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Western Reserve University, 1918-1928.

Nov., 1918.

PRESIDENT'S ROOM
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND

Dear Rottie Silver :-

Dr. MacLure,
who has final charge of
things in the Dental
School, has this morn-
g given me a statement
in re the matter which
you kindly brought to our
attention. I have drawn
from his full report
the part which specially

concerns us at the present
moment.

Let me again thank
you for your endeavors for
us - for both students &
teachers - in a matter of
deep concern. Let me also
emphasize the invitation of
Dr. MacIsaac for your paying
a visit to the School & for
our conference.

Ever gratefully yours,
Charles D. Thurney

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY DENTAL SCHOOL
2165 ADELBERT ROAD
CLEVELAND, OHIO

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

November 20, 1918.

Rabbi Silver,
c/o The Temple,
East 55th St. & Central Av., City.

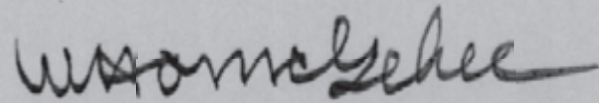
My dear Sir:

I am sorry that I did not have an opportunity when you visited the Dental School a short while ago of talking with you further and of showing you our Clinics in full operation.

I am writing to say that it would give me a great deal of pleasure to have you visit us again at some time that would be convenient for you in order that I may have the opportunity of discussing some important matters with you and of showing you our methods of conducting our large Clinics. If you will phone me at any time at the Dental School I will be very glad to make a definite appointment with you at a suitable hour for this purpose.

Trusting that I may hear from you in regard to the matter, I am

Very sincerely yours,



W. H. O. McGehee,
Superintendent.

November 22nd, 1918

Dr. E. H. O. McGhee,
W. E. U. Dental School,
2165 Adelbert Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. McGhee,

I was very pleased to receive your letter and shall be happy to come to see you next Tuesday morning, at 10:30, to discuss with you the matters to which you refer.

I shall be very happy also to meet with the demonstrators of your Institution.

Anticipating the pleasure of seeing you, I am

Very sincerely yours,

I now desire to submit to you the following detailed information which may prove of interest in its bearing on the present discussion: [1918?]

Freshman Class	-	56	students	-	No. of Jews	14	-	Percentage of Jews	25%
Sophomore	"	38	"	-	"	13	-	"	34%
Senior	"	74	"	-	"	25	-	"	33%

Average Percentage of Jews in attendance in the Dental School 32%

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Attendance for the month of October in the Senior Class.

Number of Hours required	202.51
Average No. of Hours put in by Jewish Students	157.19
" " " " " " " Gentile "	167.05
Difference in favor of Gentile students	9.86 per student

* * *

Number of Patients assigned by Dr. Plaga for the month of October to the Senior Class.

65	patients	to	25	Jewish	students	-	Av.	2.6	patients	to	each
											student
101	"	"	46	Gentile	"	-	"	2.01	"		

Difference of .59 patients per man in favor of Jewish students.

The majority of patients were assigned by Dr. Plaga, although numerous other assignments were made by other demonstrators, of which no records were kept.

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Patients operated on in the month of October by the
Senior Class.

Patients operated on by Jewish students	302
Number of Jewish students operating	25
Average number of patients operated upon by Jewish students	12.08 each
Patients operated on by Gentile students	561
Number of Gentile students operating	46
Average number of patients operated upon by Gentile students	12.10 each

Difference of .02 per man in favor of Gentile students.

On a number of occasions students were approached by Dr. Plaga with the intention of assigning patients to them, but who refused to receive these patients for various reasons. According to our records, 14 Jewish students refused to receive patients who were offered them during the month of October and 23 Gentile students refused during the same time. Owing to the fact that the proportion of Gentile students in the class is the larger, the proportion of Jewish students refusing patients is larger than that of the Gentile students.

I have offered the above tabulated information because I desire to assure you that the affairs of the Clinic are conducted in a systematic manner and that justice is given to every man alike, regardless of his creed or color. A study of the above tables will reveal the fact that this has certainly been the case as far as the charges which were brought by Rabbi Silver are concerned. I am sure you will agree with me that the difference in the figures as applied to Jew and Gentile students is hardly enough to take any notice of whatever, since they are so similar. I would be glad to receive your suggestions in regard to what further action would be desirable in this connection. Since the matter has been brought to your attention in the form of an organized complaint I think that it should certainly be given particular attention. If you think it advisable, I should like to invite Rabbi Silver to pay the school a visit at some time when the Clinics are in full operation in order that I may have the opportunity of showing him through personally. It might also be advisable to have a consultation arranged between him, yourself, and the clinical teachers in order that these matters may be more fully discussed with him in person. However, I shall be glad to accede to your wishes in the matter.

Very respectfully yours,

W. H. O. McGehee

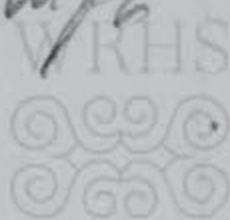
W. H. O. McGehee,
Superintendent.

Religion has
triumphed but
religions have
failed -

Ministers who
make do this
being triumph
of Chr.

Gen. & Aunt.
C. F. Adels (Christen-
dom)

Rel. must come
away humbled



February 12th, 1919.

Dr. F. M. Casto,
Dean of Western Reserve
Dental School,
City.

Dear Doctor:-

We, the undersigned, being senior dental students in the Western Reserve Dental School, hereby respectfully request that the college furnish to each of the undersigned, a statement showing the courses that each of the undersigned have taken and completed in the dental school, and with the grade that has been awarded to each of the undersigned in every course, together with a record of the time spent in the dental clinic, and the grade awarded and the work completed by each of the undersigned.

We respectfully express our desire and intention to withdraw from further study and work in the University in the Western Reserve Dental School at this time. It is fully understood that each student before securing this statement, shall fully pay all the University fees, and tuition to the end of the semester ending the 1st of February, 1919.

Respectfully submitted.

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*Acknowledged with
thanks.*

PRESIDENT'S ROOM
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND

26 February 1919

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I have not been privileged to meet you for a little time, as have my colleagues of the School of Dentistry. But I want you to know directly from me that we are eager for you to know all the conditions in the School so far as they affect your boys. Will you not feel free to come to the School at all times and under all conditions?

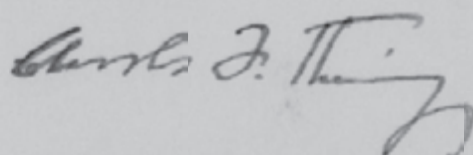
I need not assure you that it is our constant endeavor to do justice and we also hope we

have mercy. I realize that a boy may feel that he is not treated justly. But I want you to know that it is our hearty desire and constant endeavor to do right by every man.

I know that you need no such assurance from me. But I do want to make very earnest the invitation for you to visit the School just as frequently and as long, and to know it just as intimately by personal inspection, as is right.

Believe me, with much regard,

Ever yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Charles J. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Rabbi H. Silver.

February 28th, 1919

Dr. Charles F. Thwing,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

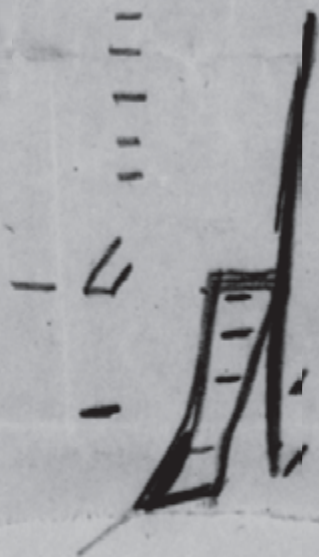
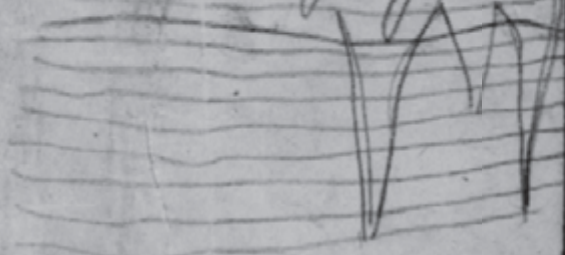
My dear Dr. Thwing,

I appreciate very much your kind note of the 26th. If I can be of any assistance in the matter of insuring justice and fair treatment to any of the men at Western Reserve, I shall be most happy to have you call upon me.

I thank you very much for your kind invitation to visit the School and hope I shall be able to avail myself of it at some time.

Sincerely yours,

This collection
is proportion



Introduction

① Will give dismissal including a complete transcript of all work up to Feb. 1 - 1919.

② A written application for dismissal from each man stating his reasons for dismissal.

③ All fees to be paid including one half of tuition, \$50.00

for first half se-
mester, starting Feb 1, 1919

④ Details of propo-
sition can be had
by conference with
Dr. Waite at Medical
School after 10 a.m.

2/13/19.

I. Discrimination -

1. - Men, in assigning work are partial to non-Jews. Keep them from getting their full quota of cases
2. - Refusing help ~~to~~ sent to cases concerning which they have no sufficient instruction
3. - Unfair grading -

II. Impression of men is that School is determined to fail them.

- a. - They remember experience of last year when 13 out of 15 were failed. When men were notified 1 w. after money was taken before Exam. that they should withdraw

III. These men are entering S.G.T.C. There has been no discrimination in Army. It

Could be tolerated now
They fear that they will be
defused & their conscience

IV. Is the State Mental Board
(Mr. Backen) responsible
for it?

V. Community is accused.
Have to pay avoided
publicity. But we are
closely watching the school

ABBA HILLEL SILVER, RABBI
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SCHOOL OF APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND, OHIO

12 April 1934

Rabbi and Mrs. A. H. Silver,
1486 East 106th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi and Mrs. Silver:

The Course in Group Service of the School of Applied Social Sciences is bringing Professor Burgess of the University of Chicago to address a luncheon meeting on April 30th in the Lattice Room of the Hotel Statler at 12 o'clock. Professor Burgess has written a book on the subject, "The Growth of a City and Community Studies", in which he shows the relationships between the physical development and the social development, and illustrates with charts and maps the areas in which certain social problems arise, and indicates the possibilities of social controls.

The Advisory Committee is planning to have a comparatively limited number of persons who are interested in community planning attend this meeting, and hopes that you will be present. Will you be good enough to phone your acceptance to me at Eddy 8783 or to the Western Reserve University, Garfield 6412, at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

Charlotte H. Jordan
(Mrs. E. S. Jordan)
Chairman, Advisory Committee

August Eighteenth
1924

Mr. Sidney L. Wilson,
S e c r e t a r y,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

I accept with pleasure
the kind invitation of the Trustees
and Faculties of Western Reserve
University to be present at the
inauguration of Dr. Vinson, and at
the dedication of the new building
of the School of Medicine.

Appreciating the courtesy
extended to me, I am

Very sincerely yours,

December fifteenth
1924

Professor Thornton Merriam,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Professor Merriam,

I regret I cannot be with you
at the dinner to be held Friday, December
19th, in honor of Professor Charles Foster
Kent, at the Union Club.

Very sincerely yours,



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED TO BE ONE OF THE GUESTS
AT A DINNER AT THE UNION CLUB ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER
19TH, AT SIX-THIRTY O'CLOCK IN HONOR OF PROFESSOR
CHARLES FOSTER KENT OF YALE UNIVERSITY, DEAN OF THE
NATIONAL COUNCIL ON RELIGION IN HIGHER EDUCATION.
DR. KENT WILL DISCUSS IMPORTANT STEPS ALREADY TAKEN
TOWARDS THE DEVELOPMENT OF RELIGIOUS COURSES AND
RESOURCES IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES.

ROBERT E. VINSON,

CLEVELAND MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL
ON RELIGION IN HIGHER EDUCATION.

KINDLY REPLY TO: THORNTON MERRIAM,
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND

J. E. CUTLER, PH. D.
DEAN

MAUD MORLOCK, A. B.
DIRECTOR OF TRAINING COURSE IN CHILD WELFARE
11014 EUCLID AVENUE

27 January 1925

TRAINING AGENCIES
HUMANE SOCIETY
CHILDREN'S BUREAU

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
1485 East 106th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am wondering whether you know one or two people who might perhaps be interested in this course which we are going to offer the second semester here at the School. We have had a demand for it from a number of different sources. Our idea is to select rather a picked group who might perhaps later on go back to their own churches or clubs to stimulate interest along this line. In fact several churches are offering scholarships to some member of the congregation so that they can return to conduct mothers' clubs. If you know of any one interested I shall be glad to talk further with you about it.

Sincerely yours,

Maud Morlock

Director of Training Course
in Child Welfare

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WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND

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TRAINING AGENCIES
HUMAN SOCIETY
CHILDREN'S BUREAU

September 8, 1925

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Bail Sept 20

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
1485 E. 106th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Believing that this was so fundamental, last semester, we offered to parents and others, a course called the Education of the Pre-School Child. We felt that the attempt would be worth while if fifteen people responded. Much to our gratification, however, we found that we were meeting a long felt need. When the registration had reached seventy and when we had organized two sections, we started a waiting list for this year.

We are again offering a similar opportunity, an announcement of which is enclosed. Have you friends or members of your church who would be glad to have more helpful suggestions on how to develop the right habits and attitudes in children? In the group last year were paid church workers and mothers. There was one Sunday School superintendent who hoped to conduct a similar course with some adults in his Bible School. A few churches offered scholarships to members in order that they might later use the information in the activities of the church.

If you wish to interest any member of your church, or your personal friends, will you arrange it at once, either through a brief announcement in the church bulletin or through any other available means? We shall probably have a large enrollment.

Sincerely,

Maud Morlock.

Director of Training Course
In Child Welfare.

MM: CF

School of Applied Social Sciences
of
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

The Education of Children of Pre-School age.

Dr. Garry Cleveland Myers and specialists

This extension course, open to fathers and mothers, teachers, nurses and social workers, is offered by the School of Applied Social Sciences during the first half-year 1925-26.

The course is designed to afford training in the control of conduct of young children, particularly in the home, and for the training of leaders of child study groups. The behavior of normal children, the forming of right habits and attitudes is emphasized. The work will consist of discussions, lectures, assigned readings and continuous observations of children, as well as the use of the latest literature in this field.

Among the topics to be studied are: The principles of habit-forming and habit-breaking as they pertain to moral, social and health habits, (sleep and food); the principles of punishment and reward; emotional expression, its development and control, (joy, anger, stubbornness, tantrums, jealousy, fears; imagination, childhood wish, dramatization and suggestion as control factors; the beginnings of art, imitation and creative tendencies; play life; social and religious relationships; sex education. Consideration will also be given to a discussion of how the child learns - Motor and linguistic learning; the content of the child's mind, reasoning, inherited qualities and individual differences, special abilities and disabilities. Mental health of the normal child and the detection of nervous disorders will be discussed. Specific means of moral guidance and of developing personality traits will be considered, as well as the habits, attitudes, and emotional factors of parent and teacher in relation to the child.

Dr. Myers of the Cleveland School of Education will conduct the course, assisted by specialists.

Two sessions a week of two hours each, during the first-half year, 1925-26, will be offered. Tuesday from 2:00 to 4:00 o'clock and Thursday from 7:30 to 9:30, at the School of Applied Social Sciences, 2117 Adelbert Road. The fee for the course will be \$12.00. On payment of \$5.00 additional and by arrangement in advance, graduate academic credit of two semester hours will be given. Preference in registration will be given those who will agree to devote some time in study. Preference in registration will also be given where both the mother and father will register for the course. Registration should be made in person, early in September, at the office of the school, 2117 Adelbert Road. Further information may be obtained by calling the school, Cedar 3480.

September Twenty-fourth
1925

W

Dr. R. E. Vinson,
President, Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Vinson,

Through friends of the School of Applied Social Sciences, I have learned of the possibility of its discontinuance, due to the deficit involved in its operation.

As a member of the Board of the Associated Charities, I have had the opportunity of observing closely the splendid service which this School is rendering the social life of our community, and I feel that its discontinuance would be a serious loss to the whole progressive program of social service in which Cleveland is now engaged. The need of scientifically trained workers, alert both as to the ideals and the technique of social service, is great in this community, which has evidenced its purpose to approach its entire social problem intelligently and constructively. Trained workers are more than a sound financial investment; they are indispensable to the creation of higher standards and to the widening of social horizons. Only as we raise the vocation of the social worker to the dignity of a profession can we hope to solve our community problem with any fair degree of success.

Knowing the fine traditions of Western Reserve University and your own broad social vision, I feel confident that the question of closing the School of Applied Social Sciences would never have arisen if it were not for very weighty financial reasons. I believe, however, that there is a sufficient number of public spirited men in Cleveland who would come to the support of the School, if once their attention is called to its needs and to its great usefulness.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

*Originals sent
to Dr. Vinson and
to Mr. Jas. F. Jackson.*

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SCHOOL OF APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES
WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND, OHIO

22 May 1926

OFFICE OF THE DEAN

2117 ADELBERT ROAD

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

You expressed your interest and your confidence in the School of Applied Sciences by writing a letter a few months ago to President Vinson, urging the importance of the development of this School as a part of the work of Western Reserve University.

The enclosed statement of the recent action of the Board of Trustees will be of special interest to you, I know.

May I just add a word of personal appreciation and say that those of us who are directly concerned with the work of the School of Applied Social Sciences are conscious of the heavy responsibility that we carry and that we know we cannot hope to make the School a "major division of the University" without the continued assistance and support of our loyal friends.

Very sincerely yours,

J. E. Cutler

Dean

JEC:G
Enclosure

The following is an excerpt from the official minutes of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Western Reserve University held May 14, 1926:

"The President read excerpts from his annual report to the Trustees, which will be presented at the meeting in June, referring to the School of Applied Social Sciences, and stated that the following action taken at the last annual meeting of the Board of Trustees relative to the School of Applied Social Sciences had proved to be a handicap in the effort to finance the work of the School:

'That the Schools of Pharmacy and of Applied Social Sciences be held to the amount of deficiency allowed to them for the current year for one year, with the understanding that the Trustees will be bound for no deficiencies beyond the period indicated and that the Schools of Pharmacy and of Applied Social Sciences be immediately notified that unless during the coming year additional funds can be provided with which to take care of their work, the work will have to be curtailed or modified in such fashion as to bring it within the available income.'

"Upon motion duly made and carried, the above action of the Trustees as it refers to the School of Applied Social Sciences was therefore rescinded and an expression of confidence recorded in the School of Applied Social Sciences as a major division of the University."

November 28th, 1927.

Mr. Nathan Richman,
c/o Richman Bros. Co.,
1600 E. 55th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Richman:-

Dr. Vinson, President of Western Reserve University, called on me last Wednesday morning to discuss further the matter which I broached to you and your brothers the early part of this year. He expressed a desire to meet you and to lay the entire matter before you.

I would appreciate very much if you could set aside an hour, any day or evening, for a conference with Dr. Vinson.

Whatever your decision in the matter might be, I feel that Dr. Vinson ought to have his request granted. It is of utmost importance that we retain the good will of that institution where hundreds of our young men and women are receiving education, towards which the Jewish Community contributes nothing.

May I not hear from you at your earliest convenience, indicating a time when you and your brothers can meet Dr. Vinson. I shall be most happy to join in such an informal meeting.

With kindest regards permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

NATHAN G. RICHMAN
1600 EAST 55TH ST.
CLEVELAND

December 5
1927

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

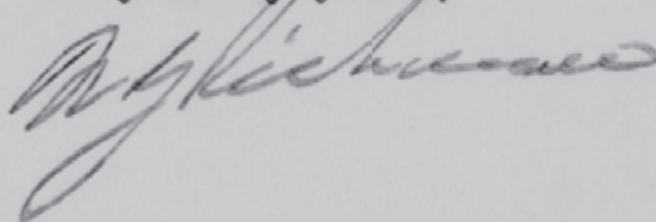
Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are extremely busy this month and we cannot discuss the matter with Doctor Vinson for a little while.

After we have finished with our inventory and the various business affairs that are crowded into December, we will be glad to meet with you and the doctor.

Trusting that you are very well, and with kindest regards, I am,

Very truly yours,



December 6th, 1927.

Dr. Robert E. Vinson,
c/o Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Doctor Vinson:-

I am enclosing herewith a
letter which I received this morning from
Mr. Nathan G. Richman.

Immediately after the Holidays
I shall get in touch with Mr. Richman again.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY
CLEVELAND, OHIO

ROBERT ERNEST VINSON
PRESIDENT

December 7, 1927

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland

My dear Rabbi Silver:

President Vinson asks me to thank you
for letting him read the letter from Mr.
Nathan Richman, returned herewith, and to
say that he will hold himself in readiness
to meet with Mr. Richman at any time.

Sincerely yours,



Secretary

Gertrude R. Schill

January
Twelfth
1928.

Mr. Nathan G. Richman,
1600 E. 55th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Richman:-

Referring to your last letter of December 5th, now that the New Years is past, I would appreciate very much if you would arrange a meeting with Dr. Vinson. Almost any hour of the day would be convenient.

I would very much like to give Dr. Vinson an opportunity to present his case to you.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/TR

NATHAN G. RICHMAN
1800 EAST 55TH ST.
CLEVELAND

January 14
1928

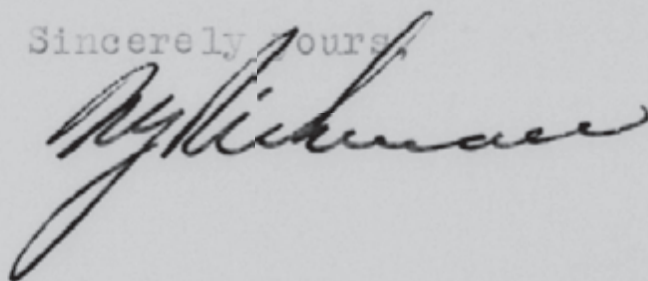
Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
E 105th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Replying to yours of January 12th, we will
be very glad to arrange a meeting with
Dr. Vinson at our very earliest opportuni-
ty.

With best regards, I am,

Sincerely yours

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "N. G. Richman", written in a cursive style.

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February
Fifteen
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Faculty of the Group Service Course of the School of Applied Social Sciences has felt that the students who are training to become social workers ought to have a better understanding of the national religious and cultural backgrounds of the various groups of people with whom they work. For want of a better name, we have called this course which we are giving this semester, "Immigrant Backgrounds". After four introductory lectures, we are asking various people, who are peculiarly fitted to present sympathetically and accurately some of the outstanding cultural contributions of certain groups. We have chosen these particular groups because they are the ones with whom the students are working most extensively in their agencies. You will note from the outline that we have planned to have two hours for a discussion of the Jewish group. We are exceedingly anxious to secure you to present this subject. The dates we have suggested are May 8 and 15. The class meets at 11:30 on Tuesday mornings and the session lasts one hour.

I should be glad to talk to you more fully if you would have time to see me. We should be very grateful to you if you would give our students this opportunity of meeting you and hearing you discuss this subject. I can be reached by telephone - Academy 0633, at almost any time, and would be happy to make an appointment if you care to know more details of the course.

Sincerely yours,

Clara M. Kaiser.

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May 15
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Feb. 22d, 1928.

Miss Clara A. Kaiser,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kaiser:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of February 15th. I am very much interested in the course on Immigrant Backgrounds which you plan to present to the students who are training to become social workers.

I shall be very happy to assist but it will be impossible for me to come to you on May 15th, as I am scheduled to open the Community Chest Drive in Rochester on that day. If you can see your way clear to give me another date, I shall be pleased to accept.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Mr. Nathan Richman,
1600 E. 55th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

March
Seventh
1928.

My dear Mr. Richman:-

I tried twice to reach you by
telephone today but without success.

Following our conversation
last week, I notified Dr. Vinson that you would
be pleased to meet with him at luncheon some day
towards the end of this week. I have had inquiries
from Dr. Vinson as to when he may arrange for this
luncheon.

Will you and your brother not
give me and Dr. Vinson the pleasure of dining
with us any noon next week and will you not in-
form me what day is most convenient for you?

I know that I am imposing upon
you in making this request, but the matter in
hand is one of great community significance. Dr.
Vinson has asked for the privilege of presenting
his case to you and I feel that his request should
be granted.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IF

Mr Richman's answer sent to Dr Vinson

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30 April 1928

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Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard,
Cleveland, Ohio.

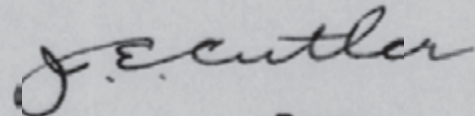
My dear Rabbi Silver:

That was a fine thing that you did for the School of Applied Social Sciences in working with Dr. Vinson to provide for meeting our obligations under the terms of the grant from the Laura Spelman Rockefeller Memorial. The contribution from the Richman Brothers takes a load off my mind and it has heartened all of us on the faculty of the School because it has now been demonstrated that we have additional sources of support in this community for our work. We hope we shall be able to carry on the work and to develop it in ways that will not disappoint those who have placed so much confidence in us.

I am personally deeply grateful to you for your part in this. Busy as you are it would have been easy for you to avoid assuming any responsibility in connection with it. No one who doesn't have a genuine and deep interest in social work would have thought of finding time for it. Herein is to be found the explanation for your action, I know; nevertheless I want to tell you of my personal appreciation and to acknowledge my indebtedness to you.

It was a gracious thing that you did to give the address at our Annual Dinner a year ago. That put us in debt to you. Now we are doubly indebted. It is evident that we face a growing obligation which we can never hope to cancel. We can only acknowledge it and express our appreciation of your faith and confidence.

Very sincerely yours,



Dean

JEC:G

May 3d, 1928.

Miss Clara A. Kaiser,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Kaiser:-

I am herewith enclosing a bibliography
in connection with your course on Immigrant
Backgrounds.

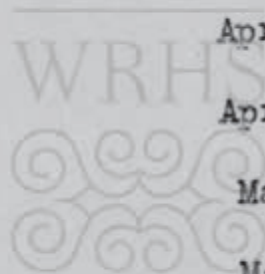
Trusting that this is the information
that you desire, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Immigrant Backgrounds

1. Introduction	February 7	1. Bibliography
2. " "	" 14	2. Folkways -
3. " "	" 21	a. Religious
4. " "	" 28	Feast Days
5. The Slavish Peoples	March 7	Music
6. " " "	March 14	Dancing
7. " " "	March 21	Craft
8. The Magyar Peoples	March 28	b. Secular
9. The Negro	April 11	Group Activities
10. " "	April 18.	Folk Dances
11. The Italian	April 25.	Folk Songs
12. " "	May	Harvest fests, etc.
13. The Jewish People	May	c. Home Life
14. " " "	May	Festivals
15. Conclusion	May	Customs
		Literature.
		Art in General



May 4th, 1928.

Dr. J. E. Cutler,
Dean, School of Applied,
Social Sciences,
Western Reserve University,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dean Cutler:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind
letter of April 30th.

It was a fine and gracious thing
which the Richman Brothers did and I am delighted
that they did it.

I am not at all deserving of the many
nice things which you say about me. It was the
least that I could have done for an institution
which is doing as splendid a piece of public
service as the School of Applied Social Sciences.

Wishing you all manner of success,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR