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TREASURER

August 28, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Columbus, N.H.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

With the Convention very near at hand,
it would be of primary importance that our Districts
in the Middle West be visited. We have been requested
by the Columbus District to secure a date from you for
some time next month.

Could you also give us approximate dates
for the following cities to be visited between September 28th and October 20th?

Youngstown
Chicago
Detroit

Cincinnati
Toledo

These cities will be delighted to organize
large meetings for you. These dates can be approximate,
subject to change after your return to Cleveland.

I would appreciate an early answer.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman
Organization Committee

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*Answer. Oct 6
Boston. Oct. 14
Cleveland. Oct. 21*

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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER

TEMPLE CLEVELAND OHIO

STILL WITHOUT REPLY TO FOLLOWING MESSAGE SENT TO CHOCORUA FRIDAY
QUOTE MASS MEETING FOR DELEGATION ARRANGED FOR TUESDAY SEPTEMBER
EIGHTH ALL VERY EAGER YOU PRESIDE AND URGE YOU ACCEPT UNQUOTE PLEASE
RUSH REPLY TO ZIONIST OFFICE

ROBERT SZOLD.

Wire Sept. 1st, 1931

Regret exceedingly can not attend meeting Sept. 8th must
remain in the city on that day. Kindest regards. A.H.S

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Sept. 24, 1931

Mr. Jacob DeHaas,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. DeHaas:-

Permit me to acknowledge the receipt
of your letter of August 28th.

My lecture schedule for the next few
months is so crowded that I can not accept any additional
out-of-town engagements. I shall be in the following
cities on the dates indicated and I should be glad to
attend luncheon meetings of the Zionist Districts on the
dates indicated.

Cincinnati	on	October	6th
Boston	"	"	14th
Newark	"	"	21st

In each of these cities I speak in the
evening and I could meet with the Zionists at noon.

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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TREASURER

September 4, 1931

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Thank you for your letter of the 2nd.
I have written to the Districts and will inform you of
the arrangements in due course.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

J. S. Fierst
Chairman
Organization Committee

JdeH:NC

Cincinnati	-	October 6th
Boston	-	14th
Newark	-	" 21st.

Sept. 8th, 1931

Mr. Robert Szold,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Szold:-

It may interest you to know that the Lipsky meeting in Cleveland was far from the success that he had hoped for.

The attendance, which according to newspaper reports, did not exceed ninety, had to move from the large hall into smaller quarters. The President, Mr. George J. Klein refused to attend the meeting.

The sentiment as I have canvassed it is far from favorable to a fight on the present administration. Cleveland will not send an anti-administration delegation to the Convention.

With best wishes, I am

As ever yours,

AHS/IE

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MORRIS WEINBERG
TREASURER

September 9, 1931.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Just a line to acknowledge your kind favors
of September 4 and 8.

We are trying to arrange a tour of the delegates.
Goldberg is going out and expects to go to Cleveland. I have
five dates already myself.

At the meeting last night Judge Mack came out
publicly, openly 100% for the Administration.

The salaries have not been paid for September 1,
and the Brooklyn Daily Eagle has brought suit against us. We
nevertheless expect to have The New Palestine out within a few
days.

I hope to write again soon.

With best wishes for a Happy New Year, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration.

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September 9, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

We have wired Mr. George Klein that Mr. Abraham Goldberg will address several meetings in the west and that he is available for Cleveland from September 24th to the 26th inclusive. I believe it would not be amiss if you communicate with Mr. Klein and urge him to make proper arrangements for one or two meetings.

Appreciating your efforts, I am,

Cordially yours,

Isaiah Cornfeld

Organization Department

GC:NC

9-10-31

near friend.

We are approaching another Zionist convention. One important task, however, which was undertaken at the last convention still remains uncompleted.

You will recall that following an appeal which I made at the close of the sessions a sum close to \$94,000 was pledged by the delegates on their own behalf and on behalf of the districts and chapters which they represented. This was a magnificent display of Zionist devotion and enthusiasm.

Had the full amount, thus pledged, been paid during the year, many of the difficult financial problems of the organization would have been finally and definitely solved.

Unfortunately, due to the widespread economic depression, only about a third of the amount - to be exact \$31,000 - has so far been received. The administration has therefore labored throughout the past year, under the colossal handicap of debts. Important activities were curtailed, new projects were postponed and the full force of an aggressive Zionist program was held in abeyance.

We are ^{approaching} ~~getting near~~ another Z. convention, and
an important task which was undertaken at the
last con. with ^{the} remains ~~unaccomplished~~.

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I made to the ~~delegates~~ ^{sessions} ~~before~~ the close, ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~con-~~
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the delegates on their own behalf not a ~~wholly~~
the districts and or chapters which they represented.
This was a mag. display of Z. devotion and enthus.
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which ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~finally~~ ^{finally} ~~solved~~ ^{solved}.

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been ~~short~~ ^{short} the year, under ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~circumstances~~ ^{circumstances}
which ~~have~~ ^{have} ~~been~~ ^{been} ~~caused~~ ^{caused} ~~by~~ ^{by} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~depression~~ ^{depression}
new projects were postponed, and the full force
of an aggressive Zionist program throughout the
country was ~~held~~ ^{held} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~abeyance~~ ^{abeyance}.

Can't ^{call} ~~another~~ ^{be} done ~~in the next year~~ ^{now}
by the pledge. to the effect ~~to~~ ^{to} ~~raise~~ ^{raise}
the amount which they ~~pledged~~ ^{pledged} and to remit
the balance due before the Holy War, in September.
^{the whole} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~pledge~~ ^{pledge} ~~was~~ ^{was} ~~made~~ ^{made} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~last~~ ^{last} ~~year~~ ^{year} ~~when~~ ^{when} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~depression~~ ^{depression} ~~was~~ ^{was} ~~at~~ ^{at} ~~its~~ ^{its} ~~height~~ ^{height} ~~and~~ ^{and} ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~country~~ ^{country} ~~was~~ ^{was} ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ ~~abeyance~~ ^{abeyance}
has been paid in. May I ~~count~~ ^{count} ~~on~~ ^{on} ~~you~~ ^{you}, as one
of the leaders, the movement, to do your utmost

to collect the balance due — before Sept 10th.
If you cannot raise the full amount, can you raise
part of it.

It is her. the Bureau needs the org. that I
am permitted to write to you at this time.
May I be permitted to receive an early
reply from you.

With kindest regards and with Jewish
greetings, I beg to remain,

Cordially yours —



A large, stylized handwritten signature in dark ink, featuring a prominent vertical stroke and several loops.

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TREASURER

September 17, 1931.

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

The next meeting of the Administrative Committee will be held at this office at 8:00 P.M., Wednesday, September 23.

By decision of the Administration, the meeting will be devoted to the consideration of matters to be presented before the Executive Committee which meets on Sunday, October 11, and to the Convention which has been called for November 8, 9, and 10, in Atlantic City.

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold,
Chairman, Administration.

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

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HARRY P. FIERST
TREASURER

September 25, 1931.

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

At the meeting of the Administrative Committee last Wednesday night, it developed that the proposed plan for consolidation of the work of various Zionist bodies for next year involves a radical reorganization. The matter deserves our very serious consideration. A preliminary report by Mr. de Haas has been sent you.

Won't you be good enough to formulate in writing, within the next few days, any suggestions that you may have for circulation among the members of the Administrative Committee in anticipation of the meeting next Wednesday evening, September 30. Would you please be at the Jewish Club on time so that the meeting may begin promptly at eight o'clock?

Sincerely yours,

Robert Szold
ROBERT SZOLD
Chairman, Administration.

P. 3. Enclosed herewith are the minutes of the last meeting of the Administration.

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HARRY P. FIERST
TREASURER

September 29, 1931.

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



This is to remind you that the Administration will meet tomorrow, Wednesday, September 30, at the Jewish Club, 23 West 73rd Street, New York City, at 8:00 P.M. Please be there promptly so that fullest consideration can be given to the business on hand.

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Robert Szold,
Chairman, Administration.

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Executive Committee of The
Cleveland Zionist District

Dear Member:

An Executive meeting will be held at the office of The Bureau of Jewish Education, Ulmer Building, on Friday, October 2nd, 1931, at 12:45 P.M. (This is not a luncheon meeting.)

The Annual Zionist Convention will be held at Atlantic City on November 8th, 9th, and 10th, and the Election of a Committee for the nomination of Candidates for Delegates to the Zionist Convention as well as the election of a Board of Elections will be held at this meeting.

There are a number of other important pre-Convention matters that will be discussed and acted upon by the Executive Committee at this meeting.

This is probably the last Executive Committee meeting of this year's administration, as the election of officers of the District and members of the Executive Committee for the ensuing year are scheduled to be held at the next membership meeting.

You are therefore urged to attend this important meeting.

With Zion's Greetings.

Cordially yours,

George J. Klein
President.

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October 6th, 1931

Mr. Jacob DeHaas,
Zionist Organization,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. DeHaas:-

I have received word from the Boston Zionists that they have scheduled me for a noon meeting on Wednesday, October 14th.

I suppose that I ought to say something about the present administration and its achievements. Are there any facts which you would like me to present at this meeting?

Please send me a copy of the resolutions which were adopted by the American Executive prior to the Congress, of the Congress' policies and indicate also whether Lipsky assisted in drafting the resolutions and whether he voted for them or opposed them.

It might help me if you would give me a general picture of what the situation is today with reference to the coming convention.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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October 8, 1931.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing herewith "The Program of the Zionist Organization of America" resolutions adopted by the National Executive Committee.

Mr. de Haas has been very much pre-occupied these days, but will write you fully either late this afternoon or tomorrow.

With kind regards,

Very truly yours,

Abba Goldberg

Sec'y. to Mr. de Haas

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October 9, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Miss Goldberg forwarded you yesterday copy of the resolutions that were adopted at the National Executive Committee meeting and which were the basis of the action at the Congress.

Mr. Lipsky helped to draft these resolutions. Some of the meetings of the Administration were actually adjourned in order that he should be able to participate in the discussion and in the drafting. I forget now but I think there were at least three or four drafts before we come to the final formula that was presented and adopted at the N.E.C. He practically drafted the Weizmann resolution that the Administration drew up and he drafted the amendment which was adopted and which is part of the report sent you. He was present at the meeting, as were Fishman and Everts and voted for their adoption.

In fact, one of the humors of the situation is that I was the only person present that objected and voted against the adoption of the Lipsky formula on the Weizmann matter.

Now let me go a little further. I do not know how many of the Administrative meeting you have attended, but I do not recall and this includes last night, a single meeting at which there has been a twelve to six majority, either in fact or in theory. What I mean to say is this: that there has not been an eight to four or a six to three. If there had been any difference of opinion in the Administration they have not run along the lines of the original twelve

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to six. The sharper difference, if any, have been in the twelve, with the result that on any particular vote where there has been a clash of opinion any combination has been possible and I think on the whole I have put myself in the position during the fifteen months of being individually more often defeated in the Administration than any other individual and although I will not say that Lipsky has never been defeated, I cannot recall at this moment a single vote on a motion initiated by himself and on which he was defeated. As a matter of fact he negotiated very little if anything, although there was a tendency for a long while to defer to his views, to ask him for them. The tactics in the main have been to go outside and complain or oppose, not to argue out anything in the Administrative meetings and this was, on the whole, the policy adopted at the Congress.

I do not recall that at the meeting of the Delegates, and there were a considerable number of them, that Lipsky offered an opposing policy on anything. His friends had attempted to elect him one of the Chairmen of the Congress and were defeated, but as a matter of fact the Congress Committee had decided beforehand that no members of the W.Z.O. Executive would be permitted to preside and therefore even this petty personal question was without merit.

As to the General situation, I would briefly say that one can divide it into the following categories. Of the five men who went in with Lipsky in the Administration, the only one that has actively supported him in this present campaign is Judge Lewis. Rothenberg and Rutenberg have been very careful in no way to associate themselves with this attack on the Administration. Heller I am told does not agree with the form of it, although we believe he is in some vague general way supporting Lipsky. In the Executive Committee Lipsky has probably more supporters because the Executive includes the Carmels, Cowens, Margulies, Margoshes, etc. Fishman has opposed the struggle and while he himself takes a wack at it every now and then, he has refused to support Lipsky.

The reaction of the districts outside of New York have been all around averse to the quarrels. I believe the general feeling about it is the plague on both your houses, which affirmatively means patching things up. In and around New York there is actually an intense group that is opposed to Lipsky and those opposed come from the rank and file in the very districts in which the leaders are supporting Lipsky, but who in these bad times decline to assert themselves to the point of becoming a fighting force.

The Administration, while it has felt on the whole that this is an extremely unpleasant situation, has really refrained from carrying the war into the enemies camp. I do not hesitate

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to say to you that if we had started a real fight here in New York City, I think we would have upset Lipsky and most of his districts, but we had to be mindful of the fact that that particular fight might have lead to the districts being destroyed, because they are on the thin edge and after all I need not tell you that the so-called decent element run away when these fights become serious. There is therefore some move being made to patch it all up. Lipsky met Judge Mack and Newman last Sunday and we are considering another conference between the two parties. So far there has been no particular light because while Lipsky has made all these public speeches about elimination etc. he has no clear proposition to offer.

We have agreed quite independently of the fight that we wanted to enlarge the Administration to a Committee of thirty; to give the Hadassah 1/6 of the Committee, the Order Sons of Zion two members and discuss the balance. We thought of getting in men like Clarence Palitz, Isidor Goldberg, David Podell, Rabbi I.H. Levintal, Fishman, Laurence Levine, Louis Rocker, etc. Of the original twelve there would be only ten left because Neumann goes abroad and Mrs. Jacobs is credited to Hadassah. We of course objected to any elimination, but our actual number may only be nine. In fact, on the actually phase of names our group is very conciliatory. If Lipsky had not raised this whole nonsensical discussion, some of us might actually have retired for personal and private reasons. At present we have had to take the position of mutual defense and no elimination.

On the other hand we do not feel the way we felt at Cleveland that we need 2/3 majority or anything like that, because in actual practise we have found that there is no such wide division of opinion except perhaps in the Organization of the body of the Administration. Intense mass guardianship is not a working necessity.

If by Monday this situation has been cleared at all, you will be fully informed. There is a chance that there will be presented on Sunday some kind of statement by Szold. It is not yet in final form so I cannot enclose it, but in more formal language and in less detail it will take the form I have outlined above. However, there is a possibility that the outcome of the Executive Committee meeting will be that some Committee will be named representing both sides to prevent strife at the Convention. Of this you will be fully informed.

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There are two points that our likely to come up in any discussion. There has been repetition of the statement that there was a deficit left in 1921. This is an absolute lie. There was a surplus and the present deficit dates from 1925-26 and is largely due to the luxurious expenditures of the New Palestine. The deficit that we took over in 1930 was actually \$20,000 more than the stated amount of \$145,000 because there was an immediate current deficit running into about \$20,000. Of the pledges made at Cleveland for the deficit fund only about \$30,000 has been paid in. We have reduced the total deficit by more than \$20,000 and I think the final statement at the Convention will be an improvement on that.

Membership has been a terrible difficulty this year owing to the economic condition. Yet, by the time of the Convention we will come out about where the Organization stood last year. In other words, we had no gain, but the annual drop will either have been stopped or nearly stopped.

We believe that we have gained a good deal by our policies and by the amicable relationship we have retained with the Jewish Agency.

Now a word as to Boston. I think you ought to rub it in. Stone is very fond of describing himself as the President of the Region and fussing. Actually the membership of New England does not exceed five hundred and a good deal of the membership that will be reported at the Convention will be on the Convention's stripe. That is, a lot of people will pay in for a half-year before the Convention, who will not pay the second half year subsequently.

With kind regards.

Very truly yours,

Jacob de Haas

Jacob de Haas

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Dic. but not read.

Oct. 12th, 1931

Mr. Morris Rothenberg,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rothenberg:-

Thank you for your letter of October 7th.

The situation in Cleveland is simply this:
The Jewish Welfare Fund has not been receiving remittances
on the pledges which were made last spring and its
treasury is empty.

I talked with Mr. Goldhamer about it and
with other officers of the Fund. They are anxious to
forward the money to the Joint and the American Palestine
Campaigns as soon as they receive the money. I will
however, keep after them.

With regards ^{to} Columbus, I am writing to
Simon Lazarus and as soon as I hear from him I shall
communicate with you.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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TREASURER

October 13, 1931

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

Dear Dr. Silver,

I have just heard from the Zionist
District of Newark informing us that it will be
impossible to take advantage of your presence in
the city on October 21st, for Zionist purposes.

I trust that the luncheon in Boston
on the 14th will bring interesting results.

Cordially yours,

Paula Cornfeld

Organization Department

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MINUTES OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION

OF AMERICA, HELD WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 21, 1931, AT THE

JEWISH CLUB AT 8:30 P. M.

PRESENT: Messrs. Szold (in the chair) deHaas, Neumann, Ratnoff, Rattenberg, Rosensoh, Tulin, Wise, Magida, Mrs. Szold, Mrs. Greenberg, Mrs. Epstein.

MR. SOKOLOV'S VISIT TO AMERICA:

The Chairman recalled that at a previous meeting, Dr. Wise, Mr. Rothenberg and himself were appointed a committee to write a letter to Mr. Sokolow on this subject, and accordingly the following letter was sent:

September 29, 1931

"Dear Dr. Sokolow:

We have been giving the most earnest thought to the matter of your coming to America. It is needless for us to say how eager we are to have you come at the earliest possible moment.

We feel that it is of utmost importance that you come and help us in building up again the strength of the Zionist Organization. We suggest that you come either for the Convention, which will be held November 8, 9, 10, in Atlantic City, or as soon thereafter as you can, with a view to your going to the principal Jewish communities in America and helping to strengthen Zionist sentiment and to rebuild the organization wherever possible. At the same time, no doubt, efforts for the Emergency Fund could be made.

It is only fair to say to you at this time, however, that if your primary purpose in coming to this country would be to raise funds, your journey would be, we feel, destined to be without success. The mood of America at this time, and more especially the financial condition among Jews who in other years, have been accustomed to support Palestine campaigns and Zionist drives, are such as to make it unwise to stress this as your purpose in coming to America now.

May we hope to hear from you at the earliest possible moment? Whatever your decision may be, we hold ourselves in readiness to cooperate with you to the fullest possible measure.

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Organization

P. S. This letter was prepared by a subcommittee of the Administration, consisting of Dr. Wise, Morris Rothenberg and Robert Szold.

The following cable was sent by the Zionist Organization in London in reply to the above:

"OCTOBER 13 1931

LONDON

NLT SZOLD ZIONISTS NEWYORK

YOUR LETTER SEPTEMBER TWENTYNINTH EXECUTIVE UNANIMOUS SOKCLOW
VISIT ESSENTIAL STOP CANNOT LEAVE BEFORE ELECTIONS STOP EXECUTIVE
ZURICH DECIDED HEXTER ACCOMPANIES HIM WE ALSO ASKED NEUMANN PARTICIPATE
DRIVE STOP UNDERSTAND JAFFE SUBMITTED YOU FOLLOWING FOR DELEGATION
GOLDSTEIN KAPLANSKY RUBASCHOW HARZFELD RABBI UZIEL STOP FURTHER POSSIBLE
CANDIDATES NARUM GOLDMANN REBECCA SIEFF STOP WOULD ALSO SUGGEST NORMAN
ANGELL KERJESSOD URGES DECISION CABLE YOUR CHOICE

ZIONIBURO"

To this Mr. Szold cabled as follows:

"OCTOBER 17, 1931

ZIONIBURO

LONDON

AFTER CONSULTATION ROTHENBERG NEUMANN SUGGESTION FOR DELEGATION
SOKOLOW ANGELL GOLDMANN WILL WRITE LATER CONCERNING TIME OTHER DETAILS
ZIONISTS SZOLD"

reading:

Mr. Szold added that today a letter was received from London

Dear Mr. Szold,

"London, October 9, 1931,

I have before me your letter of September 29th to Mr. Sokolow, the contents of which were received by the Executive with considerable misgiving. You are no doubt acquainted with the financial situation of the Palestine Executive, and must realise that this situation would become absolutely untenable if any one of the countries on which we chiefly depend were to fall short of its full quota of the extremely reduced budget. Among these countries, America, of course, has pride of place.

The Executive here are unanimously of the opinion that Mr. Sokolow must undertake the journey to America in order to help, to the best of his ability and the utmost of his powers, in making the forthcoming campaign a success. I suppose the best we can hope for is that the irreducible minimum which we must have to keep going will be raised. At all costs, the catastrophe which our inability to hold together our work in Palestine through lack of funds would inevitably produce must be avoided.

I cannot yet say anything definitive regarding the date of Mr. Sokolow's arrival. All we know just at present is that, for political reasons, he cannot leave this country before the elections are over, and possibly for a few weeks after that, as he may first have to get

in touch with the new Government. He is, however, anxious to go as soon as possible, and I think I am safe in saying that he will probably arrive in New York towards the end of November or the beginning of December.

In this connection, I would like to raise the question of the other members of the Keren Hayesod delegation. We hear from Mr. Leib Jaffe that the following names were suggested to you after the Congress: Dr. A. Goldstein, Mr. Kaplansky, Mr. S. Rubaschow, Mr. A. Harzfeld, Rabbi Uziel, Dr. Hexter. With regard to Dr. Hexter, the Executive decided at its meeting in Zurich on August 17th that he should form part of the delegation, and I believe that his participation in the campaign, and possibly also in the work of organising the American section of the Jewish Agency, will be very useful.

In the meantime two more names were put forward: Dr. Nahum Goldmann and Mrs. Rebecca Sieff. We have not yet approached any of these candidates, as we should first like to learn which are likely to be the most acceptable to the organisers of the Drive. Since some at least of the candidates may soon no longer be available through other engagements, I should much appreciate your cabled views on this point.

Yours sincerely,

B. Locker

Member of the Executive.

P.S. It is thought, too, that a prominent non-Jew might be a useful member of the KH delegation, and Mr. Normann Angell, whom by repute at least, you certainly know, appears a likely candidate. We have reason to believe that he would be willing but have naturally refrained from making any offers to him before hearing whether he would be acceptable to you. Perhaps you will kindly let us know your view on this point, too."

A protracted discussion followed:

Mr. deHaas urged that a cable be sent to London advising them that to send a delegation at this time is an impossible proposition from every point of view, since it is essential to rescue financially the ZOA first of all before any other fundraising activity is undertaken. He pointed out that the income of the ZOA is very low due to the fact that many of the members of the Organization are unable to pay their dues, and that although the office has been hammering away at the Districts for the payment of dues before the Convention, only about \$1200 has come in for October thus far, although it was originally estimated that approximately \$6,000 would be forthcoming during the month. While Mr. deHaas estimated that the sum of \$2,000 would be received between now and the Convention, he expressed the belief the receipts after the Convention would be very meagre indeed, and therefore the Committee ought to make a very clear statement to London as to the situation here.

Dr. Ratnoff suggested that the ZOC delegates to the Convention should be asked to contribute \$50 each for the Organization.

Mr. deHaas stated further that in his opinion there should be no fund-raising campaign even in January and for several months after. Although he would welcome Mr. Sokolow's presence here, it is essential to take in hand the task of rebuilding the ZOA in order that it may have some resources. He pointed out that the Keren Hayesod Emergency house-to-house Campaign which is now being conducted is not successful, and reiterated that we must build up the Organization into a live body before it can be used for any money-raising purposes.

Dr. Ratnoff expressed the opinion that if there will be no fund-raising activity for Palestine, especially in view of the urgent need for money to meet the budget, the public will lose interest in the Zionist Organization.

Dr. Wise stated that it would be a serious responsibility for the Committee to say that Mr. Sokolow should not come here, although he might be informed that perhaps it will be possible to have a campaign, but that first of all we must rebuild our Organization.

Mr. Neumann said that we must face the situation. On the one hand there is the Jewish Agency for Palestine, inclusive of the Zionist Organization. A budget was adopted by the Congress, which has since been cut and will be still further reduced. Nevertheless, the Agency in Palestine is facing bankruptcy from day to day. There will therefore have to be an effort to raise money for Palestine in this country. Moreover there are the debts of the World Zionist Organization, the Jewish Agency, and our debts, and we must make an effort to pay these and to raise money for the budget. He did not believe for a moment that if the Committee decides not to hold a campaign for fund-raising that money will be coming into the treasury of the ZOA. On the contrary, the public will say that there is no need for a Zionist Organization if nothing is being done for Palestine and the work there is allowed to collapse. This will be the reaction of the average Zionist if Sokolow and Goldman were to come here for Organization purposes only and not for the Palestine budget. Moreover our guests should not be put into that position at a time when the Agency is in desperate need of funds. On the other hand, if they do come here, there is a likelihood that some interest will be aroused by their presence and this will help the general situation. Of course this cannot be depended upon for the necessary income for the ZOA. He added that if the Committee should recommend to the Convention that there should be no campaign for Palestine, the Zionists will not agree.

In connection with this question of fund-raising, Mr. Neumann reported on conferences with prominent non-Zionists including Mr. Warburg and Dr. Adler who at the first conference suggested a joint campaign with the JDC, but that at the second conference it was agreed to recommend a separate campaign for Palestine, which should include, if possible, other Zionist Funds -- the Jewish National Fund, Mizrachi and perhaps the Gewerkschaften -- virtually reconstituting the UPA. It was proposed also to organize more energetically the non-Zionist section of the Jewish Agency and to interest everyone in the coming campaign for Palestine. It was proposed further that the Zionists and non-Zionists should constitute the campaign machinery. It

is obvious therefore that there will be a campaign, and the Convention will not agree to a refusal to have such effort. Therefore if there is to be a campaign, the question is whether someone from abroad should come here to help it. Mr. Neumann added that at Basle a number of persons were suggested who might be useful in this connection.

Mr. Neumann stated further that the problem of funds for the ZOA is a pressing one and must be dealt with, but not on the basis of no campaign for the Palestine budget. This would simply be creating a worse situation, and laying the ZOA open to the charge that it is responsible for the collapse in Palestine.

Mr. Neumann reported also that the matter including the ZOA in the campaign was discussed, and while there was objection to such inclusion nationally in the budget as an outright participant in the receipts of the campaign, it was suggested that perhaps this might be done in various localities through local arrangement, and subsequently that it might be done through some provision whereby the campaign should take care of certain propaganda activities of the ZOA as a necessary part of the campaign expense.

Mr. Neumann added that other ways might be found between now and January for some money to be raised for the ZOA, including an appeal for funds for this purpose at the Convention, but that the position of non possumus cannot be taken with regard to the campaign.

Mr. Szold reported that two suggestions had been made for inclusion of the ZOA in the campaign. One was to include it nationally, with a quota on the same basis as any other constituent element. Objections were raised to the proposal. Another suggestion was to give every contributor to the campaign the option of having \$6 of his contribution turned over to the ZOA for membership dues. It is conceded, however, that it is essential that some form of compensation be given to the ZOA for its services and the question as to the reasonable amount for such service must be decided.

Mr. Szold then reverted to the question of the proposed delegation regarding which some action must be taken at this meeting.

Mr. Tulin moved that the Committee should express itself in favor of having Mr. Sokolow and Dr. Goldmann come here, and its uncertainty about Angell, but that certainly there should be no additions.

Mr. deHaas added that Angell's well-known pacifism might be embarrassing to the Organization and himself if certain organizations should make a public issue of Angell's views.

Mr. Tulin thought perhaps Mr. Angell's views on the Arab question might also be embarrassing, and he urged that Malcolm MacDonald should come here instead.

Dr. Wise pointed out that in spite all these considerations, Angell's prestige was such that it would be very helpful for the campaign to have him here.

Mr. Szold suggested that Mr. Neumann should write to London regarding Mr. Angell.

Mr. Rosensohn urged that London be informed about the position here, otherwise we will be held responsible for not cooperating fully.

Mr. deHaas stated that Mr. Sokolow as President of the World Zionist Organization, should be told plainly of the nature of the deficit and the financial embarrassment in which the ZOA finds itself at this time. Mr. deHaas then made the following motion:

THAT in order to be better able to raise funds for Palestine the continuous effort in behalf of different Funds be suspended temporarily and that the ZOA be given a clear opportunity to re-organize and strengthen itself.

This motion was not seconded.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF SIX:

Mr. Tulin reported that the Committee of Six met yesterday (Tuesday, October 30) afternoon. At that meeting there were present Messrs. Szold, Lipsky, Rattenberg, and Brodie, Judge Lewis and himself, as well as Mr. Neumann. No decisions were reached but on the whole things look very promising. Everyone agreed that the Administration should be enlarged, with a subcommittee to be placed in charge of the actual running of the Organization and the entire subcommittee to be responsible for every phase of the work instead of the present system of special chairmen for each activity. This subcommittee is to meet frequently and assume the greater part of the burden now being carried by the Chairman. Names for the membership in the proposed Administration are now under consideration and there is prospect of a unanimous and satisfactory report.

Mr. Rattenberg added that a number of matters were discussed at the meeting of the Committee of Six. The first item is the set-up of the new administration, and how best to build up the Organization to make it productive of the most good. This led to the proposal of a subcommittee of seven to take charge of the administrative work, and the enlargement of the Administrative Committee to thirty, with perhaps a separate Finance Committee. In addition there should also be a National Committee consisting of persons outside the Metropolitan district. The Committee of Six will consider also the program of future work of the ZOA to be submitted to the Convention, in order to unite all forces for the achievement of maximum results for Palestine. All these matters are still in their formative stage but it is expected that desirable results will be obtained by the Committee.

Mrs. Epstein raised the question of an unofficial Hadassah observer at the meetings of the Committee, regarding which a discussion ensued.

Mr. Szold replied that he had presented this matter to the committee but there was objection on the ground that Hadassah was not interested in these controversial matters.

Mrs. Epstein pointed out that Hadassah is interested in any program or plan for reorganization in view of the fact that Hadassah is such a large part of the Zionist Organization of America. They are especially interested in seeing that the agreement regarding Hadassah representation of one-sixth of the total number in the Administrative Committee be carried out.

Mr. Tulin replied that the question of Hadassah's relation to the ZOA had not yet come up before the Committee, but that when it does, Hadassah will be invited to send a representative.

Mr. Szold stated that there is on record a vote of this Administrative Committee to the effect that one-sixth of the members of this Committee shall be recommended by Hadassah, so that this administration is committed to this provision.

Mr. Neumann stated that Mr. Lipsky had pointed out that the present relations between Hadassah and the ZOA are the result of a contract entered into in 1922, and it is an untenable situation for Hadassah to be in a position where they will come to the Convention and exercise a vote to have the ZOA reduce the Hadassah dues to the Organization.

Finally, Mr. Rosensohn moved the following which was seconded by Mr. deHaas and carried:

THAT the Administrative Committee recommends to the members of the Committee of Six that Hadassah be invited to attend the meetings of that Committee, as unofficial observer.

(Mr. Rattenberg and Mr. Tulin desired to be registered as not voting on the above motion in view of the fact that they are members of the Committee of Six).

Mr. Neumann did not think it advisable for Hadassah to regard itself as a party in this matter, but that Hadassah should be consulted when the Committee deals with matters of interest to it.

Mrs. Szold stated that Hadassah should have an unofficial observer at the meetings of the Committee of Six, when matters of policy and program come up, and according to Mr. Tulin's report, these matters are now under discussion.

Mrs. Epstein added that if it were only a question of a slate in connection with the new Administration, Hadassah would not be interested, but if questions of program and reorganization are being discussed, Hadassah is interested as an integral part of the Organization.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE OF CONVENTION:

Mr. deHaas reported that the details of the Convention have not yet been worked out, but that the local committee in Atlantic City has been informed that this Convention is to be devoid of all frills. It has been suggested

that Dr. Mendes be invited to give the invocation at the opening session of the Convention as he is at present in Atlantic City. Mr. deHaas stated that he is opposed to any invocations but that he suggested Dr. Mendes be invited to sit on the platform and deliver a brief address.

It is planned also to have a Banquet on Monday night, November 9th, to be utilized for raising funds for the Organization, and that therefore neither Avukah nor any other organization should be permitted to make an appeal for funds at the Convention. Mr. deHaas added that letters should be sent to the Districts, pointing out the serious financial situation and urging them to bring cash to the Convention, to be turned over at this Dinner.

Mr. deHaas suggested also that the Convention should open with as little formality as possible, to be followed immediately by the Chairman's report and that the evening session on Sunday should be devoted to a full and free discussion on the problems that face the Organization in this country. Moreover only the necessary committees should be appointed — committee on committees, credentials committee, committee on Chairman's report, etc.

Mr. Tulin stated that the Committee of Six believes that the Dinner might be in honor of Mr. Brandeis's 75th birthday and also that a message should be secured from Mr. Brandeis to the Convention.

Mr. Neumann suggested that Mr. Newton D. Baker or Judge Cardozo, or both be secured as principal speakers for this dinner.

It was finally moved, seconded and carried:

1. THAT Mr. Baker or Judge Cardozo, or both, be invited to attend the Dinner.
2. That the Convention Committee shall not authorize any fund-raising other than that for the ZOA.

NEW PALESTINE CUTS:

Mr. deHaas reported that he understands that cuts for illustrations in The New Palestine, for which the Organization spent a large sum of money, have been removed or have disappeared, and he suggested that the Administrative Committee authorize someone to go into the matter and secure a statement of the cuts made since 1927.

This was so moved, seconded and carried.

REPRESENTATION OF ORDER BRITH SHOLOM AT CONVENTION:

Mr. deHaas reported that in accordance with the decision of the Committee at a previous meeting, the Order Brith Sholom were invited to send three representatives to the Convention, without any voting power. The Order has written a lengthy communication stating that in view of the services which they have in the past rendered to the ZOA and the movement, and in view of the notes.

contributions of many of its members, they feel that their delegates should be entitled to vote at the Convention.

It was pointed out that the Administrative Committee has no power with regard to the seating of delegates at the Convention, but it was decided to inform the Order Brith Sholom to send its representatives, and to recommend to the Executive Committee that they be seated.

Meeting adjourned 11 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ida Flatow.



Oct. 22d, 1931

Mr. Morris Rothenberg,
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rothenberg:-

I am enclosing herewith a letter
which I received this morning from Mr. Simon
Lazarus which is self explanatory.

I don't know what else can be done
in this connection.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
I am

Very sincerely yours,

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October 27, 1931

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Please note that in accordance with the decision of the last meeting of the National Executive Committee, the next meeting of the Committee will take place on Saturday evening, November 7th, at 9 P.M., at the Breakers Hotel, Atlantic City.

This will of course, be the final meeting of this Executive Committee before the Convention. The special Committee of Six will submit its report and there will be a number of other matters of great importance on the agenda.

It is therefore essential that every member be present.

Very sincerely yours,

Israel B. Brodie

ISRAEL B. BRODIE

Chairman, National Executive Committee

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Masada

October 27, 1931.

Mr. Gaalya Cornfield,
Zionist Org. Committee
Zionist Organization of America
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Cornfield;

I went through the manual of the Federation of Young Zionists page by page. It is a splendid piece of work. I have nothing but words of praise to you.

The Annual bi-monthly program is well organized. You have included all the phases of a program of interest to Youth. Your various instructions for organizing and conducting the meetings of new groups are well founded. The suggestion of a Leadership Institute deserves credit and special attention. The different lists of general materials and books on Jewish and Zionist Subjects are highly recommended. The Manual is indeed a fine, substantial well planned work.

We have been following this program in Cleveland for the last three years and we know the value of self-educational meetings. Your program is however more diversified and includes special events to undertake regularly at all Jewish Holidays.

I have read your letter of the 21st with great care and I wish to get the following information concerning Masada.

- 1) In which way do you intend to affect the composition of Masada?
- 2) Will not Masada function under a separate distinct entity?
- 3) Is not Masada considered as a National Movement on the same plane as Jr. Hadassah and Avukah?
- 4) Do you not intend to carry on the work of Masada according to our previous agreement and understanding?

Taking in consideration our conferences which we held with Mr. Szold and other Zionist leaders and the three days conference which we had with you and considering also our oral and written instructions and suggestions referring to Masada, we understood that Masada, though a member of the Federation, will keep its own entity. The Zionist Youth Organization of New York is a local affair and does require any specific attention. They are a part of the Federation and that is a victory of recognition as part of the Z.O.A. which they were fighting for.

The work of Masada is your problem. You want to organize the youth of the country. Avukah takes care of itself. Junior Hadassah is doing rather well. What other groups do you therefore intend to organize besides Masada?

We are eagerly awaiting to hear from you and have a more definite understanding on this question.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Nat'l Organization Committee.



WALNUT STREET AT FIFTH



LOUISVILLE, KY. Oct. 29, 1931.

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

My dear Doctor Silver:

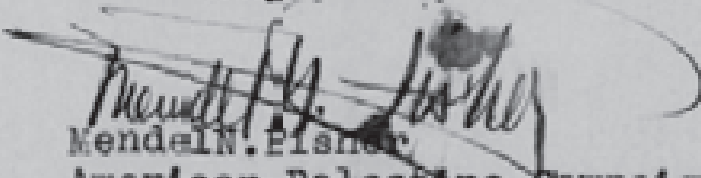
It was very kind of you to write to Mr. Rothenburg of your willingness to address a luncheon in Iowa City Nov. 3rd. I have been very anxious that you should take in an engagement with a view, of course, of accomplishing something tangible, for the cause. It is not our intention to utilize you for propaganda purposes but rather for tachlis. Mr. Rothenburg communicated your message of acceptance to me by wire.

As you will please note, I am in Louisville, Ky. As soon as I heard from you I communicated with our Committee. They were very enthusiastic but were under the impression that you could make the engagement in the evening of Nov. 3rd, which of course, is not possible as you have an engagement on that evening.

Knowing your dislike for public mass meetings and not being on the place to look after the arrangements, I am taking no chances and so wired the Committee there to cancel whatever they planned as the instructions specifically from you were to have the luncheon. It will serve no useful purpose to have you spend valuable time on just meeting people and delivering an address unless it would mean actual results for the cause.

I am planning to be in Iowa City and if I can assure myself that we can get up the proper kind of a luncheon, I will advise you to that effect when I see you, but as things stand do not plan on it. Please accept our sincere thanks for your readiness to assist, and with kindest personal regards,

Sincerely yours,


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Kindest regards,

A. H. Silver



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November 20, 1931.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

New York

Mr. Joseph Papo,
10527 Churchill Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Mr. Papo;

I wish to acknowledge with thanks your message of November 9th. The Convention was unfortunately too much absorbed in wordly matters to pay very close attention to the youth problems. But we managed to do some work in committee.

Prior to the convention, the Young Men's Zionist Organization of Philadelphia had affiliated with the Federation of Young Zionists and paid their dues. They are a small group but contain splendid leaders. Considerable interest is being shown in the organization of young men's groups in many cities. Your San Antonio group failed to show any signs of life despite efforts on our part. The Chicago Masada is coming around very nicely at last, but they still have not paid their dues. I hope that will come shortly. Inasmuch as payment of dues marks the first tangible mark of affiliation and follows a carefully thought out decision on the part of any group to subscribe to our program, I refrain from reporting such groups as having affiliated definitely before they comply with these fundamental requirements.

One may argue that this makes rapid growth a little difficult, but I neither want to delude myself or others. Paper organizations are too plentiful in Zionism and they are of not earthly use to Palestine or the Z.O.A. I would like to see a sound Federation of Young Zionists and unless sound organization methods are followed from the start, the whole structure will be worthless.

It will interest you to learn that as a result of our conference in Atlantic City, we have organized the nucleus of a national organization committee of the Federation of Young Zionists, with headquarters in this office. Thus far it consists of four New York representatives and two from Philadelphia. They represent a membership of about 250. Masada is naturally entitled to representation in accordance with its numerical strength. I would appreciate your views which I would like to present to a meeting of this organization committee to convene very shortly.

Your early reply to these points will expediate matters.

Sincerely yours,

Gaela Cornfield
(signed)

GC:NC.

Sec'y, Youth Committee.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Vice-President Z.O.A.
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi,

Our doubts as to the proper development of the Masada Movement have been confirmed.

At your suggestion I have written to Mr. Cornfeld on the 19 asking him to answer our letter of October 27. The enclosed copy of his answer shows clearly that they evaded the main issues concerning Masada.

The Zionist Org. Committee is not following in full spirit and in good faith the resolutions of the Z.O.A. Com. adopted, as you must recall, last March. Neither do they follow the instructions of Mr. Szold and those of the Committee on Youth which met on May 17 at the Jewish Club. At this meeting were present Mr. Szold, Mr. Ruttenberg, then chairman of that committee, Mrs. Jacobs, the Executive Secretary of the Z.O.A., representatives of J. Hadassah, Avukah and Masada.

At our second trip to New-York, on July 4-5-6, we gave over all our voluminous correspondence with the understanding that they will follow in spirit and letter those instructions. We have given them valuable suggestions, we have given them the names of organizations of young men in the country, as the Philadelphia Young Men Zionist Organization and with whom we were corresponding. We have even given them the cut of the Masada emblem. We put all our faith in the Organization trusting that they will carry on the work more effectively and more energetically.

There is more than a year that we have been knocking at the doors of the Organization and have somehow succeeded to awaken them of their inertia. Are they going to fail us again? Why those delays and bickerings? The formation of young men's groups was not thought of before. We have started the movement, it is their sacred duty to go on and interest the youth in Zionist ideology.

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Is it not true that at Zionist Conventions, ^{year after year} resolutions were passed for organizing youth groups? What has become of those resolutions? They were ~~not~~ vague and general and ~~could have been~~ were never given a serious thought afterwards.

We do not object to the Federation of Young Zionists. The Federation, to my mind, should act as a clearing house among the existing youth organizations. Ten groups of young men under different names will never have the same power, the same interest, the same cooperative spirit, the same pride, and even the same romance as if they were bound together under one name. Masada as such should be a part of the Federation as the Zionist District is a part of the Z.O.A.

You are well acquainted with our work and doings. You have our Movement at heart. You have taken a personal interest in it. You have spoken in its behalf. You do share our views on this question and you also believe in the success of Masada. May I again ask you to please ~~to~~ take up our fight once more with the Z.A.C. There is no need for us to go to New-York again and appeal our case before Mr. Szold. Neither do we think it is necessary nor do we have the means.

If you wish to have further information and data on this question, I am at your entire disposition. I will look forward to hear from you as to the results of your conversation with Mr. Szold.

With Zionist greeting, believe me to be,

Respectfully yours,

Joseph M. Papo

Chairman, Nat'l Organization Committee

SZOLD, PERKINS & BRANDWEN
43 EXCHANGE PLACE
NEW YORK

November 23, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Lake Shore Drive,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A meeting of the Board of Officers is called for Wednesday, November 25th at 4 o'clock. It is planned to have regular meetings of the Board of Officers every Wednesday at 4:30, and to have meetings of the full administrative committee of 55 once a month.

I had hoped to have a meeting of the full administrative committee this week. At the meeting of the Board of Officers held last Thursday, however, this seemed inadvisable inasmuch as the Board of Officers will have a great deal of preliminary planning to do before calling the full body. At the meeting Thursday, a great deal of time was spent in preliminary discussion. Most of the discussion was with reference to a membership campaign and the details thereof; whether it should be solely for membership or for a dollar roll call in the form of a dollar shekel. We finally decided to go out for membership intensively during the next two months and before the American Palestine Campaign begins. We also spent a great deal of time discussing personnel of the office and the budget.

It is of course impossible to say what particular meeting may develop issues of importance. My feeling at the moment, however, is that the coming meeting of Wednesday will again be devoted to preliminary discussion.

I write you all this particularly because I know you will be unable to make trips every week for the Board of Officers meetings and you may want to come to the full meeting of the 55 rather than the Board of Officers meeting on Wednesday afternoon.

Of course, I would meet you at all meetings Sincerely yours *Robt Szold*

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December 1st, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Vice-President Zionist Org. of Am.
The Temple
City.

Dear Rabbi;

I am eager to learn the results of your conversation
with Mr. Szold concerning Masada.

I would also appreciate any suggestion as to the procedure to take in this matter. Now is the opportune time to have this question settled once for ever.

Respectfully yours,

Joseph M. Papo.

Dec. 2d, 1931

Mr. Joseph M. Papo,
10527 Churchill Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Papo:-

I regret that I was unable to attend
the meeting in New York and therefore have not yet
had an opportunity to speak to Mr. Szold about Masada.
When I do, you will hear from me.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Dec. 3d, 1931

Mr. Robert Szold,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Szold:-

I have just received the enclosed announcement from the American Academy of Political and Social Science, stating that the November issue of their publication, the Annals, will be devoted to Palestine.

Mr. Harry Viteles and Dr. Khalil Totah of Jerusalem will be the special editors.

It may be well to look into the matter in order to see that the Jewish point of view is adequately presented in the publication.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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

My dear Dr. Silver,

Will you be able to attend the meeting
of the Administrative Committee next Sunday?

Our financial difficulties are acute.
The principle job at the moment is to keep going.

If you will not be able to come next
Sunday, please let me know what date will be agreeable
for you for the next meeting of the Administrative
Committee.

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Administration

RS:NC

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December 8, 1951

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

Dear Dr. Silver,

Following Mr. Szold's letter of yesterday, I am writing to inquire whether it would be possible for you to devote some time to the membership drive at strategic points. For example, Columbus is extremely anxious that you address a large meeting there any evening during the month of January that would suit your own convenience. It would be ~~very~~ desirable if we could give Columbus a definite answer within the next few days.

Awaiting word from you, I am

Sincerely yours,



Assistant to the Chairman

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December 17, 1931.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
Z.O.A. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

Will you please note the following dates
and events on the Zionist calendar for January:

1. Sunday, January 3 -- next meeting of
the Administrative Committee.
2. Thursday, January 7 -- public reception
to Mr. Nahum Sokolow.
3. Sunday, January 17 -- National Conference
of the American Palestine Campaign, in New York City.

You will receive further information as to
the time and place of these functions, and I trust you
will make arrangements to attend them.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Szold

Chairman, Administration.

Dec. 17th, 1931

Mr. A. S. Magida,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Magida:-

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Rabbi Gordon of Minneapolis.

The subject is worthy of consideration. Please acknowledge the letter.

With reference to Columbus. I can not go to Columbus in January. I will probably be there in the month of February in connection with the Governor's Unemployment Insurance Commission of which I am a member. I shall be glad to give the evening to the Columbus Zionists.

I shall come to Columbus with the understanding that they are to present me at the meeting with a hundred new members to the Zionist Organization. This is to be a definite commitment and not merely a publicity stunt.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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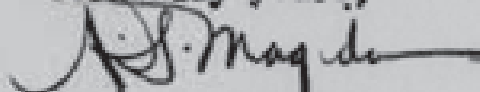
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Columbus has again written us imploring us to secure your consent to speak at a mass meeting there sometime during January. You may recall that I wrote you about this on December 8th. Would it not be possible to fit Columbus into your schedule during that month? Please let me know.

Cordially yours,


Abram S. Magida
Assistant to Chairman.

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December 22, 1931

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I am acknowledging the letter which Rabbi Gordon sent to you. It happens that I know Rabbi Gordon quite well.

In suggesting "each Zionist District be urged to set aside most of the money which it receives for dues for educational purposes" Rabbi Gordon is raising a point which is going to result in endless discussion. However, I shall correspond with him about the matter and at the opportune moment, will present it to the Board of Officers.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A. S. Meyer
~~Assistant to the Chairman~~

P.S. Can you at this time give me an idea as to when you expect to be in Columbus?

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December 22, 1931.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF OFFICERS

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This is to remind you of the meeting of the Board of Officers which will take place tomorrow, Wednesday December 23, 1931, at 4:30 P.M. at this office.

Enclosed herewith please find the following:

1. Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Officers held Wednesday, December 10.
2. Minutes of the meeting of the sub-committee of the American Palestine Campaign, held December 16th.

Trusting that you will be present at the meeting tomorrow, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

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December 24, 1931.

To the Members of the
Administrative Committee:

I am very glad to inform you that a special dinner has been arranged in honor of Dr. Nahum Sokolow for Saturday evening, January 2nd, at the Jewish Club, 23 West 73rd Street, New York City, at 7 o'clock.

The purpose of this dinner is to give the members of the Administrative Committee an opportunity of meeting intimately with Dr. Sokolow immediately after his arrival in this country and before the series of public functions which have been planned for him.

I trust you will make every possible effort to attend this dinner. The subscription fee is \$1.75 per person. Please let me know by return mail whether or not you expect to attend.

As you know, the Administrative Committee will meet Sunday, January 3rd for the transaction of the regular business. The meeting will open at 10 A.M. and continue for an afternoon session.

Cordially yours,

Chairman, Administration

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TO THE BOARD OF OFFICERS:

The next meeting of the Board of Officers will be held on Wednesday, December 23.

The attendance at the last two or three meetings of the Board has been very slim. This may possibly be due to the meeting-hour. The suggestion has been made that instead of meeting at 4:30 P.M., the Officers should meet each Wednesday at 6 P.M. for dinner at some suitable place and continue deliberations for as long as may be necessary.

Does this suggestion meet with your approval? If so, will you be good enough to let me know if you would like to have the new arrangement go into effect with our next meeting? Please let me know, so that I may be enabled to set the definite time for next Wednesday's meeting.

Cordially yours,

Chairman, Administration.

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REPORT OF ZIONIST DISTRICT ACTIVITIES

District _____ Report for Month _____ 193 _____

- (a) Our aim is to enroll _____ members in 193
We have renewed this month _____ members _____ sustaining members.
We have enrolled _____ new regular members.
Our plans for membership work are _____

- (b) Our District met on _____ Attendance _____
Program: Speaker _____ Subject _____
Chairman _____
Discussion _____
Remarks _____

The District or Executive Committee will meet again on _____

- (c) Other Zionist Activities and Progress:
American Palestine Campaign (date) _____
Jewish National Fund (date) _____
Hadassah (joint activities) _____
Young People's Zionist groups (plans and progress) _____

Avukah (progress) _____
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- (d) Specific activities members interested in: _____

- (e) Suggestions to the national office: _____

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January 4, 1932

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

As you may recall, I wrote you recently inquiring just what date you expect to be in Columbus during the month of February. The District in that city is very eagerly awaiting this information in order that they may go ahead with their plans.

With kind regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

A. P. Magda

Assistant to the Chairman

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Jan. 5th, 1932

Mr. Nelson Rattenberg,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Rattenberg:

Upon receipt of your telegram I tried to get in touch with Mr. Louis Armstrong of 3608 Euclid Ave. but it seems there is no one there by that name and I have been unable to locate him.

With kindest regards, I am



Very sincerely yours,



AHS/IR

Jan. 7th, 1932

Mr. A. S. Magida,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Magida:-

I shall be in Columbus on January 21st attending a meeting of the Unemployment Insurance Commission of Ohio. At that time we shall find out when our February meeting will be held.

I shall try to give the evening of that February day to the Columbus Zionists.

With kindest regards and best wishes,
permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Wire 1/7/32

Dr. Nahum Sokolow - Reception at Hotel Astor - Auspices Zionist Org.
New York, N. Y.

I join your host of friends and admirers in welcoming you to our shores. Stop. Your coming to us in these critical times will prove of great significance to our movement and to an increased effort on the part of American Jewry in behalf of our historic undertaking in Palestine.

Abba Hillel Silver



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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

The same mail that brought your letter of January 7th, also brought a letter from Columbus in which they say they are trying their very best to meet the condition which you have set for your acceptance of an engagement to speak there some time in February. They are eagerly awaiting definite information as to when you will be able to get there.

With gratitude for your good wishes,
I am,

Sincerely yours,

Assistant to the Chairman

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF OFFICERS OF THE AGONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA, HELD WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 1932, AT THE GRACOTT HOTEL.

PRESENT: Messrs. Szold (in the chair) Sokolow, Goldmann, Lipsky, Levin, Judge Mack, Vase, Joffas, Neumann, Florst, Becker, Magida.

MINUTES OF JEWISH AGENCY:

Mr. Szold read the names of the Zionist and non-Zionist members of the Administrative Committee of the Jewish Agency in this country who had been invited to attend the meeting next Saturday night.

In this connection Mr. Magida read a communication which had just been received from London regarding the form of organization of the British section of the Jewish Agency.

Mr. Szold suggested that on Saturday night the Zionists propose that there be organized an American section of the Jewish Agency, that it be composed of all members and deputies of the Council of the Jewish Agency and all the members of the Administrative Committee resident in America, making a total of 66 persons, divided equally between Zionists and non-Zionists; that there be elected a chairman of that body and a Vice-Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer, and that that body should have no other status than to meet from time to time just as the group in Great Britain does to discuss current questions in connection with the Jewish Agency, and be responsible for the work of administration of the Keren Hayesod in this country.

Mr. Lipsky pointed out that the Jewish Agency as it is now constituted in the United States has no relation to the work for the Keren Hayesod throughout the country.

Mr. Sokolow stated that in England there is another committee for the Keren Hayesod, although some members of the British section of the Agency are active in the Keren Hayesod. The entire function of the British section of the Agency is to meet every month, consider reports of the political and economic situation in England and Palestine, and to then give their advice, suggestions to the Executive. If this is done in this manner here, there will be an American Section of the Jewish Agency, forces that are unorganized will be organized and there will be work and interest for the Keren Hayesod, but it will not mean any overlapping in functions for the Keren Hayesod and the campaign committee. In England there is the original Agency group elected by the Congress, with additional members whom they elect and which works very well.

Mr. de Haas was of the opinion that the Jewish Agency as it is now constituted in America is destructive to Zionist interests here, since practically none of the non-Zionists attend meetings or appear to be interested, yet the very existence of the Agency has a throttling effect upon Zionist work.

Mr. Sokolow pointed out that Mr. de Haas' attitude was tantamount to the destruction of the Agency here, and he recalled that originally it was intended that the Jewish Agency should help to enlist the interest of non-Zionists here. Mr. Sokolow stated that that depends upon whether they are inclined to organize themselves, and in order to decide that question, the entire situation throughout

the world should be revised, and we should not limit ourselves to consideration of what is transpiring in America. In England the Agency is quite a substantial success, Mr. Sokolow added and had did not believe that the sum raised for the Keren Heyesod, there could have been secured without the assistance of the non-Zionists. An experiment has been applied to it and therefore it is impossible to tell what the actual result might be if an earnest effort were made.

Mr. Lipsky stated that it has been agreed that at this meeting on Saturday night, January 16, the Zionists should not for a variety of reasons take the initiative in organizing the American section of the Jewish Agency, but if a discussion arises favoring such organizations we should not be averse to having this body organized if it is to be on a representative basis, rather than another paper organization.

Mr. Sokolow said that as long as the Jewish Agency is constituted as it is now, it will not be responsible to anyone.

Mr. Gould pointed out that it would be wrong to convey the impression at the meeting that we do not want the Jewish Agency.

Mr. Neumann made the following two suggestions:

1. That a recommendation be made that this American group get together quarterly for a conference at which reports would be rendered.

2. That if they bring up the question of organizing themselves into a permanent organization, that our position be as suggested here, namely, that we are willing to consider this if an organizing committee is appointed and we will advance our point of view as to the manner in which the American section of the Jewish Agency can be properly organized.

Mr. Sokolow stated that from a talk that he had with Dr. Adler it appears that the Agency group is in favor of the democratization of the Agency on a membership basis, and that this is another problem which must be discussed from the Zionist point of view. He added that the realization of this scheme is problematic but it is necessary to face the question of how this would affect Zionist activity and Zionist membership. Mr. Sokolow believed that there is a substitute for this which would be better than membership, and that would be the allegiance to the Agency of various non-Zionist groups, congregations, synagogues, etc.

Mr. Lipsky stated that it had been suggested that Mr. Morris Waldman, Dr. I.M. Rubinow and someone connected with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations organize a special bureau for congregations and other groups to be associated with the Jewish Agency.

Mr. Neumann said that if the non-Zionists were to represent an organized force which can be counted upon when the need arises, then it might be worthwhile to enter such combination.

Judge Mack believed that the only way the non-Zionist group in the Agency can function successfully is through a process of self-education and if they can be stimulated by the Zionists to an appreciation of their own responsibility, and

If they can be vitalized into activity and made to feel that they should have a real constituency behind them, the process of getting such constituency would be a good thing for Palestine. If they are willing to do that, it may save the Agency here in the end and it would not be merely a paper organization; if not, they demonstrate their weakness and they will have to give it up, but it will not appear as if the Zionists forced them out. He reiterated that they should be encouraged in every way to an appreciation of their responsibility and to organize themselves not as of individuals but along the lines of the Board of Deputies in England, which has a definite constituency.

Mr. Neumann added that the committee appointed by Dr. Adler to go into the question of the Sprink plan came to the conclusion that it would not pay from the point of view of the Jewish Agency alone, and made a definite recommendation not to attempt to do this at this time.

Mr. Seid said that he would not want to do anything which would be regarded by the non-Zionists as an excuse to give up altogether and then have them become anti-Zionists, but if they desire to organize at the meeting on Saturday night, he would be willing to present a resolution to that effect.

Mr. Wise also ~~was~~ expressed the view that we should not super impose any organization upon the non-Zionists.

Judge Mack added that if there is talk on Saturday night on the part of the non-Zionists about the need of an organization, the Zionists should answer that they are organized.

Mr. Wise suggested that the following committee be appointed on this matter:

Mr. Seid
Mr. Lipky
Mr. de Bona



in consultation with Mr. Sokolow

Mr. Seid said that this juncture we cannot afford to break the appearance of a front or to give the impression that we are trying to break it up.

Mr. Sokolow reiterated that the idea of the Agency is sound and that its apparent failure is not because of the fundamental idea but because of inactivity. The non-Zionists should not merely be told that the Zionists are organized and they are not, but we should point out to them the reasons why they should organize themselves in their own interests.

Mr. Seid inquired if the Board is against electing officers at the meeting on Saturday night, such officers to be empowered to call the next meeting, etc. He added that it is a good thing to have individuals and organizations join the Jewish Agency, but it would be a mistake to organize them as a body of non-Zionists.

Mr. Lipky replied that the idea is not to organize them as a body of non-Zionists but as a constituency of the non-Zionist section.

It was the consensus of opinion that an attempt should be made not to organize the non-Zionists who are now members of the Agency but rather that these people should organize a constituency just as the Council have a constituency. It

was also agreed that Mr. Szold should open the meeting on Saturday night, and if there is call for the election of a chairman, Dr. Adler should be suggested.

Mr. Neumann suggested that Mr. Szold as the ranking officer should prepare the agenda for Saturday night.

NATIONAL CAMPAIGN CONFERENCE ON SUNDAY:

A discussion took place regarding the National Campaign Conference to take place on Sunday, and the members of the Board expressed their regret that Mr. Rothenberg was not present to join in the discussion.

Mr. Magida reported that there are about 260 acceptances to date.

Mr. Neumann reported that there have been a number of discussions at meetings of the American Palestine Campaign Administrative Committee as to whether a new organization should be set-up or the old one continue.

A discussion then ensued regarding the chairmanship of the campaign.

It was reported that Mr. Rothenberg had repeatedly stated that he could not accept the chairmanship for the next campaign. Mr. Neumann pointed out that Mr. Rothenberg had given a great deal of time and made many sacrifices.

Mr. Sokolow suggested that a final talk be had with Mr. Rothenberg in order to ascertain definitely whether or not he intends to remain as chairman.

It was the consensus of opinion that it would be most important that there should be appointed a small campaign executive of from three to five persons who would be entrusted with the active direction of the campaign, and that this idea should be one of the things the Zionists should stand for strongly, it being understood that this nucleus may coopt others and that the Zionists should preponderate in such executive. It was suggested that the Zionist members of such Executive should be Mr. Szold, Mr. Lipsky, and Judge Lewis. It was urged also that Judge Lewis should be elected as one of the co-chairman of the campaign, in any event, and that the proposed executive should take upon themselves the burden of seeing the actual work go forward in order that it may not be an intolerable burden upon any one man. It was suggested that this small group should be given power to appoint a Finance Committee, and that on this inner committee of the campaign there should be a representative of the National Fund and Hadassah.

LOAN FOR PALESTINE:

Mr. Neumann read the following cables which had come from London and Jerusalem with further reference to the proposed loans

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ZIONIBURO

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JANUARY 12 1932

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SOKOLOW ROTHENBERG NEUMANN ZIONISTS NEWYORK

ADDITIONALLY YESTERDAYS REMITTANCE 1300 POUNDS IMMEDIATELY IMPERATIVE OTHERWISE STOP-
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Mr. Neumann reported that the dinner meeting which had been arranged prior to the reception to Mr. Sokolow on Thursday evening, January 7th for this specific purpose was moderately successful. Only a small group attended and a few persons promised to contribute or endorse notes to a total of \$10,000, which of course is wholly inadequate. An effort was made also to get the National Fund which has at present a credit at its disposal, to advance \$25,000 as a loan. Mr. Neumann had taken this matter up with Mr. Lampert who was willing to make further endorsements and endeavor to get Dr. Rosoff to do likewise. Mr. Neumann had spoken about this also to Mr. Ruttenberg and Mr. Rubin who were favorably disposed but who said that no definite action can be taken in view of the fact that it is not yet definitely settled that the JNF is to be part of the American Palestine Campaign. He therefore arranged for a meeting between Mr. Ruttenberg and Mr. Rothenberg but the matter would have to come up further at the meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Campaign. Mr. Neumann said he has done all he could in the matter and had used his personal influence as former president of the JNF and in his personal capacity. Mr. Neumann added that Mr. Rothenberg had appointed Mr. Blitz to see a number of persons to advance their contributions or secure their endorsements to notes in order that this loan may be made.

Mr. Sokolow pleaded for help and urged that this matter be expedited, saying that this loan could be repaid out of the first income of the campaign.

Mr. Neumann urged that this meeting of the Administrative Committee of the Campaign be called immediately and that every effort be made to secure a full attendance. He asked Mr. Lipsky to communicate with Mr. Ruttenberg to give instructions

to the National Fund to loan this sum which they have available, and that everything be done to borrow the required sum from the bank on endorsements and send it to Palestine with the utmost despatch.

WASHINGTON DINNER ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 17:

Mr. Neumann pointed out that with regard to the meeting in connection with the formation of the Pro-Palestine Committee, in Washington, there is a certain amount of misunderstanding here and criticism is being made because the date of the Washington Conference is the same as that of the campaign conference. He desired therefore to make the following statement:

While in Atlantic City, at the Convention, he first spoke to Mr. Rhoads concerning the preliminary steps necessary to get together a group in Washington. This was subsequently followed up by correspondence and several visits to Washington. As a result of these negotiations, Vice-President Curtis gave December 20th as the date for such conference, but difficulties arose first because of the adjournment of Congress for the Christmas vacation and secondly because Prof. Frankfurter was not available on that date. The only other free date which Curtis could give was January 17th and the Washington meeting perforce had to be called for that date. Then the question of the date for the campaign conference arose. The first Sunday in January was too early. The JNF jubilee dinner was scheduled for Sunday, January 10th, and therefore the 17th was fixed for the Campaign Conference.

Mr. Neumann pointed out that the Washington affair was intended to be private. He added that a letter has been received from the President in connection with the Pro-Palestine Committee, and he telephoned Mr. Rhoads to secure a message from the White House for the campaign conference, as well as having cabled to London and Palestine for greetings to the New York conference. Finally Mr. Neumann reiterated that in his opinion the Washington conference of a chosen group will not actually conflict with the campaign conference.

ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAN PALESTINE CAMPAIGN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

The discussion reverted to the American-Palestine Campaign for next year.

Mr. Szold asked for suggestions regarding an Administrative, Finance and Executive Committee of the campaign, and their composition.

Mr. Rucker suggested that there should be an Executive of six or seven persons, three of whom should constitute a Finance Committee.

Mr. Neumann suggested that the Administrative Committee should set up a Finance Committee and an Executive Committee and work in conjunction with the Finance Committee. He added that normally the officers constitute the Executive Committee, but in this instance some of the officers do not function.

HABASSAH-ZOA RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

With further reference to the Committee on Habassah-ZOA relations, Mr. Szold stated that as he understands it, the Committee has met but is not yet ready to bring in recommendations.

Mr. Rucker reported that the Committee met once and must have at least one more meeting before the next meeting of the Administrative Committee. He had been asked by the committee to take this matter up with Hadassah. Subsequently a meeting of the National Board of Hadassah took place at the home of Mrs. Brodie. He telephoned there and was informed by Mrs. Rosensohn that the position of Hadassah is unaltered in this matter, that they will not contribute to the ZOA any more than had been authorized by the Hadassah Convention; viz, 50¢ affiliation fee and 25¢ this year toward the deficit, that their representation must remain unaltered, namely one for every fifty members, that the ZOA should either be prepared to accept or they are prepared to secede, because this is their attitude and it is irrevocable.

Mr. Lipsky then stated that he refused to serve on a committee which is confronted with such fixed conditions.

It was pointed out that it is imperative to settle this matter especially in view of the fact that Hadassah is withholding its payments to the ZOA pending settlement. Moreover this sum will amount to approximately \$4500 by the end of January is most urgently needed.

Mr. Lipsky suggested that the statement of Mr. Rucker that he had called Mrs. Rosensohn and informed what the position of Hadassah in the matter is and that it is unalterable, should be put on record, and that the matter be brought up at the next meeting of the Administrative Committee.

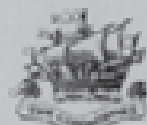
Judge Mack pointed out that Mrs. Rosensohn spoke as an individual and her statement should be so regarded.

Mr. Szold reported that he has been informed that Hadassah yesterday appointed a committee to meet with the ZOA committee, and therefore Mr. Goldberg should immediately summon a meeting of the ZOA committee and then meet with the committee from Hadassah.

Meeting adjourned 10:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

IDA FLATOW
For the Secretary



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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Let me thank you, most cordially, for your
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Looking forward to seeing you, and with best
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My dear Rabbi Silver:—

I give this letter to Salmon Rubinstein of Palestine who comes from the Vaad Leumi with a special private purpose.

I have told Mr. Rubinstein he should speak to you (and if you approve, to George Klein) with full frankness; and that I was sure you would give him such assistance as you could.

Sincerely yours
Robert Szold

Rabbi H. H. Silver
Cleveland

Feb. 2d, 1932

Dear Friends:-

As Vice President of the Zionist Organization of America and in its name I am calling a conference of the representatives of all the Zionist Organizations in the city for two purposes.

First, to form a permanent Zionist Council in the city, which will in the future, transact regularly and systematically those matters which are of common interest to all the Zionist groups in the city.

Secondly, to proceed with city-wide preparation for the coming of Nahum Sokolow, President of the World Zionist Organization, to Cleveland on February 29th and March 1st.

This occasion should be utilized to the utmost for Zionist propaganda. This year marks the thirtieth year of the founding of the Jewish National Fund, as well as the fiftieth year of the beginning of colonization work in Palestine.

I therefore request your organization to send two representatives to the luncheon which will be held on Monday, February 8th at 12:15 at the Chamber of Commerce. Please let me know by return mail who your representatives will be.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I have just been informed by the people in Atlanta, Ga., that they are planning to have a luncheon for you to be attended by those who have contributed to the campaign prior to the opening. They are very anxious to know whether you can stay over for the next day so that a luncheon can be arranged for the purpose of discussing membership activities. What shall I tell them?

I have been looking high and low for the stenographic report of the Judges' Committee but have not been able to locate a copy yet. Judge Mack does not have it. Mr. Tulin does not have one and no one else seems to have a copy. I am sending you a copy of the Judges' Report which is inadequate but is the best I can do at the moment.

Sincerely yours,

A. S. Magida
Abram S. Magida

ASM:NC
ENCL.

February 10th, 1932

Mr. A. S. Magida,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Magida:-

Thank you very much for your kind letter of Feb. 8th and for the enclosure. When I get through with our friend he will rue the day that he wrote his book.

I wish I could stay over another day in Atlanta but I can not. I must be back in Cleveland on the 25th.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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February 10, 1952

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

I was glad to receive your telegram
in which you informed me that you could give March
2nd to Columbus. They accepted with great joy.

I have asked Mr. Shimony, secretary
of the Columbus District, to communicate with you
directly, giving you full details.

Sincerely yours,

Abram S. Magida

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February 15, 1932

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF OFFICERS:

Please note that the next meeting of the Board of Officers of the ZOA will take place on Wednesday evening, February 17th, at 6 P.M., at dinner.

You will be notified tomorrow of the place where the meeting will be held.

Enclosed herewith are the minutes of the last two meetings of the Board .

Looking forward to seeing you Wednesday evening, I am

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Robert Szold
Chairman

TELEPHONES
OFFICE MAIN 1160
RESIDENCE FR. 1513

DR. B. W. ABRAMSON
139 SOUTH GRANT AVENUE
COLUMBUS, OHIO

February 16, 1932

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Zionists of Columbus are forwarding over the information from headquarters that you have agreed to come to us on March 2nd. All plans are made for the meeting.

Kindly communicate with me and let me know the exact hour of your arrival so that I may meet you and have the pleasure of spending a little time with you before the opening of the meeting.

Yours very sincerely,

BW Abramson

Chairman Columbus Zionists district.

16th February, 1932.

Emmanuel Neumann, Esq.,
Russell Hotel,
Southampton Row, W.C.1.

Dear Mr. Neumann,

Re: Zionist Organization of America.

I would like to draw your attention to the following matter.

In May, 1931, we discounted \$10,000. acceptances of the Zionist Organization of America, under whose instructions we placed the proceeds to the credit of the Zionist Organization, London. The acceptances fall due, as follows:

\$2,500.	- due 15/10/31;
2,500.	" 15/ 1/32;
1,000.	" 15/ 2/32;
1,000.	" 15/ 3/32;
1,000.	" 15/ 4/32;
1,000.	" 15/ 5/32;
1,000.	" 15/ 6/32.

The first and second acceptances have been dishonoured, and although the Z.O. of America have promised repeatedly to our agents there to take up these drafts and pay them, they have not done so; and now the latest news we hear is that the Z.O. of America have advised our agents that the items will be taken care of direct. We have had a lot of correspondence with America, and the Z.O. of London have written repeatedly to America on the subject, but all without result, and I must say that the way we have been treated in this matter is nothing short of scandalous. In all our experience here, we have never come across a worse case. The Z.O. of America simply ignore us on the subject and do not pay their obligations. We, here, have no wish to take any extreme measures, but it does seem to me to be a case where such measures should be taken.

I feel quite sure that now you have learned of this matter, you will see that it is regulated in the very near future by the payment of the first two acceptances, totalling, \$5,000., \$291.45, interest due on them, as well as \$403.88 still owing to us on Current Account, and see that the subsequent bills are met.

Believe me, dear Mr. Neumann

Yours truly,
(signed) Joseph Cowen.

P.S. We have received a cable to the effect that the bill due on February 15th, 1932 has been dishonoured.

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Feb. 17th, 1932

Dr. B. W. Abramson,
139 S. Grant Ave.,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Abramson:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind note
of Feb. 16th.

I am looking forward with pleasure to my
addressing the Zionists of Columbus on March 2d.

I hope that the Zionists of Columbus will
bear in mind the one stipulation which I made there, to
present me with one hundred new members of the District
and a check covering the amount, on the occasion of my
visit. My sole purpose in coming to Columbus at this
time is to stimulate registration in the Zionist Organiza-
tion.

With best wishes and looking forward with
pleasure to seeing you again, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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(Maryland, Virginia, District of Columbia, North and South Carolina)

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

305 HEARST TOWER BUILDING

PHONE, PLAZA 0725

BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

February 17, 1932.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman
American Palestine Campaign
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver,

We should like to have greetings from you on the occasion of the 10th Annual Conference of the Seaboard Zionist Region to be held in Petersburg, Virginia, Sunday and Monday, March 6th and 7th, at which time the delegates will be asked to commit themselves for American Palestine Campaigns for the Jewish Agency, in their respective communities.

As you know Rabbi Edward L. Israel is President of the Region, and I am sure he as well as other delegates will be delighted to hear from you.

Will you please let me have these greetings in writing at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Simon J. Levin
Simon J. Levin
Executive Secretary.

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February 28, 1932.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, National Chairman
American Palestine Campaign
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver,

This will remind you that we failed to receive your
greetings to the 10th Annual Seaboard Zionist Conference
to be held in Petersburg, Virginia, this week. We origi-
nally requested these greetings from you in our letter of
February 17th.

Hoping you will let us have same by return mail, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Simon J. Levin
Simon J. Levin
Executive Secretary.

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TO BE PRESENTED ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE EMERGENCY

MEETING THURSDAY STOP PLEASE ALSO INFORM WHAT CLEVELAND

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EMERGENCY MEETING ZOA ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE CALLED FOR
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ZIONIST HEADQUARTERS 111 FIFTH AVENUE STOP GRAVE
SITUATION HAS ARISEN REQUIRING IMMEDIATE ACTION STOP YOUR
PERSONAL PRESENCE IMPORTANT NOTIFY OFFICE IF YOU WILL
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CARE THE TEMPLE EAST 105 ST=

JUST RECEIVED URGENT CABLE FROM PALESTINE REQUESTING IMMEDIATE HELP FOR THE SPECIAL PURPOSE ABOUT WHICH WE SPOKE IN CLEVELAND WOULD APPRECIATE GREATLY IF YOU COULD CABLE HUNDRED POUNDS TO OVDIM TEL AVIV ALSO RECEIVED URGENT TELEGRAM FROM CANTON ASKING YOU TO GIVE THEM ONE EVENING FOR A MASS MEETING DUE TO SUDDEN ILLNESS I CANNOT ADDRESS THEIR MEETING AND YOU ARE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN SAVE SITUATION PLEASE REPLY GRAEMERE HOTEL CHICAGO READ WITH TREMENDOUS INTEREST YOUR SPLENDID BOOK HOPE TO SEE YOU AND SHARE MY REMARKS SHALOM=

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March 8, 1932

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

This is the first opportunity that I have had to write you about the special emergency meeting of the Administrative Committee the other night. The decisions, in short, were:

- WRHS
1. Bankruptcy is in no event to be considered.
 2. The question of whether or not to appeal, to be left to the lawyers, assuming that a bond can be obtained.
 3. An appeal to those who feel deeply in the matter, to assist in the present situation. \$6,000 was pledged by individuals at the meeting on Thursday night, much of it, however, on condition that enough be raised to take care of the pending situation, and if necessary, the Brooklyn Daily Eagle. Since that time we have had further promises and assurances.

We are bringing all pressure we can on Tuttle, the attorney for the plaintiffs, through prominent attorneys and others. (Tuttle was former United States District Attorney and Republican candidate for Governor two years ago). Dr. Wise had a session with him yesterday, and believes that if we can raise a substantial sum, Tuttle will give us time.

I just got a telegram from Rabbi Max Klein of Philadelphia that they have gotten together \$1000 for this special purpose, the check to be available on call. If you could raise at least \$500 in Cleveland for this particular emergency, it would be very much appreciated.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

Wire March 10th, 1932

Mr. Robert Szold,
Zionist Organization
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

I WILL UNDERTAKE TO RAISE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS
CHECK WILL BE AVAILABLE AT YOUR CALL PROVIDED FULL
SOME IS RAISED.

A. H. SILVER



March 10th, 1932

Dr. B. W. Abramson,
139 S. Grant Ave.,
Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Abramson:-

I am anxiously waiting to hear from you in regards to your membership campaign. Have you reached your quota of one hundred new members? I should like to inform headquarters in New York.

I enjoyed the Columbus meeting tremendously.

With kindest regards and best wishes,

I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

March 11th, 1932

Mr. Louis Lipsky,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Lipsky:-

I regret very much that it will not be possible for me to accept the Far Rockaway invitation for April 10th. I must be in Cleveland on that day.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR



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March 11, 1932

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I very gratefully acknowledge receipt of
your telegram as follows:

"I WILL UNDERTAKE TO RAISE FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS
CHECK WILL BE AVAILABLE AT YOUR CALL PROVIDED FULL
SUM IS RAISED."

I must tell you that not for a long time
have we received such wholehearted, effective cooperation
as since the emergency precipitated by the Cook & Elliot
judgment was created. Not only individuals but groups
have made the matter an occasion for manifestation of real
sacrifice and an exhibition of true Zionist spirit. I am
confident that before the stay expires we will have in hand
sufficient to take care of the \$22,000 judgment.

My real concern now is to make arrange-
ments so that a similar occurrence does not take place
within the next few months.

With kind regards and many thanks, I am
as ever

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

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March 16, 1932.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I want to write you of the situation with reference to the Cook and Elliott judgment, and the meeting of the National Committee in Philadelphia on Sunday.

I was sorry that you were not at the meeting on Sunday. A good many representative Zionists were not present. The morning session was devoted to American affairs, and particularly to the matter of meeting the judgment. Including your very kind pledge and the other telegrams sent to the meeting, the pledges at the Sunday meeting amounted to about \$5,000.

The afternoon session was devoted to three speeches, by Sokolow, Goldmann and Wise. It was a discussion such as might have taken place at a Congress, and very difficult to reproduce. The resolution which was adopted at the close of the meeting you will get in full in due course.

As to our success in meeting the judgment, I am confident we will meet this particular emergency. A number of individuals here in New York pledged \$5,000. A number of individuals in Philadelphia are ready with a check for \$1,000, and \$500 more will come from two districts in Philadelphia. Hadassah is making a gift of \$2,000 for this particular purpose. The Order Sons of Zion and the Jewish National Fund will make long term loans. I got a check from Mr. Morrison this morning for \$3,000, but we are hoping to get much more from him. The response which has come on this particular matter has been the most comforting and cheering experience I have had as Chairman.

Sincerely yours,
Robert Szold
Chairman.

TELEPHONES
OFFICE MAIN 1160
RESIDENCE FR. 1513

DR. B. W. ABRAMSON
139 SOUTH GRANT AVENUE
COLUMBUS, OHIO

March 18, 1932

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

My secretary informs me that we have tentatively 75 members in our district, 30 of whom have paid their dues, and from the rest of them we try to collect in the near future. We have forwarded to the New York office \$220.00.

Our campaign is not over yet, and I hope we shall be able to secure at least 100 members. Mr. Carmel is coming over this Sunday, and we might stimulate further interest on account of his presence. (?)

Sincerely yours,

B. W. Abramson

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March 21, 1932.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

This is the first opportunity I have had to thank you for the pledge of \$500 which you made by telegram, sent to the National Committee meeting last Sunday, March 13, on behalf of your District towards the special fund which is now being raised by the Zionist Organization of America.

As you know the National Committee unanimously adopted the following resolution:

" The National Committee takes cognizance of the critical financial state of the Zionist Organization of America and commends the efforts of the Administration for steps taken to protect the good name and financial integrity of the Organization, which this Committee regards of fundamental importance to the Zionist movement, and failure to maintain which would be disastrous both to the work in Palestine and to the efforts of the Executive of the Agency to hold our political front.

Recognizing that it has no legal right to impose assessment upon the Zionist Districts and other constituent bodies, the National Committee feels that it has a moral right to summon the strength of the Zionists of America fully to support the effort that is being made to place at the disposal of the Administration the amount of \$50,000 for the deficit, to avert a possible breakdown of the Zionist Organization of America.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

March 21, 1932.

It, therefore, authorizes the Board of Officers to levy an Assessment upon all Districts in the Organization and calls upon Zionists to regard this obligation as of primary and prior importance and to remit the amount of the assessment to the National Office within ten days."

I trust it will be possible for you to arrange to have your District send in the amount you pledged, within the next few days. Ready cash is urgently needed.

Again thanking you, I am



Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert Szold".

Robert Szold,
Chairman, Administration.

RS:HG

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March 24th, 1932

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I note that a letter went out to you over Mr. Szold's signature dated March 21st in connection with your pledge to the Special Fund. This is a form letter that was sent out in acknowledgment of pledges from other persons and should not have gone out to you, *for many reasons*

With Zion's Greetings,

Cordially yours,

Abram S. Magida
Secretary

ASM:HG

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April 7, 1932

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thanks very much for your
letter together with check for \$354.50.

By the way, your letter
mentions \$354.50. The Office is sending to
the individuals receipts aggregating \$354.50.

I am happy to let you know
that I settled with Mr. Hayden today on the
following basis: \$5,000 in cash which I paid,
\$5,000 to be paid on April 21, 1932 and \$6,000
to be paid on May 6, 1932 -- in other words,
\$16,000 in all.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

*The judgment was for \$27,640

THE ZIONIST ORGANISATION

77, Great Russell Street,
London, W. C. 1,

April 11, 1932

Mr. Robert Szold,
Zionist Organisation of America,
New York City

Dear Mr. Szold:

In reply to your letter of March 17th on the subject of the next meeting of the General Council, I should like to give you the following information:

The Executive is anxious to have the meeting held at the earliest possible moment, but at a time which would make it possible for representatives of all sections of the Movement, from Europe, the U.S.A. and Palestine, to attend. On the other hand, the financial situation compels us to limit to one the number of meetings at a time when it can consider the political situation as well as decide on the budget for next year. For all these reasons, the end of June or beginning of July would appear to be the most convenient date.

In a consultation which we had some time ago with Mr. Motzkin, it was urged upon us that an earlier date should be fixed, and provisionally May 15th was agreed upon. Mr. Motzkin is anxious to have an early meeting in order to clear the air of the disquiet engendered by various political happenings in recent months. In his view, a meeting must in any case be held immediately on receipt of the French Report. On this point we cannot agree with Mr. Motzkin, seeing that for financial and other reasons it is impossible to convene the General Council twice this year. We are of the opinion that the calling of a meeting with a view to a purely psychological effect would not be justified, and that it is much more important for the General Council to assemble at a time when it can give full consideration to the French report and frame proposals accordingly. From this point of view also the end of June appears to be the most suitable time.

We agree with Mr. Motzkin, however, that as soon as the French Report is issued the situation should again be reviewed, in case the contents of the Report call for some immediate action which at present cannot be foreseen.

Yours faithfully,

(signed)

B. LOCKER

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WILL ADJUST MEETING YOUR CONVENIENCE WILL DEEPLY APPRECIATE YOUR
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BEST REGARDS REPLY CARE ZIONISTS

JESSE SCHWARTZ

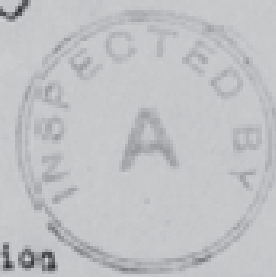
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A. H. Silver



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JESSE SCHWARTZ.

Ans Answer wire 4/18/32

Regret can not come to Toronto ~~XXXXXXXX~~ for May 29th or thirtieth
have a long standing engagement scheduled for that time. Kindest
regards and best wishes

A. H. Silver

PLEASE ANSWER
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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

111 FIFTH AVENUE
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April 20th, 1932

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My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Finance Committee, elected at the Atlantic City Convention in November, 1931, submitted a budget for the year 1932, which faced the problem of reducing the present deficit and balancing the budget.

The budget was based upon an estimate that at least 15,000 members of the Zionist Organization of America would pay their dues for 1932, and that the Hadassah and the Order Sons of Zion would pay certain specified sums during the year.

Provision was made to pay on account of the deficit \$30,000.00, and for interest \$7,500.00, a total of \$37,500.00, and it was agreed that payment on account of the deficit and the interest be a primary obligation and have precedent over all other expenses.

All other expenses of the Zionist Organization were reduced to fit into the estimated income. The Zionist Organization is now operated on the smallest expenditure since 1914.

Thus far, the Hadassah and the Order Sons of Zion have met their obligations fully, but we regret to say that the direct membership of the Zionist Organization is falling far behind.

Unless the estimated 15,000 members of the Zionist Organization of America pay their dues for the year 1932, we shall not be able either to balance the budget or meet the prescribed payments on the deficit.

I am writing to you in the confidence that the fate of American Zionism is a matter close to your heart, and in the belief that you will understand how important it is that every enrolled Zionist should pay his \$6.00 membership dues immediately, either to the National office or to the local District. By doing so, you will help us come through one of the most difficult years in the history of the Zionist Movement, with reputation unscathed and solvency absolutely assured.

Wishing you a happy Passover, I am

Cordially yours,

Louis P. Rocker
Louis P. Rocker,
Chairman Finance Committee.

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April 20, 1932.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Many thanks for your letter of the 15th, enclosing additional checks for the deficit fund. We have already sent formal receipts to Rabbi Davidowitz and to Ezra Shapiro.

Money still continues to come in, in small amounts, but sufficient to assure us that we shall be able to pay off the full \$16,000 in settlement of the judgment by May 6. However, we must continue the effort to get in additional funds in order to be able to pay off as many other obligations as possible, as well as to provide for the summer months which inevitably will be lean.

With best wishes for a very Happy Passover, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Chairman, Administration.

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May 4, 1932

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The last meeting of the Board of
of Officers decided to recommend to the Administrative Committee meeting to be held on May 9, that
the Convention should take place during the week-end
of the 4th of July, i.e. July 3, 4, 5, in the city
of Buffalo.

Please let me know if these dates
suit you, or whether you would prefer June 26, 27, 28.

With kind regards, I am

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

May 6th, 1932

Mr. Robert Szold,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Szold:-

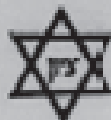
I am inclined to think that
the dates of July 3d, 4th and 5th would be better
for our convention than the earlier dates of June
26th, 27th and 28th.

There are a few other conventions
being held in June which might draw away some of
the people from our convention.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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May 11, 1932.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
East 105 Street,
Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Information has come to us that you expect to visit the Pacific Coast and to be in San Francisco sometime in July. This news was hailed with delight by our local Zionist District, and I have been instructed to invite you to be the speaker at our annual Herzl Memorial Meeting. So far as the particular date is concerned, we will arrange for the same agreeable to your convenience. I do hope that you can find it possible to accept. With your presence, we will be assured of a very large outpouring of our local Jewry, and I need not say that we will do everything we can to make your stay with us as pleasant as we can.

It will also give some of us an opportunity of renewing our acquaintance with you; besides which, your visit will stimulate a languishing interest in the cause.

I solicit the favor of your reply at your earliest convenience, and with best personal wishes, believe me,

Faithfully yours,

I. M. GOLDEN,
President San Francisco Zionist
District.

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May 12, 1932

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Administrative Committee decided that the Convention should be held on July 3rd and 4th in Philadelphia.

You will receive the usual notices in due course, but I want to get this information to you as soon as possible.

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold
Robert Szold

Chairman, Administration

card

May 18th, 1932

Mr. I. M. Golden,
1302 Mills Tower,
San Francisco, Calif.

My dear Mr. Golden:-

Thank you for your kind letter of May 11th.

I had intended to go to Los Angeles in July in connection with the International Recreational Congress but since making arrangements for my visit to the Coast my congregation has voted me a sabbatical year beginning in October and I am compelled to remain in Cleveland this summer to plan my work for next year.

I therefore cancelled my Los Angeles lecture engagement.

I must forego for the present the pleasure of visiting the Jewish communities on the Pacific Coast. I am, however, looking forward to such an opportunity some time after my return at the conclusion of my sabbatical year.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Robert Silver
May 25th, 1932

TO : The Board of Officers

FROM: Abram S. Magida

The Jewish Daily Bulletin of Friday, May 20th, carried a news item emanating from London, to the effect that the current issue of the London Jewish Chronicle states that the High Commissioner is making an effort to suppress the French Report. I immediately communicated with the Jewish Telegraphic Agency and asked them to try to secure confirmation of this report. I have today been presented with copy of a cable received from the London Office of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency reading as follows:

"In view rumor shelving French Report learn Colonial Office being anxious counteract this requested High Commissioner make this afternoon statement to the Palestine press that report will be handed "quite soon" to Jewish Arab Executives in confidence following which publication report will take place in due course. Unknown however whether High Commissioner's recommendation to the British Government following his ascertaining views Jewish Arab Executives on subject will be published simultaneously with report or whether this will be done only later. Well informed Jewish circles in spite High Commissioner's declaration remain confident that he is doing utmost to have report shelved and fact that even now he has not mentioned date release proves this. On other hand Jewish Agency circles continue efforts that French report at least in present form be not handed even in confidence Jewish Arab Executives because they immediately become public property and damage to Jewish progress in Palestine will be done as Arabs will be sure to make immediate use of French's unfavorable conclusions."

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May 25, 1932.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

By decision of the Administrative Committee last Sunday, the next meeting of that body will be held on Tuesday evening, June 7, at 7 o'clock, in the office of the Zionist Organization of America.

The Committee that has been appointed to consider the plan and scope of the Organization, as well as its relations with affiliated organizations, in preparation for the Convention, will submit a report. It is absolutely imperative that we have a full attendance at the next meeting.

When the Committee voted to hold the next meeting on Tuesday, June 7, it was also suggested that all members hold themselves in readiness to meet again on Wednesday evening, June 8, in order that such business as will not be completed on Tuesday may be properly disposed of.

Please indicate on the enclosed card whether or not you will be present at the meeting:

Cordially yours,

Chairman, Administration.

Encl.

P.S. — Please use the rear entrance of the building,
5 East 18th Street, New York,

The Zionist

OFFICIAL ORGAN OF THE NEW YORK ZIONIST REGION

111 FIFTH AVENUE

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Office of the Editor

May 26, 1932

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 105 St. & Ansel Rd
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In an effort to stimulate intelligent discussion of the status of the Zionist movement prior to the annual convention of the Z.O.A., The ZIONIST is planning to publish a series of articles on the general theme: "Does the Zionist Organization Under Present Conditions of Change and Difficulty Require the Election of a Provisional Dictator?"

May we have your views on this subject for publication. Your remarks should be between five hundred and one thousand words. They might touch upon these items: (1) Is the Zionist Organization of America a potent force in the Jewish community; (2) If not, how can it be made one; (3) Would a remedy be found in selecting a "Dictator" who would be untrammelled by those "constitutional" methods that are often said to be the hindrances to Zionist growth in this country?

We would appreciate your contribution at the earliest opportunity. A reply as to whether you wish to write would be helpful.

Sincerely yours,

Morris Margulies
Morris Margulies
Managing Editor.

Wire from New York

card
June 1st, 1932

To Rabbi Silver

Can you address conference of Western Pennsylvania Zionist Region Sunday June nineteenth? This whole region particularly weak and are in great need of stimulation that would unquestionably result from address by yourself. Please wire

Abram S. Magida

Wire collect June 1st, 1932

Mr. Abram S. Magida
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

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Regret can not accept invitation to address Western Pennsylvania Zionists on June ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ nineteenth. Have weddings scheduled on that day.

A. H. Silver

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Mr. Robert Szold, Chairman
Zionist Org. of America
111 Fifth Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Szold:

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I will not attend the meeting of the
Administrative Committee to be held on Tuesday
evening, June 7 o'clock, at the Zionist Offices.

(Signed) _____

MRS. ROBERT SZOLD
334 PELHAMDALE AVE.
PELHAM, N. Y.

June 8.

Dear Silver :-

I am getting things
ready for departure next Friday.
The most difficult matter to arrange
is the finances. Several of us
are personally occupied with
individual solicitation.

No one, I believe, can
predict what will happen at the
Congress.

I told Majita to call upon
you as occasion may require; and
that I hoped you might come to
the office from time to time. If you
do, please summon all Administration
members who are at hand.

I have told Jim of my great
personal pleasure at your home,
the peaceful lawn, the exquisite
stories, the personal courtesies, and
Daniel! Thank you much, - also
for the autographed book which I
shall read and prize.

Sincerely yours.
Robert L. Gold.

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June 16, 1932

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINIS- TRATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ZOA

At the last meeting of the Administrative Committee it was decided to hold a further meeting in preparation for the Convention; and it was decided that such meeting should take place at the Zionist headquarters on Monday evening, June 20th, at 3 P.M. sharp.

It was voted that in advance of such meeting the various proposals which have been presented at the last meeting should be submitted in writing to the members of the Administrative Committee so that votes may be taken. For this purpose a number of resolutions are enclosed herewith. These resolutions are to be presented at the meeting next Monday evening. A draft of the tentative Convention Program is also enclosed.

Will you please indicate on the enclosed card whether you expect to attend this meeting. If you will be unable to attend, please send in your written comments on the various proposals. Such comments may be in the shape merely of a vote, or a proposed amendment to the resolutions, or in the form of general comments. Please also send us any proposals which you might desire to make which are not included in the enclosed.

Kindly let us hear from you by return mail. If you come to the meeting on Monday evening, please endeavor to be prompt.

Very sincerely yours,

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

June 17th, 1932

Mr. Robert Szold,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Szold:-

In reading the minutes of the last meeting of the Administrative Committee I learned that the Z.O.A. is sending delegates to the American Jewish Congress. I assume that these delegates will not pledge the Z. O. A. to a participation in the proposed World Conference which the American Jewish Congress is planning to call and that the delegates clearly understand that.

No such action should be taken on the subject before the Zionist Convention has the opportunity to discuss it and to act upon it.

With kindest regards, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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June 17, 1932.

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE:

Herewith is a draft of the report of the Committee on Plan and Scope. This should be regarded as a covering commentary on the forms of resolutions which have already gone forward to you. As you know, some of the matters touched upon in this draft have already been discussed by the members of the Administrative Committee. Others still remain to be discussed at the meeting of the Administrative Committee which is to be held at the office of the Z.O. A. (entrance at 5 E. 18th Street) on Monday evening, June 20.

The Committee on Plan and Scope would appreciate your careful perusal of this draft as well as any suggestions and comments you may care to make.

Cordially yours,

Abraham Goldberg
Abraham Goldberg,

Chairman, Committee on Plan and Scope.

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June 26, 1932

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Herewith is a draft of the Introduction
to the Annual Report for the Convention.

Inasmuch as it must be placed in the
printer's hands not later than Tuesday morning, June
28, I would appreciate having your comments on the
draft by telephone sometime on Monday, the 27th.

Cordially yours,

Robert Szold

Robert Szold
Chairman, Administration

June 28th, 1932

Mr. Robert Szold,
Zionist Organization,
New York, N. Y.

My dear Robert:-

I do not know what the plans are for the next Administration of the Z. O. A. or who will have the responsibility at the forthcoming convention of nominating the officers, but I would appreciate if you would let those in charge know that due to my absence from the country next year I can not accept any position either on the Administrative Committee or on the National Committee of the Organisation.

I enjoyed very much seeing you in New York. I am sorry that I did not get a chance to meet with Judge Mack.

With best wishes, I remain

As ever yours,

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ROBERT SZOLD.

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July 1st, 1932

Mr. Robert Szold,
Zionist Organization
111 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

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A. H. SILVER



July 15th, 1932

Editor, The Jewish Review & Observer
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:-

In an article which appeared in the July 15th issue of the Jewish Review and Observer reporting the last Zionist Convention and giving a list of the officers and committees elected, it was stated that I was elected a member of the National Executive Committee.

Permit me to say, through the medium of your esteemed paper, that I accepted no such appointment and that prior to the Convention I notified the authorities that due to my absence from the country next year I could not accept any appointment either on the Administrative or Executive Committees of the Zionist Organization of America.

Very sincerely yours,

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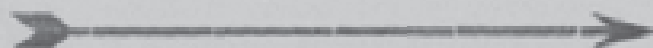


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1. The Shekel fee (50c) which is paid by the Zionist Organization out of your annual dues, makes you a member of the World Zionist Organization, gives you the right to vote for delegates to the biennial Zionist Congress, and makes you eligible for election as a delegate. The Shekel helps to maintain world-wide Zionist activities.

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LOCAL ZIONIST ACTIVITIES

2. \$1.00 out of your dues is retained by your local organization for the maintenance of its cultural and educational work, and thus gives it influence and power in the Jewish community.

ZIONIST PUBLICATIONS

3. The Zionist Organization subsidizes the Hadoar, the only weekly publication in Hebrew in America, and a weekly page of Zionist news in The Day, the Yiddish newspaper. In addition, the Publication Fund makes possible the continuance of The New Palestine, the Zionist organ in English. All of these are essential for the creation of a sound public opinion with regard to the development of the Jewish National Home.

REGIONAL ZIONIST ACTIVITIES

4. Wherever possible, the Zionist Organization fosters the organization of autonomous decentralized Regions, in order that Zionist work in these territories may be intensified. Part of your dues are refunded to the Region in your territory for this work.

EDUCATION AND ADMINISTRATION

5. The Zionist Organization publishes pamphlets and other literature on Zionism and Palestine. It conducts a Bureau of Public Information for all questions with respect to immigration and settlement in Palestine and the economic development of the country. It maintains contact with and supervision over Zionist districts, clubs and groups, and stimulates development of new groups. It sends speakers throughout the country. It gives voice to the public opinion of American Jewry on questions affecting the upbuilding of the Jewish National Home in Palestine.

YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO RESERVE FUND

6. A Reserve Fund has been created to strengthen the financial structure of the Zionist Organization. The liquidation of previous obligations and the removal of financial uncertainties is essential for a vigorous and continuous Zionist propaganda.

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I hereby subscribe to the Basle Program, and wish to be enrolled as
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I enclose herewith \$6.00 for my annual dues, ending December 31,
1932, which includes my subscription to THE NEW PALESTINE at \$1.00 and
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