction

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of \$1,142,519 paid to steamship lines pending overseas accounting); Past experience would indicate that a very substantial portion of these liabilities exists on paper only and that the JDC will never be called upon to meet them in full but will undoubtedly cancel in 1942 or in subsequent years all those which have become obsolete.

The main difficulty in analyzing the summary of cash payments made in the first ten weeks of 1942, totaling \$1,599,231, inheres in the fact that these payments are "on account of all programs 1942 and prior years' appropriations"; there is nothing to indicate how much of an item belongs in the 1942 budget as distinct from appropriations of previous years. But the JDC is very meticulous in stating in the form of a special note that as of December 1941, an additional sum of \$83,421 had been expended on account of the 1942 budget.

Close to two-thirds of the total, i.e., \$1,067,634, was spent for emigration. This represents rather a huge sum when one considers the marked decline in emigration since America's entry into the war. It is somewhat clarified by the explanatory note that more than 96% of this amount represents advances to steamship lines and that the JDC estimates that "40% of such advances are usually charged against the J.D.C. budget and the balance represents relatives' deposits." Accepting this statement at face value and not going into the question of whether the charges against the JDC budget may not in future be considerably less than 40%, it is clear that of the total expenditure of \$1,599,231, at least \$617,196 is an advance which will in due course return to the JDC.

Assuming for the moment that only a minor portion of the expenditure incurred was on account of prior years' appropriations and that the bulk of payments made was on account of the 1942 budget, a comparison between the budget for the first six months of 1942 and actual expenditures in the first two and one-half months of 1942 is rather interesting. Following are the figures:

	<u>Budget for First 6 Months 1942</u>	<u>Expenditure First 2-1/2 Months 1942</u>
1. EMIGRATION REQUIREMENTS	<u>\$750,000</u>	<u>\$450,438</u>
11. WORK IN ALLIED OR NEUTRAL COUNTRIES:		
A. Polish Refugees in Russia	600,000	13,758
B. Unoccupied France	566,140	143,970
C. Switzerland	101,340	147,400
D. Spain	180,000	-
E. Portugal	60,000	39,656
F. (Italy)	-	(600)
G. Sweden (including Hachscharah)	30,080	-

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	Budget for First 6 Mos. 1942	Expenditure First 2-1/2 Mos. 1942
11. WORK IN ALLIED OR NEUTRAL COUNTRIES (Continued)		
E. Tangiers and French Morocco	\$27,200	-
I. Algiers	26,000	-
J. Turkey	15,000	-
K. Central and South America	450,750	109,378
L. Miscellaneous Countries: Bombay, Australia, New Zealand, Burma	66,000	7,500
M. Passover Relief	107,000	14,080
N. Religious-Educational Assistance	<u>104,800</u>	21,405
	<u>\$2,334,410</u>	
111. CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY AID IN OCCUPIED COUNTRIES	<u>\$1,500,000</u>	?
1V. EMERGENCY RESERVE	\$ 250,000.	10,000
TOTAL BUDGETARY REQUESTS	4,834,410	
V. ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES, NEW YORK AND OVERSEAS OFFICES	<u>240,000</u>	76,867
VI. (Contributions to Cooperating Organizations)	\$ -	<u>(30,400)</u>
	\$5,074,410	\$1,065,452

(Note: The figures in the last column exclude the sum of \$617,196 mentioned previously since this represents an advance to be repaid from relatives' deposits. The last column includes, however, the \$83,421 paid in December 1941 on account of the 1942 budget.)

Items II 7 and VI were not included in the budget; some money, however, has been spent for these purposes. \$25,000 of the total mentioned in Item VI represents a contribution to the Co-ordinating Foundation for Refugees.)

An itemized comparison of the six-months budget with actual expenditure in about half that time reveals, in most instances, an impressive discrepancy. Even if some hundreds of thousands of dollars are added to the total of \$1,065,452, which additional sum may have been expended without the knowledge of the JDC for continuation of emergency aid in occupied countries, the comparison still clearly indicates that this budget of \$5,074,410 for a six-months period is inflated and issued for propaganda purposes only.

A special feature in the budget is Item K, "Central and South America", involving \$450,750. This sum is larger than the total appropriations for this purpose which were made in 1941 and constitutes about 82% of the total budgetary requirements estimated for refugee assistance in Latin America. It should be understood that in all these countries the JDC acts as an NRS, thereby relieving various Jewish communities of their responsibility to refugees to a large extent. Needless to say, this enhances the reputation of the JDC in these countries. It is questionable, however, as to whether it is actually necessary for American Jewry to grant these subventions to Latin American Jewish communities.

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April 11, 1948

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

Dear Henry:

This is to confirm our telephone conversation concerning the affiliation of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Kansas City with the newly organized United War Chest.

The facts are substantially as I explained them to you. To reiterate I will outline them again.

1. A United War Chest has been set up in Kansas City and the purpose of this organization will be to raise funds through the means of a joint campaign for all local, national and overseas causes. (Besides the Jewish Welfare Federation, this includes or will include the Community Chest, the U. S. O., the China Relief, Russian Relief, British Relief, and in all probability the Red Cross, as well as all the other organizations seeking to have campaigns that may be approved by the War Chest Committee).
2. Immediately after the War Fund was created, the Jewish Welfare Federation was approached. I presume this was due to the imminence of our drive.
3. There was no question of course, about our joining forces. The only serious problem involved was the matter of our spring campaign. In view of the fact that the War Chest campaign is not to be held until October, would we be justified in conducting our drive now?

A number of proposals were made:

- a. That we conduct our usual campaign and at the end of six months hand over our assets and liabilities to the War Fund. This plan was discarded by the War Fund Committee because of the many complications that would be involved in explaining this method to our subscribers.

- b. That we conduct a six months campaign. This too was discarded, because we would be carrying on our campaign when the War Fund Committee was most active in creating its own campaign machinery. In addition this objection applied to plan (a).
 - c. The plan that was most acceptable to the War Fund committee and finally adopted was, that we not conduct a campaign at all, but that the Federation should for the first year be budgeted on a 18 months basis. Thus, since our goal was to be \$225,000, our quota in the coming drive will be \$337,500.
4. The integrity of the Jewish Welfare Federation as a budgeting and completely autonomous organization is in no way involved. we are coming in for a blanket amount, and all the rights and privileges of the Federation are in no way affected, except in so far as we are not to conduct our own independent campaign.
5. After all these matters had been explained to our board and had been thoroughly discussed by them, a vote was taken, and the suggested plan was accepted with only one dissenting vote.

We are fully cognizant of the fact that we have taken a serious step, and that a grave responsibility now devolves not only upon the community as a whole but also upon our Jewish Community, in so far as "giving" is concerned. The Federation will lend all of its facilities to the War Chest in its fund raising effort. We expect to carry on an extensive educational campaign among our subscribers so that they will fully understand that the creation of the War Fund relieves them of no responsibility, and that they will be asked to give their full Federation subscription to the War Fund in addition to the subscription that they would be asked to give for all other causes included in this one over all campaign.

As I told you over the phone, it will be very helpful for our educational campaign if you were to send us a telegram telling us that you approve of the step we have taken.

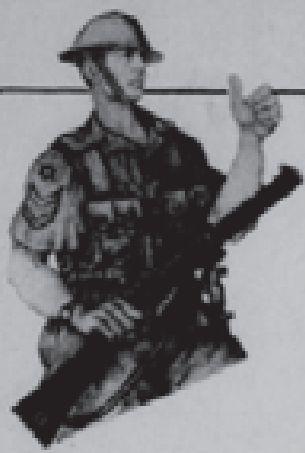
I want to assure you, as I will assure all of the beneficiary agencies of our Federation that we are zealous for their interests and will constantly be on guard that these are in no way compromised.

With cordial greetings, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

(signed)

Max



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Dear Dr. Silver:

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

This is in formal acknowledgment of your letter of April 9th, the contents of which I have since discussed with you over the phone.

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Stephen S. Wise
*Chairman,
Administrative Committee*

As I understand it, the dates to which you agree are as follows:

Louis Lipsky
*Chairman,
Executive Committee*

Solomon Goldman
Israel Goldstein
Louis E. Levinthal
Morris Rothenberg

- (1) Newark U.J.A., Tuesday evening, April 28th
- (2) Executive Committee of U.J.A., New York City,
Wednesday afternoon, April 29th
- (3) Opening of Bronx U.J.A., Wednesday evening, April 29th
- (4) Big Gifts Section of Amusement Division of New York
U.J.A., luncheon, May 12th

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Charles J. Rosenbloom

You did not indicate whether you were also prepared to accept the Big Gifts Section of the Queens campaign on the evening of May 12th. This group is responsible for about \$150,000. I hope that you can accept the latter engagement, which involves one of the most important groups in the city.

Associate Treasurers

Abraham L. Liebovitz
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With kindest personal regards and with many thanks,
I am

Vice-Chairmen

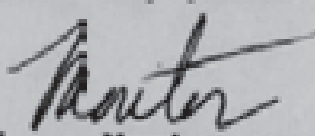
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342 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK CITY

April 15, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a draft of a
reply to the letter from the Jewish Welfare
Federation of Greater Kansas City signed by
Max Bretton.

In view of the request that acknow-
ledgment be made of this letter promptly, I
would appreciate it greatly if you could
telegraph your approval and/or corrections.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Montor

Henry Montor
Executive Vice-Chairman

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April 15, 1942

Mr. Max Bretton, Executive Secretary
The Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Kansas City
1600 Linwood Boulevard
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Bretton:

As Co-Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal we have given careful consideration to your letter of April 11th describing the circumstances under which the Jewish Welfare Federation of Greater Kansas City has affiliated itself with the newly organized United War Chest of your community.

It is recognized by the United Jewish Appeal that the Jewish community of Kansas City has the fullest autonomy in reaching decisions on its communal activities based on the experience and judgment of the local leadership in relation to problems with which they have the greatest local intimacy. It is, therefore, beyond the power of the United Jewish Appeal, on whose behalf the Jewish Welfare Federation has served as a trustee, to voice approval or disapproval of the decision reached by your officers.

The United Jewish Appeal is the fund-raising instrument acting for the Joint Distribution Committee, the United Palestine Appeal and the National Refugee Service. Its responsibilities have been heightened as a result of the war. The necessity for continuing assistance to the beneficiaries of these agencies has been recognized over a period of years and currently by the Jewish leadership of Kansas City.

The only standpoint from which we can concern ourselves with the form which fund-raising in Kansas City takes is the effect upon the urgent necessity to raise maximum sums for the United Jewish Appeal beneficiaries. In that connection, there are certain observations which we should like to call to the attention of the officers of the Jewish Welfare Federation, many if not all of which they have undoubtedly already considered in their discussions with the officers of the United War Chest:

(1) In order to achieve its goal of \$25,000,000, the United Jewish Appeal has suggested to Kansas City a quota of \$135,000 for the year 1942. It is our belief that the needs of the Jews assisted by the United Jewish Appeal--needs which have been multiplied by wartime emergencies--and the size and resources of the Kansas City Jewish community, justify that quota. Since the Kansas City Federation is acting as the trustee for the United Jewish Appeal, it is our assumption that there has been presented to the officers of the United War Chest the full goal of the United Jewish Appeal for 1942, inasmuch as you state that "the integrity of the Jewish Welfare Federation as a budgeting and completely autonomous organization is in no way involved."

Under the terms of the plan which you described in your letter of April 11th, the United Jewish Appeal would be justified in assuming that there has been transmitted to the United War Chest a budget of the Jewish Welfare Federation which would involve the sum of \$202,500 for the United Jewish Appeal. That is based on a budget for an 18-month period, since the campaign which you normally would have held in the Spring has been postponed to the Fall. The assumption that such a quota has been transmitted on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal is strengthened by the knowledge that the appeal and the emphasis of a

Mr. Max Bretton

April 15, 1942

United War Chest will be linked to the responsibilities that fall upon Americans in connection with the war. The appeal to Kansas City generosity will be based on the realization that we, as Americans, have a responsibility to ease the plight of the victims of the war and to help meet some of the problems of the Axis victims, among whom the Jews occupy a foremost place.

We are also confident that it has been made clear to the officers of the United War Chest that the United Jewish Appeal is the largest single instrument of the Jews of America to fulfill our obligations to the victims of the war--a war which for the Jews had its beginnings with the accession to power of Hitler in 1933.

We should like to know more concretely the nature of the relationship of the Jewish Welfare Federation to the United War Chest. For example, how would the agencies be affected in the event that through some mischance the total goal of the United War Chest were not achieved? Is it the intention to provide preferences for any of the agencies or are they all to share proportionately in the results?

(2) There are many problems arising out of the affiliation of the Jewish Welfare Federation with the United War Chest. These have certainly had your closest scrutiny. Some of these problems have been discussed at length at various meetings, especially at the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Chicago last January.

The question of comparable standards of giving; of maintaining the standards that now exist among Jews; the ultimate, if not the immediate possibility of scrutiny of and veto power over budgetary items of the Jewish Welfare Federation; inclusion of enterprises and activities which, though desirable and essential in a Jewish Welfare Federation, might give rise to discussions in some other medium of fund-raising; the maintenance of interest of leadership and membership in the agencies and beneficiaries of the Jewish Welfare Federation and scores of other issues arise out of the action that has been decided upon.

If these questions are raised merely for the sake of directing attention to them, it is not with any desire to infringe upon the responsibility of the Jewish Welfare Federation of Kansas City to make its own determination of the issues involved. But we do feel a sharing responsibility with you for the United Jewish Appeal that indication should be given of the cautiousness with which these developments are being watched.

May we receive your assurance that the United Jewish Appeal may look forward to inclusion in the United War Chest for a sum commensurate with the appeal which our beneficiary agencies must exert in such a War Chest? May we also express the hope that the decision which you have reached will be vindicated with success.

Cordially yours,

William Rosenwald

Abba Hillel Silver

Jonah B. Wise NATIONAL CHAIRMAN

April 17, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

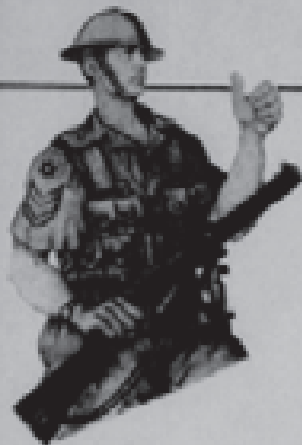
Somebody called my attention to the report of the UPA Annual Conference held in Cleveland on January 18 which appeared in the "Hacalan" of Jerusalem -- the official Zionist organ. In two closely printed columns nowhere is there mention of the fact that I presided at the meeting as Chairman of the UPA or that I spoke at the meeting. I wonder who takes care of publicity sent to the "Hacalan"?

My family, too, wrote to me from Palestine and wondered whether I was sick and unable to attend the Conference inasmuch as no mention was made of my presence.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Enc.



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are stymied by the Matzoth Fund of the early 1941 days. You will recall my letter to you of January 22, 1942, in which I reported on a conversation held at the office of the Joint Distribution Committee, wherein the representatives of the latter completely absolved themselves of any responsibility to turn over approximately \$100,000 to the United Jewish Appeal.

I would suggest that the enclosed letter or some version of it be sent to Mr. Frederick Greenman as Chairman of the Allotment Committee of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal, and to Professor Eli Ginzberg, Director of the Inquiry, for action by the 1941 Allotment Committee, since it will soon be called into session again to allot the sum of some \$500,000 which has been received on account of the 1941 campaign over and above the amount originally allocated.

With kindest personal regards, I am

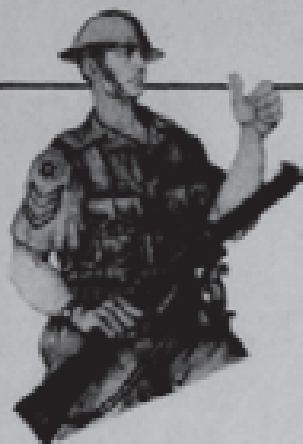
Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have not wanted to press this upon you until you had a chance to catch your breath after your return from England.

However, I believe that it would be very stimulating to the members of the National Council for Palestine, of whom there are some 3,000 throughout the country, if they were to receive a personal message from you indicating the feeling with which you have returned from England, and offering stimulation in terms of the significance of Palestine as understood in England by the Jewish community there. This might be a letter of some two pages along lines which I know I need not describe. If you could compose such a letter, which obviously cannot be drafted here, it would be very helpful for our general promotional activities.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

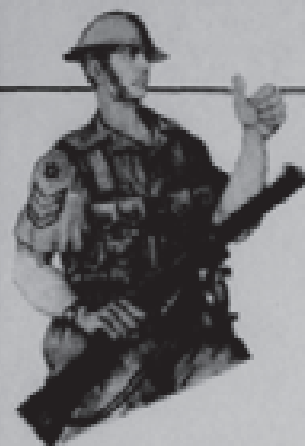
Henry Montor
Executive Director

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P.S. Sobeloff told me of the very successful meeting held in Detroit on Wednesday night when you launched the Big Gifts campaign. The ratio of increases should be stimulating not only to the Detroit campaign but to other cities of comparable size. I hoped that something of the same kind might happen in Pittsburgh, although I am tremendously anxious about that situation because of the attitude of several of the largest givers.

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Mr. Frederick F. Greenman, Chairman
Allotment Committee of 1941 United Jewish Appeal
20 Pine Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Greenman:

A situation has arisen in terms of financial relationships affecting the United Jewish Appeal which I believe might most equitably be passed upon by the 1941 Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal.

The facts in brief are as follows: Early in 1941 when independent campaigns had been launched by the three agencies which compose the United Jewish Appeal, the Joint Distribution Committee inaugurated a "Matzoth Fund", through which it received in cash and pledges in excess of \$100,000.

It has been the contention of the United Palestine Appeal that this sum should be turned over to the United Jewish Appeal in the same manner as all other income which came to the three agencies from January, 1941 through December 31, 1941.

The Joint Distribution Committee has disputed that position, and has declined to make that sum available to the common resources of the United Jewish Appeal, even though the New York United Jewish Appeal of 1941 has carried the amount obtained from the Matzoth Fund on its books as part of its proceeds in New York City, although the money itself went to the Joint Distribution Committee and was exclusively used by it.

The Joint Distribution Committee has asserted that the money represented a transmittal item and was not income for the campaign, although a public fund-raising effort for this purpose was conducted in the newspapers, through literature and other media.

Inasmuch as \$100,000 is a substantial item, I believe that the problem of its disposal might well be considered by a body like the 1941 Allotment Committee of the United Jewish Appeal.

You are aware, of course, that Night of Stars is held annually in New York to raise funds for the United Palestine Appeal. This is an

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institution which has been carried on for the past eight years for the United Palestine Appeal. Nevertheless during the life of the United Jewish Appeal the United Palestine Appeal has made the proceeds from Night of Stars available to the United Jewish Appeal, even though it was specifically a United Palestine Appeal fund-raising effort.

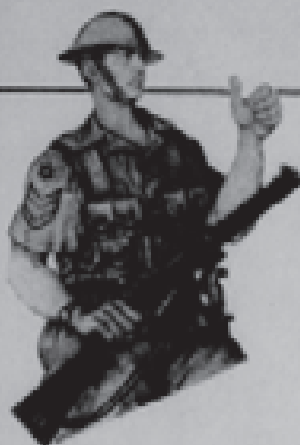
The income of the 1941 Night of Stars to the United Palestine Appeal might be placed in the same category as the Matzoth Fund of the Joint Distribution Committee. The United Palestine Appeal has never challenged the right of the United Jewish Appeal to the income from Night of Stars, and believes that if it is just that the proceeds of the Night of Stars should be made available to the United Jewish Appeal, the same procedure should apply to the special fund of the Joint Distribution Committee.

May I ask that this matter be placed on the agenda of the Allotment Committee for its next meeting, which I understand is to be called to consider the distribution of an additional sum of from \$500,000 to \$600,000 of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal.

Very cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver
National Chairman

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Dear Dr. Silver:

This will acknowledge your note of April 17th, together with a copy of an article from "Haolam." I am quite amazed to hear how that paper reported the United Palestine Appeal Conference at Cleveland, since every English organ which I have seen, in England and in Palestine, took proper note of the principal address delivered by yourself. I can only assume that stupid editing was involved. How some of these people become editors frequently astounds me.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:FE

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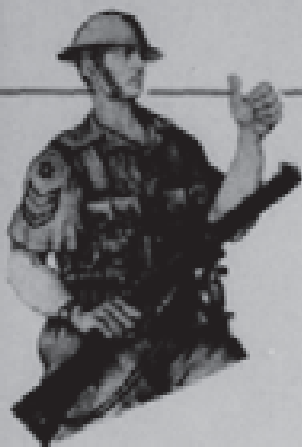
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Mr. Joseph C. Hyman with reference to a possible meeting to discuss the 1942 Allotment Committee.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

P. S. Mr. Rosenbloom, to whom I spoke by phone yesterday, advises me that you were magnificent at the Sunday night meeting in Pittsburgh. As you of course know, they have a special problem in their biggest givers, but I think that the giving in the rest of the bracket was most encouraging.

HM:EH
Encl.

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100 East 42nd Street,
New York City

April 17, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

Thank you for letting me know about the meeting of the Executive Committee of the UJA at luncheon on Wednesday, April 29th. I hope to be able to attend.

I note that the UPA has designated Dr. Abba Hillel Silver and Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as members, and Judge Morris Rothenberg and Judge Louis E. Levintnal as alternates, to represent the UPA on the 1942 Allotment Committee. I have heretofore advised you as to the representation of the JDC. You understand, of course, that we must reserve to ourselves a certain elasticity in connection with the representation of the JDC, if by reason of present conditions, any of our people become unavailable.

I shall have the office get in touch with the members of our Committee to see whether they can arrange, on the same day as the Executive Committee of the UJA, to participate in a discussion with the representatives of the UPA, with respect to the Allotment Committee, etc.

With personal greetings,

Sincerely yours,

(signed) J. C. Hyman

J. C. Hyman

April 21, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

The meeting in Pittsburgh was even better than in Detroit. Nearly everybody at the dinner meeting increased his contribution. The chairman remarked that the meeting was reminiscent of the great days of years ago. There was really a fine spirit.

The one drawback to the success of the campaign is the three rich families — the Kaufmanns, Franks and Felps. They have all threatened to cut their contributions substantially. They are still working on them. Perhaps some pressure can be brought on these individuals from New York.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABS:BX

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd STREET

MEMORANDUM

Date April 29, 1942

To Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

From Mr. Henry Montor

Subject

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter addressed to you by Mr. Sidney Hollander, President of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, asking the United Palestine Appeal to make a subvention to the Council for the year 1942.

In 1941 the United Palestine Appeal granted \$2,500 to the Council; and in 1940 the Council was granted a similar amount.

This matter will be put on the agenda of the next meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Palestine Appeal.

HM:FE
Enc.

COUNCIL OF JEWISH FEDERATIONS AND WELFARE FUNDS,
Inc.

National Office: 165 West 46 Street, New York, N.Y.

April 27, 1942

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Nat'l Chairman
United Palestine Appeal
41 East 42nd Street
New York, N.Y.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We wish to place before you our request for an allotment to the Council for the year 1942. We appreciate the contributions we have received from your organization in previous years and trust that you will continue to make an allotment to the Council program this year.

The budget of the Council is secured from member agency communities on the basis of a uniform dues schedule. Our schedule is based on funds raised by federations and by other forms of central fund-raising. Earlier in the year we addressed an appeal to the New York United Jewish Appeal. We have recently received a reply from Mr. Sylvan Gotshal, Executive Chairman, informing us that though New York City has organized a permanent United Jewish Appeal this year's campaign for the UJA is being conducted on the same basis as in previous years, and that the 1942 New York United Jewish Appeal does not have the authority to make a direct contribution to any agency other than the three organizations included in the national UJA. For this reason we are again applying directly to the National Refugee Service, the Joint Distribution Committee and the United Palestine Appeal.

In accordance with our schedule applicable to member communities we requested \$12,325 from the New York United Jewish Appeal. In 1941 we received from the three agencies of the UJA the amount of \$10,000 as follows: Joint Distribution Committee, \$5,000; United Palestine Appeal, \$2,500; and National Refugee Service, \$2,500. The requested amount of \$12,325 is essential to meet the 1942 budget of the Council which calls for an increased program of services. Included in the 1942 budget are additional research studies of the agencies engaged in overseas and refugee work. We plan this year to cooperate actively with the Inquiry to be established by the Allotment Committee of the 1942 UJA and to cover agencies not included in the UJA but whose work is directly related to the programs of the UJA agencies.

In order to secure the amount requested from the three agencies of the UJA each of the agencies should allot a proportionately larger grant to the Council. To meet the 1942 request on the basis of the 1941 grants will require \$6,162 from the JDC, \$3,081 from the UPA and \$3,081 from the NRS.

The Council is a service agency and its budget is properly an administrative charge on supporting organizations. The Council's functions in terms of organizing local communities to assume responsibility for local, national and overseas needs is recognized by all the important Jewish communities throughout the country. One of our most important purposes is to develop effective support of national and overseas programs through organized local bodies. Until the New York UJA is established to assume a financial responsibility for our services contributions from the beneficiary agencies of the

New York UJA are indispensable to the maintenance of our budget.

We would appreciate your presenting this request to the appropriate administrative body of your organization and letting us know as soon as possible of your decision.

With kindest regards. I am

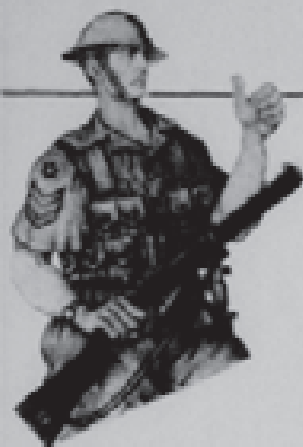
Sincerely yours,

(signed)

SIDNEY HOLLANDER
President

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April 30, 1942

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Houston situation is a very delicate and difficult one. I am taking the liberty of writing a letter in your name to our good friend, Joe Weingarten. Everyone agrees that if he will stand behind the request we shall be able to get more money from Houston.

With kindest regards, I am

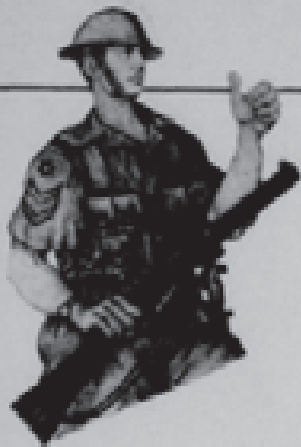
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Miss Birkhahn, the stenotypist who took the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting of the United Jewish Appeal, advises me that Mr. Hyman asked her to get permission from me to turn over to him for revision your verbatim remarks at that meeting.

Does that meet with your approval?

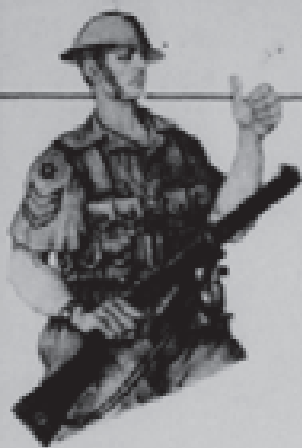
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Dear Dr. Silver:

We had an offer of time on a national hook-up of the National Broadcasting Company for Thursday, May 14th, from 6:30 to 6:45 P.M.

In view of the fact that Dr. Weizmann will not travel, as all are agreed he should not, it seemed a fine opportunity to have his voice heard by the entire country, without fatiguing him unduly, if he would accept this invitation to speak on behalf of the whole U.J.A. Since Dr. Weizmann would naturally speak for the UPA and since he is sympathetic with the JDC, he could perform a genuine service.

I have, therefore, taken the liberty, and I trust you will not mind too greatly, to extend an invitation to Dr. Weizmann on your behalf. Dr. Weizmann has accepted the invitation and will speak on the NBC hook-up on Thursday, May 14th, from 6:30 to 6:45 P.M.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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MEETING OF WELFARE FUND BOARD FOR THURSDAY LUNCHEON MAY 14TH TO
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RABBI WISE WOULD BE ENORMOUS ASSET TO INSURE MAXIMUM RESULTS
RABBI WISE WILL BE RETURNING FROM OMAHA FOR UJA THAT DAY AND
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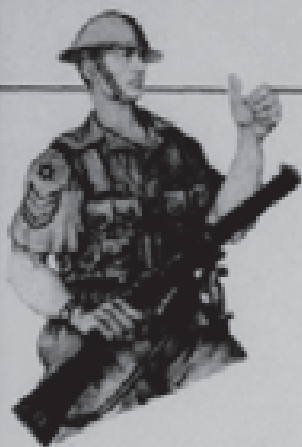
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May 1, 1942

Henry Munster
21. P. M.
41 E. 42nd St.
New York, N. Y.

No objection to verbatim report on English trip but it should be edited for composition syntax etc.

A. H. Silver



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be interested in the attached copy of a letter received from the Hon. Frances P. Bolton, member of Congress from Ohio. Perhaps you will wish to make acknowledgement directly to Representative Bolton. I am therefore enclosing the United Jewish Appeal receipt which you will wish to enclose with your letter.

May we have a copy of your letter.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:rh
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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

MEMORANDUM

May 4, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto are copies of an exchange of correspondence with Stephen T. Early and Randolph M. Paul, Assistant to Secretary Morgenthau.

The question of whether there was any plan for reduction or denial or allowance for charitable contributions was raised simultaneously in Baltimore, Pittsburgh and Los Angeles. It is important to note that the Treasury Department "has not recommended and does not contemplate recommending any legislation which would reduce or deny the allowance of a deduction for charitable contributions."

HM:EH
Atts:

T E L E G R A M

APRIL 30, 1942

MR. STEPHEN T. EARLY
WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

WOULD BE GRATEFUL FOR YOUR KINDNESS IN ADDING INTERPRETATION OF PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE PARTICULARLY AS IT RELATES PRESENT FIFTEEN PERCENT DEDUCTIBILITY FROM INCOME TAXES FOR PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTIONS. KNOWING PRESIDENT'S LONG STANDING LEADERSHIP IN ALL CULTURAL PHILANTHROPIC EFFORTS REALIZE THAT ANY INTERPRETATION THAT WOULD EVEN SUGGEST ELIMINATION PHILANTHROPIC GIFTS IS DISTORTION HIS PURPOSES BUT SINCE A NUMBER OF MEN ENCOURAGED BY SOME COLUMNISTS COMMENTS BELIEVE THERE IS SOME HINT OF ELIMINATION OF DEDUCTIBILITY WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR AUTHORITATIVE REASSURANCE THAT NOTHING IN PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE OR INTENTIONS IN ANY WAY DISCOURAGES WHOLEHEARTED PARTICIPATION ALL AMERICAN CITIZENS IN PRIVATE VOLUNTARY PHILANTHROPIC UNDERTAKINGS. IN VIEW OF WISDOM PROMPT SCOTCHING UNFOUNDED RUMORS IT WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL IF A WIRE FROM YOU COULD POSSIBLY BE RECEIVED TODAY. WE KNOW HOW MANY BURDENS YOU CARRY AND DEPLORE HAVING TO SUBMIT ANOTHER ONE TO YOU BUT FEEL SURE YOU WILL APPRECIATE DESIRABILITY SETTING PEOPLE STRAIGHT AT ONCE.

HENRY MONTOR
EXECUTIVE VICE-CHAIRMAN
UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 MADISON AVENUE

POSTAL TELEGRAPH

GOVT WASHINGTON DC MAY 2

HENRY MONTOR
EXECUTIVE VICE PRES UNITED JEWISH APPEAL
342 MADISON AVENUE NEW YORK CITY

YOUR TELEGRAM OF APRIL TWENTY NINTH ADDRESSED TO STEPHEN T. EARLY
HAS BEEN REFERRED TO THE TREASURY FOR REPLY WE ARE PLEASED TO
INFORM YOU THAT THIS DEPARTMENT HAS NOT RECOMMENDED AND DOES NOT
CONTEMPLATE RECOMMENDING ANY LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD REDUCE OR
DENY THE ALLOWANCE OF A DEDUCTION FOR CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS.

RANDOLPH E. PAUL ASST TO SECY MORGENTHAU



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Dear Dr. Silver:

Would you wish to have a meeting of either the Administrative or Executive Committee called for the time when you will be in New York the week of May 10th? You will be busy, of course, on May 11th, and you have a luncheon and dinner meeting on May 12th. There might be an Executive or Administrative Committee meeting of the UPA at about four o'clock on Tuesday, May 12th; or perhaps you would wish it called for lunch or the afternoon of May 13th.

You will recall that I have been trying for some time to arrange a meeting in New York of the National Council of the UPA. We have such a National Council, and these people receive letters in advance of the National Conference asking them if they will accept. Subsequently they are notified that they are elected. To fail year after year to hold such a meeting inevitably breeds resentment and alienates good will. It occurs to me that we might utilize June 10th, when there will be a dinner for Weizmann at which you are to be the principal speaker. Could we not call a meeting of the members in New York of the National Council to begin at 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, June 10th? We could then adjourn at about 6:30 so that the people could go directly to the dinner. This would give us about two and a half hours to talk specifically and exclusively on UPA matters, and at the same time make the members of the National Council feel that we have called them in to report, etc.

I should like your advice on this suggestion.

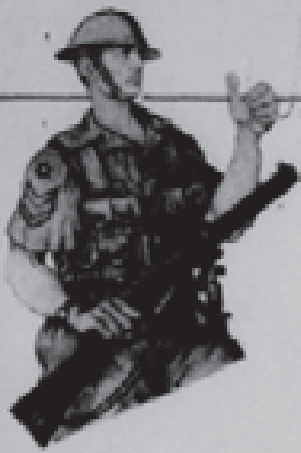
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Judge Levinthal called me about Jesse Calmenson, whose name you may remember. He is a lawyer in St. Paul whom I had wished to get into the service of the UPA for a number of years. Recently when Bernard Stone died, Calmenson said that he might be prepared to take a post on the West Coast. This matter was presented to the Executive Committee which felt that at this time no action should be taken.

Judge Levinthal now suggests that the UPA and the ZOA should jointly finance Mr. Calmenson's being on the West Coast as representative of both organizations. How does that strike you?

Cordially yours,

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

For political reasons I would suggest that the acknowledgement of Mrs. Bolton's gift to the UJA be sent directly from New York headquarters.

It is perfectly all right to turn over the remarks which I made at the Executive Committee meeting of the UJA to Mr. Hyman. Please see that they are properly revised if they are to be used in publicity.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:RK
Enc.

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Attached hereto is a draft of a letter to be signed by the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, in accordance with the decision of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal held on Wednesday, April 29th in New York.

I would appreciate having your corrections or approval by wire so that the sending of the letter may not be unduly delayed.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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Mr. Benjamin E. Bronston, President
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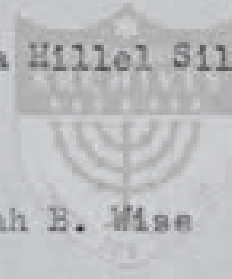
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William Rosenwald

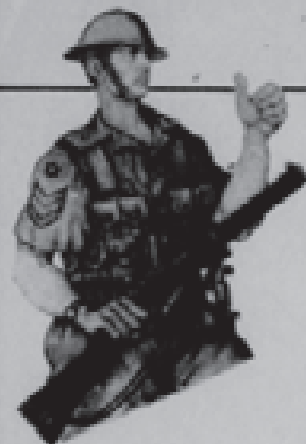


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Dear Dr. Silver:

Professor Eli Ginzberg informed me today that Mr. Frederick Greenman was planning to call a meeting of the Allotment Committee to dispose of the remaining 1941 United Jewish Appeal Funds on Monday, May 25, or a day in that vicinity.

We are preparing data on the present needs of the Palestine funds in order to strengthen the application for a very large part of the remaining funds, which will total from \$500,000 to \$600,000.

I cannot too strongly urge my conviction that at the present time the United Palestine Appeal has a far greater claim to the remaining funds than the Joint Distribution Committee or the National Refugee Service.

You will recall that the Joint Distribution Committee has been allotted \$5,550,000, from the 1941 funds, the United Palestine Appeal \$3,325,000, and the National Refugee Service \$2,725,000. (The latter sum includes \$50,000 additional to which the National Refugee Service was not entitled, but which was granted it as a means of coming to a quick agreement on the 1942 United Jewish Appeal).

In the latter connection, I am sure you have noticed that no more immigration is permitted into Cuba. Moreover, the regulations for those already in Cuba have been greatly eased to facilitate their stay and work in the country.

Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

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May 6, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In connection with Jesse Calmenson, who is being suggested as a joint representative of the ZOA and the UPA -- you will recall that the Administrative Committee, after a lengthy discussion, turned down the proposal for joint representation. The parties were unwilling to agree to such an arrangement. The matter should again be presented at the next meeting of the Administrative Committee.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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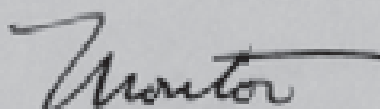
Dear Dr. Silver:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from Senator Harold E. Burton. This is part of the series of messages being received from Senators, Congressmen and Governors, approving the work of the United Jewish Appeal, being used for campaign purposes.

In view of the fact that the Senator is from your State, I thought you might prefer to acknowledge his communication directly. Please send us a copy of such an acknowledgment.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,


 Henry Montor
 Executive Vice-Chairman

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UNITED STATES SENATE

WASHINGTON, D.C.

April 26, 1942

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, N. Y.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Responding to your letter of April 20th I wish to commend you and your associates most cordially for the patriotic and loyal support which you are giving to our National cause in these critical days. It is thoroughly appropriate, at the same time, to proceed with the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees, Overseas Needs and Palestine.

The United Nations join in deep sympathy for those who will be aided by this special appeal and I hope that you are successful in securing a response which will do much to meet their needs. While we must win this war, we must not at the same time, neglect those who are suffering from the war and from the very aggression that we are fighting. We fight for a great human cause of everlasting importance to mankind.

Yours sincerely,

(signed)
Harold H. Burton

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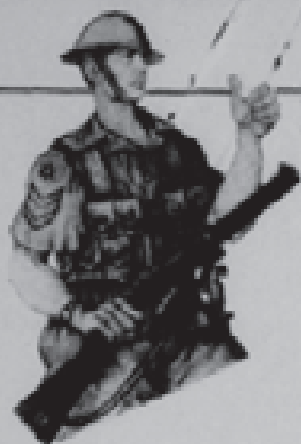
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Attached hereto is a copy of a resolution adopted at the Seaboard Zionist Hadassah Regional Conference in Roanoke, Virginia on May 4th, 1942.

Cordially yours,

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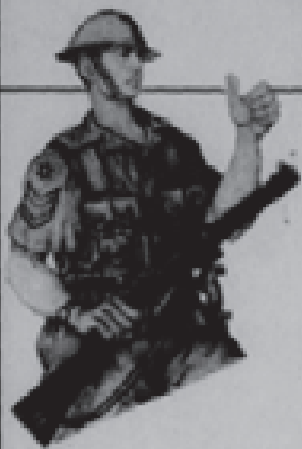
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WHEREAS, the United Palestine Appeal, in which are combined the Palestine Foundation Fund and Jewish National Fund, is the central instrument of American Jewry for the rebuilding of the Jewish National Home, and

WHEREAS, in this decisive period for Eretz Israel, the United Palestine Appeal has provided the channel to bring to the Yishuv concrete material support in the form of resources for immigration, settlement, land purchase, retraining, promotion of industry, education and defense,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 20th Annual Joint Convention of the Seaboard Zionist and Hadassah Regions record its recognition of the pivotal position which the United Palestine Appeal has occupied in the crucial years for the Homeland and summon all Zionists to mobilize the widest support for the United Palestine Appeal, and thus speed the program of building the Jewish National Home,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Convention register its appreciation for the vigorous leadership of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, who has served as National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and who together with his colleagues in the leadership of the campaigns throughout the country has integrated the Jewish community of America to a greater understanding and regard for the Zionist ideal and aim.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

May I advise you of the following circumstances in regard to Miami:

(1) At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the U.J.A. held on April 29th it was decided that the Chairmen of the U.J.A. advise the Greater Miami Jewish Federation of disappointment at the allotment and convey a request for a reconsideration.

(2) In accordance with that directive a letter was drafted and submitted on May 6th to Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, Mr. William Rosenwald and yourself as the National Chairmen.

On May 7th you wired me that the draft of the letter to the Miami community was satisfactory. I received on May 11th a memo from Mr. Coons advising that Rabbi Wise had written personally to Mr. Bronston, President of the Miami Federation, as per the attached memo and copy of the letter from Rabbi Wise.

Do you wish the original draft submitted to you, a copy of which is again attached, to be forwarded to Mr. Bronston under your signature? I believe it conveys the intention of the Executive Committee of the U.J.A.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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UNITED JEWISH APPEAL, INC.
342 MADISON AVENUE

MEMORANDUM

May 11, 1948

TO Mr. Henry Montor
FROM Mr. Isidor Coons
SUBJECT Letter of National Chairmen to Miami, Florida

For letters such as we propose be sent to Miami over the signature of our three National Chairmen, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise does not believe in the efficacy of the three-signature arrangement. He does, however, definitely believe that each of our Chairmen should write an individual letter.

I sent, as you know, to Rabbi Wise your excellent draft and he wrote to Mr. Bronston over his personal signature and on his personal stationery, the attached. He urges that Dr. Silver and Mr. Rosenwald, respectively, each write also and as promptly as possible.

Isidor Coons

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MAY 8, 1942

Mr. Benjamin E. Bronston, President
The Greater Miami Jewish Federation
1003 Congress Building
Miami, Florida

Dear Friend Bronston:

At a meeting of the United Jewish Appeal Executive Committee, attended (in addition to the three chairmen, Messrs. Abba Hillel Silver, William Rosenwald and myself) by almost the full Committee, the desperate situation confronting the miserably beaten and horribly mangled remnants of Jews who have been holding out in our various Corregidors and Singapores, in occupied France, in Lisbon, in Poland and the Palestine bastion, etc. was gone over. It was frightfully apparent that, unless the American Jewish committees came to their assistance immediately, thousands and thousands must be condemned to death by us. I cannot go into details with you, but "too little and too late" is our problem. I am giving you the unanimous conviction of our National Committee, to which I am sure you and your community always have given your affirmative vote.

I hesitated to advise the Committee that Miami, having raised approximately \$121,000, was voting less than one third of that amount to the United Jewish Appeal for the whole work of rescue and resettlement throughout the world for 1942. I did it with the greatest diffidence because I did not wish to represent the community of Miami or the generous givers of the community as having first contributed to this cause and then withheld the contribution from it.

The Officers of the United Jewish Appeal are your trustees. They cannot, just to preserve their own personal peace, permit the United Jewish Appeal to fall beneath a certain minimum of financial support. Your community would resent the United Jewish Appeal condemning to starvation, condemning to remaining in Europe for lack of transportation, condemning to remain outside Palestine for lack of funds to guarantee their acceptance in the land of Israel. I therefore feel that there is nothing that can be said vigorous enough to ask a reconsideration of this action or to demand an adjustment if the action has not yet been taken.

"Thou shalt not put a stumbling block before the blind", says the Book of Leviticus, Chapter 19.

None of us can see either the misery that exists or the marvelous results of our help. Therefore the United Jewish Appeal Executive Committee is all the more responsible for most vigorously championing the cause of the unseen, the unknown and the unprotected of our people.

Trusting you will present this to the Executive Committee and with kindest personal regards and thanks for your continued efforts for the work of the Joint Distribution Committee, United Palestine Appeal and National Refugee Service, I remain

Sincerely yours,

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THEY CANNOT HAVE YOU. I SHOULD BE VERY GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD
ACCEPT THIS INVITATION AND SET DATE FOR I KNOW HOW MUCH IT WILL
MEAN TO CAMPAIGN WHICH HAS GIVEN US ALL GREAT DEAL OF ANXIETY
BECAUSE OF THE FRAME OF MIND OF SOME OF PEOPLE IN COMMUNITY.
CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE WILL MEET IN COLUMBUS AGAIN TOMORROW MORNING.
I HOPE THAT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO WIRE ME OF YOUR
ACCEPTANCE. WARMEST REGARDS.
HENRY MONTOR.

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER*

THE TEMPLE ANSEL & E 105TH ST*

WRHS
1920COLUMBUS LEADERSHIP COMMUNICATED WITH ME FOLLOWING MEETING OF
CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE LAST NIGHT. IT IS FELT THAT MOMENTUM ON WHICH
COMMUNITY HAS BEEN RUNNING FOR NUMBER OF YEARS IS MORE OR LESS
EXHAUSTED AND THAT UNUSUAL INSPIRATION AND STIMULATION ARE
REQUIRED. FOR THAT PURPOSE COLUMBUS WANTS TO HAVE FIRST MASS
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Henry Munter
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Draft letter to Miami community
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A. H. Silver

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May 14, 1942

Henry Monitor

*Regret cannot accept Columbus invitations
Have too many important engagements here
in Cleveland for the remainder of the month
confirmation, Temple Annual meeting, etc.*

Regards

Silver

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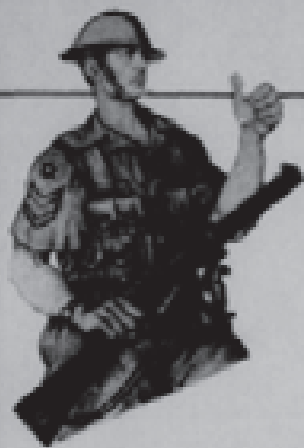
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MR. HENRY MONTOR
UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 EAST 42nd STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

ROSENWALD HAS NO AUTHORITY TO CONVENE MEETING FOR DISCUSSION OF BROADCAST WITHOUT CONSENT OF OTHER NATIONAL CHAIRMEN. REQUEST YOU AND STEINGLASS NOT TO ATTEND MEETING MAY 18th. INFORM COONS ROSENWALD AND WISE OF MY REQUEST.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Saturday, May 16, 1942
12:30 PM



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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your telegram, I advised Mr. Coons that the meeting to discuss Dr. Weizmann's broadcast could not be attended by Mr. Steinglass or myself, since it had not been convened at the request of all the National Chairmen. I also advised him to inform Mr. Rosenwald and Rabbi Wise of your view in this matter. It seems that on receipt of this note, Mr. Coons called these gentlemen, and the meeting was cancelled.

Last Friday I had spoken to Judge Rothenberg about the situation, and had suggested that he might attend. He came to the UJA office this morning, and since the meeting was cancelled he spoke to Mr. Coons of the situation. He remarked that if there were any protests to be made on Dr. Weizmann's speech on the ground that he had not dealt adequately with other subjects than Palestine -- which he did not think was the case --, then the United Palestine Appeal had overlooked hundreds of opportunities for calling attention to the oversights of the JDC and KRS people in referring -- or rather, not referring -- to Palestine.

Judge Rothenberg told Coons that if the publicity of the UJA needed discussion, there was no reason why the three National Chairmen could not get together to exchange views. It seems that a memorandum will be drawn up by Mr. Rosenwald detailing his observations, to be circulated between the Chairmen. Judge Rothenberg told Coons that he was nonplussed that any issue could have been raised.

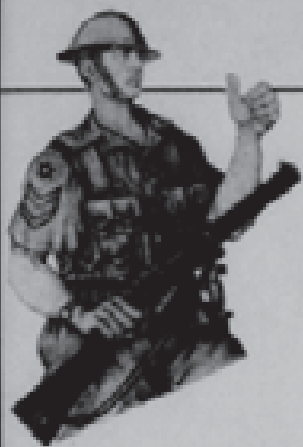
Cordially yours,

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Dear Dr. Silver:

In confirmation of our telephone conversation this morning, I do hope that you can get a chance to pick up the phone and call Charles E. Schwartz of Akron, who did such a splendid job as Chairman of the 1942 campaign in his community. He happens to be Chairman of the U.P.A. Committee in Akron.

In 1941 Akron raised \$72,000. It went out for \$85,000 with the thought that it could not achieve that goal but now Akron has raised almost \$90,000. I am hoping that the bulk, if not all, of the additional money will go to the U.J.A. for its allotment.

Mr. Schwartz's address is Summit Rubber Company, 317 W. Bowery Street. His telephone number is Jefferson 6125.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

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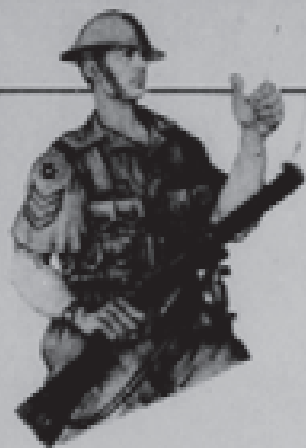
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The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

I send you herewith a copy of the auditor's report of the Keren Hayesod in the United States for the period ending December 31, 1941.

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With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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5/19/42

To : Dr. Silver

From: Henry Montor

WRHS
This was omitted from the material sent
you earlier today.

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PART III - ADDITIONAL NEEDS FOR
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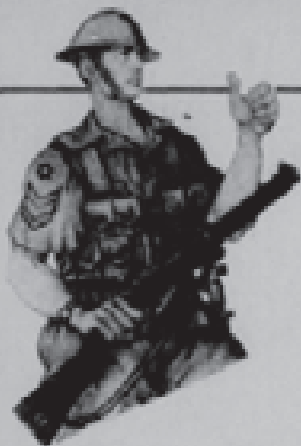
Agency deficit, despite our restriction of activity within limits of the curtailed provisional budget approved by the Actions Committee. Hence it is vitally urgent that we achieve our originally estimated budget of \$1,180,000 (KE and JA - et), especially in view of the possibilities and needs of the war effort.

In connection with recent developments, it is imperative that we receive immediately additional funds comprising	\$243,000 for security and recruiting of manpower,	\$681,000 for soldier's welfare and aid to disabled ex-servicemen and soldier's families,	\$243,000 for expansion of agricultural production and	\$243,000 for other emergency needs,
including expansion of industry, citrus growing, vocational training.				

Keren Kayemeth is unable to utilize the possibilities which exist for land acquisition, owing to the lack of funds.

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5/15/42





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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you for your examination and approval a story based on a cable that has been received from Mr. Eliezer Kaplan. I attach a copy of the cable for your background information.

Will you be kind enough to wire me upon receipt of this story either approval of its contents, or such corrections as you wish to make.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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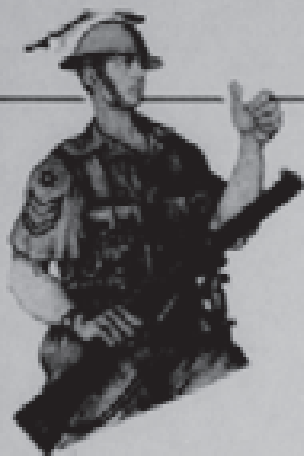
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*Henry Montor
U. P. A.
41 E. 42nd St.
N. Y.*



Story based on Kaplan cable satisfactory.

Silver



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Pioneer Women's Organization, which is a branch of the Gewerkschaften campaign, has asked you for a message for the Souvenir Journal to be published on June 7th.

I do not know what the policy is in congratulating such competing organizations. In any event, attached hereto, for your consideration, is a draft.

With kindest regards, I am

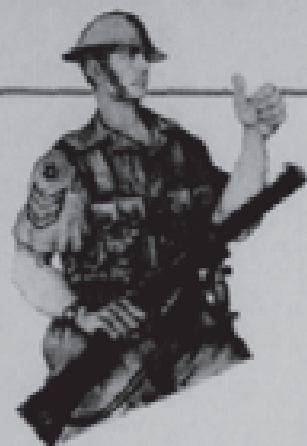
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Attached herewith is a copy of a letter and the accompanying draft which I have sent to Mr. Rosenbloom.

I trust that you agree with my point of view.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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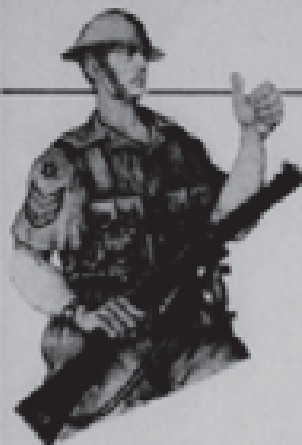
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I am informed by the United Jewish Appeal accounting department that with the payment of only \$350,000 more (which should be accomplished within the next ten days or two weeks) the U.J.A. will have paid out in full to its three beneficiary agencies the total sum of \$11,600,000, representing the amounts originally agreed upon and the additional sums voted by the Allotment Committee last October.

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Jacob Sincoff

We may therefore be faced with the situation that money will be coming to the U.J.A. on account of 1941 and there will be no basis for distribution to the agencies. I therefore hope that it will be possible for you to accelerate an early meeting of the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. for 1942, since a sum of between \$500,000 and \$600,000 is to be decided upon for distribution from among the 1941 proceeds to come.

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You will be encouraged to learn that cash on 1942 campaigns has been coming in encouragingly thus far. This is especially true of New York City.

Executive Director

Henry Montor

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

HM:EH

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May 21, 1942

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

Dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of the letter which
Rabbi Silver sent to Miss Rose Fruling.

Will you kindly return the letter which Mrs. Bernard
Stone sent to Rabbi Silver and which was forwarded to you?
I'd appreciate it very much.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

B/K

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER =

Ansul Rd E 105

THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND OHIO=

IN VIEW OF YOUR PRESENCE IN NEWYORK ON JUNE NINTH AND TENTH
SHALL WE CALL A MEETING OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF UPAT
WARMEST REGARDS=

HENRY MONOTOR=

5/25/42
BY *42* AT *6:47* PM *SE mailed*
CALLS _____

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

MEMORANDUM

May 25, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Montor

For your confidential information I am sending you herewith copies of an exchange of correspondence between Lazare Goodman, Chairman of the 1942 Welfare Fund drive in Indianapolis, and Mr. Coons.

HM:EH
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NATIONAL SILK HOSIERY MILLS, INC.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

MAY 16, 1942

Mr. Isidor Coons
United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Subject: Jewish National Fund
Golden Book Campaign

Dear Isidor:

I would like to get your opinion upon what rights the Jewish National Fund has to conduct a Golden Book campaign such as they are now conducting in Indianapolis, in view of the fact that the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the U.J.A.

Understand, I have no opinion on this matter but I am seeking one because the matter is under discussion here. The campaign is described in the Jewish Post of May 15th which I am enclosing.

As we understand it, the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the United Palestine Appeal, but it still has rights to carry on collections in its traditional manner for such things as the collections from the boxes and also the Golden Book activities.

However, the question that has been raised here is one of degree, and that is whether or not in making a special drive here for 40 Golden Book pages, which means \$4,000, it is exceeding either the spirit or letter of the agreement that the Jewish National Fund has with United Jewish Appeal.

I talked to Mendel Fisher a couple of days ago when he happened to be in town about the matter and he says the Jewish National Fund is well within its rights in seeking this \$4,000 here as he says the Jewish National Fund has a specific right to continue its Golden Book activities. I told him that people here were questioning his interpretation of the agreement which exists and in the interests of protecting the Jewish National Fund itself, I felt the matter ought to be cleared up.

You see, an unfortunate thing has occurred, in that this Golden Book campaign was started about the same time as the Welfare Fund campaign and when I heard that solicitation was being made, although just quietly and from a few people, I requested that they defer any action until after the Welfare campaign was over with. This they agreed to do, although during the Welfare campaign I personally ran into four important subscribers who gave as the reason why they were not giving more to the Welfare Fund the fact they were going to have to give to the Golden Book campaign so that, in effect, their campaign was going on during our Welfare campaign even though active steps were not being taken by them at the time.

Mendel Fisher said that under no circumstances should they have conflicted with the Welfare Campaign here, that he was agreed on that point, but there is a difference of opinion on the other point of just what are the Jewish National Fund's rights under its agreement.

He brought up the fact that this is the 40th anniversary of the Jewish National Fund and that is why they are going out for these Golden Book pages more actively, and I said I questioned whether or not the fact that it was their 40th anniversary gave them the right to make any more active requests for Golden Book subscriptions than was normal.

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Kindest regards,

LLG

L. L. Goodman/s

(Lazare L. Goodman)

May 25, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I do not believe that a letter should be sent to Mr. Greenman at this time with reference to the kind of data which the Allotment Committee should ask for. I think it would be interpreted as a hostile and provocative act. The matter came up for thorough discussions at the last sessions of the Allotment Committee and they know our position in the matter fully.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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P.S. Will you please find out from Dr. Ginzburg exactly when the Allotment Committee is to meet. There has been considerable telegraphic correspondence about the date of the meeting.

May 26, 1942

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

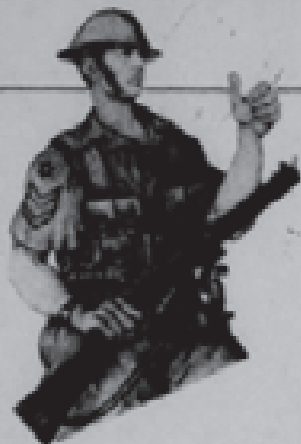
My dear Mr. Montor:

Tuesday, June 9, I must keep free for the Allotment Committee which may take up the whole day. I would suggest that you call a meeting of the UPA Administrative Committee for Wednesday noon. I think a late afternoon meeting will not be desirable on account of the Weizmann banquet in the evening.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

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Abba Hillel Silver

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Solomon Goldman
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In accordance with your suggestion, a meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal is being called for luncheon on June 10th. Do you not think it would be wise for you and Mr. Rosenbloom and myself to meet either at 8 o'clock for breakfast on Tuesday morning, June 9th, prior to the meeting of the Allotment Committee or, if you are in town, to get together on Monday night, June 8th?

Treasurer

Charles J. Rosenbloom

With kindest personal regards, I

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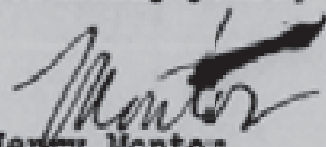
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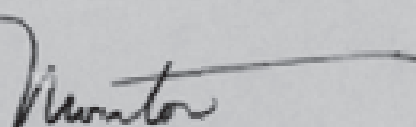
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You will be interested in the exchange of correspondence between Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom as Treasurer of the United Jewish Appeal and Mr. Samuel Goldsmith, Director of the Chicago Jewish Welfare Fund.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,



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CHICAGO JEWISH WELFARE FUND

May 18, 1942

Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom
Union Trust Building
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Dear Mr. Rosenbloom:

My reply to your letter of May 15th must at this point necessarily be personal and not official. Your letter will be read to the next meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago if you desire that that be done. Personally, however, I wish to say that I think it would be an altogether improper request for you to make.

We took the trouble of having a special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish Welfare Fund convene to listen to Rabbi Jonah Wise present the reaction of the officials of the United Jewish Appeal, or at least of the National Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal. Such a meeting was held and Rabbi Wise, ably and fully, presented the situation from the standpoint of the United Jewish Appeal. All the arguments with respect to the possible effects on the contributions of other communities that may grow out of Chicago's action were mentioned by Rabbi Wise. Rabbi Wise, in his presentation, was firm, direct, and yet made the presentation in such fashion that it could be received with good humor.

The last paragraph of your letter seems to indicate that you know something of the facts, namely, that out of \$1,250,000 that could be allotted, the United Jewish Appeal was given \$800,000. Last year, out of \$1,515,000 that could be allotted, the United Jewish Appeal was given \$900,000. The United Jewish Appeal, therefore, this year received a larger proportion of the funds available than it did last year.

In order to make that action possible this year, we have deliberately reduced the amount to local institutions, an amount which helped them in the maintenance of their work and in the amortization of loans made for building purposes -- we made a reduction to such institutions from \$300,000 to \$150,000. This considerably upsets the plan which our community had agreed upon for the amortization of such loans for building purposes.

What seems to me, however, to be the fundamental difficulty is the difficulty of understanding what local communities are doing in raising funds through their Welfare Funds. They are definitely not acting as agents for national organizations. We are not the agents of the United Jewish Appeal. We are the agents of our local community. Some of us have endeavored over the last several years to make the community of Chicago, as undoubtedly you have your own community in Pittsburgh, realize that it has certain obligations not to institutions or organizations, but to Jewish needs. The National organizations, whether for fund raising purposes or for the conduct of actual work, are merely agencies through which our local communities act.

It is quite possible that in due course we shall find some of these

agencies ineffective and, in point of fact, useless. There is a growing, and quite rationally a growing question as to the continuing usefulness of the United Jewish Appeal itself and the desirability of spending approximately a half million dollars a year to conduct it when in most of the major communities - accounting for almost 90% of the funds - the United Jewish Appeal is, in the main, only of very modest assistance, and in many cases, accounting for perhaps 70% of the funds where it is of no practical assistance.

I know that the officers of the United Jewish Appeal feel differently about the matter, but I think you should weigh in the scales what the local communities think about the matter too. I know that to a large extent I am carrying coals to New Castle, since your own service in your own local community is so widely known and so deeply appreciated.

It is true that at the meeting with Rabbi Wise, some individual Directors did say that if it were possible to increase the allocation to the United Jewish Appeal, they hoped it would be done. Whether it will be possible or not, I am in no position to say. I myself have grave doubts that it will or can be done. At any rate, there will be no substantial review of the situation until approximately October 1st.

Finally, what was not mentioned either by Rabbi Wise or by your good self, is this simple fact: Chicago undertook its campaign at a time when most communities viewed the possibility of such campaign with great misgivings. In fact, some communities had decided not to have a campaign at all. The example of Chicago in undertaking the campaign and in raising, all things considered, a reasonably large sum for the limited number of institutions included in the campaign, was heartening to these other communities, and really began the national effort. I should think you would want to encourage us and on the whole work with us, and believe that we are trying to do the best that we can, not for the United Jewish Appeal as such, but for those causes and those works that are assisted through the constituent agencies of the United Jewish Appeal.

Very sincerely yours,

(Signed) SAMUEL A. COLDSMITH
Secretary

May 15, 1942

Mr. Samuel A. Goldsmith, Secretary
Jewish Welfare Fund
128 North Wells Street
Chicago, Ill.

Dear Mr. Goldsmith:

On behalf of the National Chairman of the United Jewish Appeal I acknowledge your letter of May 12th and also that of May 8th. In the former were enclosed two checks, one of \$174,350 and the other of \$75,000, applying to the 1942 allotment to the U.J.A. from the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago. Our official receipt is hereto attached. With this remittance the U.J.A. has recorded a total of \$500,025 as having been received from the Jewish Welfare Fund of Chicago.

You and your associates in the Jewish Welfare Fund must, of course, be aware of the deep disappointment in the U.J.A. at the very substantial reduction of the allotment as compared with 1941. As Treasurer of the U.J.A., I cannot help remembering that in 1939 the U.J.A. received \$1,400,000 from Chicago, that in 1940 this amount was reduced to \$1,000,000, in 1941 the sum was further cut to \$800,000. When other communities throughout the nation are trying their utmost to maintain, and while others are increasing, their allotments to the U.J.A., it is of course a special source of regret that the allotment should be \$800,000, a decrease of \$100,000 as compared with the previous year.

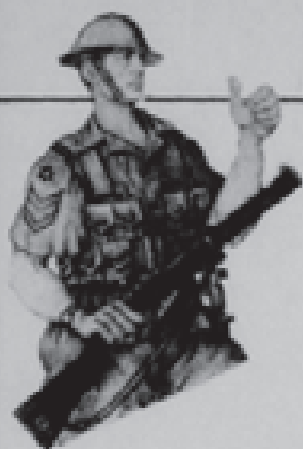
The disappointment of the U.J.A. was of course conveyed to you at the personal meeting which our colleague, Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, had with you in Chicago. We are glad to have the further assurance through him that every effort will be made, insofar as the resources of the community will permit, to increase the "tentative allocation". I have no doubt that you and your colleagues in the Welfare Fund would be deeply gratified if the income to the Fund would permit you to maintain the \$900,000 allocation.

I am aware of the difficulties which Chicago encountered this year and appreciate the effort that was made by the Jewish Welfare Fund to maintain, as far as possible, the share of the U.J.A. in the total receipts.

Sincerely yours,

Charles J. Rosenbloom
Co-Treasurer

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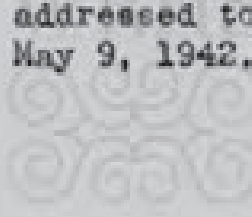
Henry Montor

Miss Bessie Kline
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

As requested in your letter of May 21st, I am returning to you herewith the letter which Mrs. Bernard Stone addressed to Dr. Silver under date of May 9, 1942.

Cordially yours,


Henry Montor
Henry Montor
Executive Director

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UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd Street
New York City

MEMORANDUM

May 29, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Mr. Henry Montor

Attached hereto is an exchange of correspondence between Mr. Lazare L. Goodman, Chairman of the Indianapolis Jewish Welfare Fund, and Mr. Isidor Coons. Correspondence is in reference to JNF activities in Indianapolis.

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NATIONAL SILK HOSIERY MILLS, INC.
INDIANAPOLIS, IND.

May 16, 1942

Mr. Isidor Coons
United Jewish Appeal, Inc.
342 Madison Avenue
New York City

Subject: Jewish National Fund
Golden Book Campaign

Dear Isidor:

I would like to get your opinion upon what rights the Jewish National Fund has to conduct a Golden Book campaign such as they are now conducting in Indianapolis, in view of the fact that the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the U.J.A.

Understand, I have no opinion on this matter but I am seeking one because the matter is under discussion here. The campaign is described in the Jewish Post of May 15th which I am enclosing.

As we understand it, the Jewish National Fund is a participant in the United Palestine Appeal, but it still has rights to carry on collections in its traditional manner for such things as the collections from the boxes and also the Golden Book activities.

However, the question that has been raised here is one of degree, and that is whether or not in making a special drive here for 40 Golden Book pages, which means \$4,000, it is exceeding either the spirit or letter of the agreement that the Jewish National Fund has with United Jewish Appeal.

I talked to Mendel Fisher a couple of days ago when he happened to be in town about the matter and he says the Jewish National Fund is well within its rights in seeking this \$4,000 here as he says the Jewish National Fund has a specific right to continue its Golden Book activities. I told him that people here were questioning his interpretation of the agreement which exists and in the interests of protecting the Jewish National Fund itself, I felt the matter out to be cleared up.

You see, an unfortunate thing has occurred, in that this Golden Book campaign was started about the same time as the Welfare Fund campaign and when I heard that solicitation was being made, although just quietly and from a few people, I requested that they defer any action until after the Welfare campaign was over with. This they agreed to do, although during the Welfare campaign I personally ran into four important subscribers who gave as the reason why they were not giving more to the Welfare Fund the fact they were going to have to give to the Golden Book campaign so that, in effect, their campaign was going on during our Welfare campaign even though active steps were not being taken by them at the time.

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Kindest regards,

L. L. G.

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May 20, 1942

Mr. Lazare L. Goodman
The National Silk Hosiery Mills, Inc.
Davidson & Michigan
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Lazare:

Your inquiry as to the right of the Jewish National Fund to secure independent monies through the Golden Book in Indianapolis raises a moot and difficult question. Now in our fourth year, we have more than a little difficulty in establishing a precise interpretation with Mendel Fisher as to what the Jewish National Fund should do and that which they should not do in relation to the United Jewish Appeal. Only last week we had a conference with him in this office to urge that the Jewish National Fund cease causing confusion and conflict in some communities where their activities are in direct competition with the United Palestine Appeal interests in the United Jewish Appeal.

The Jewish National Fund, as you may know, receives fifty per cent of the revenue accruing to the United Palestine Appeal through the United Jewish Appeal. This, of course, represents the major contribution of the American Jewish community to the Jewish National Fund at this time.

The national agreement between the United Palestine Appeal and the Joint Distribution Committee for 1942 provides:

"The traditional collections of the Jewish National Fund are not to be included or to be considered a part of the United Jewish Appeal. However, a report of its net receipts shall be made available to the Allotment Committee. Any income received by the Jewish National Fund through allotment from Welfare Funds is to be considered income for the United Jewish Appeal."

The Jewish National Fund considers the Golden Book as an activity of its "traditional collections."

Obviously, it is shortsighted for the Jewish National Fund to stimulate independent "traditional collection" activity in advance of, during, or in my opinion, immediately after a Welfare Fund campaign. There is not, however, much that we can do about it from the United Jewish Appeal national headquarters, but it seems to me that a community of the size of Indianapolis can, if it wishes, control the situation quite definitely.

As I said, this is the fourth year of our United Jewish Appeal and the problems resulting in conflict with the Jewish National Fund have not been satisfactorily adjusted. I, personally, doubt whether they will ever be. I wish I could be more helpful.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Isidor Coons

NATIONAL SILK HOSIERY MILLS, INC

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA

May 23, 1942.

Mr. Isidore Coons
United Jewish Appeal
342 Madison Avenue
New York, New York.

Dear Isidore:

I have your letter of May 20th, regarding the Jewish National Fund Golden Book situation, and frankly, the reply is unsatisfactory, in that it leaves the problem up in the air.

It seems to me that a question as simple as I have asked, which is whether or not the activities of the local organization here raising funds for the Jewish National Fund is within the rights of the agreement with the United Jewish Appeal, is deserving of a clear cut answer of "yes" or "no".

I know the question involves one of degree, but certainly there is someone, or some committee, that has the authority to pass on this question answered satisfactorily in that manner.

Undoubtedly, there is a committee that gave the Jewish National Fund the authority to continue its traditional fund raising activities, and I think that committee should interpret whether or not the type of activities that are being followed out in Indianapolis now are in keeping with either the spirit or letter of the agreement covering traditional fund raising activities.

In other words, what is meant by "traditional fund raising activities" insofar as getting contributions for the Golden Book? Has it been the custom of the Jewish National Fund to go out on a campaign such as they have here in Indianapolis to solicit, as they have from perhaps one hundred people, contributions for the Golden Book at \$100.00 a page — (I understand that they have over fifty contributors at \$100.00 each actually accomplished)? If it has not been the custom for them to do this, then in what respect would this be considered a traditional fund raising activity?

I do not know how much money is raised annually for the Golden Book, although I do understand that the traditional fund raising activities in 1941 for the Jewish National Fund were around \$500,000.00. How much of that \$500,000.00 came from the Golden Book, and how much would be raised nationally for the Golden Book this year if their scale of money raising for that purpose were on the basis of \$5,000.00 from Indianapolis this year, and how would that compare with previous years?

It would seem to me that on this scale of fund raising for the Golden Book, together with the normal other traditional fund raising activities of the Jewish National Fund, that far more money would be raised nationally than was contemplated at the time that the Jewish National Fund received its authority from the United Jewish Appeal to continue with its traditional fund raising activities. If that is so, it would appear that the Jewish National Fund with its Golden Book campaign is violating both the spirit and letter of the agreement with the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal.

There is considerable local dissatisfaction in Indianapolis over this situation, not only from the fact that the activity was undertaken almost coincident with the local Welfare Campaign, but more important, that it is a violation of at least the spirit of the agreement that the Jewish National Fund has with the United Palestine Appeal and the United Jewish Appeal. It has caused other organizations in Indianapolis, who have felt that they are not getting enough of the Welfare Campaign, to want to conduct an auxiliary campaign for themselves also, and this only leads in the end to the destruction of the Welfare Fund, which in turn would eventually react to the amount of money that would be given to the United Jewish Appeal and the United Palestine Appeal.

I personally am on the spot in this situation on account of having been campaign manager of the Jewish Welfare Fund and also because of my sympathetic interest in the work of the Jewish National Fund. If I could get a clear cut ruling on this matter to the effect that the Jewish National Fund is not violating either the spirit or letter of their agreement, then I want to contribute a page to the Golden Book myself, and even encourage others to do it if they ask my opinion about it.

On the other hand, if there is doubt cast on this matter through no clear cut interpretation being given by the responsible authorities, who should make a clear cut answer of "yes" or "no" — then should I contribute to the Golden Book under those conditions, I would be severely criticised by a large number of people in Indianapolis, who would feel that I was lending my support to an unauthorized movement.

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I am sending a copy of this letter to Mr. Henry Montor at the United Palestine office, 41 E. 42nd Street, in the hope that he will give me a definite answer, or that at least he will refer the question to the committee that can give an authoritative answer on this question.

Certainly some committee ought to give the answer of "yes" or "no" as to whether or not the operation in Indianapolis is in keeping with the national agreement, and I would like to have that answer without any back-passing.

I await your reply, and will also thank you to get in touch with Mr. Henry Montor, with whom I am not personally acquainted, to urge that he give me a prompt answer as well.

(signed)

Sincerely yours,

L. L. Goodman

UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL
41 East 42nd St.
New York City

MEMORANDUM

May 29, 1942

TO: Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

FROM: Henry Montor

Attached hereto is a copy of a memorandum addressed to Mr. Coons and myself, as Executive Vice-Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal, by Messrs. Samuel Blitz and Henry C. Bernstein, Directors of the New York U.J.A., in regard to the Jewish National Fund, together with photostats which the New York U.J.A. prepared of the documents to which reference is made.

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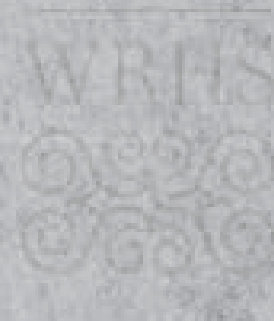
TO Mr. Isidor Coons
Mr. Henry Mentor

FROM Mr. Samuel Blitz
Mr. Henry C. Bernstein

May 27, 1942

We have been confronted throughout our campaign by activities such as the attached which are seriously interfering with our work. You will note that the Founders' Dinner in honor of Senator Robert F. Wagner is evidently a Jewish National Fund activity as the JNF address and phone number - Va. 6-3780 is used in connection with the undertaking.

We will appreciate your advice so that we may be able to reply to the complaints which we have received from our campaign workers who resent this duplication of appeals in a united campaign.



June 2, 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
Mr. Greenman sent to Rabbi Silver; also a copy
of the telegram which Rabbi Silver sent to him
this morning.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc.

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

Dr. Silver

June 2, 1942

Mr. Charles J. Rosenbloom
521 Union Trust Bldg.
Pittsburgh, Pa.

Dear Charles:

There is no gall as galling as that of a Bourbon. The suggestion that Mr. Goldwasser, the man who frothed at the mouth when he heard that I would be within five miles of him because I happen to be a paid employee, ~~suggesting~~ that Mr. Leavitt should now be a member of the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. on the same basis as Dr. Silver and yourself would, under ordinary circumstances, be amusing except that in this instance it is insulting.

Presumably, if you were to object it would show your Zionist discourtesy. The only suggestion that I can offer is this; that if Mr. Leavitt is invited to be present at the meetings, a similar invitation should be addressed to myself since Mr. Goldwasser places the invitation to Mr. Leavitt on the ground that "Leavitt be permitted to supply information wherever I find myself at a loss."

Obviously I am glad to note that Mr. Goldwasser has let down his caste bars and now recognizes Mr. Leavitt as a human being, which indeed he is. But when the "four freedoms" come to the U.J.A. they should be made available to all agencies of the U.J.A. and not merely to the ruling imperial class.

Perhaps my observations seem too facetious but I imagine that the kernel of what I have to say is not concealed.

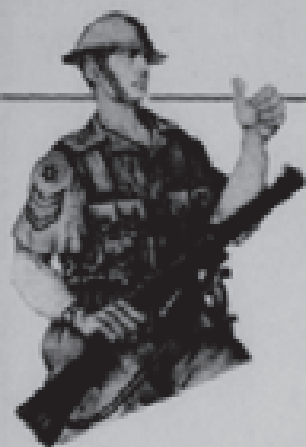
In all earnestness, I think it would be wrong for the U.P.A. or anyone else to take the position that because a person is a "professional" he must be debarred from citizenship or from the fulfillment of communal responsibilities. But since the J.D.C. has now come to recognize the dignity of men even though employed, I believe it should apply in all instances.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

HM:JB

Henry Montor
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As you know, the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the United Jewish Appeal agreed that the next meeting of the Executive Committee would be held on June 23rd. Please advise me whether you would prefer to have this in the form of a lunch or an afternoon meeting at about 4 o'clock.

With kindest regards, I am

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Cordially yours,

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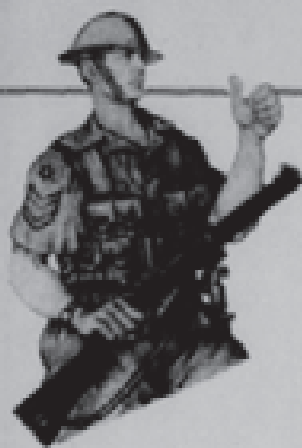
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Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Dr. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline:

National Chairman

Abba Hillel Silver

I am sending today to Dr. Silver drafts of two letters, one to Charles Schwartz and one to George Mokil. Will you be good enough to inform me when Dr. Silver sends the letters out.

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

I am enclosing herewith the supplementary data which Dr. Ginzburg sent out to the members of the Allotment Committee. It will undoubtedly serve as the basis for the allotment. It is a rather amazing document. The JDC is represented as showing excess liabilities of resources of \$569,142, the NRS is shown to have a deficit of \$159,600 while the UPA shows a deficit of only \$59,275. There is a strange jumbling of figures in all three reports.

In the NRS report there is smuggled in a "working reserve" of \$300,000, an item which was never heretofore considered by any Allotment Committee; also \$795,000 of loans are included among the expenditures, and no repayments are included as an offset. Ginzburg makes no mention at all of the huge debt which the Jewish Agency is trying to pay off. Every provision is made for the JDC and the NRS to meet their total former commitments, but little for the Jewish Agency. It is of interest to note that no mention is made of the \$50,000 which was given by the Allotment Committee to the NRS, earmarked for Cuban immigration, which didn't materialize, and which by the terms of the 1942 agreement with us, the NRS was permitted to keep and to use for whatever purposes it desired.

I would suggest that our auditors make a careful and immediate survey of the enclosed data and write out their comments upon it. They should be brief and exact. Rosenbloom and I should have it by Monday, and copies of it should be available for distribution among the Allotment Committee members at the meeting on Tuesday.

It is strange to note how Ginzburg, who began as a severe, revolutionary critic of the NRS, has steadily tapered off into an advocate of the NRS to the point of adopting their entire line... Friedman, at least, was consistent...

Mr. Montor

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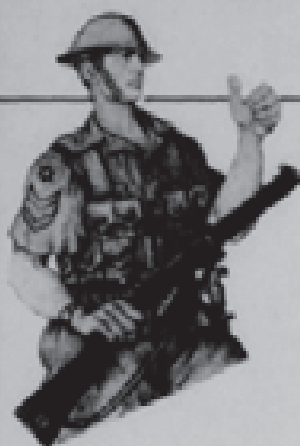
I am also enclosing herewith a letter of Mr. Baerwald. Evidently they do not wish to adopt the proposal which I made for an agreement upon a ratio for the 1942 allocations. They want to go through with another Allotment Committee. That would be entirely satisfactory. They would like to retain ~~also~~ Mr. Greenman as chairman of the Allotment Committee for 1942 but ~~they~~ would like to substitute for the three other members of the Committee. I am inclined to think that that would be a mistake -- to retain one and to dismiss the others. However, we shall discuss that when we meet next Tuesday. You might, in the meantime, draft a panel of new names.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I think you will be interested to know of the remarkable attendance that may be expected at the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the United Palestine Appeal on Wednesday, June 10th, at 12:30 P.M. The following are the names of the out-of-towners who have already indicated that they will be present:

A. B. Cohen, Scranton, Pa.
Daniel Frisch, Indianapolis, Ind.
Joseph E. Grosberg, Schenectady, N. Y.
S. Joshua Kohn, Utica, N. Y.
Charles J. Rosenbloom, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Simon Shetzer, Washington, D. C.
Archibald Silverman, Providence, R. I.
Abraham Srere, Detroit, Mich.
Michael A. Stavitsky, Newark, N. J.
Mark Sugarman, South Coatesville, Pa.
Abraham I. Uelander, Elizabeth, N. J.
Abe D. Waldauer, Memphis, Tenn.

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
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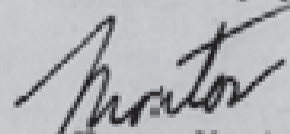
In view of the very substantial increase in the amount raised in Akron this year it is important that the United Jewish Appeal stress the urgency of a much larger allotment.

Last year we received \$30,000 from Akron out of \$73,630 raised. This year the leaders are talking in terms of an increase in our allocation of only \$8,000 although \$88,000 has been raised.

I trust that you will find it convenient to send the enclosed letters directly from Cleveland.

With kindest personal regards, I am

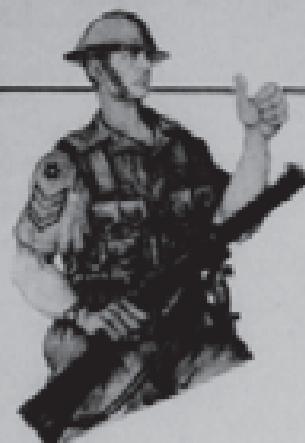
Cordially yours,


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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you herewith an exact duplicate of the material that has been submitted to Professor Ginzberg in connection with the meeting of the Allotment Committee of the 1941 United Jewish Appeal to be held next Tuesday, June 9, 1942.

I should indeed very much like to see similar statistics from the other agencies. I am offering this material to you so that you will have ample opportunity to study it over the week-end.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
Executive Director

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

My dear Mr. Montor:

In reply to your letter of June 4, about the time of the meeting of the Executive Committee of the UJA — as far as I am concerned, either the noon hour or four o'clock is convenient.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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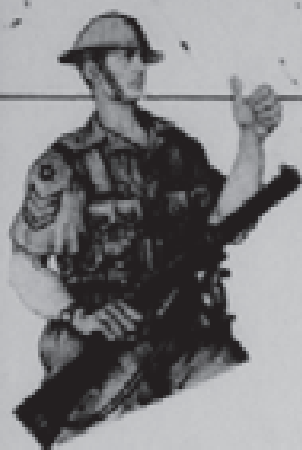
Rabbi Silver signed the letters
addressed to Charles Schwartz and George Nobel.
They were mailed today.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.



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I am sending you herewith by airmail, special delivery, a copy of the memorandum which was drawn up by Dr. Rosenbluth on the financial status and activities of the J.D.C. and the N.R.S.

You will want to study this thoroughly in connection with the meeting of the Allotment Committee on Tuesday, June 9th. Please note that this material was prepared prior to the receipt of Professor Ginzberg's statement and a supplementary statement by Dr. Rosenbluth will be forwarded to you by airmail, special delivery sometime during the day. You may, as a matter of fact, get the material at the same time this is received by you.

With kindest personal regards, I am

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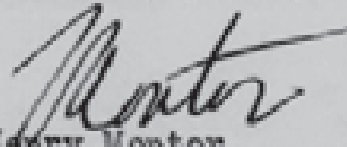
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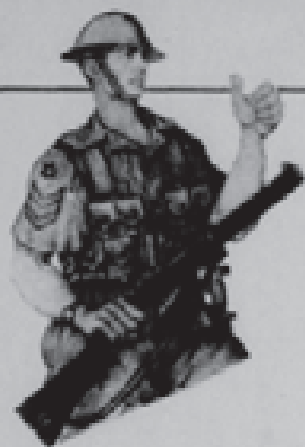
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Dear Dr. Silver:

In accordance with your request, I am sending herewith to you two sheets on which appear in statistical form the complete story in brief of the financial status of the JDC, the NRS and the UPA at the end of 1941. The figures speak for themselves.

In addition, I am sending you some notes which help further to clarify these figures, and also suggest some very pertinent questions that might be asked during the discussions on Tuesday.

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The broader background is of course to be found in Dr. Rosenbluth's lengthy memorandum which went to you under separate cover. Over the week-end I shall be at the Hotel Rochester, Rochester, New York for the National Conference of Jewish Social Welfare.

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I shall be returning Tuesday morning to have breakfast with you and Mr. Rosenbloom at the Commodore Hotel at eight o'clock.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

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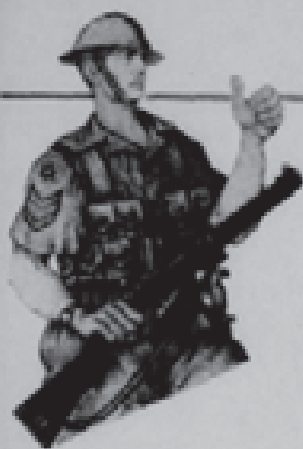
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I had lunch today with Professor Eli Ginzberg, to whom I expressed "shock" at the contents of his summary statement to the Allotment Committee. He said that he did not understand my "shock" in view of the fact that what I read into the statistics was not what he had intended at all.

In brief, this is his view of the situation of the three agencies in the U.J.A., a view which he is prepared to present to the Allotment Committee as an introductory statement if he is called upon:

1. The J.D.C. has approximately \$1,200,000 of padding in its requests, consisting of (a) \$620,000 as a working fund reintroduced into its figures after the J.D.C. had itself discarded that item in its own fiscal report for the period ending December 31, 1941; (b) approximately \$325,000 of "slow" old accounts or commitments which had already been rejected by the Allotment Committee of the U.J.A. at its meeting in October as being no valid basis on which to distribute funds; and (c) approximately \$325,000 inserted for suddenly discovered reserves, which were of the same nature as the preceding "slow" accounts. Thus, as Professor Ginzberg put it, the J.D.C. had approximately \$1,200,000 deadwood. On that basis, therefore, the J.D.C. ends the year with a surplus of about \$500,000.

2. Professor Ginzberg was completely unable to understand my "sense of disappointment" on the reading of his section on the N.R.S. I had pointed to his remark that the N.R.S. position was "deteriorating". He said that it was true, but in this sense: The N.R.S. ended the year 1940 with a surplus of about \$370,000, but it had ended the year 1941 with a surplus of only \$214,000.

3. He admitted that he had not adequately read or understood the U.P.A. figures, even remarking that he did not have the balance sheet of the Jewish Agency, for example, as of October 1, 1940. It is apparent that the great fault of the U.P.A. has been the excess of material that it has given. In any case, Professor Ginzberg returned to the office with me and was given a copy of the particular balance sheet he wanted and he admitted that he had this previously in his

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possession.

In any event, the U.P.A. position is approximately as follows: (a) the deficit of the Jewish Agency for Palestine of \$600,000, and (b), which is much more important in his opinion, the constant necessity on the part of the Jewish National Fund to borrow. As he sees it, the U.P.A. should say to the Allotment Committee that year after year the J.N.F. is compelled to borrow a million dollars or more. This should be taken into account by the Allotment Committee because both the M.R.S. and the J.D.C. are completely out of their bank indebtedness. The J.N.F., on the other hand, is burdened down by the costs of indebtedness and its inability to take itself out of that indebtedness because of inadequate support.

The above picture, then, is completely different from that which I derived from Professor Ginzberg's report. I cannot reconcile his lengthy and sympathetic statement to me as described above with the contents of his document intended for the Allotment Committee.

The important thing will be to get Mr. Greenman or the Allotment Committee to ask Professor Ginzberg to make the kind of introductory statement which he said to me he was prepared to do if called upon.

Incidentally, Professor Ginzberg remarked that you are very familiar with both the J.D.C. and M.R.S. figures and would certainly not be taken in by the figures submitted by the J.D.C. to present the best case it could under the circumstances.

There are several other points which he made during his discussion with me:

(a) Mr. Greenman has directed him to ignore the "calendar" statistics of the U.P.A. on the ground that the U.P.A. went before the Allotment Committee at its last session with "fiscal year statistics". That does not happen to be the fact. The U.P.A., as your own records will recall, has taken the position that although the agencies which it finances have a fiscal year ending at approximately October 1st, the U.P.A. itself was presenting data on the calendar basis of January through December. There is no reason why the statistics of the J.D.C., the M.R.S. and the U.P.A. should not be treated on the same basis, particularly since the U.P.A. does have all the material necessary on the basis of the calendar year.

(b) Professor Ginzberg did admit that the figures of the J.D.C. and the U.P.A. are not comparable, inasmuch as the U.P.A. figures are on a cash basis and the J.D.C. continues to speak of "appropriations".

(c) There is one point that Professor Ginzberg seems never to have realized until now in regard to the statistics of the four agencies included in the consolidated report of the U.P.A., and that is that each of the agencies is an autonomous, separate organization, with its own income and expenditures. Thus, if the Jewish Agency has a deficit of \$700,000, that deficit cannot be made up by taking over a possible surplus of \$500,000 in the J.N.F. The way in which the U.P.A. picture is presented in the "Supplementary Statistics" sent to you under separate cover in the green covered sheet is the proper presentation of these agencies' income and expenditure. It happens that the Jewish

Agency has a very heavy deficit; the J.N.F. had, at a certain period, some \$600,000 in the bank, but this money was in escrow to be paid out as deeds then under negotiation were completed. This money was actually paid out in January, February and March, as is indicated in the U.P.A. report, so that the J.N.F. ends the year with a deficit of some \$60,000.

I shall cut this note short because I have been sending you so much material that it may lead to confusion.

But I did think it was important to emphasize the conversation with Professor Ginzberg, since if what he said to me will be repeated to the members of the Allotment Committee in the very same way it would seem that the U.P.A. is entitled to all the money available, although this conclusion he did not himself state although emphasizing that the J.D.C. has padded its figures with \$1,200,000 and the N.R.S. has ended the year with a surplus of \$214,000.

With kindest personal regards, I am

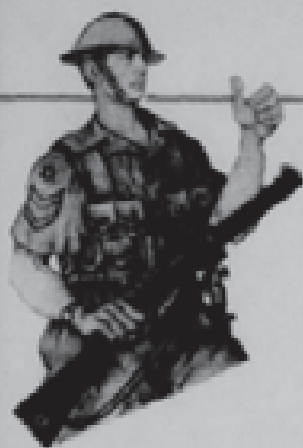
Cordially yours,

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Henry Montor
Executive Director

P. S. I HAVE TOLD MR. ROSENBLUM THAT YOU, HE AND I WILL MEET FOR BREAKFAST AT THE COMMODORE HOTEL ON TUESDAY MORNING AT 8 A. M.

HM:EH



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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have seen a copy of the letter which Dr. Israel Goldstein sent to you with regard to the J.N.F. Note Issue.

I assume that you wish this placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Administrative Committee of the U.P.A.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Henry Montor
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MEMORANDUM

June 5, 1942

TO: Mr. Isidor Coons

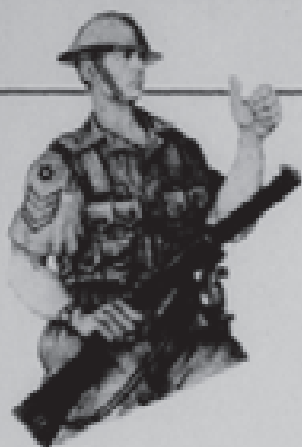
FROM: Mr. Henry Mator

I have seen Rabbi Wise's letter of June 1st to a number of members of the Budget Committee in Minneapolis. It is not my purpose, obviously, to suggest what Rabbi Wise should or should not say with regard to the UJA. The only reason that I refer to it is that a question was raised with regard to what Dr. Chaim Weizmann said about the agencies of the UJA in a recent broadcast.

I could not help noting in this letter that the overwhelming proportion of space was given to two of the agencies of the UJA rather than proportionate space to all three. As National Chairman, Rabbi Wise will, I am sure, exercise his full prerogatives in writing such letters as he feels he can sign. But since he is a National Chairman of the UJA, my reference to this might seem more appropriate than references that have been made in connection with the other matter.

It happens that of the gentlemen who were addressed Mr. Leonard Friesch, Dr. Moses Barron, Rabbi Albert Gordon and Mr. Harold J. Goldenberg are very devoted Zionists, who would probably have been very much interested in greater information on Palestine as well as on all the other agencies.

HM:EH



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
246 East 105 Street
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am sending you herewith a revised statement of the Financial Condition of the Joint Distribution Committee and the National Refugee Service as of December 31, 1941.

In the copy sent you yesterday the figures were inadvertently omitted from note 1/. Would you please destroy the copy sent you previously?

Sincerely yours,

Esther Trebach

Esther Trebach
Statistical Department

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—HON. FRANK KNOX, Secretary of the Navy

June 7, 1942

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2 — SON OF A DEAR FRIEND NATHAN DAUBY PASSED AWAY THIS MORNING. WILL HAVE TO ATTEND FUNERAL TUESDAY. WILL NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND MEETING OF ALLOCATION COMMITTEE. SUGGEST GOLDSTEIN OR LIPSKY AS ALTERNATES HAVE THEM FAMILIARIZE THEMSELVES THOROUGHLY WITH STATISTICS ESPECIALLY THE ONE PAGE ~~REPORT~~ FINANCIAL STATUS JDC AND ~~AL-~~ WHICH YOU SENT ME COPIES OF WHICH SHOULD ALSO BE AVAILABLE TO OTHER MEMBERS ALLOCATION COMMITTEE. ALTERNATES SHOULD ALSO ACQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH PREVIOUS ACTION OF ALLOCATION COMMITTEE AND REASONS FOR IT. REGRET DEEPLY THIS LAST MINUTE CHANGE OF PLANS BUT AS YOU SEE QUITE UNAVOIDABLE. KINDEST REGARDS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

