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September 5, 1930.

Rabbi A. H. Silver "The Temple" Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is now almost past a week since

I sent you a long Hebrew letter. I am really wonder
ing at your failure to reply. Won't you please let me

know your decision as soon as possible?

Very sincerely yours,

MORRIS A. ZEDIN National Field Director

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THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND OHIO

HAVE ARRANGED MEETING ADMINISTRATION WITH MR BRANDEIS FOR FRIDAY SEPTEMBER TWELFTH AT HIS OFFICE 2205 CALIFORNIA STREET NORTHWEST WASHINGTON DC AT TEN FORTY FIVE AM STOP CAN YOU ATTEND ROBERT SZOLD.

REGRET EXCEED INGLY UNABLE TO ATTEND MEETING IN WASHINGTON

A. H. SILVER

Treasurer.

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September 8, 1930

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To the members of the Administration:

A meeting with Mr. Brandeis has been arranged for Friday, September 12th. I am sending invitations to all the members of the Administration in this country.

The meeting has no stated agenda, but it seems appropriate to arrange for a conference between Mr. Brandeis and all those who could find it convenient to attend, before the opening of the Supreme Court sessions.

The place is at Mr. Brandeis: office, 2205 California Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., and the time 10:45 A.M.

Would you please let me know if you contemplate going?

Robert Szold

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

September 11, 1930

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver c/o The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Please note that the next meeting of the Committee on Public Information will take place on Tuesday, September 16th, at 4 P.M., at the Zionist Office.

A number of matters have to be taken up at once, among them the question of what action to recommend in connection with the publication of the report of the Mandates Commission.

Very sincerely yours,

Emanuel Neumann

Chairman, Committee on Public Information

September 15, 1930 To the Administrative Committee of the Zionist Organization of America: The Finance Committee submits the following report: I am attaching herewith a balance sheet showing the financial condition of the Zionist Organization of America as of August 31, 1930. as well as summary of the financial report from June 1st to August 31, 1930. From the summary it appears that for the three months, the operating expenses of the Organization amounted to \$40,888.80 as against an operating income of \$21,426,56, showing a deficit in operation for the period of \$19,462.24. While this includes interest on account of the outstanding loans, it does not include any payments on account of the amortization of the indebtodness of the Zionist Organization of America. The deficit in operation for the same period in 1929 amounted only to \$10,916.54. But it should be noted, that during that period, the Zionist Organization received \$25,000 from the United Palestine Armes Landson If wo treat the \$40,888.80 as representing the entire normal expenses of the Organization, our annual budget would be \$163,555.20. However, the item of \$40,888.80 includes the expenditures for the month of June, which cover the extraordinary expenses connected with the membership campaign and the Convention. On the other hand, the expenses in July and August are less than the normal expenditures, Haking due allowances we can count on the normal expenditures for the three months under the existing budget of \$36,000.00. If from this, we deduct the probable net income from THE NEW PALESTINE amounting to \$10,000, we must secure from membership dues including Hadassah, approximately \$134,000.00. The only figures available to us, would seem to indicate a probable not membership income of \$110,000.00. This is based upon a membership of 18,000 exclusive of Hadassah. On the basis of such income, we are operating on a monthly deficit of approximately \$2000.00. Furthermore, no provision is made for the amortization of the outstanding indebtedness. Pending the preparation of the new budget, the Organization has been operating on the existing budget. It is for this reason that the Finance Committee has been, perhaps unduly insistent, upon the submission of budgets by the respective heads of the various departments of the Organization. The problem facing the Administrative Committee is a two-fold one: a) The proparation of a balanced budget of the Zionist Organization. This means that the expenditures including interest on, and amortisation of the outstanding indobtedness, must not exceed the income of the Organization conservatively estimated, and b) Financing the Organization in view of its large indebtedness. "A" - BUDGET For years the Zionist Organization of America has been operating on a deficit, that is to say- the expenditures have exceeded the income from membership. This was so, notwiths tanding the subsidy received from the United Palestine Appeal, which has now been wholly withdrawn. The net in lebtedness of the Organization was not substantially increased by reason of the menies received from Life Membership, as well as contributions from Zionists made to liquidate the deficit. 1. INCOME The net income from membership (including Hadassah) based upon a quota of 18,000 members, is \$110,000.00. If the membership is increased beyond that amount, our income will be increased by approximately \$4.00 per member. 2. PRIMARY EXPENDITURES E) Out of the income, we must count on a fixed charge of

\$6,000 for interest. This is based upon a reduced indebtedness of \$100,000.

b) In addition to financing ourselves adequately, and to prevent the creditors from taking such are stic action as would embarass the Zionist Organization, we must provide for an annual amortisation of \$24,000 out of our income. This must be done, even if we should succeed in reducing our deficit by \$80,000 received on account of the Deficit Fund.

If some other method should be devised for the liquidation of the deficit, it will increase the amount available for the budget by \$24,000.

3. CURRENT EXPENDITURES

The balance of our income available for the Organization's budget based upon an 18,000 membership, wil be \$80,000, and based upon a 25,000 membership, the amount available will be \$108,000. It is our view that a conservative estimate would not count during the first year on a membership in excess of 20,000. This would leave available for the current expenses of the Zionist Organization, the sum of \$88,000. The Finance Committee will submit to the Administrative Committee its recommendation for the allocation of this sum.

"B" - FINANCING THE INDEBTEDNESS OF THE ORGANIZATION

l. Even if we succeed in balancing the budget, there would still be the problem of financing the Zionist Organization so as to provide sufficient working capital to permit the Organization to continue its activities, and prevent the entire income from being taken over by the creditors of the Zionist Organization.

As it appears from the annexed balance sheet of August 31st, our liabilities are made up as follows:

Bank Icans	\$ 80,000
Notes Payable:	
Young Judaca	4,000
Notes Payable:	
B'klyn Daily Eagle	65,000
Notes Payable - Others	4,500
Accounts Payable	13,500
Accrued Interest	3,000
MAKING A TOTAL OF	\$170,000

The balance of the deficit will arise out of the deficit in operation for the balance of this calendar year.

2. The ideal method would be to secure thru the "Deficit Fund" sufficient menies to liquidate the indebtedness. If the indebtedness should thus be liquidated, and the budget balanced, no further deficit could arise.

But we can only count on liquidating in the way we have been preceding, he more than \$100,000 of our outstanding debts. The balance of the indebtedness amounting to approximately \$100,000 would have to be funded, or some provision made for securing the money.

- 3. One method for wiping out the deficit which we suggest to the Administrative Committee for its consideration is an assessment upon the members of \$10.00. If carried out, with the co-operation of the Executive Committee and all Zionists, sufficient funds might be made available to wipe out the debts and provide working capital for the Organization.
- 4. The first step toward providing for the financing of the Organization was taken by the Finance ommittee of the former administration when they sought to consolidate all bank leans at the National City Bank. Arrangement was made for securing a credit from that bank of \$65,000, upon a personal guarantee of Zionists.

This however is but a temperary measure. Permanent financing, or long term financing is what the Zionist Organization needs, and cannot be secured through banks which are limited as to the time for which leans can be made by them.

5. METHODS FOR TAKING CARE OF INDEBTEDNESS OF THE ZIONIST
ORGANIZATION.

The Finance Committee did Suggest one or more of the fol-

lowing mothods,

- a) A loan in the shape of a bond issued, bearing 6% interest, floated among the Zionists, redeemable over a period of ten years = 10% of which shall be amortized annually. The subscriptions to this lean can be paid in twelve monthly installments.
- b) A loan subscribed by Zionists in denominations of \$100, the interest of which would be applicable towards the payment of annual dues and the principal to be repaid to the estate of the member upon his death. Since only about 50 members die annually, in that way, provision would have to be made for amortisation of the loan at the rate of \$5,000 a year.

c) \$100 LIFE MEMBERSHIP

This is the same plan as above, only the Organization is relieved from repaying the loan upon the death of the member.

We suggest that these matters should be fully discussed by the Administrative Committee, and a definite policy adopted which should be carried out by the Finance Committee in cooperation with the other committees of the Organization.

Respectfully submitted,

Samuel J. Rosensohn
Chairman, Finance Cornittee.





EXHIBIT "A"

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

BALANCE SHEET

AS OF AUGUST 31ST 1930

	January 1 st	3 0 August 31st
ASSETS: Accounts Receivable	\$ 6,943.33 5,150.76 653.00 375.00 \$ 13,122.09	\$ 3,829.02 6,785.52 531.22 300.00
Deferred: Order Sons of Zion	\$ 2,382.00 1,741.21 2,402.64 25.00 6,764.20 4,846.31	\$ 2,872.00 1,215.75 2,250.00 35.00 184.00 895.23
Fixed: Office Furniture and Fixtures	4,670.78	4,500.00 \$ 23,397.74
LIABILITIES: Current: Notes Payable Banks	\$ 64,000.00 9,495.74 63,490.83 4,820.47 36,016.82 541.66 8,464.24 2,667.18	4,250.00 65,000.00 4,526.21 13,467.34
Deferred: House Administration. Rutenberg Concession. Advance Dues. Palestine Emergency Fund-Balance. Pending. Postage. Accrued Interest. Exchange Items. World Zionist Organization. District Refunds.	537.78 1,078.35 1,472.22	1,904.90
DEFICIT:	\$163,223.62 4,316.45 \$167,540.07 689.00 \$168,229.07	
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New York, September 17, 1930. TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA The Committee on Publications submit the following report: The Committee held its first meeting on September 4th, and another meeting on September 15th. At the first meeting but three members of the Committee were present, namely, Mr. Fromensohn, Dr. Neumann and the Chairman. At the second meeting there were present Messrs. Brodis, Fromensohn, Israel Godlberg, Rosenblum, and the Chairman. The Committee considered most carefully the questions relating to the two major publications of the Zionist Organization, namely, the weekly Zion ist page in The Day, and the New Palestine, and unanimously recommends as follows: 1. That the weekly Zionist page in The Day should for the present be continued as the official organ of the Organization in Yiddish. 2. That the publication of The New Palestine should for the present be continued as a bi-weekly, in its present format. The reasons which led the Committee to make these recommendations are as follows: THE DAY 1. It seemed to the Committee that it was absolutely necessary that that the Organization should have an official organ in Yiddish. We are informed that something like two thousand five hundred members of the Organization have indicated their desire to receive Dos Yiddishe Folk, rather than The New Palestine. The publication of Dos Yiddishe Folk was however, suspended in 1929 owing to lack of funds, and an arrangement was then made with The Day for the publication of a weekly Zionist page in The Day, under the absolute emtrol of the Organization. The issue of The Day containing this page is being mailed to every member of the Organization who had indicated that he desired to receive Dos Yiddishe Folk. The cost of this page has been as follows; (1) About 2,500 issues of The Day mailed weekly to members of the Organization at 316.50 per thousand, plus mailing charges, etc ... (2) Part salary to girl clerk ... ? . 2.50 per week 650.00 per annum Editorial salaries, about...... 5,500.00 per annum Total 38,490.00 per annum The item of editorial salaries can only be approximated, owing to the fact that both the present editor and his assistant do other work in addition to editing the Zionist page in The Day, such as attending to "The Pal estine Department" of the Organization and to general publicity in the Yiddish press. The total aggregate salaries of the editor and his assistant

are about \$8,000.00 per annum. The ellocation of \$5,500. of this amount to the Zionist page in The Day is deemed to be generous.

The Zionist page in The Day, of course, reaches very many more readers than those members of the Organization who formerly received Dos Yiddisho Folk. The daily circulation of The Day is about 90,000. Returns from small news items of an advertising nature which are printed on the Zionist page from time to time indicate that the page is widely read. For example, a small item in two recent issues about the sale of the "Yudenstaat" brought in almost four hundred orders for the book. The very wide audience which the page speaks to was a major consideration leading to the Committee's recommendation that the page should be continued and should prove most useful for the general purposes of the Organization.

The Committee is unanimously of the opinion that the contents of the page can and should be improved, and is considering definite proposals in that direction, on which a report will be made in the future.

On July 25th, 1930, the editor of The Day advised the Chairman of the Committee, by letter, that The Day would find it almost impossible to continue the publication of the Zionist page without compensation in the amount of \$100.00 per week for the actual cost of composition and the labor attache to it. The Chairman of the Committee has conferred with the editor of The Day on this subject on several occasions, and reached an agreement with him on August 21st, 1930, to the effect that the matter should be held in abeyance for about a menth, until after the return of the editor of The Day from his question, and that in the meanwhile no charge should be made for the publication of the Zionist page in The Day. This menth has not yet expired. The Chairman expects to take the matter up in the near future, and hopes to reach an agreement whereby no additional expense will be incurred by the Oraganization.

The Committee is of the opinion that the item of editorial expenses in connection with the publication of the page can and should be reduced. The Administrative Committee has already voted that the services of the assistant to the editor shall be dispensed with, if the Chairman of the Committee on Publication finds that this can be done. Immediately after this vote, the Chairman arranged to have the assistant to the editor devote only half of his time to the Organization and reduced his salary by 50%.

The Committee is studying the entire subject of the editorship of the page, and will report definite conclusions at a later meeting of the Administrative Committee.

THE NEW PALESTINE

2. The Administrative Committee has already woted that The New Palestine should, for the present, be published every two weeks instead of weekly as herotofore. The Committee on Pulbications recommends that this arrangement should, for the present, be continued. By publishing The New Palestine every two weeks instead of weekly a saving of about \$14,000.00 per annum can be effected in the total cost of publication, without doing serious injury to its object. A further saving of some \$5,000.00 per annum can be effected by discontinuing the retainers for permanent correspondents, which has already been done, and the honorariums for contributions, which should be done. With these climinations and savings, the total gross cost of The New Palestine for the coming year should not exceed \$35,000.00.

As against this total gross cost of \$35,000.000 there should be not in-

come from advertisements of a minimum of \$10,000.00, with a probability of considerably more.

The total gross income from advertisements for the year ending May 31-1, 1930, was \$16,876.66 of which the solicitor, Rabbi Bienenfeld, received something like 40% leaving a net income of about \$10,000.00. This is the lowest income form advertising which The New Palestine has had during the last few years. There was however, additional net income of nearly \$10,000.00 from publication of the Herzl number.

In the judgement of those most in touch with the situation, Rabbi Bienenfeld was not the man for the place of Advertising Solicitor for The New Palestine; and his services have been dispensed with. The Chairman, about three
weeks ago, engaged Mr. Milton Lofkowitz to secure advertisements for the
Rosh Hashenah issue, on a commission of 33.1/3% of the net amount received by
The New Palestine. Mr. Lefkowitz had only seventeen working days from the
time of his engagement within which to secure such advertisements, and has
during this time secured advertisements in the net income of \$1079.71, from
which his commission of 33 1/3% is to be deducted. The total amount of advertisements carried by The New Palestine in the Rosh Hashenah is \$938.20 net.
In addition, The New Palestine has contracts for future advertisements in an
appreciable amount.

On August 17th, Mr. Justice Brandeis submitted, for consideration, suggostions that The New Palestine should be made into a four page weekly, simi. lar in form, type, paper, and largely of matter, to the "Davar, English Supploment"; that it should not carry advertisements; that the first three pages should be devoted to Palestine and world Zionist occurrences, and the fourth to Z. O. A. Organization and financial facts; that the paper should carry no illustrations; that it should not be distributed to the membership without specific payment therefor, and that the subscription should be \$1.00 per year, or 50¢ per year to districts and societies which would subscribe for their membership on bloc. The domnittee has given very careful consideration to these suggestions and has arrived at the conclusion that they cannot, for the present, be adopted in their entirety. The Committee, however, is favorably inclined toward recommending that, if the finances of the Organization will permit of the resumption of weekly publication of The New Palestine, there should be three issues per menth of twelve or even eight pages, each without illustrations, but with advertisements, and one issue per month of twentyfour or thirty-two pages, which should carry illustrations, as well as advertisements. The Committee is convinced of the importance of illustrations in the work of educating the Zionist public in the progress and realities of Palestine. The Committee recommends that advertisements should be carried in all issues, for the obvious reason that they produce income and lesson the expense of the publication. The Committee believes that the format of The New Palestine should remain as it is.

As to the matter of contents, The Committee is in complete agreement wit: Mr. Justice Brandeis. An editorial sub-committee has been appointed consisting for the present of the Chairman, Mr. Israel Goldberg and Mr. David Rosenblum. This sub-committee will endeavor to supervise the contents of The New Palestine, so as to make them conform with the suggestion of Mr. Justice Brandeis.

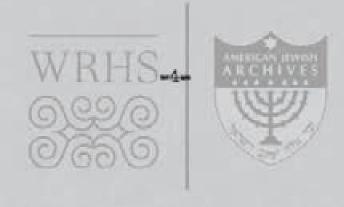
The Committee is informed that the cost of printing and distributing a four page weekly like the "Davar", (20,000 copies per week) would be \$250.00 per issue, if the copies were mailed loose. This would amount to \$14,500.00 for forty-six issues, or to \$16,000.00 for fifty-two issues. The cost of

printing and distributing a sixteen page New Palestine every two weeks, or twenty-six times a year, would be about the same; but we may reasonably expect a not income of \$10,000.00, or more, from advertisements if we continue to publish a sixteen page New Palestine, whereas, we would receive no income whatever from this source from a four page publication like the "Davar".

In addition, those members of the Committee who have had most experience with publications in the United States, such as Mr. Fromensohn, Mr. Resemblum and Mr. Israel Goldberg, are of the epinion that a New Palestine in the form and of the substance of the "Davar" would not be read as much and as fruitfully by the membership of the Organization as would a New Palestine in its present format, containing important news items about Palestine and the political and economic developments of the movement, together with illustrations.

Rospoctfully submitted,

ABRAHAM TULIN Chairman of Committee on Publications.



Treasurer

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September 18, 1930.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

The meeting of the Administration last night was adjourned till Saturday evening, September 20th, 8 P.M., at the home of Samuel J. Rosensohn, 17 West 76th Street, New York City.

There are a number of important matters which have to be cleared up before the meeting of the Executive Committee takes place. It is therefore urgent that every member of the Committee be present.

Cordially yours,

CHAIRMAN. ADMINISTRATION

P.S. -- Enclosed herewith is copy of Mr. Tulin's report on behalf of the Publications Committee.

LOUIS LIPSKY Honorary Vice-Chairman

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September 25, 1930.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I cordially invite you to be my guest at a Dinner, which I am tendering to the members of the Administrative and Executive Committees, and a few of my personal friends, to take place immediately after the sessions of the Executive Committee meeting, Sunday, September 26th, 6 P. H., at the Pennsylvania Hotel.

I hope it will be possible for you to honor me with your presence.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am

cordially and sincerely yours, nathan Ratnaff

DR. HATHAN RATHCFF.

AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

33 West 42nd Street, New York

September 26, 1930.

Mr. Robert Szold, 43 Exchange Place, How York City.

Dear Mr. Szold:

I want to inform you that the editor of Harper's Monthly has shown me proof of a notable article by Ludwig Lewischn called "The Jewish World Crisis" and dealing especially with the situation concerning Palestine. The article is to appear in the November number of the magazine and I was asked to advise as to how it might be brought to the attention of larger Jewish circles.

The article is on the whole very effective, but I found that Mr. Lowisohn in the first place, referring to the Jewish theological students at Safed, made the serious mistake of saying that the Talmud sanctioned non-resistance, implying that that was one of the reasons why these students could not defend themselves against the Brabs, etc. In the second place, he cahoes the terrible Weismann idea of a biracial, bi-lingual state, etc.

I thought it was worthwhile sending a cable to Mr. Lewisohn to suggest that he eliminate the two objectionable features in an article which is otherwise really very impressive.

I was glad to learn over the telephone from Mr. Wells, the editor, a few minutes ago, that Mr. Lewisohn promptly cabled back to eliminate the objectionable lines in both instances.

I may add that the article very strongly indicts the English Government and no less important is its arraignment of American liberals for their failure to come to the support of the Jews in connection with the outrages of last year.

With all good wishes for the New Year, I am

Yours sincerely,

(S) Bernard G. Richards

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ROBERT SZOLD CHAIRMAN ADMINISTRATION.

Collect D. L. Oct. 7th, 1930

Regret exceedingly can not attend meeting. Am scheduled to address National Recreation Congress in Atlantic City on Oct. 8th A. H. Silver

Treasurer

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October 17, 1930.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Z. O. A. ADMINISTRATION:

The next regular meeting of the Administration will be held on Wednesday, October 22nd, inasmuch as the Simpson Report is expected to be published on Monday, October 20th. The meeting is called to begin at four o'clock, at the Zionist Offices, Ill Fifth Avenue; and the report, if published, will be made the first order of business.

A report will be submitted by the Committee considering the question of the continuance of the Allied Jewish Campaign.

The meeting will no doubt continue into the evening.

Please let me know if you will be present.

Sincerely yours,

hairman, Administration.

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P.S. - Enclosed herewith are the minutes of the last meeting of the Administration.

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RABBI A H SILVER

THE TEMPLE CLEVELAND OHIO

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PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ATTEND

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ATMINISTRATION OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 7:45 P.M., at the ZIONIST OFFICES

PRESENT: Messrs. Robert Szeld (in the chair); I.B.Brodie, Jacob de Haas, Abraham Goldberg, Emanuel Neumann, Samuel J. Rosensohn, Nelson Ruttenberg, Abraham Tulin, Morris Weinberg.

The meeting was called to order at 8:25 P.M.

REPORT OF ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE:

Membership: Mr. de Haas reported on behalf of his Committee that in accordance with the decision of the last meeting of the Administration the question of Associate (\$2,00) Membership was referred back to the Organization Committee, which decided at a subsequent meeting held on Monday evening, October 27th, to stress the \$6 membership for the time being. It was agreed that The New Palestine could not be issued to the \$2 members, and it was felt undesirable to have an unintelligent, undirected constituency.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously agreed

THAT the Chairman of the Organization Committee be authorized and directed to send out an appeal for \$6 membership, and that the question of special membership be held in abeyance.

Shekel Board: The following recommendations were made by the Organization Committee as to the personnel that should represent the Z. O. A. on the Shekel Board: David Taunenbaum, Chairman; Harry J. Kahn, A. Spicehandler, Morris Kramer, Israel Posnansky, Dr. S. Bernatein, with representatives of the Hadassch; additional names to be suggested if the demands of the Mizrachi, Poale Zion, and Zeiri Zion are for a larger membership, it being understood that every member of the Z. O. A. who accepts office on this committee pledges himself to attend every meeting.

It was moved, seconded, and carried

THAT the Chairman of the Organization Committee be authorized to issue a call for the creation of a Shokel Board;

THAT the Chair be empowered to add any additional names to the Shekel Board as submitted by the Chairman of the Organization Committee.

PROGRAM OF Z. O. A. :

Mr. Szold suggested that the Z. O. A. adopt a program and that this program be cabled to Judge Mack as our point of view.

After a prolonged discussion in which all present participated, the Chair suggested that the following text be the sense of the cable to be sent to Judge Mack:

"NO DISCUSSION EITHER OFFICIAL OR UNOFFICIAL WITH BRITISH GOVERNMENT UNTIL PUBLIC WITHDRAWAL WHITE PAPER AND SIMPSON REPORT WE INSIST UPON REMOVAL OF EXECUTION PALESTINE MANDATE FROM COLONIAL OFFICE JURISDICTION AND THAT PALESTINE ADMINISTRATION BE REPLACED BY SYMPATHETIC PERSONNEL OTHERWISE AMERICAN ZIONISTS WILL CONTINUE FIGHT BY APPEAL TO BRITISH PEOPLE BY REMONSTRANCE OR OTHERWISE IF MEASURES FAIL WILL APPEAL TO LEAGUE OF NATIONS AS MAY HE ADVISED"

Upon motion made by Mr. Brodie, and seconded, it was agreed

THAT Mr. Rosensohn and Mr. Neumann be appointed a Committee to draft the program.

Publication of Z.C.A. Program:

Question arose as to the advisability of publishing the proposed program of the Z. O. A.

After a thorough discussion of the matter, it was decided, upon Mr. Neumann's suggestion,

THAT the publication of the Z. O. A. Program, for the time being, be left to the discretion of the Chairman;

THAT, in the meantime, if he shall see fit that it be published at the earliest possible moment, in any form fit, he shall have the right to do so, without referring it back to the Committee.

\$100 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP:

Suggestion was made that a committee be appointed for the purpose of undertaking to procure one thousand Jews in the United States to contribute annually the sum of \$100 for the maintenance of the Z. C. A., and that the services of David Resembloom be enlisted for the working out of this plan.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously agreed

THAT the plan to secure 1,000 annual contributors of \$100 each, for the purposes of the Organization, be approved, in principle; and that the Chairman be authorized, in consultation with the Chairman of the Organization Committee, to put this plan into operation if they find it practical.

PERMANENT COMMITTEE ON POLITICAL AFFAIRS:

Mr. Neumann reported that at the various conferences with the representatives of the Zionist groups and factions the request was made that the Administration agree to the creation of a permanent committee on political matters which will include the factions.

It was decided not to grant this request, but to inform them that we will have frequent conferences with them.

LEGIORNAIRES | RESCLUTION:

A resolution requesting moral support for raising a fund was submitted by the Legionnaires! Association.

It was moved, seconded, and carried

THAT in view of prior resolutions to this effect there is no necessity for further action at this time.

ALLIED JEWISH CAMPAIGN:

The Chair reported briefly on the meeting of the sub-committees of the Allied Jewish Campaign held earlier in the day. He said that no final action was taken; that he surmised that the Allied Jewish Campaign will cease to exist on December 31, 1930; and that the Organization must immediately begin preparations for its obligations for the Palestine budget.

EMERGENCY FUND SUMPLUS FOR A.J.C.:

It was generally agreed, at the suggestion of the Chair, that any amounts of money which the Zionist Emergency Fund raises over and above that necessary to pay the deficit and the current expenses, should go to the Allied Jewish Campaign.

USSISCHKIN:

Mr. Neumann reported that in view of the fact that the Congress will be held in February, Mr. Ussischkin who was scheduled to arrive here the latter part of December, will very likely arrive earlier, so as to be able to stay here longer before returning for the Congress.

MEXT MEETING OF MATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

It was decided that the next meeting of the National Executive Committee be held on Sunday, Hovember 23rd.

RABBI BERLIN'S REQUEST FOR MINUTES:

The Chair reported the request of Rabbi Meyer Berlin that mimutes of the meetings of the Executive and Administrative Committees be sent to the London Executive and to the Palestine Executive.

It was decided not to grant this request.

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Mosting adjourned 11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Florence Willner.

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November 3, 1930

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105 Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Babbi Silver:

I was sincerely disappointed not to find you in the hall last Monday evening. I had expected to get real stimulation from an intimate discussion with you on the present situation. I even thought that I might see you the following morning and was morry that you were nowhere around.

I cannot refrain however at this time from writing to you to have you know how much we appreciated your changing your appointments radically so that you could come to our Convention. We felt that our women assembled at such a moment needed the kind of inspiration which your address could give and they were not disappointed.

Please accept our sincere appreciation and earnest thanks for your valuable services.

Sincerely yours,

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Will you let us know what expenses you incurred in going to address our Convention at Buffglo, so that we may reimburse you.

Object in America is to foster Zionist ideals. Activities in Palestine conducted on a non-sectarian basis, include: Hospitals, Dispensaries, X-Ray Institute, Straus Health Centers, Infant Welfare Stations, Pre-natal and Post-natal Care, Pre-School, Echool and District Nursing, S-bool Luncheons, Medical Service in Rural Districts, Supply of Garments and Linens; Nurses' Training School and Model Children's Village Supported by Junior Hadassah. Nov. 6th, 1930

Mrs. Robert Szold, c/o "Hadassah" lll Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

My dear Mrs. Szold:-

Thank you very much for your letter of November 3d.

I am sorry that I missed you on Tuesday morning at the Convention. I also missed the train that morning. Some kind friends took me out Monday until the wee hours of the morning and I accordingly over-slept.

The week of the Convention was a very trying one for me and I have since spent three or four days in bed recovering from a bad cold and am now getting ready for my cross-country wanderings again.

I don't know what my traveling expenses actually were. I imagine that \$20 would fully cover them.

with kindest regards and best wishes to you and to your dear over-worked husband, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Honorary Chairman

LOUIS LIPSKY Honorary Vice-Chairman

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November 7, 1930

TO MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:

A meeting of the Administration Committee will be held on Wednesday evening, November 12, at 7:30 P.M., at the Jewish Club, 23 West 73 Street, New York City.

Please make every possible effort to be present at this meeting. Judge Julian W. Mack, who is now on the high seas, is expected to be with us.

Enclosed herewith please find minutes of the Administration Committee meeting of October 22nd.

Yours sincerely,

Chairman, Administration

JULIAN W. MACK Honorary Chairman

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November 7, 1930.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Z. O. A. ALMINISTRATION:

Iam herewith enclosing a copy of the

Passfield White Paper for your reference.

Sincerely yours,

Publicity Director.

Encl.

LOUIS LIPSKY
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November 11, 1930

TO THE DEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE:



Enclosed herewith are the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Administration Committee, held on October 29, 1930.

This is to remind you of the meeting of the Committee which will be held tomorrow (Wednesday) evening, November 12, at the Jewish Club, 23 West 73rd Street. Please make every possible of ort to be present.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Administration

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver,

This morning I received a letter as per the enclosed copy. But later during the day Mr.Spierer called and asked whether it would be possible for you to deliver a message at this Convention. The local committee will probably approach you directly.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Administration

ZIONIST LABOR PARTY "HITACHDUT" OF AMERICA

25 East Seventh Street

New York, N. W.

Nov. 11, 1930

Mr. Robert Szold Chairman ZOA, 111 Fifth Avenue New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Szold:-

We wish to inform you that our annual convention will be held December 5-8 at Cleveland.

This Convention takes on added importance because it marks ten years of the existence of our organization in this country. It will deal extensively with current Zionist problems, and will define our stand in the face of the challenge delivered to us by the British Labor Government.

We hereby extend to you our cordial invitation to the convention and will appreciate your acceptance.

Sincerely yours,

(signed) A. Spierer

Secretary

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF Z. O. A. ADMINISTRATION HELD WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 12 at 8 P.M. AT THE JEWISH CLUB, 23 WEST 73 STREET, NEW YORK PRESENT: Messrs. Robert Szold (in the chair); Jacob de Haas, Jadge Julian W. Mack, Emenuel Neumann, Rabbi Louis I. Neuman, Samuel J. Rosensohn, Morris Rothenberg, Nelson Rattenberg, Abraham Tulin, Mrs. Edward Jacobs. By invitation: Miss Henrietta Szold, Mrs. Judith Epstein, Mrs. Samuel Halprin, Mrs. Robert Szold, of Hadassah; regrets for inability to attend submitted by Abraham Goldberg and Louis Lipsky. HADASSAH REQUEST FOR REPRESENTATION ON ALMINISTRATION The chairman presented the request of Hadassah that they be permitted to nominate three representatives as full members of the Administration in addition to the regularly elected membership of the Administration. The chairman explained that in view of the fact that the full membership of the Administration has already been elected, it was impossible to grant this request. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously agreed That the chairman be empowered to invite Hadassah to send three of its members to attend meetings of the Administration regularly, without provilege of the vote, It was suggested also that Miss Henrietta Szold be invited to attend meetings of the Laministration during her stay in America. SITMANL BOARD Mr. de Heas reported that the Shekel Board had been set up as authorized by the last regular meeting of the Administration. Those representing Hadassah on the Board were Miss Juliett Benjamin and Mrs. Dora Lefkowitz. In view of the fact that the sale of shekolim last year had involved an expenditure to the organization greatly in excess of the 10% allowed by London, it was moved, seconded and carried That the chairman of the Organization Committee be empowered to request London to allow the organization 25% of the shekel sale to apply for collection expenses. ZIONIST CONCRESS a. Place of Congress The chairman armounced that the Ac; ions Committee had deter-

The chairman armounced that the Actions Committee had determined to convene the Congress on February 5, 1931, but that the place has not yet been designated. A cable recently received from London urged that the Congress be held in the United States, and requested the reaction of the Administration to this suggestion.

Judge Mack stated that of those he had met in London, some felt it would be advantageous from the point of view of Zionist propaganda for European leaders to come to the United States; others thought the expense of holding a Congress here would be too heavy.

The attitude of the Posle Sion was made known by Mr. de Hass. They felt (a) holding a congress in Europe at this time would interfere with the raising of money in this country, but (b) if a Congress were held, it should be held in America and used as a stimulus for raising mov.

Opposition to holding the tongress in America was voiced because of (1) the difficulty of having concentrated discussion if session were held (as likely) in New York City; (2) the tremendous expense that would be involved and (3) the possibility that the European type of parliamentary debate might be interpreted as denoting friction in the organization.

It was moved, seconded and carried

That the Actions Committee be notified that the Administration favors the holding of a Congress in Europe, preferably in some small town where there would be opportunity for deliberation.

JUSTICE BRANDEIS' SEVENTY FOURTH BIRTHDAY

It was unanimously agreed to send the following telegram to Justice Brandeis on November 13, on the occasion of his 74th birthday:

"ZIONIST ADMINISTRATION SINDS YOU MOST SINCERE AND CORDIAL GREETINGS ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR SEVENTY-FOURTH BIRTHDAY."

EMERGENCY FUND CAMPAIGN

Mr. Rosensohn reported that as chairman of the Finance Committee he had mot with the Emergency Fund Committee, which had expressed the opinion that such campaign be organized at once to cover a period of four to six weeks, and that because of the desperate financial condition in which the organization finds itself at present, it takes pricrity over all other fund-ratising activities.

Mr. Neumann pointed out that with the consent of the Administration received some months ago, the Jewish National Fund had determined upon a campaign beginning October 1, in such districts where the Allied Jewish Campaign was not in progress, and that personnel had already been engaged for this purpose. In the meantime, the issuance of the White Paper had made more pressing the need for funds.

Attention was called to the fact that the absolute scarcity of money available in the country for Zionist purposes made it necessary to determine upon a clear policy in order not to pit one Zionist activity against another.

It was therefore moved, seconded and passed

That a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Jewish National Fund be held together with the Administration, for a clarification of the entire situation.

It was further moved, seconded and carried

That all Zionist districts (not including Hadassah or cities where Allied Jewish Campaign is not in pregress) be called upon at once to concentrate their energies on the Emergency Fund during the immediate future.

JUDGE MACK'S REPORT

The chairman welcomed Judge Mack, who had just returned from London after having been previously in Palestine, and in Berlin. Judge Mack reported on his meeting with the Administrative Committee in Berlin, on his impressions of Palestine and conferences of the Actions Committee in London.

FORMATION OF POLITICAL COMMITTEE IN LONDON

The chairman announced the receipt of a cable addressed to Mr. Frankfurter, urging that Ar. Frankfurter come to London to act on the political committee which had been set up, consisting thus far of Messrs. Motzkin, Eder, Goldmann and a representative of the Vaad Leumi.

Upon motion duly made, seconded and carried it was

Decided that a cable be sent to Motzkin stating that the message addressed to Mr. Frankfurter had been transmitted to him and that the request was being fully considered; further stating that the Administration reiterates its view that any committee appointed shall have no power to make commitments, either formal or informal, but that such committee have only power to confer and to receive government proposals, such proposals to be submitted in writing to America and to Palestine, allowing ample time for their consideration.

It was further moved seconded and carried

That the Administration request Mr. Frankfurter to proceed to London as a member of the proposed committee.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted

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Movember 12, 1930.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I had an engagement at Mahler Hall this morning, and went cut a few minutes earlier to call on you, but having failed to see you I am making this acknowledgment of your letter of November 10.

I want to thank you for your kindness in sending to me the anonymous letter bearing on the employment advertisement published last week. In today's mail I also received a letter from Rabbi Brickner, similarly enclosing an anonymous letter bearing on the same subject. While I do not pretend to be an expert, I presume that the two letters were written by the same individual, who evidently feels grossly aggrieved; and frankly, I could not criticize anyone for such feeling if he were unfamiliar with the sentiment, attitude and record of this bank.

The head of our Personnel Department did not see the ad. It was inserted by his assistant. A number of complaints have come in to various officers from Catholics and Jews. Our answer is that we regret this serious blunder extremely. The ad does not represent the mentiments of the officers of the bank, as we have a substantial number of Catholic and Jewish employes, and discrimination based upon religious prejudice would not be tolerated.

I appreciate your kindly interest in calling my personal attention to the matter. With kindest personal regards, I am,

I. F. Freiberger,

Vice President.

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RABBI A H SILVER

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Rabbi Silver:

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio,

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In accordance with my telegram, I am enclosing herewith newspaper publicity. I am also appealing to you, as many other communities have, for your services for Zionist and other causes.

Flint, Michigan,

November 17, 1930.

The fact remains, however, that many good sized communities are being neglected where strength could be derived for the Zionist movement.

We have an Hadassah group here of two hundred and could have a correspondingly large group of men, which would do the State of Michigan a great deal of good.

We tried to organize a group last spring and postponed it for the fall, but since recent developments in the Zionist movement, I cannot talk to some of the men and they discourage the others.

Lectures that were detrimental have been given, from time to time, in the pulpit. The trial, insignificant as it may seem, has ruined whatever Zionist sentiment we had here. The jury disagreed and the statements of those men linger without any counteraction. Indifference for the cause is a direct cause among others.

I know, Rabbi Silver, that you make many sacrifices but coming to Flint would be one of the many that would be worth while as Flint is the key to all northern Michigan cities and we could have representatives from many of these communities.

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MRS. ISADORE GUTOW MRS. PETER SKLAROFF The affair December 10th at which time we hope to have the honor of your presence, is to be our donor luncheon, but we will be happy to change it to suit your convenience. We will have someone meet your train in Detroit, and also take you back to meet the train again.

WRHS © 690 Very sincerely yours,

Ers. Pouis Lebster.

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Lovember 18th, 1930 Mrs. Louis Lebster, 1701 West Court St., Flint, Mich. My dear Mrs. Lebster:-I received your telegram and your letter. I wish I were in a position to comply with your request to come to Flint. Unfortunately the number of engagements which I already have scheduled for the next few months makes it altogether impossible for me to accept any more. I am devoting considerable time to the Allied Jewish Campaign and to numerous Zionist activities and while I realize the unusual conditions in Flint, I can not, much as I regret it, come to you. I would suggest that you try someone from New Hork City, Judge Mack who has just returned from Palestine, Mrs. Jacobs, the new President of the Hadassah, Jacob DeHuas or some Rabbi who is interested in Zionist work. With kindest regards and best wishes permit me to remain Very sincerely yours. AHS/IR

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

November 28, 1930

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

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I hear that you are to be in New York on December 21. Will you be able to spend a few days before or after with us here in the office? I hope to have some time with you when you come. Please let me know what, it any, time you will be able to spend in New York around the 21st. A regular meeting of the Administration would take place on Wednesday the 17th, but I would endeavor to have this postponed if you cannot attend on the 17th but can attend before or after the 21st.

With personal regards,

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Administration

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

November 28,1950

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver c/o The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Sunday, ecember 21st. If we arrange a gathering on that day or on Monday following, could you accept the engagement?

With kind regards,

Sincerely young,

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

December 1, 1930.

Rabbi A. H. Silver The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Pittsburgh Order Soms of Zion is very anxious to arrange a Zionist lecture for you on Monday, January 5th.

I explained to them that if the occasion is not to be utilized for any Zionist Fund they would have to pay you a minimum of \$200 for the lecture, which is acceptable to them.

If you cannot make it on January 5th, you can select your own date. Will you kindly wire your reply.

Sincerely yours,

M. A. ZELDIN National Field Director

P.S. I am informed that you are scheduled to preach at the Free Synagogue on Sunday, December 21st. Would you be able to stay in New York a couple days and help us out in our work? Also, would you agree to address a meeting on the evening of December 21st?

December 1st, 1930 Mr. Jacob DeHaas. Zionist Organization, 111 Fifth Ave., New York, II. Y. My dear Mr. DeHaas!-I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to accept your invitation to stay over for Monday, December 22d. I must be back in Cleveland on that day. With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain Very sincerely yours. AHS/IR

Dec. 3d, 1930 Mr. Robert Szold, Zionist Organization, 111 Fifth Awe., Hew York, N. Y. My dear Mr. Szoldi-I plan to arrive in New York on the morning of December 20th and will leave again on Sunday Dec. 21st, at midnight. I would be able to attend meetings therefore on Saturday or Sunday evening. with best wishes, I am As ever yours, AHS/IR

December 3,1920

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"abbi Abba "illel Silver c/o The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Thanks for your letter of the 1st.

May I remind you that I shall be in Cleveland on December 14th and if I can be of any service, I shall be delighted.

Sincerely yours,

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

December 10, 1930

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Z.O.A. ADMINISTRATION

Please note that the next meeting of the Administration will be held on SATURDAY EVEN-ING, DECEMBER 20, at 8 pclock, at the Jewish Club, 23 West 73rd Street, New York.

The change in date of the meeting has been made because we have learned that Dr. Abba Hillel Silver of Cleveland will be in New York at that time.

Sincerely yours,

Casirman, Administration

L. my December 10, 1930 ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT In reply to the Membership Questionnaire sent to the Zionist Districts on November 6th, 54 answers were received. Below is an analysis and information contained in these answers. Even though it does not cover them all, it presents in a way a picture of the life in the Districts. This subject is still open for study and discussion. No definite action has as yet been taken. We will write you, again, shortly. Questions 1 - 2: Do you and your associates believe that if we announce a special membership as described in the enclosed letter, you will be able to retain the present \$6.00 District members? If not, what proportion? In enswer to these questions Districts declared themselves in the negative, 30 indicating the possibility of heavy losses of from 40 to over 90% of the present membership. Districts believe that 50% of the membership could 8 be retained under the circumstances. 12 Districts declared themselves in the positive, believing that only small losses of between 10 to 35% would be suntained. 4 Districts did not commit themselves on this question. Question 3: Would a \$2.00 limited membership which includes the Shekel be a successful strort? In answer to this question Districts declared themselves against the plan 29 Districts declared themselves in favor of the plan 25 (\$2,00) but among these 8 prefer a reduction of the dues to not less then \$3.00. Question 4: Would a per capita arrangement make your conditions better? If so, what amount? Fewer answers were received and some of them not to the point. 18 Answered in a general negative

(Question 4 continued)

4 answered in the positive.

Among those who favor the radically reduced dues, 3 mirrorated a refund of 50¢ to the District, 1 of 25¢ and 1 of \$1.00.

Among those who prefer the existing plan, 3 want a refund of \$2.00, 1 of \$1.50 and the others, who expressly said so, of \$1.00.

Question- 5: Would these members subscribe independently for The New Polestine?

Among those who answered this question

- 23 thought that very few or no members would subscribe.
- 8 thought that a few members would subscribe.

Question 6: How large a membership could you raise, locally, if we created the most favorable circumstances?

This question, as well as the last item "Remarks", cannot be usefully analyzed collectively. Those who answered, are grouped for convenience's sake, among such who generally favor the plan of radical reduction in the dues and those who do not favor it, and speak for themselves. The fact that 54 answers came in rowly to 250 questionnaires, lends another angle to the picture. However, this cannot be taken generally as an indication of inactivity, for some active Districts have either not answered or could not commit themselves to answer all or the last question. In the absence of other information, the remarks given below may serve as a fair basis for the study of this problem.

1) Districts favoring radical reduction:

Morth Bronx: If membership can be trebled and more workers secured, the Z. O. in their opinion, could do little to improve conditions.

Flushing, L.I.: Membership could be increased by several hundred percent. Havor, generally, \$2.00 or \$3.00 dues with full membership rights. Against two classes of membership. Launching large membership drive, shortly.

Rochester, N.Y.: Can get many new members. Have been in favor of smaller dues for several years.

Albany, N. Y .: Can secure 250 new members. Income will not be reduced as a result.

Chester, Pa.: Would increase membership to 50 more. Plan would be good.

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Philadelphia, Pa.: Suggest that the National Office accept a per capita of \$2.00 by agreement with the Districts, the Districts to agree that the National Office shall receive at least the same sum as last year from the Districts which shall be free to charge whatever membership fee is practical, locally.

Screnton, Pa.: Favor reduction in belief that all classes of Jews would enroll.

Pitisfield, Mass.: Could increase membership to 150. Would give District opportunity to grow.

Boverly, Mass .: Could increase membership to 100.

Lowell, Mass.: Favor \$3.00 dues and \$6.00 with New Polesting.

Woorsocket, R.I.: Could increase membership to about 40. Hard times. Trying to raise money for Emergency Fund.

Augusta, Ga.: Could secure 75 more members. This would increase membership but not income.

St. Joseph, Mo.: Could form a larger organization with lower dues, namely \$2.00. Men have to pay for their wives, too. (Hadassah)

Canton, Ohio : Could get 100 members.

Cincinnati. Ohio : Favor nominal fee for greater membership and higher dues for sustaining members. Expect to hear from them in greater detail.

Omaha, Nebr.: Can double membership at \$3.00, opinion of active Ziorists.

South Bond, Ind .: Can get five times as many members, at radically reduced dups.

Marcuette, Mich .: Can increase to 50.

Birmingham, Ala: Can got 300 members if lues are reduced to \$3.00.

Houston, Texas: Can get three to five-hunired members. Prefer \$3.00 of which \$1.00 should be refunded to the District, \$2.00 only as a temporary measure. Problem in Texas is how to defray expenses. Trying to maise special fund for this problem.

New Orleans, La.: Can get three to four-hundred members at \$2.00.

Jacksonville.Flo.: Can get 50 to 100 more members at smaller dues. \$2.00 preferable.

Pueblo, Colo.: Can get 20 to 50 members. Expect to organize.

Cancraço, N.Y./.: Will increase membership at \$2.00 or \$3.00.

2) Districts not favoring reduction:

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Brooklyn (Flatbush District): Hope to double membership on the basis of existing dues. \$2.00 will be a more collecting campaign. Anyone interested in the Z.O. will pay \$6.00.

Miagare Fells, N.Y.: Half of Jewish community already enrolled. Can only increase by about 15 more.

Hudson, N.Y.: Do not favor special membership. It would lower dignity of movement. Suggest membership at \$3.00, of which \$1.00 to be retained by the District or \$6.00 for those who want New Palestine.

Atlantic City, N.J.: Believe that \$4.00 dues will help very much.

Jersey City, N.J.: No workers. Suggest leave matters alone and ask 50% for Shekel as last year.

Plainfield, N.J.: Can increase membership by 200. Plan of reduced dups is more adaptable in larger centers.

Baltimore, Md.: If plan is adopted they could secure 100) members at 32.00 and \$3.00 and regular members at higher dues. Skeptical about reduction because of the failure of the Roll Call. They want \$3.00 refund out of \$6.00 dues, or 50¢ refund out of \$2.00 dues.

Acron, Ohio: Con got 75 more. Mizrachi compaign reduced membership by 25%. Doubt whether plan would improve matters.

Des Moines, Ic.: Could increase to 100.

Indianapolis, Ind.: Community is planning a center, but many Zionists favor the plan. They could increase membership to 150 and through this about 50 would be retained at \$6.00 and 100 at \$2.00.

Horre Houts, Ind.: Need speakers and program. Suggest Mational Speakers! Bureau for this purpose.

Calumet Gate, Ind.: Finencial situation militates against even a \$2.00 nembership.

Minnoapolis, Minn.: Have no workers. Too many Zionist appeals kill one another. Suggest work on federated plan.

St. Poul, Minn.: Went to continue along oli basis. Ask for \$2.00 refund.

Uniontown, Pa.: Plan for reduced dues would not work in small community.

Williamsport, Pa.: They have maximum membership. Are willing to adopt \$2.00 plan without New Polestine in case they cannot retain membership otherwise.

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Greensburgh, Pa,: Could get 80 new members if a couple of workers could be found. Suggest that separate 50¢ shakel campaign would be more successful in this respect.

Pittsburgh, Pa.: They intend to increase membership. Would rather stick to old plan.

Waterbury, Conn.: Working hard to enroll as many as possible at \$6.00.

Meriden, Conn .: Finding it hard to make headway without propagenda and workers.

Mashville, Tenn.: Could increase membership from 15 to 25% at best.

Wilmington, N.C.: Connot get any more members than they now have. Decided to stick to \$6.00 dues. Want refund of at least \$1.00.

Louisville, Ky.: Can get 150 more members. Plan to reduce dues is of doubtful value.

Detroit, Mich.: \$6.00 or \$5.00 dues may help but they cannot afford to lose \$1.00 refund for District, nor The New Palestine. They fear the success of such a plan in view of the failure of the Roll Call. Do not favor two classes of membership.

Austin, Toxas : Hostile atmosphere and no interest in Zicnism.

Portland, Ore.: Intend bringing in 150 to 200 members at \$6.00 early next year. Oppose plan because of Roll Call experience. Members who do not read New Pelestine are useless. Would be weeful mistake to create two classes of membership.

Youngstown, Ohio: Will get 250 members. Cannot decide on new plan. Columbus, Onio: Will increase about 50%. Cannot decide on new plan.

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THE WOMEN'S ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

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December 15th 1930

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are so happy that the 21st will see you in New York City. Thanks to your gracious kindness to Hadassah, as to your God-given gifts, we know that the celebration of Henrietta Szold's birthday under the joint auspices of all the Zionist organizations in New York and Brooklyn, will undoubtedly be the outstanding celebration of the three hundred such gatherings which Hadassah throughout the country will hold on the happy occasion of Miss Szold's seventieth birthday.

I am sure that I need make no suggestions as to subject, but if there is a special subject which you have already in mind, we should be so grateful to have it for our publicity.

With Hadassah's grateful appreciation of your never failing courtesy and cooperation, I am

> Very sincerely yours, Tomas de Sola Part

Mrs. D. de Sola Pool

for the Praesidium

Rabbi Abba Hillel Stlver East 10th Street Cleveland, Ohio

ROBERT SZOLD ZIONIST ORGANIZATION 111 FIFTH AVE. NEW YORK

HAVE ACCEPTED TO SPEAK AT MISS SZOLD'S CELEBRATION SUNDAY EVENING stop PLEASE HAVE SOMEONE IN OFFICE GATHER SOME DATA ABOUT MISS SOLZD'S OFFICIAL CONNECTIONS WITH ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OFFICES HELD IN AMERICA AND IN PALESTINE ETCETRA, stop PLEASE HAVE MATERIAL MAILED TO REACH ME SATURDAY MORNING AT COMMODORE HOTEL NEW YORK KINDEST REGARDS

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE Z. O. A. Held Saturday evening, December 20, at Jewish Club, 23 West 73rd Street, New York.

PRESENT: Robert Szold in the chair; Jacob de Haas, Israel B. Brodie, Mrs. Epstein, Mrs. Jacobs, Mrs. Halprin, Judge William M. Lewis, Emanuel Neumann, Dr. Nathan Eatnoff, Samuel J. Rosensohn, Morris Rothenberg, Nelson Ruttenberg, Abraham Tulin.

ZIONIST CONGRESS:

The chairman read the following cable addressed to "Zionists" from "Zioniburo" dated December 19:

HEXTER RECEIVED FOLLOWING BABLES NEW YORK FIRST ADMINCOM QUOTE IN VIEW YOUR STATEMENT NEGOTIATIONS LIKELY TO BE PROTRACTED AND HERE RESULTS FUNDRAISING WILL STILL BE UNCERTAIN BY MARCH EVEN THOUGH APPEALS GET OFF VERY FROMPTLY WE STRONGLY OPPOSE COUNCIL MEETING BEFORE END OF SUMMER IN NORMAL COURSE PROVIDED BY CON-STITUTION ABOUT TWO YEARS FROM DATE ORGANIZATION STOP SHOULD MARCH MEETING COUNCIL CALL AWAY OUR ACTIVE LEADERS SIX OR SEVEN WEEKS MOST VALUABLE TIME WOULD BE LOST UNQUOTE SECOND WARBURG QUOTE VIEW IMPORTANCE CONCENTRATE ON PALESTINE CAMPAIGN VHICH SHOULD WE HOPE BE OPERATING FULL SWING MARCH WOULD REGARD HIGHLY UNDESIRABLE TAKING AWAY MUCH NEEDED SERVICES LEADERS HERE SIX SEVEN WEEKS OF EAMPAIGN PERIOD FOR MEETINGS ABROAD STOP DIFFICUL* TIES FUNDRAISING NOW WHICH AT BEST VERY GREAT NOT BE AGGRAVATED UNQUOTE GREATLY SURPRISED AS YOU REPEATEDLY DECLARED CONGRESS FEBRUARY POSSIBLE STOP INVITE YOUR CPINION STOP CONSULT MEMBERS ZIONIST EXECUTIVE LIPSKY HENRIETTA SZOLD

This cable had been relayed to Mr. Louis Lipsky and to Miss Henrietta Szold, who were both out of town. In his reply, Mr. Lipsky had stated that he felt there was no need for a Congress in February. During the course of the evening a reply from Miss Szold was received, stating reasons why she preferred a postponement of the Congress until the summer.

The chairmen explained that the actions Committee has decided to convene the Congress in February; that the Administration had not questioned the date and had proceeded with a shokel compaign. He stated that the sub-committee of the cabinet was now in conference with the Zionist legal committee, on constitutional aspects of the new White Paper.

Mr. de Hans felt the holding the Congress in February to be absolutely essential, and that any postponement would add seriously to the demoralization of the whole movement throughout the world. He felt that while was present negotiations would not be concluded for some time to come, the political situation within the Zionist world should be cleared. The authority of the Zionist Organization politically must be reasserted, and the various groups in Zionism must meet to letermine their course.

Mrs. Jacobs raised the Question as to whether or not the Congress would not be an impotent body under the Agency. Mr. Rosensohn explained that the Agency was composed of two groups, and that the Zionists should do all in their power to revitalize the one group which they represented. He favored the holding of a Congress in February in order to reassert the aims of Zionism, and to determine the leadership of the Zionist movement.

Mr. Rothenberg felt that if possible an Actions Committee meeting should be held, but that there would be no more unfavorable time than this to hold a Congress. A Congress held at this time would be impotent politically since negotiations would not yet have been completed; it would merely pass general resolutions which have been adopted before, and would have to appoint negotiators with power to act, since another Congress could not be convened scon thereafter to ratify or reject the proposals. These negotiator. would bring about a fait accompli. The wrong kind of leadership brough out by the Congress at this time would result in a loss of cooperation between the Agency and the Zionists; further a Congress would give every evidence of a terrific rift in the Zionist Organization and would weaken the cause considerably. Besides this, Dr. Adlar had stated that it would be difficult to convoke a council meeting of the A gency at this time. Prof. Frankfurter and Mr. Rutenberg of Palestine, constituting a delegation being in whom all persons would have confidence, should go to London to participate in the negotiations. He stressed the fact that the critical position of Palestine at the present time made it absolutely essential that a campaign be started immediately in order to enable Palestine to carry on.

At this point the discussion, Mr. de Heas left (to make a train) and registered his vote as favoring an early Congress.

The holding of the Congress in February was favored by Mr. Tulin. Hitherto he had felt that the postponement of negotiations was desirable because of the possibility of the Conservative Government coming into power in the near future. Recent developments had indicated, however, that the Labor Government would continue in power for at least two years. Under these circumstances, it would be advisable to have negotiations concluded as soon as possible, while the ocho of Zionist protest was still being heard. A Congress held at this time would renew the Zionist protest, and would re-state the Zionist position. The announcement of an early Congress might help our position by bringing about as earlier conclusion. Mr. Rothenberg here expressed the thought that this announcement might have the opposite effect, and that the British Government might purposely prolong the negotiations. Mr. Tulin stated that the power of the Congress to accept negotiations was a purely theoretical one, and that the negotiators must be given full power by the Congress. Zionists should not be put in the posi-tion of accepting a surrender - as in the case of the Churchill White Paper. The campaign here would not be affected seriously, mince it will have been under way before the leaders depart for the Congress.

Mr. Ruttenberg felt that the British Government was deliberately postponing the settlement of negotiations knowing the weakness of the situation
in Palestine, and that a further postponement would be fatal to the movement.
The ongress would state its determination to carry on in spite of the
British Government and would give specific instructions to negotiators. Mr.
Ruttenberg was confident that there would be agreement at the Congress on
general Zionist principles, and that competent leadership would be found.
The ongress should assert the eternal principles of Zionism despite any
temporary set back.

In enswer to Rabbi Silver's Question as to whether negotiations were binding on the Jewish Agency, it was explained that the President of the Zionist Organization is the head of the Agency, and as such is charged with political negotiations.

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Mr. Brodie stated that he had concluded that the Congress ought to be held as set, even recognizing the dangers of the political rift and of the effect on fund-raising in A merica, and at the expense of exposing the poverty of personnel of A merican Ziomism. The political question was the one upperment in importance and while negotiations will not have been concluded by February, fundamental questions can be dealt with, at the Congress. He felt the A gency people would not break with the Zionist Organization, but that should such a break occur, Zionists must meet it.

Mr. Neumann felt that while the political question was of great weight, the question turned on the composition of the new executive. The *merican delegation would probably be called upon to cast the deciding ballots The lack of unanimity of opinion on the question of leadership caused him to question the preparedness of A merican Zionists for a Congress at this time. Some definite policy should be thought out.

It was moved by Mr. Ruttenberg, and seconded, that

It be the expression of opinion of the Administration that it opposes any postponement of the Congress which has now been called for February 24.

The vote stord a tie;

In view of the tie, it was moved by Rabbi Silver that

The Executive be notified that the Administration is evenly divided on the Question, withhtwo members of the Executive, Miss Szold and Mr. Lipsky voting for postponement.

The motion was seconded and unanimously carried.

CHAIRMEN OF COMMITTEE CO-OPTED ON FINANCE COMMITTEE

The chairman of the Finance committee asked that since the revision of the budget affected all committees, Economic Committee and Young Judaes committee be made members of the Finance Committee for the purpose of preparing the tudget. This was unanimously agreed.

CAMPAIGN FOR THE COMING YEAR

The chairman announced that the Jewish genry Provisional Committee, consisting of Messrs. Adler, Flexner, Rothenberg, and Szold, had appointed a Jewish gency Campaign committee, composed of Messrs. Rothenberg, Szold, Dr. Lowenstein, Dr. Lee K. Frankel, and a representative of Hadassah, to work out plans for the forthcoming campaign. It had been proposed that there be no Allied campaign, but that two separate campaigns be held.

It was moved, seconded and passed than

THE Administration approve the action of the Agency in initiating a campaign, and that it agree to begin pre-

parations for participation in such campaign to the fullest extent of its powers. The chairman stated that the JNF neither hold a public campaign of its own nor enter the general campaign, but that Mr. Ussishkin would raise what. ever money he was able to by means of parlor meetings, that the matter of continuence of the parlor meetings was left open until after In. Ussishkin departure. It was moved by Rabbi Silver that THE Administration go on record as favoring the formal launching of the forthcoming compaign by a Conference summoned by the Jewish A gency. It was pointed out that while in principle this was the proper procedure, the poverty of personnel of the A gency made this method Questionable from the practical point of view. It was therefore moved by Dr. Silver THAT the Jewish Agency be asked to a joint meeting at some time prior to the conference and convenient for both bodies, at which the question of the forthcoming campaign and other matters affecting both bodies would be discussed. The motion was seconded and unanimously carried. HENRIETTA SZOLD SEVENTIETH BIRTHDAY It was resolved that the following telegram be sent to Miss Henrietta Szold on the occasion of her 70th birthday, Dec. 21 .: THE ADMINISTRATION MEETING TO-NIGHT IN BEHALF OF ALL Z.O.A. MEMBERS, EXTENDS TO YOU ITS HEARTIEST FELICI-TATIONS ON THE ATTAINMENT OF YOUR THREE SCORE YEARS AND TEN. MAY YOU LIVE MANY YEARS MORE AND ADD STILL GREATER GLORIES TO YOUR SPLENDID SERVICE TO JEWRY AND ERETZ ISRAEL. (Signed) ROBERT SZOLD Chairman Administration UPA The chairman brought up for discussion the proposal of using the U. P. A. as the entity through which the compaign funds should go, which is a logal corporation, with elected board of directors. Rabbi Silver suggested that the Agency be requested to build up its own machinery for the coming cempaign. A special committee on UPA was appointed to consider the question, consisting of Messrs. Rosensohn, Neumann, and Rothenberg. It was moved by Judge Lewis, seconded and passed that PRIOR to the joint meeting of the Jewish Agency and Administration, a meeting of the Administration be held for the purpose of clarifying the position of the Administration with regard to the U. P. A.

PALESTINE FINANCIAL SITUATION

The chairman stated that most distrising cables had been received in the last few days concerning the financial situation of the Palestine Executive, stating that bills had been discounted and re-discounted and were now in danger of being protested. The latest messages stated that I4500 was needed for December, L9,000 for January, and L9,000 for February, for payment of such billi, in addition to the regular budget.

The chairman reported that this problem was under urgent consideration by Jewish Agency. All possible means of raising immediate funds are being cosidered. In the meantime Mr. Rothenberg had cabled \$10,000 from the old UPA funds to tide over the next few days. A number of suggestions were made as to means of raising funds in anticipation of the campaign.

The meeting adjonurases

Respectfully submitted

Maomi Flax



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MORRIS WEINBERG

111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

December 25, 1930

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

morning VRIIS

Dr. Adler concerning your projection of a joint meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Jewish Agency and our own Administration, but as yet I have not been able to fix a date. At any rate, December 29 is out of the question.

As soon as anything definite develops, I shall inform you.

Chairman, Administration

enclosure.

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MORRIS WEINBERG

111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

December 30, 1931.

Dr. A. H. Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Confirming telegram of yesterday:

We are arranging the meeting, in accordance with your suggestion, for January 8th. It will be at the Jewish Club.

Dr. Adler has an annual meeting of some institution of which he is the head, which has been called for sometime on Thursday, January 8th, and it will be impossible for him to get to town before 8 o'clock.

In view of the emergency, however, and the necessity of raising funds, as well as the necessity of your being here for that purpose, we are calling the meeting on the 8th, at which we hope to have a number of Zionists and non-Zionists to whom an appeal for funds can be made.

I enclose the latest cable showing the urgency of the situation, sent via Beirut to the Labor people.

We shall try to work in a meeting between yourself and Dr. Adler, and such other members of the Agency group as can be gotten together, - perhaps after the appeal for funds on Thursday, January 8th.

Sincepaly yours,

Chairman, Administration

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Z.O.A. ADMINISTRATION:

A regular meeting of the Z.O.A. Administration will be held on WEDNESDAY EVENING, January 7, 1931, at 7 o'clock, at the Jewish Club, 23 West 73rd Street, New York.

Matters of unusual importance will be presented for consideration at this meeting. The Finance Committee is prepared to submit for approval the proposed budget for 1931.

Sincerely yours,

December 31, 1930

Chairman, Administration

P. S. Please note the meeting is set for 7 o'clock instead of 8, in order to allow ample time for discussion.

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA SUMMARY OF THE BUDGET ADOPTED FOR 1931

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PERIODICALS: Total Expense	
ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT: Administrative Salaries \$ 9,900.00 Expense	
SUBSIDIES: Young Judaea	
Deficit Amortization	24,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES	\$131,300.00
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Dr. Cyrus Adler P.O.Box 408 Madison Square Station New York, N. Y. mar present in ny

New York, January 2, 1931.

Dear Mr. Adler:

I will attend the conference concerning Palestine in the vestry rooms of Temple Emanuel. 1 East 65th Street, on Thursday evening, January 8th.

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1124 EAST 105TH STREET

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January 2, 1931.

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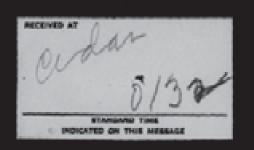
Dear Member:

Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Zionist District will be held at Zion Hall, 1124 East 105th Street, on Monday evening, at 8:30 P. M., January 5, 1931.

Important matters including Memorial Meeting for Lord Melchett, are on the agenda for attention.

Please attend.

With Zion's Greetings,



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ROBERT SZOLD.

Wire collect 1/7/31

Will be with you tomorrow. Please do not count on me to

A. H. Silver

TELEPHORE make appeal. answered Jan 7, 1431 Bill he with you on the eighth bleare do not ask me to make appea

Jan. 15th, 1931 Mr. Robert Szold. Moniet Organization. New York, N. Y. My dear Mr. Szold:-Mr. Newton D. Baker sailed last week on the Brittanic for a Mediterranean cruise. He will arrive in Haifa, Palestine Saturday, January 31st. It may be well to cable to Palestine to have some official representative or representatives of the Zionist Organization meet Mr. Matter and welcome him to the country and if his stay theme is for any time, to arrange some opportunities for him to see the Jewish work in Palestine. With best wishes, I am Very sincerely yours. AHS/IR

a 14. Silver.

Understand you will be in Buffalo February 12th. Niagara Falls district. Very enxious you address them February 11th. Deserving district. Please wire reply. Regards.

Jacob De Haas

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January 26th, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

When you visited Houston last rear, you thought it probable you would be in a position to come to Texas in behalf of Zionism, at a future date.

in San Antonio, Texas, May Criment 4th, together with Louisiana, and as a manual and will be present and the opportunity of to something substantial for the cause, I have to invite you to be the Speaker at our mass emeting on that occasion.

of your acceptance will greatly help the work. While I know your time is in demani, especially in these critical days, yet Texas is worth while to include in all our efforts and I hope you will consider, seriously, accepting this invitation.

Awaiting your reply and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Fatreed

Texas Zionist Association.

Feb. 6th, 1931 Mr. L. A. Freed, Texas Zionist Association. Houston, Texas. My dear Mr. Freed:-Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of January 26th. by work here will not permit me to go South this year so that I must fore the pleasure of addressing the Texas Zionists on May third or fourth. With best Zion's greetings, permit me to remain Very sincerely yours. AHS/IH

EMANUEL NEUMANN

225 BROADWAY

NEW YORK

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Monday, February 9. 1 9 3 1.

Dr. A. H. Silver, The Temple, 105th & Ansel Rd. Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba:

I have just returned from the sessions of the National Council of the Z.O.A. and the National Conference of the J.N.F. in Washington.

Our Conference was well attended and enthusiastic - even Ussishkin was satisfied with its spirit. I had my hands full behind the scenes endeavoring to secure the adoption of a resolution which would be satisfactory to both Ussishkin and the leaders of the Administration, and succeeded in putting one thru which, while wholly satisfactory to neither, seems to have been accepted as the best possible one under all the circumstances.

We eliminated from the resolution all mention of the \$5,000,000 or any other figure, as well as any reference to the \$200,000 or to the use of the term "campaign".

Despite all these concessions, neither Mack, Wise nor de Haas appeared at our Conference, the Szold did say a few words in connection with some other resolution.

We also elected a Committee which included George Klein, who told me that after the campaign now pending in Cleveland, he believes it will be possible to do something for the J.N.F.

Ussishkin delivered a strong address which made a profound impression on the entire assemblage. The net result, I think, is that the J.N.F. has been considerably strengthened, and if the managers of the A.P.C. will not try, cut of mistaken zeal, to dissipate the sentiment which has been generated, or to completely block our progress, I think a modest beginning will be made this year toward lifting the work up to a higher level.

The meeting of the Council was distinguished by nothing except a rather general fusillade against the Chairman of the Organization Department. At that, it was rather a tame affair. Judging by what I saw Saturday night, the present administration still holds office, as it were, on sufference.

I take this occasion to congratulate you, if that is the proper word, on your election as a Co-Chairman of the A.P.C. and I wish you luck.

If you have developed the habit of answering your mail, I will be glad to hear from you - if not remember me to your wife and the youngster.

As ever,

Cordially and sincerely yours,

EN/ja

WRHS 0000

Feb. 11th, 1931 Mr. Emanuel Heumann, 225 Broadway. New York, M. Y. My dear Emanuel !-I was very happy to receive your letter and to read of what transpired in Washington. I am impressed particularly by what you said about the meeting of the Council and the attacks which were made on the Administration. This morning I read an article in the "Day" by Mr. Rosenfeld in which the Administration is charged with absolute incompetence. Seemingly there is a concerted move to discredit the present administration before it has had a chance to establish itself and make progress. If that is the case we are in for another year of dirty politics which will culminate in another smash-up at the Convention next December. I believe that you are in a position to help guide the Administration actively. I wrote to Mr. Szold a few weeks ago warning him that the Administration has been entirely too politically minded, devoting too much time to the international situation which it really can not control and has not spent enough time on local problems of organization, propaganda, etc. Mr. Szold was impressed with my suggestions. I think if you would have a talk with him it would help tremendeusly. I hope to be in New York before very long and will get in touch with you. With kindest regards to you and yours, I am

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February 26, 1931. ORGANIZATION DEPARTMENT REPORT MEMBERSHIP To February 24, 880 new members were registered in addition to 2295 renewals and 71 joint-members for 1931. The new membership is thus exceeding our estimates but the average of renewals is falling behind. A considerable number of local membership campaigns are now in progress. The end of March report may show the gair that should follow from new enrollments. But we are striving every nerve to secure the re-enrollments in the spring and Districts are promising aid. REGIONAL PROBLEM The report circulated on January 16th has been fully considered by the Organization Committee which has approved its substance and has directed me to submit to the Administration, the following proposals for its approval. It is important at this time, when so many regional questions are before us that the Administration formally decide this matter. The resolutions submitted by the Organization Committee are as follows: 1) That the Organization Committee be empowered to draw up and put into operation, a formal constitution for Regions wherein it shall be provided that a minimum number of Districts in a contiguous territory having a present minimum of members enrolled and fully paid, may formally apply by the record to ef the Districts involved to organize a Region and that upon such record being satisfactory, the Organization Committee shall authorize the creating of such region. a) That cach society irrespective of numbers shall have two representatives on the regional board. b) That the refund or allowance be exactly \$1.00 per member fully paid at the date of refunding. If the regional activity results in an increasof the membership for the Districts within the region, over and above the maximum of the recorded membership on December 31, 1930, then the refund shall be \$1.25 for every such additional member. c) That no allowance be made for group or junior membership groups if organized within the regional area, whether created by the national office or the result of regional effort. d) That where ninety days after a region has been created there is no evidence of increased activity, the national office shall upon notice to the regional officers have the right to send its own field men into the area in order to develop the region and such membership increases as may result therefrom shall suffer no regional refund during the current year. c) That the Finance Committee may advance for the establishment of the region, a capital fund equal to 50 per-cent of the refund that would have been due in 1930 were this system in vome to any region, such refund to be re-imbursed from the income of the region. f) That the regional officers are free to raise funds for regional purposes within their region. m) That non-full paying dues bodies can join the region in which they are located provided they comply with such per capita arrangements as the Region may devise with such organizations.

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ZIOHIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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MORRIS WEINBERG

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE Z. O. A. ADMINISTRATION:

On account of the Dinner in honor of Dr. Albert Einstein, the meeting of the Administration scheduled for Wednesday evening, March 4, is postponed to THURSDAY AFTERNOON, MARCH 5, at 4 o'clock, at this office.

There are several matters of considerable importance to the organization which have been held over for some time because of the political situation and other urgent subjects, but which must have the consideration and attention of the Administration at this coming meeting.

A copy of a report submitted by the Organization Committee, which is one of the items on the Agenda next Thursday, is enclosed for your perusal.

I trust you will make every effort to attend the meeting on Thursday afternoon, in order that these matters may be settled.

Relitaves

February 27, 1931

Chairman, Administration

P. S. A copy of the letter from Premier MacDonald to Dr. Chain Weizmann is also enclosed.

MASADA

YOUNG MEN'S ZIONIST ORGAN ZATION OF AMERICA (Affiliated with the Z. O. A.) 10527 CHURCHILL AVE. CLEVELAND, DHIO



Honorary President A. H. FRIEDLAND

National Organization Committee JOSEPH M. PAPO, Cheirman MYRON S STANFORD J. MARTIN KOHN

March Seventeen 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Vice-Pres., Zionist Organization of America.

Angel Pd. Temple, Cleveland, 0.

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Tould you kindly a view me as to

what his recommended at the Zivisiat administra-

tion Committee meeting concerning Masada?

With Zionist greetings, I am

Respectfully yours,

Joseph M. Papo

March 25th, 1931 Mr. Joseph M. Papo, 10527 Churchill Ave., Cleveland, Ohio. My dear Mr. Papot-I am enclosing herewith the text of the resolutions adopted at the last meeting of the Administration Committee of the Zioniat Organization with reference to Masada, With kindest regards, I am Very sincerely yours, AHS/IR

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To: Members of Z.O.A. Administration;

The following is an extract from a letter received by Israel Brodie from a reliable source in Palestine, which should be of interest to the Administration.

"So far as the spirit of our people is concerned you should know that it is very largely dependent upon the spirit of our people in .merica. Palestine Jewry can take care of the .rabs, but it well nigh helpless against England. You know the press here is not independent. It is muzzled - doubly muzzled. First by the Government and secondly by our own organisations. These organisations have been more closely affiliated with the Jewish leaders in England than with those in America. The result was that whatever was done or said or proposed in London vent. We were cheered and delighted to learn that in the negotiations following the Unite Paper the -merican leaders exercised control on the negotiators in London. You may not know that the bold and courageous pronouncements of the Vand Leumi were direct results of the proud and courageous stand taken by you in .merica. Pinchas Rutenberg reported at meetings of the Vaad Leumi that the -mericans were firm and full of fighting courage against England, and were against weak and cringing compromises. And it was that report by Rutonberg that inspired the Vaad Leumi to speak up boldly and defiantly. I imagine their splendid stand and utterance in turn inspired you to continue bravely and fearlessly. I should like to emphasize that the Yishuw cannot and must not be relied upon to take the proper public attitude towards England. For a number of reasons the Yishuv is disqualified for that role. The Jews in America should be the ones to judge and pronounce Jewish public opinion on England's deings and misdoings. Perhaps if American Jewry had given more attention to this phase of Zionism during the last ten years instead of leaving it altogether to London there would not have been the events that logically culminated in the White Paper. I am sorry I have gone off into this digression. All I intended to say at the start was that the spirit of the Yichuv is sound and that is due to the courage of the american leadership."

MEETING OF Z.O.A. ADMINISTRATION HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 1931, AT 4:30 P.M., AT THE JEWISH CLUB, 23 WEST 73 STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

Present during the afternoon Session: Robert Szold (in the chair); Jacob de Haas, Abraham Goldberg, Mrs. Edward Jacobs, Louis Lipsky, Emanuel Neumann, Louis I. Newman, Samuel J. Rosenschn, Abraham Tulin. During the evening session, the same except for Rabbi Newman, and with the addition of Mr. Brodie and Judge Lewis. By inwitation: Mrs. Brodie, Mrs. Judith Epstein, Mrs. Rose Halprin, Mrs. Ruth Fromenson, of Hadassah.

CARLE ACTION SINCE APRIL 20 SPECIAL MEETING:

The Chairman reviewed the cable correspondence which had taken place between the Provisional Committee of the American Administrative Committee of the Jewish Agency, Mr. Hexter, and Dr. Weizmann, of April 16 and 18, on which he had reported at the meeting on April 20. At the meeting on April 20 he had stated he hoped to persuade the Agency Committee, which at his request had arranged a meeting for Tuesday, April 21, to send a cable to London taking the view expressed at the Z.O.A. meeting on the several questions involved. He reported that as a result of that meeting, the following cable had been sent by the Agency Administrative Committee;

Hexter

April 21, 1931.

147 further consideration deepens objections to draft proposals stop we fully support your 24 re program and Simpson appointment stop 222222 discussion program comes first and consideration apparatus personnel subsequently and separately

ADMITMOON

Following the Agency Administrative Committee mosting on April 21, the committee consisting of Messrs. Se Mans. Goldberg and Rosenschn, which had been appointed on April 20 to draft and send a cable to the Actions Committee of the 2.2.2. Expressing the view of the Z.O.A. Administration, sent the following message in the name of the Administration:

"Action Zioniburo

We regard draft land development scheme as completing betrayal our rights inaugurated Pas:field Paper stop conference based on program submitted involved destruction Zionist position paralysing our efforts for generation stop appointment Simpson deliberate support and approval forces and policies hostile national home necessitating Zionist abstention from plan

Zionists

Leadership. The draft was re-submitted to the committee for final phrasing.

ECONOMIC BOARD:

The question was raised as to whether it was intended that the Economic Board would replace the Palestine Executive. Mr. Brodie stated that it was his conception that the Economic Board should be the instrumentality which should negotiate with the Government on specific matters such as taxation, tariffs, etc., acting quite independent of the Executive. Mr. Lipsky pointed out that this would place the Executive, the political body, in aposition subservient to the Economic Board.

Mr. Neumann made the point that the Economic Board might be the Executive if the new leadership is in sympathy with the economic program. But if the new leadership would be a coalition group, organized on party lines, such an arrangement would be impossible.

Mr. Rosensonn opposed a coalition, on the ground of its imefficier cy. He suggested however, that the Zionist members on the Agency Executive might constitute the Economic Board.

- 3 -Administration, April 23, 193; Mr. Goldberg suggested that to overcome the difficulty the responsibility should rest with the Executive, which should appoint a body in Palestine whose purpose is to carry out the economic program, clearly outlined. That body should have correspondents all over the world for the purpose of getting information and coordinating action throughout the world for the economic program. Some members of the Executive might be on this Board. Mr. Brodie thought this might be a feasible plan. Mr. de Haas felt that since the Executive performs no service to the world at large and merely duplicates work which is done by other bodies, it should be abolished. Mr. Goldberg made the point that it might be possible to have a separate Economic Board and in addition one person representing the Executive, to take care of such functions as now performed by the Palestine Zionist Executive. Judge Lewis questioned the functions of the Executive im London. Mr. de Haas felt that what was needed in London was a political agency legislating of the Economic Board in Palestine, and that the Executive in London was unnecessary. Mr. Neumann pointed out that the functions of the Executive and those of the Board differed widely - the first to keep alive the work throughout the world and the second for purely economic work. Mr. Lipsky felt that if it is intended that an Economic Board shall be created which shall replace the present Palestine Executive of the Jewish Agency, this should be stated. The Administrative Committee of the Agency would come together after the Council of the Agency adjourns, and would appoint an Economic Board. I: was Mr. Rosensohn's view that the Congress should elect members of the Economic Board, and that this be not left to the Agency. Mr. Lipsky stated that while the idea of creating an Economic Board consisting of persons chosen because of their practical and technical knowledge for the task without regard to party affiliation would be highly desirable, it would be difficult, if not impossible, to carry this through. The Chairman stated that the matter of technical arrangements might be left to a later time, and the broad principle of the establishment of an Economic Board accepted. It was so decided. LEADERSHIP: Mr. Lipsky suggested that this resolution be elaborated to include a just estimate of Dr. Weizmann's service to the Zionist movement. He stated that he would decline to vote on the part of the resolution referring to Dr. Weizmann's resignation unless the resolution included approciation of Dr. Weizmann's efforts since the outbrooks in 1929 and of his sixteen years of service. Judge Lewis felt it would be proper to mention a

녛 - 4 -Administration, April 23, 1931. greater agoreciation of Dr. Weizmann in the resolution. Mr. Brodie declared that he would be opposed to a resolution offering dompliments to Dr. Weizmann. Mr. de Haas opposed this on the ground that it would in effect. be an invitation to Dr. Weizmann to run for office again. He felt that Dr. Weizmann had cancelled his own achievements by his subsequent action. After his resignation and definite retirement, a motion of this nature might be adopted. Mr. Goldberg felt that cognizance should be taken of Dr. Weizmann's . activity up to date and of his devotion and single-mindedness in the work. Mr. Lipsky folt that an acknowledgement of Dr. Weizmann's services should be made, whether or not his achievements are considered to have been of benefit. It was suggested that separate votes be taken on the two parts of the resolution. Mr. Rosensohn favored the passing of the resolution since Dr. Woizmann is at the present time conducting conferences with the British Government. Some form should be adopted which shall be agreable to those in favor of Dr. Weizmann as well as those opposed to him. Mr. Goldberg suggested beginning the resolution reading Upon his retirement from active service, the ZO places on record recognition of the 16 years of untiring service that Dr. Weizmann has given to the Zionist movement." Mr. Tulin suggested the words "unremitting work for 16 years, to the sacrifice of private interests." Mr. Brodie was opposed to any such resolution. After further discussion, Mr. Lipsky was asked together with Mr. Neumann to frame the resolution to be submitted again to the Administration. The Chairman called for a vote on the program as a whole. Mr. Lipsky stated that he was agreeing to this program with the idea of presenting a united program representing the entire Administration. This is done however, with the understanding that certain arrangements are made with respect to the delegation that is going to the Congress. If proper arrangements with respect to the delegation are not made, he would have to go out with a different program. Mr. Neumann asked Mr. Lipsky to state what features he would like to see included in the program, so that the Administration might be given the opportunity of considering, and it possible adopting them. Mr. Lipsky stated that if the delegates will be elected on a basis of the present arrangement prevailing in the Administration, it is one thing; if based on sentiment of the Lionists throughout the country that is another matter. This would determine the kind of deleUpon motion duly made and seconded, the program was matified in principle by the Administration, Mr. Lipsky and Mr. Goldberg not voting.

It was decided that the Administration meet on Sunday morning, April 26, at 10:30, prior to the National Executive meeting, for ratification of the changes in phrasing made by the committee.

Mr. de Haas reported that 58 members of the Z.O., Hadassah, and the Order Sons of Zion, representing at least 15 cities throughout the country, have thus far indicated their desire to be elected as delegates to the Congress. Whether or not there would be an election depended very much upon the question that Mr. Lipsky had raised. The parties have rejected our offer of 1/3 of the delegation, and the rules governing the election have been framed. Efforts were made again today at a meeting and were rejected; it was reported there that Mr. Lipsky would run a separate ticket and the parties desired to keep their minds open until his program was declared. Several suggestions to meet the situation were offered, none of which were accepted. A sub-committee has drawn up a set of rules governing the elections; the proposed register of voters throughout the United States was protested against.

Respectfully submitted Noami Flax ההמתדרות הציונית של ארצות הברית

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

ROBERT SZOLD

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MORRIS WEINBERG

111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

April 23, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I postponed answering your kind letter with reference to the campaign in the Tog for an early ZOA Convention, until after meetings of the Administration at which I thought the matter might come up. So far, however, the matter has not come up sharply at any meeting of the Administration.

There appeared to be comparatively small support in the columns of the Tog for an early Convention. My own position has been not to oppose such Convention.

We have a meeting today starting at four o'clock at which we shall, I hope, finish the draft of Z.O.A. "policy".

I hope you are planning to be with us at the Executive Committee meeting on Sunday. No doubt on Sunday the matter of the "policy" will be determined, and also the matter of Congress delegates. I auticipate a fight

Thanking you very kindly for writing concerning the Convention,

Sincerely yours,

Roh Soel

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

April 27, 1931

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

The meeting was held, and we are still alive. The Administration program was adopted with practical unanimity. The people who came to make trouble were ready, put forward their voices, but the net result was that after all the discussion and debate, Mr. Stone, who was the original protagonist for the special Convention of the Z.O.A. took the floor and withdrew his proposal.

When the list of delegates to the Congress came up, it was reported that no word had been received from you. The list was voted on, but with the distinct reservation and expressed statement that if you are going, your place is certain.

I wish you could have been with us.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Administration

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The New Palestine

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May 8, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver,

I am sending you herewith a copy of the New Palestine containing the full text of the Resolutions adopted by the National Executive Committee of the Zionist Organization at its meeting on Sunday, April 26.

week's New Palestine expressions of opinion by a number of prominent Zionists on these resolutions. I would appreciate it greatly if you would let me have by special delivery or telegrem your opinion on the general program as adopted or on any part thereof, for inclusion in this symposium.

Sincerely yours,

Abram S. Magida Editor RECEIVED AT

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Mr. Morris A. Zeldin, New York, N. Y.

Will make every effort to be with you on June fifteenth stop Will stay at the Commodore Hotel on May twenty-fifth stop Make sure that I can catch a midnight train out of New York for Cleveland on the twenty-fifth stop Tell Mister Magida I have no statement for him New Palestine.

A. H. Silver



JOINT MEETING OF ADMINISTRATION OF Z, O.A. AND FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD WEDNESDAY EVENING, JUNE 3, 1931, AT THE JEWISH CLUB, 23 WEST 73 STREET, NEW YORK, N. Y.

PRESENT: Robert Szold (in the chair); Israel B. Brodie, Jacob de Haas, Mrs. Edward Jacobs, Abraham Goldberg, Emanuel Neumann, Morris Rothenberg, Samuel J. Rosersohn, Abraham Tulin, Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Finance Committee members: Abraham Liebovits, Louis P. Rocker, Sigmund Thau, Philip Wattenberg, Joseph Weiss; Israel Maltin, Secretary; Mrs. Fromenson of Hadassah.

HADASSAH - ZOA RELATIONS

Mrs. Jacobs presented a memorandum for consideration of the Administration with respect to Hadassah - ZOA relations, as follows:

"That the present status be maintained, with the following changes:

- 1. That membership in the 20% be allowed Hadassah on the basis of \$.50 per capita.
- 2. That the Constitution of the ZOA be modified so that 1/6 the number of members on the Administration be designated and elected by Hadassah.
- 3. That the ZOA Administration enter into an agreement with Hadassah whereby Hadassah small nominate one-third of the number of delegates to the Congress to which the ZOA, including Hadassah, is entitled."

Discussion

Point 1: Mrs. Jacobs reiterated her statement made at the previous meeting, that she was easer to have an agreement reached as soon as possible in order that any necessary change in Hadassah's relations requiring constitutional amendment might be formulated and circulated, as required by the Hadassah Constitution, six weeks in advance of their Convention, which was tentatively scheduled for October 12.

A lengthy discussion ensued upon point #1. Mr. Tulin expressed apprehension at the cutting off of an income of sixteen to seventeen thousand dollars at such short notice, when the Zionist Organization is in such desperate financial straits. He felt that Hadassah should undertake a definite responsibility toward the existing deficit. He pointed out that the ZO performs great propaganda services for the benefit of Hadassah as well as for other Zionist affiliates.

- 2 -Admin. & Fin., Juno 3, 1951. Mrs. Jacobs stated that out of the Hadassah dues of \$4.00 only \$35 is used for Hadassah national administration. In the last two years Hadassah has experienced a deficit in administration funds. Mr. Rosensohn suggested that a counter-proposal be made by the Z.O.A. to the effect that Hadassah pay \$.50 ; or capita, for affiliation; plus \$.25 per capita during the next two years, the \$.25 to apply to the elimination of the present deficits Mr. de Haas felt that this matter should be postponed. Firstly, this might cause the Order which pays on the same basis, to demand the same conditions; secondly, while in principle he did not object to it despite the difficulties of the financial arrangement, he believed that Hadassah should not precipitate this matter since the entire membership problem would have to be reconsidered eventually. Our own forage will have to be reorganized, and group affiliations sought instead of individual affiliations. He pointed out that from his experience in visiting the

various districts through the country, he was convinced that the sum of \$6.00 for dues is an impractical amount of money. The sum does not satisfy our budget needs, the cost of raising it is too high, the cost of maintaining the districts is not met, and the attempt to organize Regions is a financial disaster whorever tried. A way must be found of organizing groups and communities to affiliate on a minimum basis. The present method of membership cards and records, deduction of regional dollar and district dollar is impractical. Mr. do Haas gave as an instance his conferences with the Order Brith Shalon; he believed that that organization would consent to pay the ZOA \$.50 per capita affiliation fee and \$.50 for the Shekel. He feit this could be accepted by the ZO, provided that the Order Brith halem were responsible for the total number of members enlisted and that we would not have to go through costly and troublesome record-making and keeping. They would be entitled to attend Conventions and have delegates on a pro-rata basis.

Mr. de Haas described the method of organization under which the Canadian Zionist Organization operates, whereby all campaigns and Jowish National Fund menies are under the machinery of the Z.O. and the running expenses of the organization are deducted from the budget of these funds. On the basis of the number of individuals reached through these collections, the like number of shekelim is deducted from these menies and sent as shekel payment.

arry on during the next year with its income out to the extent of \$17,000. He urged that the Finance Committee, before which this matter had not yet been brought be given opportunity to discuss it before any action is taken. In any event, he thought such an arrangement should not be effective before January, 1933.

Mr. Rosensohn felt that his counter-proposal would meet the situation, since he recognized, in the first place, that Hadassah is faced with the same administrative difficulties as we are, and that secondly, Hadassah is under no obligation to retain its affiliation with the Z.O.A. Their proposal must be met half-way in order to keep them as an affiliate.

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Mr. Rothenberg urged that Hadassah look at this matter from the point of view of the larger problem, and that in any event, the Pihance committee be given an opportunity to consider it thoroughly. The pointed out that Mr. de Haas's plan had been used during the period of the Palestine Restoration Fund, during which time the ZO operated the campaign, deducted its cost of operation, and sent the remainder to Palestine.

Mrs. Jacobs felt that Hadassah is facing difficulties not commensurate with its obligation, in order to help out the 2.0.A., and that it was unjust for the 20 to lean on Hadassah for the solution of its deficit problem.

It was moved and seconded that this matter be postponed until the first meeting of the Administration following the Congress.

The motion was carried, Mrs. Jacobs voting in the negative.

Point #2: It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried

THAT the constitution of the ZOA be modified so that Hadassah designate 1/6 of the members of the Administration; and that a similar arrangement be instituted in the Executive Committee and that such designees be elected automatically by the ZOA Convention.

Point #3 It was moved, seconded and unanimously carried

THAT the practice in force this year providing that every third person on the list of delegates for the Congress be designated by Hadassah, be adopted as a permanent rule.

REPORT OF PINANCE COMMITTEE

Rosensohn stated that the situation this year was unusual because of the fact that normally when the Convention is held during the month of Jane or July, a large amount of dues money is received during May and June. Last year the receipts amounted to \$29,000, approximately \$ 17,000 more than the estimated receipts during the corresponding period of this year. While this will probably be made up by the time the Convention is held, the fast is that we are at present faced with a deficit for this summer's operation. In addition, the amortization of our debts has had to go on an a greater basis because the debts could not be carried. The deficit this year as of April 30 is \$132,222.17, as compared with \$153,986.00

This included provision for one months; enforced vacation of the entire staff, two months; for four of the staff, the publication of The New Palestine only once in July and its reappearance in September, the Zionist Page of The Day discontinued during the summer except one issue after the Congress, and the cutting off of all subsidies. The amount of \$15,425 plus on item of \$10,000 which must be paid on a note of \$52,500 of the National City Bank by July 1, in order to keep credit with that bank, is the minimum amount that must be raised if the organization is to be kept even in skeleton form during the summer.

Deficit \$13,425.

Mr. Tulin felt it would be a mistake to discontinue altogether both organs, and that there should be maintained at least one
organ in which the truth can be set forth. He recommended that The
New Palestine be discontinued with the June 19th number, until the
second week in September, with the exception of one issue after the
Congress.

Mr. Rothonberg stated that the Campaign had voted \$1500 for space in The New Palestine on the basis of its continuing to July 1. Mr. Rosensohn stated there could be a pro-rate modification of this agreement in the event that The New Palestine was discontinued earlier than had been expected. This matter was left for discussion between the Finance Committee and Mr. Rothenberg.

Mr. Brodie stated that the work of the Esonomic Bureau had progressed most satisfactorily; that an enormus amount of data had been compiled since the initiation of the work, Savings associations have been satisfactorily formed, and a group of young men are carrying on research work. He felt it would be a tragedy if that work were cut off now. Mr. Brodie offered to provide funds for the purpose of retaining the director of the economic work during the extra month. He wished to make it clear, however, that an item of \$300 for incorporation of savings associations, would have to be honored and charged against the \$4,000 allowed him in the budget.

Mr. Weiss was opposed to curtailing the organization to such an extent and to sutting out all subsidies. The alternative, he stated, was that the Administrative Committee cooperate more actively in meeting the deficit.

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Mr. Neumann thought that an effort should be made to find out what other groups of Zionists are thinking before we take action, otherwise we might prejudice our own position. He proposed a joint meeting of the Administration and the delegates to determine what steps to take.

Mr. Noumann moved

THAT a committee be appointed to discuss the method and means whereby the ZO may communicate with groups that are like-minded with curselves, and that the committee be empowered either to call a meeting of such groups or refer their plan to the Administration at its next meeting.

The motion was seconded and carried, Mr. Tulin not votingo NEW YORK REGION MATTER

Mr. Rosensohn reported that New York Region had deposited soveral checks submitted by districts in payment for membership, which were made out to the Zionist Organization of America, and that he refused to sign any further checks to the order of the Region before the entire amount, \$354.00, was repaid to the Z.O.A.

Mr. Weiss stated that Mr. Rosensohn had several times refused to sign checks for the refund to the Region, and had delayed these payments unnecessarily.

Mr. Rosensohn said that he had never refused to sign checks except when there was no money available, and he felt the Region must accept payment on the amounts due it in the same order as do other creditors of the Z.O.A.

Mr. Neumann asked whether it was customary to have Regions act as agents of the 20 and receive and deposit these funds. Mr. Rocker stated that this was a technical matter, since his District deposits such funds and then remits the proper amount to the national office. Es also expressed the belief that other districts and regions follow the same procedure.

Mr. Liebovitz explained that in the J.P.H. no Region was permitted to withdraw funds, but only to deposit theme Only the national treasurer had the right to withdraw funds.

The chairman referred to Article 7, Section 4 of the constitution which lays down the rule governing the procedure.

It was moved, seconded and carried

THAT the Finance Committee be requested to publish rules with regard to the financing of Fegions, consistent with the Constitution.

It was pointed out by Mr. de Haas that the Regional lists as at present drawn up include all members in its boundaries, whether or not they or their district have expressed a desire to become part of the Region.

while it is theoretically the expression of varying viewpoints, in the end has proved to be nothing but a source of power for contending buresucratic functionaries. It would be idle to charge all our present difficulties, political and financial to our constitutional system, but I believe a good deal of our financial distress could be traced to one phase of it - the formal recognition of the rights of the parties, and this without prejudice to their attitudes or phlicies. I conceive that every zionist has a right to his view point and can join any group that expresses it, but that by a declaration of such views a group confers upon itself a catalogue of authorities that in the end usurp the functions of the organisation as a whole and creates special privileges for such group seems to me an absegution of all democratic and orderly concepts.

The inter-party congress contest which has arrested the attention of so many of the zionist Organization of America Administration, is the logical outcome of a system which suppressed the Federations, and seeks to fight out the battle for control of the movement between the organized parties. While the Pederations everywhere are the mainstay of the organisation, and the channel through which money can be raised, the Pederations have no standing either in the Congress or in any international phase of the Organization. That we in the United States have in the last year been able to exercise a certain amount of inference in Zionist affairs is due entirely to our association with the American end of the Jewish Agency, and the surprise manifested in our circles at the paneity of official information is in reality pointless. Weither the Executive nor the actions Committee has any obligation to the Pederations. I was at mains to study this phase in densda. The Organization there has no other information than that provided in the daily press, though occasionally it is favored, as are we, with mimeographed bulletine that belatedly repeat publicly known matters. Therefore this election system as an attempt to settle supremacy between the factions - the Center is not technically a party - is a satural process. It carries to a logical conclusion, its own theory of irresponsibility. The parties salect hominees irrespective of residence - there is no personal responsibility to any constituency - and even adds together the old votes cast for a party in any one coutry to all others to benefit the party somewhere in the election of delegates. This whole minority theory - which results in the creation of an artificial majority is the application of an idea which may work in some Small selfcontained country like Switzerland, but it has no relationship to a world spread movement in which strength and development depends ugon intensely localised effort. It actually disfranchises the majority of our supporters, and in its reaction weakens the whole structure of Pederations.

The constitution is an elaborate and well thought out dooument, once you grant its precises. I doubt whether it has ever been put into precise. I know it has never been operated in Canada, and camet well be, owing to distances. Our own agreements with the Order Sons of Sion and the Hadasash contradict its tenor became it has nothing in common with realities. Her can the efforts of the Congress Court be taken seriously as a masse of rectifying error. To investigate the truth of my charge of chicanery in elections would cost a festure - therefore it has never been done.

in a basis for representation the independent sheled does not not the problem-

As an income producer for the World Minnist Organization it is a poor resource. We sold this year some 5000 Shekolim. The cost exceeded the income, and show we add the expense we shall still inour in settling some 400 petty accounts, the allowance to us on our membership shekels will probably disappear. Michiete frankly refuse to join in Shekel Campadgns. They believe the approach for fifty cents motils the "customer" for all other purposes. They have objected to mather them supported our effort, and they regard shelpel distribution as no epiterion of Missist opinion. If this were a Sienist Constitution of America experience it might be alleged that there was been defect in our system or propagands. I not only found the came attitude in Canada, but the F.E.O. record shows that after February 25th, to which date so have reports, it could emuite no serious interest anyshere. of 135,000 Shekelim or thereabouts recorded sime Pebruary throughout the world more than half are ours and have been produced from our membership does. Therefore spart from some natural sumpleiens as to source of some of the recent Shekulim two conclusions are inevitable.

- That generally it is impossible to organize a successful and worthwhile shaked compalgra.
- 2. That the independent (non-combership) sheled has little financial value from the W.S.O. viewpoint.

These conclusions it seems to so should saigh heavily with all these she decline to yield to hysteria, for these conclusions indicate that the shelml system is a failure as a means of indicating the strungth of Monist sentiment and thus burts us politically, and deprives the V.J.O. of that definite financial support to which it is intitled.

The gravemen of the case, against the whole system, is its obvious abuse for congress election purposes. We have every

reason to present that the sums paid in the U.E. by the Hisrachi, Peals Rian and Zairo Rian for shekels represent eneither the organized strength of those parties, nor Sakelin seld. There is no evidence that conditions were better in this respect in 1939, or at any other date. The resistance to our decami, in conformity with the rules, that the election take place on a register of Shekel payers (and we were in a position to acquest for all ours in this respect) exposed the show. The Consistance merely substruct a shekel from every decation for Polection and let it go at that. It is alleged that the Polectinian Shekelin are created by drawing an party femis. In plain words, control of the Congress can be, and may be achieved by the simple expedient of transferring sufficient funds from one source to the Shekel account in order to believe the returns.

We know that this has been done for inter-expansation purposes. We do not know in how far, if at all, it has been done for Chapters purposes. That this can be done, and there is no reasonable way of preventing it, withintee the demogratic theory.

Our experience shows that the inter-party contest that follows from the system is an invibelant to golitical chicamory, not not on index of Licets opinion. No Green, where I could affect to be even norw objection, T these the ame condition. To preserve the people, Al not election, by richly improtect there at normal oursels, the Binright, Ponlo Rick and Leire Lion will ough have a delegate application or two of the Genetica Hanist Organinclien. It is parkethly only stokesent that the three parties together elemet swater the 3,000 Shekelin necessary to elect one delegate. In the U.S., the Misrochi, Spale Sico and Soire Sion and Raylalemiate have mastered in ouch less than four delegates (12,000 Shakelin) got to propost checking, recrimination and the that of supervising a costly election we have exceeded those groups of eighteen delegaters. The thing is victous. For it names that the parties represent about forty per-cent of the whole movement in the United States, which to untrue, and it confers upon then about seven per-cent of the Congress witcomto which they are not omitted. Alding the United States and Church tegether, if all parties lime up against the center, there is an even matching of numbers which is wholly unrelated to may groups of facts. M the auss time the grotes weakens to internally and proverte can clarification of views as we might desire. The argument that we night us into the runks of the purties for votes is a more fiction. We do not know these organizations, they publish no record easily available, and at best would be dependent an election week unless to obtain numbers. The constructor therefore follows:

The inter-jurty election system is an abase and should be sholished.

Our minimum denomi should be the abelition of the inter-

The whole constitutional system (and I conset go into details) involving the suppression of the Federation and control by the portion, however, deserves some further thought. The porty recognition is the basis for distering the trades that have withing to do with Riemist principlou. The portion are in the expeniention, but not responsible for it. By uniting they can shape the political destiny of the novement, and knediately thereafter remme their party struggles for sugramacy. At the same time they exercise a deciding voice in budgets for which they have not only seamed no responsibility, but they are free to miss all sorts of funio of their own, which they generally do in the United Mates by describing robsoffe from other callections, joint amonigns, or insistent descends that they be disassed from Biomist Organisation districts, etc. I haveno knowledge how for this is the case elesthers, but such inkling on I knyo of the Palestinian later and the European Revisionists indicates that the attitude is fairly prevalent and that the general Mental is expected to finance his own expeniention, the Moren Haymand and the larger propertion of the opposition offertua

I believe an significance a deliberate intempt to end this observed attention. It is of course matching interest of our difficultion, but it is discretially, their follows, largely contributory, for partly to comply with the system and partly to communent it, we include in so impridate number of puspages such with their our expense, publicately other describining the rock and file, and then adding to the worthest mineup, the horizontal mix-up of the Jorish Agency and colored the appears, of the newscent at every distribution point. To simplify all this I believe we should stand for:

- (a) The supremay of Federations (each of the parties to be a single world-wide federation if its shooses).
- (b) The inclusion of the Shakel at a fixed per capita as N.Z.O. resource in the numbership two which may be fixed locally.
- (c) Elections for delegates within the Palerations and within parties assorting to rules alopted in their publisly adopted constitutions.
- (4) The delegate quote me a percentent findure from Congress to Congress, and the approximate date of Congress fixed at the preceding Congress with all the necessary allowances for special Congresses, etc.

- (a) The setting up of a fixed N.Z.O. bugget at the Charman and an apparticement of it (poyoble in Shekelis or etherwise) between territorial and party Polarations with the stipplation that disservenshipment fellows fallure to make good.
- (f) Compositions of the general Council to represent inderations and party federations, to be limited to the leavest possible number, so so to remier attendance possible and inexpossive, the elected member to be standing interceding between the N.E.O. and his federation.
- (a) The totalizing of all public walfare budgets for Palestine, Keren Reycood, Jewish National Fund, Minrachi, Poole Sion, etc. The distring of the secoyted total into quotas and the accomption of responsibility by Indonesian hands for the relaing of some without interference.

To are living in a bad seconds or which alone demonic care, but sport from this the neverant count. Office to operate financially at cross purposes; A definite relationship of policy and finance must be established. It should be beyond regions non's power to absolve one country of all chlightings to literast of a particular fund, by spotker atm to formal a literast policy subscribed to the property interest on mother country, or for parties to the property hands group and conjure meets of their own to absolve themselves from regulated support of the budgets they force upon the unjerity.

At the distribution only a mend none of the present expensive mechinery at present set up for distribution. But here I think we shall meet with the determined opposition of what has become a class interest and I do not believe we shall materially re-organize this phase of the movement until we have wen the supremay for the organized Federations and permitted them to gain experience of detail with which they are shally unfamiliar at the present time.

Yery touly yours,

directly delivery

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

June 12, 1931

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver

ward the original of the enclosed letter if it meets with your approval.

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At the last meeting of the Administration (where there was no quorum) it was felt that during your absence from the city someone, instead of a committee here, should be designated to feel the responsibility for the day-to-day work. I stated that you would carry the responsibility as vice-chairman, and might come down from time to time, and also that Mr. Magida might run up to see you from time to time. It was generally felt, however, that someone should be designated here to feel this day-to-day responsibility. It is under the above circumstances that the letter of which copy is enclosed is written.

I am leaving this afternoon on the S. S. "Paris", expecting to spend several days in London before proceeding to Basle.

With kindest personal regards,

Please wire Magida whether or not he should send out the original of the enclosed letter. Sincerely yours,

Robert Szold

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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June 12, 1931

Mr. Samuel J. Rosensohn 8 West 40 Street New York City

My dear Mr. Rosensohn,

Dr. Silver, Vice-Cheirman of the Z. O. A., will not be in town a good part of the summer while I and the delegation are away. In the absence of Dr. Silver from the city, and until I return, will you please act as Chairman of the Administration.

Very truly yours,

Robert Szold Chairman, Administration ההסתדרות הצוונית של ארצות חברית

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

June 22nd, 1931.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

In accordance with your telegraphic instruction, I have sent out Mr. Smold's letter to Mr. Rosensohn and am now trying to get in touch with him for the purpose of setting a meeting of those members of the Administration who are left in the city.

The financial situation is becoming more and more serious. Mr. Szold sent out a letter to all the members of the Administrative and Executive Committees who are not endorsers of notes, in which he askaathese people to guarantee a new loan, to be contracted at a new bank. The results we have achieved thus far are an endorsement of \$1,000.00 by Mr. Szold, of \$2,000.00 by Mr. Brodie and a promise of approximately \$1,000.00 in cash, to come in during the course of the summer, on behalf of Mr. Tulin. Repeated reminders to those who made pledges to the Deficit Pund have not brought any tangible results. The districts have been remitting fairly well for membership dues but, of course, this does not come up to the level of May and June of last year prior to the Convention.

When do you expect to be in the East? I would appreciate it greatly if you would let me have your summer address.

Sincerely yours,

A. S. Magida,

Assistant to Mr. Smold.

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEWYORK

July 2, 1931.

Ratbi Abba Hillel Silver Checorusy, N. H.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We had a meeting of Messrs. Rosensohn, Ruttenberg, and Rothenberg here yesterday, which resulted simply in conversations rather than in any action. Of course, the most importan; problem is that of financing the Organization during these next few morths. It looks now as if we shall have to raise about \$5,000 to see us through. Towards this sum we have a note of \$1,000 from Mr. Szold and guarantees of \$2,000 from Mr. Brodie and \$500 from Drl Jonas Friedenwald, towards a loan to be negotiated at some bank. In addition, Mr. Rosensohn promised to see Edward Friedman of this city in order to induce him to lend us \$1,500 to \$2,000 on a sixty-day note. There are several other prospects from whom we may be able to borrow some money. Fortunately, we were able to make a satisfactory settlement with the National City Bank. A note of \$52,500 was due them on July 1, and although certain members of the Finance Committee advised us over a month ago that the bank would insist upon a cash payment of not less than \$10,000, they were satisfied with \$2500 in cash, and they renewed the note for \$50,000 for a period of four months.

The Congress: When the first reports began to come from Basie they were decidedly confusing, the one who added mostly to the confusion being none other than Margoshes of The Day. I cabled to Szold suggesting that he advise me as to the situation, and he replied as follows:

"PROVIDING ITA CONSTANT INFORMATION MACK AMERICAN MEMBER PRAESIDIUM STOP REPORTS YOUR CABLE TODAY ABSURD HAVE FOUND LITTLE SENTIMENT FOR DRAFTING MEIZMANN NO PROMISE MADE JABO WHATSOEVER STOP THIRTEEN OUT OF DELEG ATION TWENTE PETITIONED MACKS NOMINATION PRAESIDIUM SZOLD"

This is the only definite word that I have received from Easle thus far. If anything else comes in, I shall relay the information to you.

(Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver -- 2)

Next meeting: The next meeting of the members of the Administration will be held at such time when you can be present, so that if you will inform me by telegram at my home address, 2420 Bronx Park East, New York City, I will communicate with the others.

Sincerely yours,



JULIAN W. MACK

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Caocorua, N. H.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Attached herewith is a copy of a letter from Mr. de Hans.

We are trying our very best to collect money on the deficit fund by contimious reminders to people who pledged, but results are comparatively negligible. We are, however, experiencing a little better success in attempting to induce people to pay their Today, for example, we received about \$550 which is pretty fair. During all of last week we maintained the average of about \$150 per day for dues, which is good, considering the time of the year. I expect to send out another reminder this week and by means of this sort of barrage kept up at the rate of one message every other week. I hope to be able to maintain this average. This, however, is quite insufficient to mest our financial needs. The Brooklyn Eagle is pressing for payment of the instalments due on the old debt (\$2,000 per month). We have already informed them that it will be impossible for us to meet the instalments for June and July. We are trying to do our level best to make the August payment.

In view of the pressing state of our finances, I believe it will be inadvisable to make any investment in the way of securing new members during the summer months when results in this direction are likely to be poor. All of us here feel that it is necessary to concentrate on the effort to collect from those members who are already on our books.

I imagine you have noticed the report of the acceptance by the Congress of the economic program. The New York newspapers have given this full coverage, and up to the present moment it appears that this is the most significant levelopment of the Congress. According to reports that I got a half hour ago from the Jewish Telegraphic Agency and the United Press, indications are that the Congress will end today. (Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver -- 2)

I have discussed with Mr. Rosensohn and Mr. Rothenberg the possibility of calling a meeting of the members of the Administrative Committee. Both of them feel that there is no special need for it now. If, however, there is a charge in this opinion, I shall immediately communicate with you.

Sincerely yours,

Abram & Magica Assistant be Chairman. Phone "Postal Telegraph"

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111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK

July 23, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Chocorus, N. H.

Dear Dr. Silver: C

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I thought that it might be berely possible that the enclosed copy of an editorial in the current issue of The Nation might have escaped you. Would it not be advisable for you to send a reply to the Editor?

Cordially yours,

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Encl.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Chocorua, N.H.

ear Rabbi Silver,

Please note the attached clipping from today's New York Telegram. I have just received another report over the telephone from the United Press to the effect that a delegation of American Jews waited on Paul Knabenshue, American Consul in Jerusslem, and informed him of their anxiety caused by the situation in Palestine. According to this report also, the circumstances are very similar to those which prevailed prior to the riots of 1929. I have requested the Jewish Telegraphic Agency to confirm this information and have meanwhile notified Judge Mack who returned from Furope last Saturday, as well as E.N. Mohl and Justice Brandsis. I shall keep you informed of the developments.

Brodie, Neumann and Tullin are due here either Saturday or Sunday. DeHaas arrived Sunday, August 2nd. Judge Mack suggested that a meeting of the Administration be held next week. Mr.Szold is scheduled to come back to New York on August 19th. Would it be possible for you to attend such a meeting? I am sure that the other men would be willing to have the meeting arranged for such a time when you could be here.

Sincerely yours,

August 5,1931

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P.S. I am enclosing herewith copy of the Davar which I promised to send you some time ago.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Chocorua, N.H.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Robert Silverman of Boston writes me that he has invited you to participate in the Regional conference which he proposes to call at the end of this month or the beginning of September.

If the plan materializes I certainly would like to see you participate. All the more so, as I believe it is necessary that these regional gatherings be dealt with frankly and firmly. They have so far been used as a source of contention against the Administration, rather than as a help to the Organization. But then I understand that our friend Carmel is busy in your home territory to the same end.

I would like to have a line from you.

Kind regards.

Very truly yours,

Jacob de Haas

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"THREEBROOKS" FEASTERVILLE, PA.

Sept. 24, 1931.

My dear Rabbi Silver :-

This is a very formal letter, following upon a very formal interview with the Z.O.A. Administration.

You see, it is this way. I am acting as chairman of the American committee responsible for getting out a new edition of Jessie Sampter's "GUIDE TO ZIONISM".

The moving spirit of this new book is Justice Brandeis, who is greatly interested in its publication. He talked it over with Miss Sampter before she left here in the Spring and it is upon the decisions then made that we are working.

Much of the work isbeing done in Palestine, but some must be done here. One of our principle tasks is a chapter on Zionism in America. Need I add that it is of importance that the proper person is selected towrite it?

In fact, it has been such a difficult problem that the Committee finally gave it up in despair and told me to consult the

Present Administration for their suggestion. Which I did, promptly, and being at the Szold home, I consulted with Mr. and Mrs. Szold. The lady spoke up without hesitation. "Get Rabbi Silver to write it." Mr. Szold echoed her words. I was enthusiastic. They told me to write you at once. But Zip added that I was to tell you without fail that it was she who made the bright suggestion first.

reach a copy of the original edition of this book. If not, I shall be happy to lend you a copy. In looking over it, I must warn you that the new form will be quite different as to chapter sequence and groupings, as it is being built now upon a different mental attitude. The chapter outline has been submitted to various people, all of whom find it excellent.

The chapter in question should be about 2000 words, or perhaps 2500. Certainly no more. By the way, it is only the history of American Zionism since the Mandate. The history before then will be re-edited from the original edition, and will preced the one we hope you will write. It will be followed by Women im Zionism;

then Political Zionism since the War; and so on.

Thus, your chapter will have to cover the Brandies-Lipsky controversy, the formation of the Agency, and similar questions. Not an easy assignment. But so important that we dare to approach you for it.

This book will become the textbook for American Zionist groups. Especially will it be studied by the younger people. It must be complete, correct, broad in its point of view, and compelling of their respect. Many important people are giving their help. Prof. Einstein has been approached for an Introduction. There are many others whose names you know.

So we turn to you. I still don't know why I needed Zip's help to realize you are the very person to write this Chapter. May I look forward to an answer before long telling us that you will write it?

With cordial greetings, Sincerely yours,

Hoshewa Ker

Please address me in New York, care of the Hadassah officerk,

III Fight are

Sept. 28th, 1931 Miss Hortense Levy. Zionist Crganization, 111 Fifth Ave. . New York, N. Y. My dear Hiss Levyt-Permit me to thank you for your very kind letter of September 24th. I wish that I had the time to contribute the article which you request for the new edition of Jessie Sempter's "Guide to Zionian." Unfortunately I am so heavily booked up with work this coming year and with writings of one sort or another to which I have already committed myself, that I can not undertake any additional responsibilities at this time. With kindest regards, permit me to remain Very sincerely yours, AHS/IR

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October 19, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver c/o The Temple Ansel Road & 105th Street New York City

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

On next Saturday and Sunday we will hold our Annual Regional Convention at Manchester, N.H.

would greatly appreciate it if you would send us a message to be read at the Commention.

Cordially yours,

JULIUS ME CER, Chairman

Night letter sent 10/23/31

Mr. Julius Meyer, Chairman, Convention Committee, Zionist Annual Regional Convention, Manchester, N. H.

I send you greetings and best wishes for XXX a successful Convention Stop This is a critical time for our movement both in Americal and in Palestine Stop Our institutions in Palestine are tremendously in need of our continued support to avert dissaster and our movement in this country needs revitalization and unity to restore it to its rightful position of supremacy in American Jewish life Stop Material support and renewed Zionistic enthusiasm and devotion are the crying needs of the hour Stop May your deliberations contribute in a full measure to the winning of these two objectives.

Abba Hillel Silver

March 4th, 1932

Rabbi Edward L. Israel. President Seaboard Zionist Region, 1440 Hearst Tower Bldg.. Baltimore, Md.

My dear Rabbi Israel:-

May I extend to you and to the delegates attending the Conference of the Seaboard Zionist Region my greetings and my felicitations.

It is gratifying to know that in these difficult days of material and spiritual depression there are still live Zionists in all parts of the country who have not forgotten their secred duty to the danse of Israel's national remascence.

I am very much pleased to note the activity which is going on in the various Zionist Degions. I have for a long time advocated the decentralization of Zionist work in this country. Reservoirs of Zionist strength and leadership ought to be established in many parts of this great country. The Movement must in the years to come depend more and more upon the initiative and the leadership of individual Zionists throughout the country.

May your Conference help you to greater activity throughout your Region both as regards Zionist educational propaganda and organization.

with Zion's greetings, permit me to remain

Yery sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In accordance with my telegram, I am enclosing herewith newspaper publicity. I am also appealing to you, as many other communities have, for your services for Zionist and other causes.

The fact remains, however, that many good sized communities are being neglected where strength could be derived for the Zionist movement.

We have an Hadassah group here of two hundred and could have a correspondingly large group of men, which would do the State of Michigan a great deal of good.

we tried to organize a group last spring and postponed it for the fall, but since recent developments in the Zionist movement, I cannot talk to some of the men and they discourage the others.

Lectures that were detrimental have been given, from time to time, inthe pulpit. The trial, insignificant as it may seem, has ruined whatever Zionist sentiment we had here. The jury disagreed and the statements of those men linger without any counteraction. Indifference for the cause is a direct cause among others.

I know, Rabbi Silver, that you make many sacrifices but coming to Flint would be one of the many that would be worth while as Flint is the key to all northern Michigan cities and we could have representatives from many of these communities.

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MRS. ISADORE GUTOW MRS. PETER SKLAROFF The affair December 10th at which time we hope to have the honor of your presence, is to be our donor luncheon, but we will be happy to change it to suit your convenience. We will have someone meet your train in Detroit, and also take you back to meet the train again.

WRHS ©©© Very sincerely yours,

Mrs. Louis Lebster.

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