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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA



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To ZOA Regional and District
Presidents and Secretaries

Dear Friends:

The 47th Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America will convene in a four-day session beginning Saturday night, October 14th, through Tuesday, October 17th, 1944. Atlantic City has been selected as the Convention City and the four-day sessions will be held in the Hotels Breakers and St. Charles.

In view of the wartime transportation restrictions and to meet the requirements of our Government to reduce the representation, the last meeting of the Executive Committee and the National Administrative Council held on July 9th, unanimously adopted the following changes in the basis of representation:

1. In place of the former unit of representation of one delegate for each fifty members, a district is entitled to one delegate for the first fifty members in good standing, and one additional delegate for each additional 300 members and major fraction thereof.

I direct your attention to the enclosed instructions and regulations for further amplification.

Elections of delegates and alternates to the Convention may be held until Tuesday, August 15th. Election returns, filed on the enclosed official form must be mailed to National Headquarters on or before August 16th, 1944.

Due to wartime difficulties to obtain railroad and hotel accommodations, alternates are asked to attend only in the absence of a regularly elected delegate.

Please hold your Election Meeting early, and file your Election Report as soon thereafter as you can. This will help to



avoid a last minute rush.

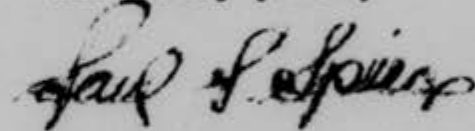
Since Districts having a membership of less than fifty may not elect a delegate to the Convention, we earnestly request that such Districts bring their roster up to the required minimum as soon as possible. We should very much like to have every District properly represented at this crucial meeting.

Representation is based upon the number of members in good standing as of August 31, 1944. Under these circumstances, each District may anticipate the number of its members in good standing on August 31st. Districts are urged to see that all members are brought up-to-date, and to enroll as many new recruits as possible before that date.

The Convention will meet in a decisive stage in history. Its decisions will affect the destiny of our people in the postwar world. The participation of your District in this historic conclave is imperative if we are to speak for a united American Jewry.

With warmest regards and Zion's greetings, I am,

Sincerely yours,



Saul S. Spiro
Acting Secretary

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Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have not communicated with you before this because I wanted to have something definite to report to you.

After our conversation in your home, I discussed the matter with a number of leading non-Zionists, and was frankly amazed at the opposition which I found. Many of them feel that their experience in the Agency and in the Conference was so unsatisfactory, that they are reluctant to try again. I continued in my efforts, although there was little prospect of success.

This morning's mail brought me a letter from Judge Proskauer, which makes me feel that the difficulties are much deeper than I suspected, and that it will take much more time and effort to overcome them. Hence, I am writing to say that my efforts have thus far not been crowned with the success I hoped. While I shall continue, because I am still convinced that a way out must be found for the good of all concerned, I did not want to delay writing you any longer.

Please be assured that I enjoyed our conversation and greatly appreciated your hospitality.

Please accept for yourself and Mrs. Silver, my kindest personal regards.

Cordially,

Maurice J. Karpf

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

As you have already been advised, the 47th Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America will convene on Saturday evening, October 14th and continue through Tuesday the 17th at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Among other items of convention business will be the election of the members upon the National Administrative Council, pursuant to the following provisions of our constitution (Sections 8 and 9 of Article IX):

"Section 8. The Administrative Council shall consist of the officers, members of the Executive, the Regional Chairmen, and such additional number of members, not exceeding one hundred and twenty, as the Convention shall prescribe, of whom no more than half shall reside in the city of New York.

"Section 9. The Administrative Council shall be elected as follows:
(a) 20 at the Convention
(b) 100 by the regions (having due regard to representation of districts and societies) on the basis of the numerical strength of each region in the Zionist Organization of America..."

In accordance with these provisions and on the basis of your membership enrollment to date, your District is entitled to elect one (1) member to the National Administrative Council. The final determination cannot, obviously, be made until our membership records are closed on August 31, 1944. We suggest that your Society proceed at once to the election of your representative upon the Administrative Council.



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

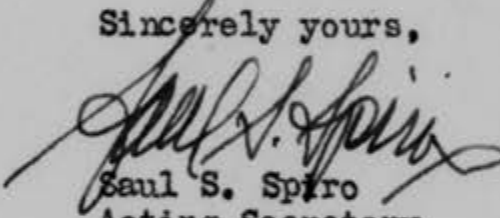
Washington, August 14, 1944

May we suggest, further, that you utilize to the fullest advantage the time still remaining of the current membership year to swell your membership record by continuing to re-enroll every delinquent member, and through the enrollment of every possible new recruit?

Will you please advise us as quickly as you can the name and address of your representative on the National Administrative Council?

With kindest regards and anticipating your prompt attention to this important matter, I am, with Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,


Saul S. Spiro
Acting Secretary

SSS:hb

CC: Dr. F. M. Falkman, Secretary
Mr. I. G. Simon, Field Director

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Subject:
Election Committee on
Committees Members

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Pursuant to a directive from the 45th Annual Z.O.A. Convention and upon the recommendation of our Executive Committee, the Administrative Council adopted the resolution hereto attached, which provides for the designation of the Committee on Committees in advance of the annual convention.

In accordance with the formula then adopted, fifty (50) members and fifty (50) alternates of the Committee on Committees are to be named by the Regions and largest affiliated Districts. On the basis of our present paid membership a member of the Committee on Committees is to be designated for each 2,200 members or major fraction thereof. The Cleveland Zionist Society is accordingly entitled to elect one (1) member and one (1) alternate on the Committee on Committees.

Will you please arrange for your District to proceed at once with the election of your representatives on the Committee on Committees. Please note that the persons designated as members or alternates on the Committee on Committees are to be named from among those who will be elected as delegates to the convention. Please note, too, that the Committee will meet on Friday afternoon prior to the formal opening of the convention. This arrangement is intended to facilitate the work of the convention and to avoid interfering with the full attendance of the various convention sessions.

Please send us the names and addresses of your representatives on the Committee on Committees as soon as they are elected.

With best wishes and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

Saul S. Spiro
Acting Secretary

SSS:hb
encl.

CC: Dr. F.M. Falkman, Secretary
Mr. I. G. Simon, Field Director



ELECTION OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

In order to facilitate the work of the convention, the Committee on Committees shall be designated in advance of the convention. The Committee on Committees shall consist of seventy-five (75) persons, who shall have been elected as delegates to the convention. Twenty-five (25) shall be designated by the president of the Zionist Organization of America and fifty (50) members and fifty (50) alternates shall be elected in the following prescribed manner:

The Regions (having due regard to representation of districts and societies) shall name their representatives on the Committee on Committees on the basis of the numerical strength of each Region in the Zionist Organization of America, in the same manner as the regions elect members of the National Administrative Council.

In the event that a person designated as a member or as an alternate of the Committee on Committees shall not be in attendance at the convention to participate in the meeting of the Committee, the President of the Z.O.A. is authorized to fill the vacancy.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
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REPORT OF BOARD OF ELECTIONS

Name of Organization.....

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To the National Board of Elections:

We the undersigned, being duly elected officers of the Board of Elections, submit the following report of the election of Delegates to the Forty-Seventh Annual Convention beginning Saturday, Night, Oct. 14, 1944, there being cast..... votes by..... members in good standing and all of the candidates hereunder being members in good standing.

(Report the names of all candidates for whom votes were cast, in alphabetical order, setting forth the number of votes in the column to the right. Indicate the names of those elected by marking an X before the names.)

Number of members in good standing..... Total number of Delegates elected.....

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The above is a true record of the votes cast for the candidates named and counted under our supervision. In witness whereof, we hereby affix our signatures.

Chairman of Board

Date.....

Secretary of Board

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To the Delegates and Alternates
of the 47th Annual Convention

Dear Fellow Zionists:

The 47th Annual Convention of the Zionist Organization of America will be held in Atlantic City from Saturday night, October 14th through October 17th. Sessions will be convened at both the Breakers and the St. Charles Hotels. Preceding the formal opening of the Convention, a Sabbath Dinner will be held Friday evening, October 13th, which will be devoted to the subject: Zionist Youth and Education. On Saturday afternoon following Services and the Sabbath meal, an Oneg Sabbath will be held under the auspices of the Histadruth Ivrit dealing with Hebrew Culture. A tentative convention program will be sent to you within a short time.

Hotel Reservations:

A Hotel Rate card is being enclosed for your convenience. Will you please make immediate arrangements for hotel accommodations directly with the hotel. War conditions have restricted the facilities available and it is therefore suggested that you communicate with the hotels at once outlining your needs and making the necessary reservations.

Meal Reservations:

We have been advised that it will be necessary for us to notify the hotels at least 10 days before the Convention, of the number of persons who intend to be present at luncheons and dinners. Labor conditions are unsettled and additional hotel personnel must be specially brought down from New York. Reservations for meals must therefore be made in advance, otherwise the hotels will not be in any position to guarantee service. A card is enclosed for you to indicate which luncheons and dinners you plan to attend. Please return this card to the Z.O.A. and we will make the necessary arrangements.



The following is a list of meals that are planned for the Convention:

1. Friday night, Oct. 13th - Dinner: This is an integral part of the session to be devoted to the Youth Program.
2. Sabbath noon, Oct. 14th: No Program is scheduled for this meal.
3. Sunday Luncheon, Oct. 15th: This will be part of the Plenary Session.
4. Monday Luncheon, Oct. 16th: This will be part of the Plenary Session.

(Price per meal from \$2.30 to \$4.00 according to number of courses)

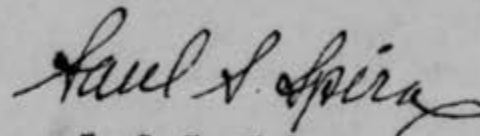
For service of any additional meals at the hotel, please designate on the enclosed card.

We know that you would like that the Convention be run efficiently and that your stay be made pleasant and convenient. This is possible only with cooperation on your part.

Will you therefore assist us by filling out the enclosed cards carefully and mailing them promptly.

With best wishes for a New Year of peace and happiness, and looking forward to the pleasure of personally greeting you at Atlantic City, I remain

Cordially yours,



Saul S. Spiro
Acting Secretary

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P. S. Your credentials are now being prepared and will be mailed to you shortly.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Dr. Silver:

Barely six weeks remain to the opening of our forthcoming Convention at Atlantic City. The problems that will confront the Convention assume ever transcendental significance as the war rushes to a quick and victorious conclusion.

The post-war status of Palestine, the position of the surviving Jew in a post-war Europe as well as the American-Jewish scene--these will be the major items on the agenda of the Convention.

In view of the widespread interest which the Z.O.A. Convention proceedings will evoke in the press, may I bespeak your cooperation in sending me within the week an article or statement on what you consider should be the action of the Convention on the major problems facing it. This article by you will be syndicated to the entire Anglo-Jewish press throughout the country.

With warm regards and best wishes for a happy New Year, I remain,

Sincerely yours,

Ernest E. Barbarash
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Director, Public Relations

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

It is my privilege and pleasure to extend to you in behalf of the Convention Committee an invitation to address the Convention on Monday evening, October 16th.

We also wish to ask you to permit us to list you as presiding officer during the political debate scheduled to take place Tuesday morning, October 17th.

As much as I hesitate to ask it of you, I would appreciate it very much if you would inform me, in person or in writing, the anticipated length of your Monday evening address.

In order to give as many delegates as possible a chance at this Convention, we must, of necessity, figure out the time for each speaker, so that the sad experiences of the past, when some spoke too long and too often and others had no chance to express themselves, should be avoided.

With best of good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Daniel Frisch
Daniel Frisch, Chairman
Convention Committee

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To ZO.A. Members of the
Administrative Council

Dear Friends:

DR. JAMES G. HELLER
Chairman, Nat'l Admin. Council

Enclosed please find minutes of the
Administrative Council sessions held on July 9th,
in Philadelphia.

ABRAHAM GOODMAN
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Wishing you a New Year of health, happiness
and peace, I remain

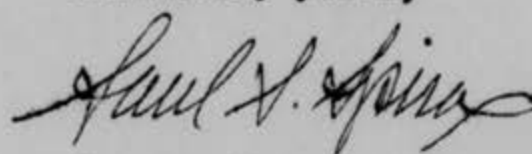
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Faithfully yours,



Saul S. Spiro,
Acting Secretary



ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

1720 SIXTEENTH STREET, N.W. ★ WASHINGTON 9, D.C. ★ MICHIGAN 4480

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

September 15, 1944

To Z.O.A. District Officers

Dear Friends:

The forthcoming ZOA convention which will represent the largest constituency in the annals of our movement is expected to usher in a revitalized year of activities in all Zionist districts.

However, in view of the present situation affecting the fate of our people, it would be folly to permit a lull in the few weeks still remaining before the convention. It is imperative that Zionist activities be intensified in the face of world shaking changes now taking place. For these are also momentous days in the history of Zionism.

This year we cannot afford to get into stride gradually. Bold and dynamic action is the order of the day. Zionist districts must start right off with pace and tempo. This year our Zionist year must begin a full month before the convention.

Particularly I wish to call to your attention one phase—a most important phase—of the ZOA program for the

coming year which calls for the utmost consideration on your part and that of your colleagues as you begin to plan your Zionist year.

Zionist activity nationally and locally must be expanded to nourish the cultural and educational needs of American Jewry. Assimilationists have boldly seized control of anti-Zionist propaganda. Our political work for the Jewish Commonwealth and our practical work for the upbuilding of Palestine must be integrated with a systematic and energetic program of education for adults, and especially for our American youth. This is essential to consolidate our great membership growth of the past year; to continue further expansion of Zionist ranks and to recruit youth to its rightful place in our movement. Even before we achieve the Jewish Commonwealth, certainly thereafter, Palestine as the center of Jewish culture, as the spearhead of the Jewish renaissance should and can be made to radiate its influence, its warmth, its Jewish dignity among the Jews of America.

At the same time the ZOA must take the initiative in the launching of major projects to further the economic and industrial stability of the re-created Jewish Commonwealth of Palestine. We shall have to continue our fight against the anti-Zionists who will resist our efforts to strengthen American Jewish life.

For all these purposes, we shall require a sizable special fund, as our normal income for membership dues can only provide for normal organizational needs.

The ZOA Executive at the last meeting authorized the launching of a Cultural Expansion Fund of \$250,000 for the fiscal year commencing October 1st. It will replace the existing Extension Fund and the Radio Fund*, and will also provide for additional much needed activities. An outline

*Whatever money will be sent to the Radio Fund after Oct. 15, will be credited to your share of the larger Fund.

of the allocations of the Cultural Expansion Fund to finance the carrying out of our various major projects is contained on the accompanying sheet.

With our organization numbering over 100,000 members, the raising of this Fund for Cultural Expansion should be attained within the prescribed period—before January 1, 1945. This is essential if we are to be in a position to carry out its purposes within the coming year.

You are therefore requested to take up this matter with your colleagues and undertake to provide your fair portion of this fund.

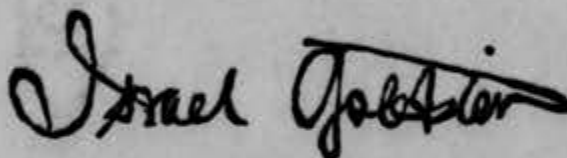
The ZOA is ready to do a worthwhile, greatly needed job in the significant fields of Culture and Education, including the fight against the insidious anti-Zionist propaganda, if the districts throughout the country will provide the necessary resources. We in the national office can start just as soon as you give us the wherewithal.

We must hear from you immediately as to whether we may count on your help.

May we take this opportunity to extend to you and to the members of your district our Rosh Hashanah greetings. May the New Year bring at long last, victory to the United Nations, relief to the tragedy-scarred Jewish people and a free and self-governing Eretz Yisrael.

Leshanah tovah tikatayvoo.

Faithfully,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Israel Goldstein". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

President

PROPOSED ALLOCATIONS
OF THE
\$250,000 CULTURAL EXPANSION FUND

For the work of the Committee on Unity for Palestine, which is engaged in combating the activities of the American Council for Judaism.....	\$50,000
For the work of the ZOA Radio Committee which will shortly inaugurate its series of programs over 40 stations.....	\$50,000
For a subsidy to the group engaged in the establishment of a Hebrew Theatre and Allied Arts.....	\$12,500
For the publication of a Zionist Primer, an important biographical volume and a series of pamphlets by the Zionist Organization of America.....	\$12,500
For further encouragement to Zionist youth camps sponsored by the ZOA, in addition to the support they are already receiving from other sources..	\$50,000
For the establishment of Zionist societies on the college campuses.....	\$25,000
For the establishment of an Education Department in the ZOA.....	\$50,000
Total.....	<hr/> \$250,000

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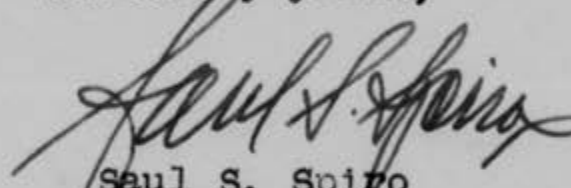
Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have taken the liberty to reserve a large double room for you at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City, in order to assure comfortable accommodation for you. Will you please be good enough to inform me whether this arrangement meets with your approval. If additional space is required I shall be glad to make the necessary adjustments.

Wishing you a Happy New Year, I am, with warm regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,


Saul S. Spivak
Acting Secretary

SS:bff



September 19, 1944

Mr. Daniel Frisch, Chairman Convention Committee
Zionist Organization of America
1720-16th Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Frisch:

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter. There were certain matters which had to be gotten out of the way before I could reply to your communication. I shall be very happy to address the convention on Monday evening, October 16 and to preside at the political debate on Tuesday morning, October 17.

You ask me to indicate to you the length of my address. This will depend entirely on the nature of the program that evening. If you have a very lengthy program, with many speakers, I should wish to be informed of it so that I could plan my address accordingly. If, however, you want a full statement from the Executive Chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council on the political situation, it would be wise to have any other speakers at that one session. I shall be guided by what you planned.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

September 19, 1944

Mr. Saul S. Spiro
Zionist Organization of America
1720 - 16th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Spiro:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 15.
I have already made reservations at the Breakers
Hotel. I am grateful to you for your thoughtfulness.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

Birmingham District

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

718 TITLE GUARANTEE BLDG.

BIRMINGHAM, ALA.

September 19, 1944.

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SECRETARY

MORRIS FISHER
TREASURER

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
c/o American Zionist Emergency Council,
342 Madison Avenue,
New York 17, New York.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Birmingham District of the Zionist Organization of America is planning its annual meeting October 22nd or 29th. Simply stated, we should like for you to address the meeting. I know that stating the request so simply does not mean that it can be answered so simply. I am not at all unmindful of your many engagements, the calls upon your time, the obligation to your own Temple, the pressing demands of the Emergency Council. However, I thought it best to state our desires simply and then to set out what I hope will be persuasive points overbalancing the weight that is honestly tipped against us.

We have approximately eight hundred members. We hope to go to one thousand. There are two members of the Council for Judaism here. One is also a Zionist member but, since we are clear to the point that he does not know the make-up of either of the two organizations, we have concluded: "Requiescat in pace."

We believe that your presence here could light a fire that would burn the year and the flame might catch on in one or two of the neighboring states. Mississippi is altogether dead, yet we are not without friends there. (I do not know whether you are personally familiar with the fact or not but a few days ago, Hans Lamm wrote me to obtain an expression of opinion from Senator James O. Eastman, of Mississippi, with respect to the resolution pending in Congress. I found that Jim Eastman was an old schoolmate and obtained a complete endorsement.)

You have done a splendid job up there - the planks in the platforms of both major parties was a signal achievement. We feel, too, that we are doing pretty well here and, in our small way, acting as a small but essential prop to you. It is most diffi-

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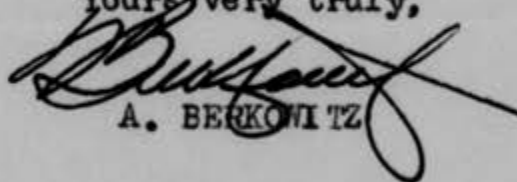
cult to make Zionists of Jews who are not even Jews, but we plough ahead. Every now and again, we feel the desperate need of a great voice for our Jewry. You have that voice. If all of these things, after careful consideration by you, do not tip the scales, we shall be content and secure in the knowledge that you have carefully weighed it.

If you can arrange it, the date, either the 22nd or the 29th, will be at your convenience. Not less than five hundred will attend from neighboring counties and a sprinkle from Mississippi. Arrangements for your transportation by the quickest and most convenient method will be made, and as little of your time will be consumed as humanly possible.

I would like to conclude it this way: For many of us here, in matters Zionist, you are our Willkie, Wallace and Roosevelt rolled into one.

The courtesy of a prompt reply will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,


A. BERKOWITZ

AB/mr

September 22, 1944

Mr. A. Berkowitz, President
Birmingham District
Zionist Organization of America
718 Title Guarantee Bldg.
Birmingham, Ala.

My dear Mr. Berkowitz:

I have given much consideration both to your letter and to what you said to me over the telephone and I assure you that it would have given me great pleasure if I could come to Birmingham either on the 22nd or on the 29. But I shall be away from the city most of October. I am scheduled to attend the Zionist Convention the week-end of October 15. I am also scheduled to be in Chicago, Cincinnati and New York for important meetings during the second half of October, and my Sunday Morning Services begin on October 22. I feel obligated to be in my own pulpit on Sundays being away so much on week days. I have been compelled within the last year to decline many invitations which normally I should be most happy to accept.

I wish you every success in the grand work which you are doing, and I hope that some day I may be able to be of service to you.

With all good wishes to you and to my good friends in Birmingham, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OCTOBER 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th, 1944

HOTELS BREAKERS and ST. CHARLES - ATLANTIC CITY, N. J.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ELECTION OF DELEGATES

TO:
Z.O.A. DISTRICTS, REGIONS, SOCIETIES,
CAMPS OF ORDER SONS OF ZION, AND
MASADA CHAPTERS.

Your attention is directed to the following pertinent sections of Article VIII of the Constitution of the Zionist Organization of America relating to the election of Delegates to the Annual Convention:

SECTION 3 --- Each District or Society shall be entitled to one Delegate to the Convention for each 50 paid-up members in good standing

'The following rule, substituting Section 3,'
'was approved by the National Administrative'
'Council at a meeting on July 9th, 1944. '
'Representation to the National Convention '
'shall be elected on the basis of one delegate'
'for the first 50 members and one additional'
'delegate for each additional 300 members and'
'major fraction thereof. Example: A District'
'with 350 members is entitled to two delegates;
'a District with 501 members is entitled to '
'three delegates and so forth.

SECTION 4 --- Each Region shall be entitled to one Delegate for each 1,000 members, and major fraction thereof, in good standing, but in no event less than one Delegate.

'The following was substituted for above: The'
'Administrative Council at the meeting on'
'July 9, 1944 decided that Regional representa-'
'tion shall be on the basis of one delegate for'
'each 2,000 members and major fraction thereof.'

SECTION 6 --- Delegates to the Convention shall be elected only by paid-up members of the Zionist Organization of America.

SECTION 7 --- No member shall be elected as a Delegate to the Convention unless he has been a member of record of a District or Society for at least six months prior to the election, and at the time of election is a paid-up member in good standing of the Zionist Organization of America.

The following rules for the election of Delegates and Alternates, adopted in 1940, pursuant to Article VIII, Section 8, by the Executive, with the approval of the Administrative Council, continue in effect:

1. No person shall be granted a credential as Delegate or Alternate to Conventions of the Z.O.A. unless (a) he shall have been duly elected by a District, Society or other duly constituted elective body, and (b) his election shall have been certified to the National Board of Elections by written certifications, as set forth below, no later than Wednesday, August 16, 1944.
2. (a) Delegates and Alternates of Districts, Regions, Societies, Camps of the Order Sons of Zion, and Masada Chapters, shall be elected by the members thereof at an election which shall be held pursuant to regulations promulgated by the National Board of Elections.

(b) Delegates and Alternates of Regions shall be elected at a Conference of representatives of all constituent bodies in the Region

(c) Delegates and Alternates of affiliated organizations shall be elected as provided in their respective agreements with the Z.O.A.

(d) In no case shall proxies or substitutes be permitted for any duly elected Delegate or Alternate who fails to appear in person at the Convention. Hereafter committees on vacancies, whether local or national, shall be unauthorized.
3. Certification of the election of Delegates and Alternates shall be in writing subscribed by the President or Vice-President and the Secretary, or by the local Board of Elections of the District, or other elective body, and if so certified by the local Board of Elections, shall be accepted only if the members of the local Board of Elections and of the officers of the District, or other elective body, shall have filed such returns with the National Board of Elections no later than Wednesday, August 16th, 1944.
4. What constitutes a member of good standing? Any member, old or now, who has paid his dues in full within the twelve-month period, preceding August 31st, 1944 is a member in good standing of the Z.O.A. and is eligible to vote for Delegates to the Convention.

Will you, therefore, kindly call a meeting of your Executive Committee at which a Nominations Committee and a Board of Elections, each to consist of a minimum of five members, shall be elected.

Every registered member who has paid his dues for the fiscal year 1943-44 should be notified of the date and place of the elections and also of his right to nominate candidates by petition. Nominations may be made by petition over the signatures of not less than 15 members in good standing.

All nominations, whether by the Nominations Committee or by Petition, are to be filed with the District Board of Elections, one week prior to the date of election, which shall accept these nominations and place all names in alphabetical order on the official ballot to be printed by the Board of Elections.

The number of Delegates to which a District, Region, Society or Camp of the Order Sons of Zion is entitled, is to be determined by the number of members in good standing as of August 31st, 1944. The membership record of the District, Region, Society, O.S.Z. Camp, must agree with the records of the Comptroller's Office of the Zionist Organization of America.

No District, Camp, Society, or Masada Chapter having less than fifty members in good standing is qualified to elect a Delegate. Pooling the membership of one or more Districts, Camps, Societies, or Masada Chapters in order to acquire a total of fifty is not permissible.

The number of Alternates that may be elected shall not exceed the number of Delegates.

A member who is in good standing in one of the affiliated organizations (Order Sons of Zion, etc.) and who is also a member in good standing in the Zionist Organization of America, can vote only once for the election of Delegates to the Convention.

The Election of Delegates to the Convention may be held at any time hereafter but no later than Tuesday, August 15, 1944.

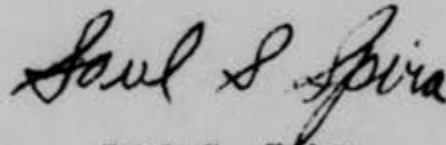
In all cases where more than two Delegates are to be elected, a member shall have the right to vote for only two-thirds of the entire number of Delegates. Voting shall be by secret ballot. The candidate or candidates, receiving the highest number of votes, shall be declared elected. The candidate or candidates receiving the next highest number of votes, shall act as Alternates. In case of the resignation of an elected Delegate, the Alternate receiving the next highest number of votes shall take his place as Delegate.

No Delegate or Alternate will be seated unless his election is certified by the National Board of Elections.

The official Election Report properly filled out and certified by the local Board of Elections must be filed with the National Board of Elections of the Zionist Organization of America, not later than Wednesday, August 16, 1944, in order that credentials may be issued in time to the elected Delegates.

The Election Report of the affiliated groups must be filed directly with the National Board of Elections of the Zionist Organization of America at Washington, D. C. in order that such Delegates may receive their credentials from the National Headquarters of the Zionist Organization of America.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Saul S. Spiro". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Saul S. Spiro
Acting Secretary

Metropolitan Zionist Fund

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October 19th
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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On behalf of the Fund, I am extending an invitation to you to attend our dinner next Thursday night, October 26th at the Waldorf-Astoria. We would be very happy if you find it possible to attend and will so advise us.

In case you have not yet heard about the Fund, may I say that it is an endeavor to rationalize fund raising for Zionist work in the Metropolitan area and an effort to have available, more funds than our local Zionist districts have had before, thus making possible new and intensified activities.

With best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours

METROPOLITAN ZIONIST FUND

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LEO MARDER

LM:pm

October 20, 1944

Mr. Saul S. Spiro
Zionist Organization of America
1720 - 16th Street N.W.
Washington, D.C.

My dear Mr. Spiro:

Dr. Dilworth Lupton writes an important daily column in The Cleveland Press. He is a liberal and a friend of our Movement. Dr. Lupton called me this morning to elicit additional information about the attitude of the Administration to Palestine, etc. He asked me where he could obtain regularly Zionist literature which would keep him au courant with the developing Zionist scene. I would suggest that you put Dr. Lupton on the "New Palestine" mailing list, and for all other important publications of the ZOA. His home address is 2253 Delaware Drive, Cleveland, Ohio.

I have made a similar request of the Zionist Emergency Council for its publications.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Oc ober 23, 1944

Mr. Leo Marder, Campaign Chairman
Metropolitan Zionist Fund
41 East 42nd Street
New York 17, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Marder:

Thank you so much for your kind letter and your gracious invitation to attend the dinner of the Metropolitan Zionist Fund on Thursday, October 26. I wish I were free to come. But unfortunately I shall have to be in Cleveland on that day. I wish you every success in the splendid enterprise in which you are engaged.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Many thanks for your letter of October 20th.

I have arranged that Dr. Dilworth Lupton receive copies of all our publications and material containing information concerning our movement and Palestine. His name has also been entered on the complimentary list of The New Palestine.

In addition, Mr. Barbarash is sending him the bulletin INSIDE PALESTINE and other similar factual informative material.

With personal regards and sincerest good wishes,
I remain

Very cordially yours,

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AIR MAIL...SPECIAL DELIVERY

November 6, 1944.

BENJ. BERGER
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GENERAL MANAGER

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Temple Isreal,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Doctor Silver:

The Minnesota Region is terribly anxious to have you come to Minneapolis any date you may choose. This territory is at present more Zionistically-minded than ever before, as evidenced by the fact that the Minneapolis membership up to this past year has been 366 whereas last year's membership increased to 1100, plus 18 life members. St. Paul's membership has increased from a little over 200 to over 700. A great percentage of these new members know very little about the movement and your appearance in Minneapolis will bring most of those members out to hear you, thereby giving them an opportunity to get acquainted with the movement.

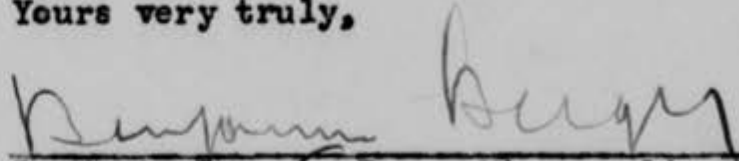
For the good of the movement, if it is humanly possible for you to come here, it is absolutely imperative that you do so. Your appearance in Minneapolis will mean a regional conference. We will have members and delegates from various communities in this region here for a luncheon meeting and in the evening, we will have a mass meeting, with many members from outlying communities such as Duluth, Fargo and, of course, St. Paul, and Minneapolis.

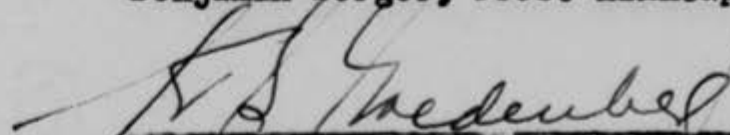
This letter is signed by myself, as President of the Minneapolis District, Mr. Goldenberg, President of the St. Paul District and Dr. Barron, President of the Region.

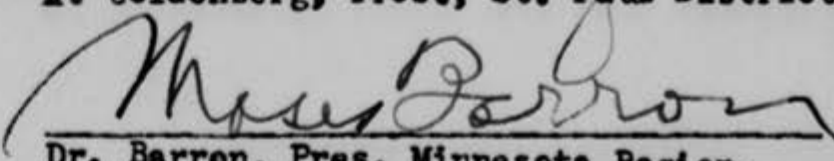
Needless to tell you that we, the undersigned, will tremendously appreciate your giving us a day. As I said above, any day that you set will be satisfactory with us.

I will appreciate an early and favorable reply. With kindest regards,

Yours very truly,


Benjamin Berger, Pres. Minneapolis Dist.


E. Goldenberg, Pres., St. Paul District.


Dr. Barron, Pres. Minnesota Region.

B. Berger/K.

November 14, 1944

Mr. Benjamin Berger, President
Minneapolis District
Zionist Organization of America
400 Pence Building
Minneapolis 3, Minn.

My dear Mr. Berger:

Thank you so much for your kind letter
and for your invitation to address a meeting of
your Zionist Region.

I deeply appreciate your thoughtfulness in
inviting me, and I wish I were free to come, but
I am so heavily committed to duties which have a
prior claim upon me, and which take me away from
the city so much of the time, that I cannot in
justice to myself take on any additional responsibilities.
I am sure that you will understand.

I wish you every success in the great work
in which you and your good friends are engaged. With
all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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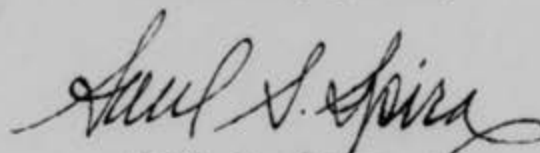
To All Members of the
ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Fellow Zionists:

The next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee will be held at the office of the Metropolitan Zionist Bureau, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City on Tuesday evening, December 19th, 8:00 P. M. Please enter this date on your calendar.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

Sincerely yours,


Saul S. Spiro

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November 30, 1944.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

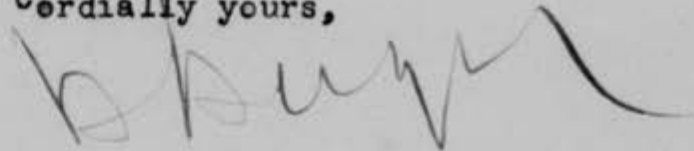
I am in receipt of your letter of November 14 in which you advise that time does not permit you to come to Minneapolis. I brought this matter before my board and they asked me to reply to you that we will not take "no" for an answer.

If you can not make it in the very near future, then we would appreciate that when you make your plans for next year, you include Minneapolis in your itinerary.

I wish to reiterate what I said in my last letter regarding your appearance in Minneapolis. It will serve to cement a new large membership and make them active members of this great movement instead of passive believers.

Hoping to receive a favorable reply from you, I am with best wishes,

Cordially yours,



B. Berger/ek.

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Dr. Abba H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

When I saw you recently in Boston at the Hotel Kenmore, I intended to talk to you in person but you were surrounded by so many people I could not do it.

For many years we have been extending an invitation to you to come to Worcester to address a city-wide meeting sponsored by our Zionist District which has a membership now of 700, but we have been unsuccessful in getting you to come.

I know how terrifically busy you are but I feel that a visit from you to our community at this time would be one of the major events of our calendar in the history of our community.

We will be willing to arrange a meeting any time during the month of March or April to suit your convenience. Sunday night would be very acceptable. As I said, all you have to do is to suggest a date and we will arrange the affair accordingly and we will be delighted to provide the customary honorarium.

Yours very truly

Joseph Goldberg

jg-ecs

February 5, 1945

Mr. Joseph Goldberg, President
Worcester Zionist District
401 Slater Bldg.
Worcester, Mass.

My dear Mr. Goldberg:

Thank you so much for your kind letter. It was a pleasure for me to see you in Boston.

I wish I could see my way clear at this time to come to your Zionist District. I should very much like to do so, but I am terribly booked up with out-of-town lecture engagements for the next few months. My own work here in Cleveland has been seriously neglected because of my absences from the city.

Perhaps at some future time, when life becomes a little more normal, I may be free to come to you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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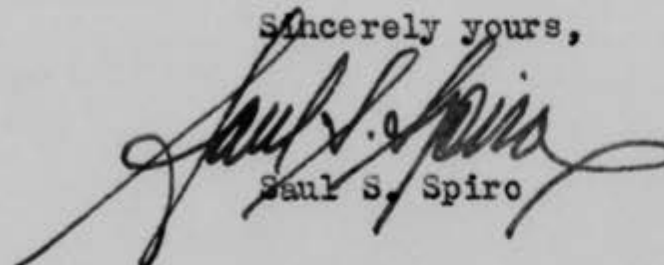
Dear Dr. Silver:

At the last meeting of the ZOA Executive, a decision was unanimously passed to invite all members of that body to issue a joint public appeal over their signatures, calling upon the Zionist constituency to support the \$350,000 Expansion Fund Program.

I am accordingly enclosing herewith, in duplicate, copy of such appeal and I would appreciate your immediate courtesy in signing one of the copies and returning it to me.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,


Saul S. Spiro

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To All Z. O. A. Regional and
District Officers and Workers

Dear Friends:

As members of the National Executive Committee, we are jointly addressing this urgent appeal to you on behalf of the \$350,000 Expansion Fund.

Our Convention at Atlantic City gave its unanimous approval to the Expansion Fund program for wider-scope. Our greatly increased membership has added greater responsibilities. It is absolutely necessary to increase, consolidate and change both our programs and facilities in order to convert this membership into a dynamic instrument of action for Palestine.

The failure of the Expansion Fund program would constitute a serious blow to Zionist constructive efforts in this country. It would deprive our organization of the means to continue its effective activities to combat mounting anti-Zionist agitation. Our Radio program, "Palestine Speaks", which has made remarkable inroads on public opinion, would be curtailed in scope. Our enlarged educational program including Youth and Publications would be limited and seriously jeopardized.

The import of these projects and the need for their adequate financing cannot be too strongly emphasized. The Zionist movement cannot afford failure in any respect in these critical times.

We appeal to you to activate your community in behalf of this Expansion Fund. Only a maximum effort will ensure the success of this vitally important undertaking.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

(Please sign and return immediately)



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February 21, 1945

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
41 EAST 42ND STREET
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The launching by the United Palestine Appeal of its own campaign in 1945 makes this enterprise and its success of the utmost importance to every officer and member of the Zionist Organization of America. We must bend every effort to the end that in each of our communities a maximum of money is made available this year for the Keren Hayesod and the Keren Kayemeth, the two great national institutions which comprise the United Palestine Appeal.

From the office of the United Palestine Appeal will come more detailed material explaining the budgetary needs of Palestine and the methods whereby each community may best mobilize its forces so that our demand for parity for Palestine may be achieved in this crucial year. The Zionist Organization of America and its personnel must inevitably be the keystone of the United Palestine Appeal. It is we, more than any other single group, who understand (1) that the Jews of the United States must have brought to their attention with unparalleled clarity and vigor the primary truth that Jewish life in Europe must be saved through the Jewish National Home; and (2) that in this great year of decision for the political future of Palestine all our financial resources must demonstrate our determination to do our part to encourage the nations of the world to do theirs.

I would like to summarize the situation:

(1) The United Palestine Appeal had to undertake an independent campaign in 1945 because the Joint Distribution Committee failed to concede the equality of importance of Palestine, whose contribution to the saving of Jewish life is without parallel.

(2) In speaking of an "independent campaign" it must be noted that in every major city where there is a Welfare Fund, the United Palestine Appeal will continue to be a beneficiary. Instead of funds going to one common pool called the United Jewish Appeal, where distribution would be made as in the past few years, the United Palestine Appeal will make application directly to every Welfare Fund and will be a part of the local campaign.

(3) In the smaller towns where there are no Welfare Funds, the community will either raise funds independently for the United Palestine Appeal or will seek to raise funds for it in combination with the Joint Distribution Committee or other causes.

(4) The Zionist Organization of America calls upon all its officers and members to give their fullest support to the request by the United Palestine Appeal to each community to give to the U.P.A. parity with the J.D.C. in the distribution of funds.

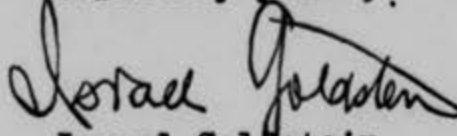
(5) The United Palestine Appeal is not engaged in a competitive campaign. It is presenting to the Jews of America an affirmative, constructive account of the incomparable role of Palestine in providing a present and a future for the Jewish people. What it accomplishes will be an index to American Jewry and to the Yishuv of the supreme place which Palestine has in the loyalty and affection of our people.

(6) The increasingly important role which Zionists have taken in Welfare Fund activities must achieve new strength. Zionists should seek leadership in Welfare Fund campaigns; they should provide stirring examples of energy and capacity in the solicitation of funds; they should, above all, set new standards of generosity such as are required in 1945 to meet the present relief needs of the Jews of Europe and the permanent security needs of European Jewry through the building of the Jewish National Home.

To expedite action, I am suggesting that you communicate directly with Dr. James G. Heller, National Chairman, United Palestine Appeal, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City, assuring him and his associates of your support. From him you will also obtain information as to how action may be taken in each community in the conduct of the campaign, in the presentation of the most effective material to the local Budget Committee and as to the remittance of funds.

The United Palestine Appeal campaign is a great challenge to every Zionist. I am confident that with the strength and vision of our constantly growing manpower we shall give an account of ourselves that will make a glorious chapter in the history of American Zionism.

Cordially yours, .


Israel Goldstein
President

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

At an executive committee meeting of the Flatbush Zionist District held the other day, arrangements for our big meeting for the year were discussed thoroughly and it was the unanimous opinion of those present that the privilege and honor of having Dr. Silver address us should be our first and only choice.

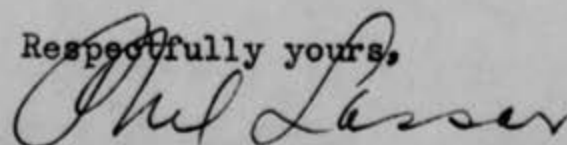
Therefore, your correspondent, Jack Goodman, and F. J. Berman, our President, were appointed a committee to call upon you prior to the dinner which is being held in your honor on March 21st and will ask you to please accept our invitation. Our big meeting is held at the East Midwood Jewish Center during the month of May, and the 16th or 23rd of that month are our preferable dates.

Perhaps I should explain why our committee wants Dr. Silver this particular year for the big meeting which is traditionally held every year by our district. We argued that the Flatbush District was the first to endorse the policies of Dr. Silver; that we led in the fight which resulted in the overwhelming endorsement of your policies by the Brooklyn Region and recalled that the Brooklyn Region was the first Region to so go on record, and further that our Region is the largest in the country. We also said that many of our members are associated with the American Zionist Policy Committee and have contributed to that organization.

Personally, I feel that we have an open and shut case and that the invitation should be accepted. Perhaps I am prejudiced. At any rate, I hope that time does permit you to arrange to be with us, and we hope that you will give us a final answer on March 21st.

With warmest regards from every one of us, I remain with Zion's greetings

Respectfully yours,



Phil Lassar
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To All Regional and
District Presidents

Dear Friends:

I am enclosing herewith draft of a "wire" addressed to the Jewish community of your area in furtherance of the call issued by the Zionist Organization of America, over the signatures of Dr. Israel Goldstein President, and Saul S. Spiro Secretary, on the impending visit of Dr. Chaim Weizmann to this country and the forthcoming conference of the United Nations in San Francisco.

May I suggest that you arrange to have the attached copy reprinted in toto in the form of an ad in your local Anglo-Jewish newspaper, as a call emanating from you as president of your District. I am sure that you can persuade the editor of the local paper to publish the ad free of charge as a public service, or at a greatly reduced rate. In this connection, I venture to suggest that you secure a member of your District or community to sponsor the ad by underwriting its cost.

The publication of the attached call will serve immeasurably to further your Liberation Membership Drive, particularly, the Weizmann 100,000 membership class, which assumes special significance, in view of Dr. Weizmann's scheduled arrival in this country.

I shall appreciate hearing from you.

With warm regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

E. Barbarash

Ernest E. Barbarash,
Director, Public Relations

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A CALL TO THE JEWS OF _____

Name of Community

REPRESENTATIVES OF 39 NATIONS WILL SHORTLY MEET IN SAN FRANCISCO TO DRAW UP A WORLD CHARTER. THE JEWISH PEOPLE, FIRST AND MOST TRAGIC OBJECT OF NAZI HATE AND AGGRESSION, IS THE ONLY PEOPLE DENIED SEAT AT THIS CONFERENCE. BLOOD OF FIVE MILLION JEWISH DEAD CRIES OUT IN PROTEST AGAINST STIFLING OF JEWISH VOICE. COMMON DECENCY AND JUSTICE, THE SACRIFICES OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY OF PALESTINE AND MILLION JEWISH SOLDIERS FIGHTING ON BATTLEFIELDS DEMAND IMMEDIATE RECTIFICATION OF WRONG BY ACCORDING JEWISH PEOPLE SAME RIGHT AS OTHER PEOPLES.

THE DEMAND FOR REPRESENTATION AT SAN FRANCISCO WILL BE PRESENTED BY DR. CHAIM WEIZMANN, WORLD ZIONIST PRESIDENT, NOW EN ROUTE TO THE U.S.A. SIMULTANEOUSLY A NATIONWIDE DEMONSTRATION IS BEING LAUNCHED UNDER AUSPICES OF AMERICAN ZIONIST EMERGENCY COUNCIL FOR OPENING OF DOORS OF PALESTINE TO HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF JEWS NOW LIVING IN PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL DEGRADATION.

THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA URGENTLY CALLS UPON ALL ITS REGIONAL AND DISTRICT OFFICERS AND WORKERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO TAKE THE LEAD IN ENLISTING THE SUPPORT OF ALL ELEMENTS OF THE POPULATION BOTH JEWS AND NON-JEWS FOR THE FOLLOWING THREEFOLD DEMAND: 1. A JEWISH COMMONWEALTH OF PALESTINE; 2. IMMEDIATE OPENING OF DOORS OF PALESTINE TO UNRESTRICTED IMMIGRATION; AND 3. REPRESENTATION FOR JEWISH PALESTINE AT SAN FRANCISCO.

NEVER WAS IT MORE IMPERATIVE FOR EVERY JEW TO STAND UP AND BE COUNTED. EVERY AMERICAN JEW CONCERNED WITH THE FATE OF HIS PEOPLE IS DUTY BOUND TO DEMONSTRATE HIS CONCRETE IDENTIFICATION WITH OUR CAUSE THROUGH MEMBERSHIP IN THE ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA. OUR GOAL OF 200,000 MEMBERS INCLUDING A 100,000 MEMBERSHIP CLASS IN TRIBUTE TO DR. WEIZMANN MUST BE ACHIEVED. NOW IS THE TIME TO ACT. JOIN THE ORGANIZED RANKS OF THE ZOA.

SIGNED _____

District Chairman

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To All Z. O. A. Regional and
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Dear Friends:

As members of the National Executive Committee, we are
jointly addressing this urgent appeal to you.

The unprecedented growth of our organization has added
great responsibilities. To convert this membership into a
dynamic instrument of action for Palestine, our Convention at
Atlantic City gave its unanimous approval to the Expansion
Fund Program in the amount of \$550,000 to increase, consolidate
and intensify vitally necessary Zionist work.

The failure of the Expansion Fund, and the program which
it powers, would constitute a serious blow to constructive
Zionist efforts in this country. It would deprive our organiza-
tion of the means to continue its effective activities to com-
bat mounting anti-Zionist agitation. Our Radio program,
"Palestine Speaks," which has made such telling impress on
public opinion would be curtailed. Our enlarged educational
program including Youth and Publications, seriously jeopardized.

The import of these projects and the need for their
adequate financing cannot be too strongly emphasized. The
Zionist movement in these critical times cannot afford failure
in any respect.

We -- personally and jointly as members of the National
Executive of the Z. O. A. -- therefore address ourselves to you
to take immediate steps in your community in behalf of this
Expansion Fund. Only a maximum effort with an eye single to our
ultimate objectives will insure the success of this vitally
important undertaking.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

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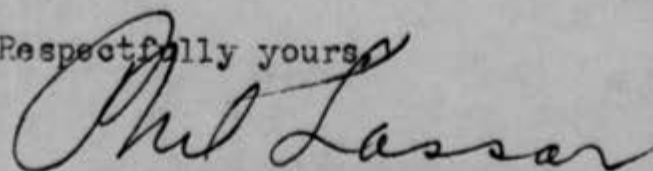
First, I should like to tell you that one of the most thrilling evenings that ever came my way was when I attended the Testimonial Dinner in your honor on March 21st. It was not only the privilege of listening to you, but it was the substance of what you said that made such an indelible impression on all those present.

May I be confidential to tell you that the Hon. Albert D. Schanzer of the Executive Committee of the ZOA, who is my neighbor and works closely with me in the Flatbush Zionist Organization, has admitted to me that he now considers your policy the only correct procedure to follow at this time. Furthermore, he is helping me to persuade his friend, Benjamin G. Browdy, who, after listening to you felt that he too had been on the wrong track, and being a man of means, we (Al and I) hope to get a contribution from him of no less than \$500 for the American Zionist Policy Committee. I ask you to keep this confidential for the moment because Schanzer is waiting for an opportunity to announce his stand at the proper time. I shall not now go into the names of other individuals who attended the Testimonial Dinner and are thinking differently as the list would be too long.

But I must not forget that I was asked to write you again regarding a reply to our invitation to address the Flatbush Zionist Organization on May 16th. Please try to fit this engagement into your very busy calendar. It will mean a lot to several of your very good friends as well as a great boon to the prestige of the Flatbush Zionist Organization.

With kindest regards and all good wishes for your success as a world Jewish leader, I remain

Respectfully yours,



Phil Lassar
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Dear Mr. President:

If for any reason your District has not yet appointed a local Committee on Unity for Palestine, it is not too late to do so.

Please read over this Newsletter and then pass it on to a Chairman who will be qualified to perform the task which it outlines.

Briefing It

TIPS TO CHART THE COURSE OF THE CAMPAIGN TO WIDEN THE AREA OF ZIONIST INFLUENCE

*A newsletter for Unity For Palestine chairmen
prepared by ZOA Committee on Unity For Palestine*

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April 1945

Introducing this Newsletter

We are addressing you as a member of the Unity Committee's "army in the field." Your ZOA President gave us your name sometime back as Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine in your District, and while many of you have already been working diligently in our cause, you are probably eager to receive some direct guidance from us as to where your duties as Unity Chairman lie.

We're going to attempt to furnish that guidance.

Equally important, though - we want guidance from you.

We want this Bulletin to be the beginning of

A TWO-WAY PASSAGE

We'll funnel our ideas to you,

You give us your reactions and suggestions.

OUR COMMITTEE'S JOB

..... is clearly defined and vitally important. It is to win non-Zionist Jews to Zionism and to counteract anti-Zionist propaganda with a positive public relations campaign.

FROM A POPULAR SONG

An appropriate slogan for our committee is provided by one of the current hit tunes. We've got to "Accentuate the Positive, Eliminate the Negative." There is no doubt about the positive nature of our movement and our message. The anti-Zionist Council could not possibly make the same claim.

WE ARE PROMISED A HEADACHE

That job will not be getting any easier as the year goes on. The Council for Judaism - the organized anti-Zionist group - held a conference in Philadelphia recently and adopted for the coming year a budget of \$250,000. You can buy a lot of "public relations" for \$250,000 - particularly when it is to be spent in one small segment of the community: that part of the Jewish community which has hitherto been non-Zionist. Note that this is the same segment of the community which our Committee is intended to win over (with a budget of less than \$50,000), (so get behind that Expansion Fund Campaign!)

WHAT WE MUST DO !!!

What we must do, then, is follow the recipe old General So-and-So gave for military success:- "get there fustest with the mostest."

In organizing your local campaign, study our leaflets in the series "The Facts" as well as our bulletins. You will find that they are positive and that they usually refrain from mentioning or attacking the Council. This last is something we do not want to do. We do not want to advertise our opponents. These are the things you should do now!

PROJECT # 1

Initiate a direct-mail campaign designed to win non-Zionists:

1. Make up a mailing list composed of members of the Reform Congregations who have not yet joined the Zionist Organization, with the addition of the names of all those people who have been approached by the anti-Zionist Council or are receiving the Council's literature, or are likely to succumb to anti-Zionist propaganda.
2. Print letterheads for the local Committee on Unity for Palestine, listing on it the names of those who have been appointed to the Committee. These should be names calculated to impress those to whom this literature will be directed.
3. Send a covering letter with the first piece of literature. Here is a suggested form for that letter:

"Dear Friend:

"We know that as a fair-minded person interested in knowing the facts about Palestine, you will want to read the enclosed leaflet.

"'American Jews and Palestine' is the first in a series of factual brochures which this Committee has issued in the effort to remove some of the misconceptions which have been current about Zionist aims. You will agree with us that there has been altogether too much heat and too little light in the discussion of this vital subject. We feel that the enclosed pamphlet is a first contribution toward a clear understanding of what the Zionist movement actually seeks to accomplish in Palestine.

"We shall be tremendously interested to learn your reactions to this material and eager to answer any questions you may have concerning the effort to provide a home in Palestine for our homeless European brethren.

Sincerely,

Local Committee Chairman"

4. Carry "The Facts" leaflets in your pocket for ready distribution and illustration. Have your committee members carry them and hand them personally to their non-Zionist friends.

PROJECT # II

Arrange parlor meetings to which you will invite the non-Zionists in your community. We have found this to be the most effective means of getting our story across. These are generally in the form of an evening meeting in the social atmosphere of a private home, attended by 20 to 30 people each meeting - (10 or 15 couples). At these meetings someone who is equipped to discuss Zionism in a calm and factual manner should be asked to present the facts about Zionism and answer the questions of those present.

The parlor meeting technique has been used effectively by our Director, Rabbi Lelyveld, in a tour just completed. In San Francisco, for example, he addressed 12 such meetings which were attended by more than 400 non-Zionists representative of every segment of the community. More minds are changed in the intimate give-and-take of a discussion than at a mass meeting. We urge you to organize this activity in the following way:

1. Line up 5 or 6 men who would be willing to offer their homes as hosts to such meetings, and who have contacts with the groups you wish to reach.
2. Carefully prepare the list of those to be invited to each meeting.
3. Persuade someone who is equipped to do so to conduct these meetings, or write to room 600, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, for information as to the possibility of securing an outside speaker to lead these discussions. We shall endeavor to help you make contact with someone in your Region who will be capable of doing this job.

The parlor meetings in San Francisco were arranged by Mrs. Henry Harris and the local Zionist leaders, among them Jack Verdi, Sidney Rudy, and the energetic Zionist President, Rabbi Saul White. Parlor meetings in Los Angeles were held at the homes of Dr. Monte Salvin, President of the Hollywood Zionist District, and Mr. Harry Bauman, Southern California Chairman of the ZOA Expansion Fund Campaign. Parlor meetings were also arranged in Houston, Texas and Dallas, Texas, through the efforts of Bernard Lasky, Houston Unity Committee Chairman, and Helman Rosenthal and Sidney Pines, co-Chairmen of the Unity Committee in Dallas.

WE HAVE TWO REGIONAL CHAIRMEN

Two of our Zionist Regions have appointed splendidly equipped individuals to head our Unity Committee work in their areas. Mr. Julius C. Livingston of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Vice President of the Southwest Region, is serving as Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine in that Region. Rabbi Sylvan Schwartzman of Augusta, Georgia, has accepted the Chairmanship for the Southeast Region, and is formulating plans for an intensive campaign this Spring.

WE THANK YOU FOR THESE BOUQUETS.

"I have just seen the open letter of Herman W. Bernstein. It is a knockout. I think that we in Philadelphia ought to circulate several thousand copies.".....
Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Philadelphia, Pa.

"The New York office has just mailed me some of the literature about which you spoke, and that was in connection with another inquiry I made, bringing to Mr. Leonard's attention the membership activity of the American Council Against Judaism. It is excellently gotten up, and I propose to use this material where it will do the most good" Mr. Isaac Potts, Baltimore, Md.

"I want to compliment you on the quality of literature I have been receiving from the Unity for Palestine Committee, we think that this material is just about what is needed" Fred Yenkin, Columbus, Ohio

"I have just read the series of pamphlets you have sent me and was so impressed that I am giving you a few names and addresses of persons to whom, I would like you to send similar literature, as I am working very hard to make ardent Zionists of them." Isidore Merwis, Brooklyn, New York

"Your pamphlet is a valuable exposition on Zionism and Americanism. There are large numbers of non-Zionists who refuse to support the movement in a mistaken conception of Zionism in its bearing on loyalty to America. You make it clear that our allegiance to America is always foremost. That is most important." I. Montefiore Levy, New York.

"I am trying to 'convert' some of our boys who are in the service to the cause of Zionism, and I thought so well of the literature which your committee issues that I asked for it in order to forward it to a young man in the South Pacific War Zone." Tobias Heller, New York

"You did a grand job sending Rabbi Lelyveld to Oakland. That man is terrific. I can truthfully say that he has done the finest piece of Zionist work in this area. The whole town is buzzing over our parlor meeting, we held Monday night. If you were a non-Zionist before the meeting, you came out a Zionist. If you were an anti-Zionist before - you came out more confused - and yet, somewhat ashamed of yourself - after the Rabbi got thru with you."... David Krinsky, Calif.

"I have just seen the first issue of your pamphlet "Unity for Palestine" and the little leaflet on "American Jews and Palestine". Please accept my heartiest commendation on an excellent job and best wishes for continued success." Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks, Richmond, Va.

"I would appreciate your putting me on the mailing list for your News Bulletin. I am highly impressed with it and believe it will be very effective." John Horwitz, Oklahoma City, Okla.

"My heartiest congratulations on the format and contents of the brochure, "American Jews and Palestine" and of the bulletin, "Unity for Palestine." Both are expertly and effectively done." ..Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs, Asheville, N. C.

"Yours of the 18th inst. and also the printed matter which you sent are received. I have glanced through the material, and it seems to me that it has been gotten up on a dignified plane and should serve well the purpose intended." Barnett E. Marks, Phoenix, Arizona.

HAVE YOU MADE USE OF OUR LITERATURE?

The following list comprises your arsenal for the battle to win converts and combat misinformation. Have you used it? Write to Room 600, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, for samples of each item, and we shall supply as many as you need for distribution to non-Zionists.

"THE FACTS"

"American Jews and Palestine"

"Zionism and Our Non-Jewish Neighbors"

PAMPHLET SERIES

"Palestine's Progress"

"Americanism and Zionism"

"The Mission of Israel and the Jewish Commonwealth"

"Why I am A Zionist - A Reform Rabbi's Viewpoint."

"The Creed of an American Zionist"

IMPORTANT ARTICLES IN OUR BULLETINS.

"Are We Homeless"

"On Inalienable Rights"

"A Haven of Refuge"

"That Word, Commonwealth"

MISCELLANEOUS

An exchange of letters between Miss Martha Silverman of Detroit and Rabbi David Goldberg of the American Council for Judaism.

An open letter to the American Council for Judaism by Mr. Herman W. Bernstein of New York City.

A FINAL WORD

We expect to hear from you regularly. Let us know your problems and needs in the course of the battle. Send us your suggestions, and tell us how we may be helpful to you on the local level in this important task of widening the area of Zionist influence.

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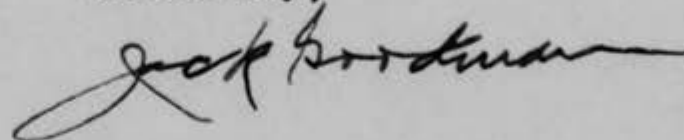
Dear Dr. Silver:

I am taking the liberty of reminding you about our conversation regarding addressing a meeting of the Flatbush Zionist Organization on Wednesday evening, May 9th or May 16th. It is very important that we hear from you as to whether we can look forward to your acceptance for either of these dates.

However, if it is impossible for you to be with us in May, would it be possible for you to accept a speaking engagement for our district for either June 6th or June 20th?

Hoping to be favored with an early reply and with kindest regards,
I am

Sincerely,



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Dear Dr. Silver:

It was a great pleasure to talk to you again and renew our friendship.

In accordance with your suggestion when I spoke to you on the long distance telephone this afternoon, I am writing you this letter to invite you to address the Jewish Community of Pittsburgh at a mass meeting which can be held on any of the three following dates, whichever may suit your convenience and schedule:

WEDNESDAY EVENING, APRIL 18th.
THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 19th.
SUNDAY EVENING, APRIL 22nd.

We have reserved Carnegie Music Hall for any of these three dates that may be convenient for you.

You know, of course, that the Pittsburgh Zionist District and the Tri-State Zionist Region wholeheartedly support your Zionist policies and the American Zionist Policy Committee.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to give us a favorable reply. Please let me know as soon as possible which date you will be able to fill as we are calling a meeting of leaders of all of the Jewish Organizations in the City of Pittsburgh for the purpose of making plans for this mass meeting. The purpose of the mass meeting is to enlist public support and create favorable public opinion for Jewish representation at the San Francisco Conference.

Yours in the cause of Zion,

Samuel Goldstock
SAMUEL GOLDSTOCK, President
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ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Fellow Zionists:

The next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee will be held at the New York office of the ZOA, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City on Tuesday evening, May 8th at 8:00 P.M. Please enter this date on your calendar.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

Saul S. Spiro

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April 12, 1945

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you very kindly for your letter of March 26th and for sending me another copy of "Public Opinion On The Zionist Controversy". Apparently I was misinformed in connection with our resolution appearing therein. I was, therefore, very happy to notice that it was there. However, I want to make a correction. In the booklet it is stated that we have a membership of fifty, while our membership is over 150 at this time.

Incidentally, our district, which is considered the most active and militant Zionist District in this section of the country, is seriously considering sending a delegation to San Francisco on April 25th, to join with other organizations there for the purpose of making a demonstration in connection with the Palestine situation. The subject is still in the stage of discussion, but will probably take definite form at the next meeting of our Board, which will be tomorrow night.

May I ask you for your views on the subject. It is needless for me to tell you that anything you may say on the subject will be given very serious consideration.

May I also ask you whether you plan to be in San Francisco during the Conference, for if you do plan to be in this part of the country, we would like to plan some sort of function for the cause of Zion and utilize your presence here. As the time is very short and our members are restlessly aching for action, I would deeply appreciate an early reply, if convenient, by wire.

With kindest regards and all good wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,



BERNARD H. ARNOLD

BHA:BH

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Zionist Organization of America
1720 - 16th St. N. W.
Washington, D. C.

April 15, 1945

Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will find a clipping from the "Morning Freiheit" of Friday April 13, 45 announcing the "FREIHEIT ANNIVERSARY CONCERT" in Carnegie Hall. You will find it features Earl BROWDER and Max HELPMAN, director of the "Philharmonische Volks Choir" (- until recently known as the communist "FREIHEIT GEZANG FEREIN".)

It was suggested that I draw your attention to the fact, that Mr. HELPMAN, the official director of the communist workers' chorus happens to be also the director of your Zionist Youth music activities. It may sound unbelievable, but if you will take the trouble to investigate you will find it is actually true.

Enclosed you will find one of the letters our youngsters have been receiving from your Zionist Youth Organization. It reads: "... you will be glad to hear that our own Max Helfman will be in charge of all the music work.. "

I am told that he also will be in charge of music activities at the Zionist Youth Camp "Brandeis", - and I do not intend to permit my daughter to go there, if that should turn out to be true.

Is it compatible with the ideals and ethics of the Zionist Organization to entrust the education of our youth to persons of - at least - admittedly anti-Zionist convictions? If there can be found no other people to teach our children Zionist songs, - we parents must go out and find them for ourselves.

How can the Zionist Organization claim the official leader of communist choirs as "our own"? What a lack of integrity.

Is that our new friendship with Russia that makes such blunders. Where the education of our youth is at stake more precautions ought to be taken. - What an example do we put before our youngsters by entrusting them to a man who on Sundays will direct communist youth with the same zeal and "sincerity" as Zionist youngsters on Monday? Isn't it a shame?

Now that we have been reading so many announcements of this gentleman's activities in the "FREIHEIT" circles, we are only waiting for an announcement of his Zionist activities - perhaps in our own "New Palestine". The next step would be to have Mr. Helfman direct us in the singing of our "Hatikvah", rushing over from some communist gathering where he directed Soviet Anthems.

I personally feel very much disturbed about the matter, having urged several of my non-Zionist neighbors to let their daughters join these Zionist Youth activities. There has been so much excitement recently about all that, - I just had to put the matter before you, - before it all comes out into the open, which I should like to avoid.

Sincerely yours,

Miriam C.
on behalf of a group of mothers

JOSEPH W. GREENLEAF

312 HAWTHORNE TERRACE

MT. VERNON, N.Y.

April 18th, 1945.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
% The Temple
Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thanks very much for accepting our invitation to be guest speaker at the Westchester Region Conference to be held on the evening of Wednesday, May 23rd. This very gratifying and wonderful news was given to me this morning by Mr. Harry Shapiro, who advised me that he had already confirmed the above date with you.

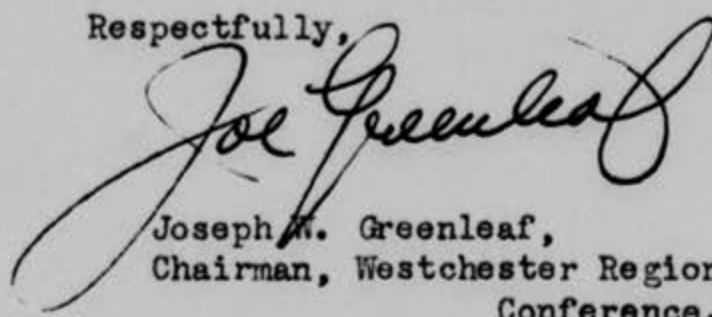
I have already told you over the long distance 'phone how important I think it is that you reach the people of Westchester County who, for the most part, have not had an opportunity to be properly informed in regard to the type of courageous leadership that you represent. The evening of May 23rd will be the ideal moment.

Needless to say, Dr. Silver, we expect to have a tremendous turnout; and I, as chairman of the conference, will see to it that very little time will be spent on the business of the conference on that particular evening, so that you may have at your disposal the greatest portion of the evening for the purpose of presenting your views.

We originally planned to have a dinner session on the night of the conference. However, since that might involve limiting the number of people who would want to attend, we may forego the public dinner and have you as our dinner guest together with a few Zionists who are more than sympathetic to the noble cause you are espousing.

If there are any suggestions that you wish to make, Dr. Silver, that you believe will be helpful to us, they will be most welcome and appreciated.

Respectfully,



Joseph W. Greenleaf,
Chairman, Westchester Region
Conference.

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Bernard H. Arnold
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April 23rd, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Ansel Road & East 105th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

You cannot appreciate how delighted I am that you accepted the speaking engagement for the Flatbush Zionist Organization at the East Midwood Jewish Center, Brooklyn, N. Y. on Wednesday evening, June 6th, 1945.

Tonight we are having a special meeting of a few of the active workers of our district and what a relief and what a pleasure it will be for me to be able to announce that you are going to be with us on the above mentioned date.

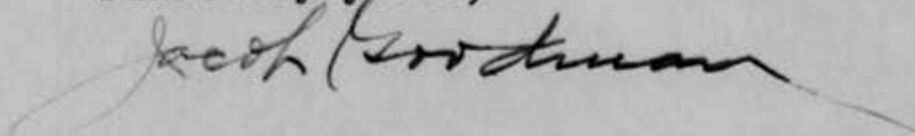
To prove to you what effect it had on me, I want to tell you that I immediately called Harry Shapiro and advised him that in honor of your acceptance to speak at our district, I am pledging personally an additional \$500 to the Committee.

While we have lots of time yet to make arrangements, I want to at this point advance a suggestion which I am sure will come up at our Executive Board meeting. A number of our active workers would like to have dinner with you just prior to the meeting and it can be arranged right at the Center. We can start dinner between 6:30 and 7 PM and still have ample time to adjourn to the meeting hall at about 8:30 PM.

If you can fit this suggestion into your program for that evening, I am sure it will be received with a great deal of enthusiasm.

With many thanks and with kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



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=EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE LI ZIONEST REGION CORDIALLY EXTENDS

YOU INVITATION BE GUEST SPEAKER AT DINNER SESSION 11

ANNUAL REGION CONVENTION SUNDAY JUNE 24TH IN JAMAICA.

. WE ASSURE YOU OUR CONTINUED SUPPORT IN EVERY MANNER.

WOULD APPRECIATE IMMEDIATELY REPLY

=SAM J PERRY PRESIDENT LI ZIONEST REGION 16318

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OSCAR LEONARD
Secretary

April 26, 1945

Dear Colleague:

We call upon you to participate with us and with outstanding rabbis from every part of America in a dignified and direct rabbinical Appeal to the Conscience of America on the subject of Palestine.

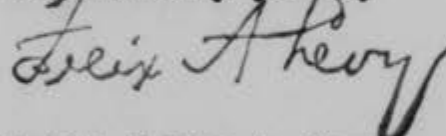
The enclosed statement will be given widespread publicity at this crucial moment when the leaders of the nations are gathered in San Francisco to lay the foundations of a better world.

Will you be one of the signers?

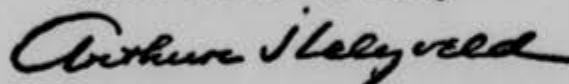
Place your signature on one of the copies of the statement enclosed in this letter and send it back to us without delay in the enclosed business reply envelope.

It is imperative that you act at once so that this appeal will have maximum effectiveness.

Fraternally yours,



Rabbi Felix A. Levy



Rabbi Arthur J. Lelyveld

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April 26th, 1945

To All Members of the
ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Friends:

Due to pressing matters, Dr. Goldstein will remain in San Francisco longer than he originally intended.

In order to provide members with an opportunity to listen to his report on the United Nations Conference, the next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee has been postponed from May 8th to Sunday, May 13th, and will be held in the New York offices of the ZOA, 41 East 42nd Street.

The May 13th session will begin at 5 P.M.; will adjourn at 7 P.M. for dinner and deliberations will be resumed at 8:30 P.M. Will you please enter this revised date on your calendar.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

With Zion's greetings,

Faithfully yours,

Saul S. Spiro

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C A L I F O R N I A



April 29, 1945

To All ZOA Regional and District Officers

Dear Friend:

This communication is written and mailed to you from the United Nations Conference Hall in San Francisco. I write these lines under the impact of the great and noble utterances that resound within the portals of this historic meeting place and are relayed to the four corners of the world.

As I listen attentively to the pleas of representatives of great and small nations, my mind is crowded with conversations I have had with many of these statesmen.

A mingled feeling of elation and distress filled my heart as I conferred with them. I felt heartened because of their earnest desire to lay the foundations of an enduring peace. But I am distressed because we Jews, who were the vanguard of the despoiled and massacred and who fought the enemy with passion are on this day of victory bypassed and not even given a name.

I shall have much to report to you on this historic conference and I shall try to share with you my impressions soon through the columns of our official publication The New Palestine.

In this, my first direct communication to you from San Francisco, I want to report on something that will remain outstanding in my mind. In speaking with the statesmen and delegates of great and small nations on Zionist aspirations and achievements, I was frequently confronted with the question: "How many American Jews are Zionists?" It is obvious that our foes, both within and outside our ranks, have been very busy in San Francisco. It is likewise obvious that an attempt is being made to persuade the key delegates that the Zionist program is opposed by a large segment of American Jewry.

I told them of the Palestine Resolution adopted by an overwhelming majority of delegates of the American Jewish Conference and of the hundreds of thousands of contributors to the Palestine funds. But, in the undertone of their reaction I sensed a search for a more direct gauge of Zionist adherence.

I would like to see this challenge met by us — by every region

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and district — through the enrollment of at least 50,000 new members before the end of the San Francisco Conference.

I intend to stay here another ten days. I appeal to you in all earnestness to wire me within the next few days your pledge to increase your membership by a substantial margin. Your telegrams should indicate a definite figure. This barrage of telegrams will be a demonstration of real substance.

Please act at once.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Israel Goldstein". The signature is fluid and extends to the right.

Israel Goldstein, President
Zionist Organization of America

IG:mc

P. S. Please address your telegrams to me in care of the
San Francisco Zionist Organization, Suite 310, Kress
Building, 935 Market Street, San Francisco, California.

Comparative Membership of large Districts
(over 400 members) as of April 30, 1945

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT

District and Region	Total Sept. 30, 1944	APRIL 30, 1945				Outstanding		1945 Quota
		N E W		Renewals	Total	Renewals	%	
		Memb.	Incr. %					
<u>Bronx</u>								
#13 West Bronx	574	145	25	454	599	120	21	1000
#25 Northern Bronx	442	89	20	265	354	177	40	1000
#39 University Hts.	556	128	23	427	555	129	23	1000
#61 Kingsbridge	386	208	54	331	539	55	14	1000
#64 Van Cortland	206	304	147	172	476	134	65	500
<u>Manhattan</u>								
#6 Yorkville	510	464	91	364	828	146	29	1500
#7 West Side	2922	805	28	1945	2746	977	34	4000
#30 Inwood	317	222	70	223	445	94	30	1000
<u>Brooklyn</u>								
#14 Eastern Pkway	2401	342	14	1344	1686	1057	44	5000
#17 Boro Park	565	61	14	373	454	192	34	650
#19 Bensonhurst	814	679	84	498	1177	316	39	1800
#23 Parkside	292	269	92	177	446	115	40	700
#29 Sea Gate	305	158	51	246	404	59	19	500
#32 Flatbush	2292	993	43	1557	2550	735	32	5000
#34 Manhattan Beach	494	72	15	286	358	208	42	700
#42 Ocean Pkway	598	896	149	456	1352	142	24	1500
#54 Prospect Park	262	262	100	138	400	124	47	600
#55 Stephen S. Wise	609	225	37	476	701	133	22	1500
<u>Long Island</u>								
Forest Hill	578	279	46	400	679	178	29	700
Hillcrest	273	261	96	229	490	44	16	550
Jamaica	377	320	85	313	633	64	17	750
Laurelton	478	105	22	199	304	279	59	550
Richmond Hill	459	80	17	383	463	76	17	500
Rockaway	745	180	24	538	718	207	28	900
<u>Westchester</u>								
Mount Vernon	439	172	39	357	529	82	19	600
<u>Western New York</u>								
Buffalo	1003	165	16	642	807	361	36	1000
Rochester	792	30	04	441	471	352	45	1000
Syracuse	827	11	01	326	337	501	61	1000
<u>New Jersey</u>								
Atlantic City	762	246	32	638	884	124	16	900
Bayonne	403	233	58	272	505	131	32	800
Jersey City	361	182	51	276	458	85	24	600
Greater Newark	665	568	86	411	979	254	38	1500
<u>Eastern Pa.</u>								
Scranton	641	74	12	575	649	66	10	750
Wilkes-Barre	449	133	29	386	519	63	14	750
<u>New England</u>								
Brookline-Brighton- Newton (Boston), Mass.)	1704	402	23	1396	1798	308	18	2500
Chelsea, Mass.	431	55	13	318	373	113	26	600

District and Region	Total Sept. 30, 1944	APRIL 30, 1945				Outstanding		1945 Quota
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<u>New England (contd.)</u>								
Matt-Dorch-Roxbury) (Boston), Mass.)	1321	321	24	667	988	654	50	2000
Worcester, Mass.	603	77	13	456	533	147	24	750
<u>Connecticut</u>								
Bridgeport	465	89	19	406	495	59	13	750
Hartford	1179	181	15	871	1052	308	26	1500
New Haven	444	644	145	344	988	100	23	1100
<u>Rhode Island</u>								
Providence	801	262	33	582	844	219	27	2000
<u>Tri-State</u>								
Akron, Ohio	415	8	02	148	156	267	64	500
Youngstown, Ohio	533	29	05	337	366	196	37	650
Pittsburgh, Pa.	4132	464	11	2328	2792	1804	44	5000
<u>Ohio Valley</u>								
Indianapolis, Ind.	609	241	40	330	571	279	46	1100
Cincinnati, Ohio	398	76	19	262	338	136	34	1250
Columbus, Ohio	844	172	21	699	871	145	17	1100
<u>Upper Mich. & Ohio</u>								
Detroit, Mich.	2257	292	13	1042	1334	1215	52	4000
Cleveland District, O.	860	26	03	457	483	403	47	1500
Cleveland Society, O.	1585	69	04	1140	1209	445	28	2000
Cleveland Heights) Temple, Ohio)	640	122	19	102	224	538	84	1000
Toledo, Ohio	522	54	10	362	416	160	31	750
<u>Southeast</u>								
Birmingham, Ala.	778	49	06	824	873			1000
Miami Beach, Fla.	660	449	38	377	826	283	43	1000
Atlanta, Ga.	939	123	13	647	770	292	31	1200
Savannah, Ga.	439	29	07	297	326	142	32	500
Memphis, Tenn.	507	387	77	448	835	59	12	1000
Nashville, Tenn.	514	95	18	388	483	126	25	600
<u>Southwest</u>								
Houston, Texas	659	251	38	427	678	232	35	1500
San Antonio, Texas	599	62	10	338	400	261	44	1000
<u>West Coast</u>								
Los Angeles, Cal.	1732	362	21	1360	1722	372	22	3000
San Francisco, Cal.	994	234	24	594	828	400	40	1500
Denver, Colo.	433	117	27	266	383	167	39	750
<u>Mid-West</u>								
Des Moines, Ia.	435	13	03	175	188	260	60	600
Minneapolis, Minn.	1107	53	05	578	631	529	58	2000
St. Paul, Minn.	764	27	04	531	558	233	31	1250
Kansas City, Mo.	616	70	11	409	479	207	34	1000
St. Louis, Mo.	1762	167	10	1167	1334	595	33	2500
Omaha, Nebr.	569	122	21	375	497	194	34	750
Milwaukee, Wis.	1359	668	49	833	1501	526	39	2000
Philadelphia, Pa.	7418	1181	16	4542	5723	2876	39	10,000
Chicago, Ill.	3573	900	25	2557	3457	1016	28	7500

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3 COULD YOU BE WITH US ANY TIME DURING THAT WEEK DISREGARD
TELEGRAM OF YESTERDAY PLEASE ADVISE=
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BALTIMORE ZIONIST DISTRICT PRESSING ME TO URGE YOU TO
RECONSIDER YOUR DECISION ABOUT SPEAKING AT OUR INITIATION
MEETING OF NEW MEMBERS TO BE HELD AT YOUR CONVENIENCE ANY
EVENING OF WEEK OF MAY TWENTIETH STOP OUR MEMBERSHIP NOW
TWENTY THREE HUNDRED STOP YOUR PRESENCE HERE WOULD BE OF
REAL HELP TO ME IN OBTAINING SUPPORT FOR AMERICAN ZIONIST
POLICY COMMITTEE STOP=

:SAMUEL J KEISER.

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RABBI ABBA HILLEL SILVER=

THE TEMPLE EAST 105 ST CLEVE= *for all*

WILL YOU PLEASE MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO ADDRESS A MASS
MEETING OF OUR REGION SOME TIME BETWEEN MAY 15 AND JUNE
15 WE ARE VERY ANXIOUS TO HEAR YOU=

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May 7, 1945

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I had every intention of talking to you on Friday about the invitation I had extended to you to speak at our Annual Convention in Jamaica on Sunday evening, June 24th. However, our meeting started late and I had to get away before it was finished.

I know how little time you have to spare. I know of the demands made on you throughout the country. That is why we have swallowed our disappointment year after year. Nevertheless, I must press for your acceptance of our invitation because our Region is a key one this year.

We are planning many moves in behalf of our ideas and they revolve around your acceptance of our invitation. After all, I can't invite certain other leaders. I have gone too far in one direction to do that. You can't let me down now.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours

Sam J. Perry
President

SJP:bbg



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To All Members of the
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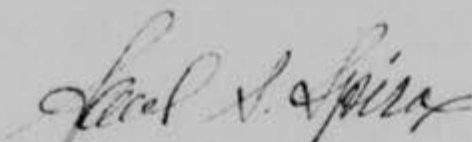
Dear Friends:

Due to the fact that this Sunday has been proclaimed by the President of the United States as a day of Prayer and Thanksgiving, the meeting of the National Z.O.A. Executive originally scheduled for that day has been postponed for the next day and will accordingly take place on Monday, May 14th, 7:30 P.M. at the ZOA office, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City.

This change has been made at the urgent request of many out-of-town members of the Executive.

Looking forward to seeing you on Monday, I remain, with kind regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,


Saul S. Spiro

SSS:brl

Meeting date: Monday, May 14, 7:30 PM
Place: ZOA office, 41 East 42nd Street, NYC.



May 9, 1945

Mr. Benjamin Berger
400 Pence Building
Minneapolis 3, Minn.

My dear Mr. Berger:

Thank you for your kind telegram and your previous letter. I have delayed answering both because of my uncertain schedule and the necessity of clearing certain dates. I greatly appreciate your invitation to address a meeting in Minneapolis. The only date that I can give you is Wednesday evening, June 13th. Would that be a convenient date for you?

It will not be possible for me to attend a luncheon that same day because I do not believe I will arrive in time for it, but I shall be pleased to meet with the board for dinner that same day.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Most cordially yours,

AHS:erb

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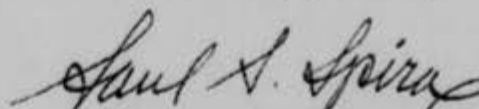
I am enclosing herewith the comparative membership statement for your district for the period ending April 30, 1945.

The progress recorded in your membership chart is a source of deep gratification. It reflects the vigorous and determined effort of yourself and of the associate officers and members of your district to mobilize maximum strength for our cause.

You will be glad to learn that our president, Dr. Israel Goldstein, has received many responses to his plea addressed to American Zionists direct from San Francisco, for the enrollment of 50,000 new members before the end of the United Nations Conference. We are confident that your district will contribute its share toward this goal.

With kind regards and Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,


Saul S. Spiro

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May 11, 1945

Rabbi Abba Silver
Temple, East 105th St.
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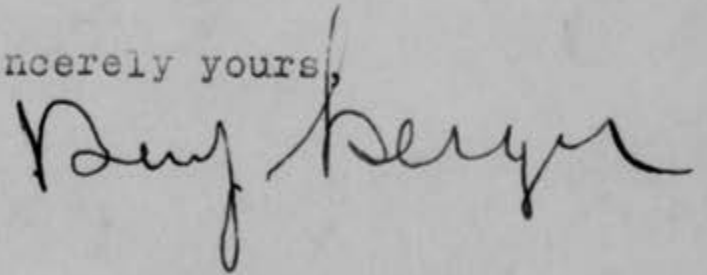
Thank you for your letter of May 9th in which you confirm the date of Wednesday, June 13th. That date is fine, and I am immediately making plans for that affair.

I will have both the Minneapolis and St. Paul Board of Directors plus a few friends for a Dinner meeting at 6:30 at the Nicollet Hotel on the evening of June 13th, and will plan the mass meeting for 8:30.

I am making hotel reservations for you at the Nicollet Hotel in Minneapolis for that date, and would appreciate your advising me the time of your arrival.

Again thanking you for your agreeing to come to Minneapolis, and with kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



B. Berger:c

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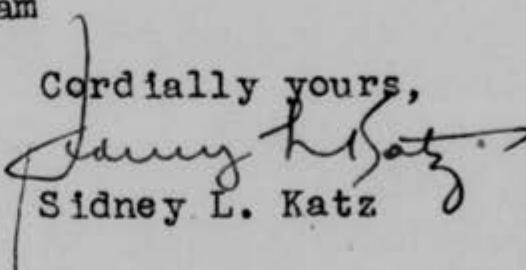
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I have been appointed program chairman of our local Zionist Organization for 1945-46. Our past president, Mr. Fred Yenkin, has turned over to me your letter of March 27, 1945. I should appreciate learning if we may have the pleasure of your appearance before our Organization this Fall. If at this time, you wish to set a date for this meeting, please write to me at 773 S. Cassingham Rd. Bexley, 9 Ohio.

With kindest regards, I am

Cordially yours,


Sidney L. Katz

SLK/k

Address by:
HON. NATHANIEL L. GOLDSTEIN
Attorney General - New York

Before the Albany Zionist
District at the Shaker Ridge
Country Club, May 21st, 1945,
at Albany

On all of the battlefields of Europe, the roar of the cannon has been stilled. The madmen have died or vanished in the nowhere, but their names will, forever, carry with them a long and lasting burden of agony and misery.

Democracy now sights its guns toward the Eastern fiend. The other half of the Fascist terror will soon be vanquished and with it will come the opening of the floodgates for the World of Tomorrow.

The barbaric atrocities of the past ten years illustrate what can happen to the human being when he fails to answer Cain's question "Am I my brother's keeper?" - what has happened and can happen are portrayed by the spectres who stalk the highways and byways of the world today. If a humane civilization is to survive, based on the rights of man and the sacredness of the individual, the world must be concerned with man's treatment of man everywhere.

Palestine has ceased to be a Jewish problem. It lives as part of a world problem, for peace is indivisible and can only be preserved on a global plan. When I speak of Zionism, I speak of a free and democratic Jewish Commonwealth for Palestine, and when I speak of Palestine, there are three important questions which arise in the minds of those who are not Zionists- First: Is Zionism consistent with Americanism; Second: What are the legal and moral rights of the Jews to Palestine and Thirdly: Is there any other solution for the Jewish Refugee Problem of Europe.

Is Zionism consistent with true Americanism. Not only is there no possible conflict, answers the late Mr. Justice Brandeis, but there is a positive synthesis: "To be good Americans" he maintains, "we must be better Jews, and to be better Jews, we must become Zionists".. Far from it being inconsistent with Americanism "loyalty to America demands rather than each American Jew become a Zionist". "Multiple loyalties are objectionable only if they are inconsistent".

America is full of nationalities which accept their new American citizenship, yet look to some centre in the old world as the source and inspiration of their national culture and traditions. No one impugns the patriotism and the loyalty of the Belgian, the Italian, the Greek and the Pole, on account of their national origin or because of their desire to help the land of their forbears.

What are the legal and moral rights of the Jews to Palestine. Notable and crystal clear is the fact that the claim of the Jewish people to Palestine is based on those very principles of law and morality for which free democracy now fights. Not only does history furnish us with the facts on which the moral claim rests, but civilized nations have solemnly and formally recognized the legality of such claim. For two thousand years Palestine was a Jewish land. There the Jews lived and toiled, struggled and died, and gave to civilization its exalted moral and ethical concept. Palestine was more than a Jewish State. It was the core of the Jewish religious framework. There lie the greatest episodes with which Jewish history is identified. When the Jews were forcibly exiled, Palestine assumed a greater importance to them. The Jews furnish the only instance in history of a disfranchised people neither losing its identity nor relinquishing claim to its homeland. Toward the end of the First World War came the first ray of light. Legal recognition of the right of the Jews to Palestine was given by the world.

The Allies recognized that the Jews had a national character. The first great manifestation of such recognition was the historic Balfour Declaration of November 1917, which declared:

"His Majesty's Government view with favour the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people, and will use their best endeavors to facilitate the achievement of that object,"

Then came the Mandate for Palestine, which affirmed with legal finality the right of the Jewish people to Palestine. It stated with respect to the Balfour Declaration that:

"Recognition has hereby been given to the historical connection of the Jewish people with Palestine and to the grounds for reconstituting their national home in that country."

This mandate of the League of Nations, representing the will of upwards of fifty powers conferred the mandate for Palestine on England. It became the trustee for the establishment of the Jewish National Home. The intention was clear. At the peace Conference President Wilson stated:

"The Allied Nations with the fullest concurrence of our own Government and the people are agreed that in Palestine shall be laid the foundation of the Jewish Commonwealth."

The United States Congress, by resolution adopted in 1922, gave force to the attitude of the American people as to Palestine, when it called for "the establishment in Palestine of a national home for the Jewish people." Thereafter the Anglo-American convention of 1925 made British action in Palestine subject to the approval of the United States.

A quarter of a century has passed. In these twenty-five years, based upon the representations of the Great Powers of the world, the land has been rebuilt and a people has been reborn. Acting on the promise of the Balfour Declaration, the Jews brought over half a million people into Palestine. They founded 300 agricultural colonies, invested over \$600,000,000, built 2000 industries and more than 5000 handicraft establishments. The dead soil has been revitalized - out of the dirt,

neglect and stagnancy, there has arisen a new life, molded by the sweat, blood and tears of these pioneers. Side by side with its agricultural rebirth, Palestine has progressed industrially and in this great world war had already proven itself as the military arsenal for democracy. The waters of the Jordan have been harnessed and electrified; great chemical plants draw minerals from the Dead Sea - life has been breathed into the dead.

What will the world do with the European Jew for whom exile is enforced; who cannot return to his old habitat, and who cannot find refuge in any other free country in the universe. Unless civilization has so reverted to the Nazi and Fascist role, as to wish the destruction of these homeless Jews, it must encourage the proved medium to solve the problem - Palestine.

James G. McDonald, Chairman of President Roosevelt's Advisory Committee on Political Refugees and former League of Nations High Commissioner for German Refugees, sums it all up when he says "On the record Palestine offers incontestably the primary hope for the solution of the problem of Jewish refugees. The conclusion which emerges inescapably from a realistic resume of twenty-five years of intergovernmental dealings with refugees and from a realistic appraisal of the world situation is that in Palestine and only there can the mass of Jewish refugees hope to be welcome and to be assisted to integrate themselves into the life of the community. Only in Palestine will most of them feel that they have returned home."

Deeply imbedded in every people is the desire for full development; the longing to contribute their share to history. Nationality like democracy has been one of the potent forces making for man's advance. A people to survive need an address; a symbol of sovereignty; a home; a flag and a coat of arms. Switzerland, Norway, Greece, Belgium, Holland, Ireland - we can call the roll - all have standing in the World of Today and of Tomorrow. Yes, let us clearly keep in mind that Zionism is not a

movement to remove all the Jews of the world to Palestine; it is not a movement to compel anyone to migrate there. It is a movement to enable the Jews to exercise the same right now exercised by practically every other people in the world -- to live at their option in the land of their fathers -- or in some other country. Zionism seeks to establish in Palestine, for such Jews as choose to go and remain there, and for their descendants, a legally secured home. Our Jewish Pilgrim Fathers have laid the foundation. It remains for you and for me, for the architects who are to draw the peace, to build the superstructure.

The Jewish people have too long been waiting in the ante-room of history. Just as frontiers all over the world will be moved, so must the Great Nations return to its own, those fertile coastlands of the Mediterranean, where forty centuries ago, the Jews built a nation dedicated to the worship of God and the practice of His moral laws.

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לכבוד הרב
אברהם הלל סילווער,

ניו-יורק.

א.מ.ג.

פזא אנו מחעוגים להודיע לכ' כי ועידתנו הדו-שנתית הי"ט, תחקיים פיום ז'
פיולי וכ' מוזמן להשתתף פה באופן ישיר.

לועידותינו מסוג זה נודעת חשיבות רפה פהיותן הכח הדוחף המתמיד לפעוליות
ציונית מוגפרת ולועידתנו זו חשיבות כפולה ומוכפלת מפאת השעה הגדולה שפה היא
חלה שעת הרח אקוות מזהירות לכל האנושיות וכיחוד לעמנו הסחוף והדוי, העורג וכמה
לגאולתו המלאה.

כ' יבין מעצמו, מה מאד היינו מרוצים מנוכחותו פועידתנו זו, דבר שיהיה פו
משום עידוד מרובה לקהל חברינו ואוהדינו המרופים פארץ זו, אבל אם מן הנמנע הוא
לכ' אסירי תודה נהיה לן, אם יואיל לשלוח לנו טלגרפית אח אשר יש לו להשמיענו
פשעה זו.

פכבוד רב ובכרכת ציון

יוסף לוצקי
סגן נשיא



ד"ר פנימין רינסקי
מזכיר ראשי

- May 28, 1945

Mr. Benjamin Berger, President
Berger Amusement Company
Minneapolis 3, Minn.

My dear Mr. Berger:

Dr. Silver will arrive in Minneapolis on June 13th at 3:45 P.M. I note that you have made hotel reservations for him at the Nicollet Hotel.

Dr. Silver is scheduled to be in Detroit, Michigan on June 14 where he will address the Central Methodist Church. I am under the impression that you were to make a reservation for him from Minneapolis to Detroit. Has this reservation already been made? And if not, will you kindly arrange for Dr. Silver's transportation leaving Minneapolis late June 13th?

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.

May 31, 1945

The Hon. Nathaniel L. Goldstein
Attorney General, State of New York
80 Centre Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Friend:

Let me thank you for your thoughtfulness
in sending me a copy of the address which you delivered
before the Albany Zionist District on May 21st. I read
it with keen interest and gratification.

We have not had an opportunity recently to sit
down and talk over many matters which are of interest to
us. I hope that fortune will favor us in the near future.

I send you all good wishes.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

June 1, 1945

Mr. Sidney L. Katz
773 S. Cassingham Rd.
Bexley, 9, Ohio

My dear Mr. Katz:

Thank you for your kind letter and for your invitation. I cannot at this writing undertake to commit myself to lectures next Fall. I do not know what my plans for next Fall will be. I would suggest that you write to me in September or October and if I am free I shall make an effort to be with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

CHARLES J. ROSENBLOOM
UNION TRUST BUILDING
PITTSBURGH, PA.

June 4, 1945

Dear Doctor Silver:

I have been asked by the Board of Directors of this Zionist Organization District to extend to you an invitation to come here on Sunday, July first, as its guest and speaker at a dinner. Part of the program will be the installation of new officers of the district, and the other part will be entirely in your hands. There seems to be a new spirit in the Zionist ranks, part of which is due to the present president, Samuel Goldstock. He will be succeeded by Alex Lowenthal who, I know, will do exceedingly well in that position, too.

It is needless for me to tell you that such an affair would be an enormous success not only because your presence would bring out the attendance at such a dinner but also because you would send the people away filled with new courage and hope.

Do you expect to attend the meeting of the Board of the Council in Detroit? It looks as if we were in for another fight on national budgeting.

I hope that it will be possible for you to be here on the first. However, if you do not find it possible, I have been asked to suggest your naming the date sometime in September.

My kindest regards to you.

As always,

Charles

Doctor Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

June 4, 1945

Mr. Arthur Levenson
41 E. 42nd St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Levenson:

I regret very much that I shall be unable to attend the Testimonial Dinner to the Honorable M. Maldwin Fertig on Sunday, June 10, It would have given me great pleasure indeed if I were free to attend this dinner. Unfortunately I am unable to leave Cleveland on that day.

I should very much like to join with Mr. Fertig's host of friends in this richly merited tribute to him, Please convey to Mr. Fertig my warmest felicitations. He has served and is serving our historic cause with rare ability and devotion.

By his leadership he has helped to make his community a strong Zionist center and he has given wise and intelligent guidance to our movement, wholehearted and unbiased. In these critical times our movement must lean very heavily upon men of the type of Mr. Fertig. More power to him.

Most cordially yours,

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June 11, 1945

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

My dear Charles:

I was very happy to hear from you. I trust that you and Mrs. Rosenbloom are well.

I should very much like to accept the invitation of the Zionist District of Pittsburgh to address their dinner meeting on July 1. However I am planning to leave the end of June, right after the annual meeting of the Central Conference of American Rabbis for a much needed rest. This has been a long, hard and rather trying year and I feel the need of a complete rest.

Whether I shall be able to come in September, it is too early to say. I would suggest that the officers write to me around that time.

I do not believe that I will be able to attend the meeting of the Council in Detroit. The reconstitution of the UJA ought to make it easier to defeat National Budgeting.

You are undoubtedly in touch with the situation with reference to the Zionist Emergency Council. There has been considerable activity and negotiations within the last week. The Mizrachi served an ultimatum on the Council to re-organize within two weeks. The Zionist regions of Westchester, Bronx and Manhattan all had their annual meetings within the last two weeks and all passed very strong resolutions demanding re-organization and my return to leadership. The Peace Committee of the ZOA has been conferring and has contacted some of our people. Perhaps a solution can be found. We are insisting on being given the active leadership of the Council and a working majority within the Council. The administration forces are pretty well shaken by their successive failures during the past six months on the political scent and by the mounting dissatisfaction of the

Mr. Rosenbloom

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June 11, 1945

of Zionists throughout the country.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

On Sunday evening, September 2nd, a state-wide Zionist and Hadassah meeting will be held in Oklahoma City following a Week-end Youth Institute. We shall have approximately 500 people for this meeting - the largest Jewish gathering ever to assemble in this state.

We would like very much to have you as our principal speaker on this occasion. We are fully aware of the fact that you are constantly being called upon, but never have we had one of the nation's leading Zionists as our guests. The ZOA apparently chooses to ignore us.

Please give our request every possible consideration. We shall be happy to make whatever financial arrangements you think proper.

During a long-distance conversation this morning with Harry Shapiro I discussed this matter with him and told him that I was writing you about it.

Looking forward to hearing from you, I am

Sincerely yours,

John Horwitz
John Horwitz, Chairman
Public Relations Committee
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Dear Dr. Silver:

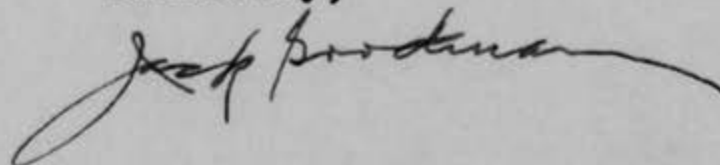
Please excuse delay in mailing you the attached check for \$75 from the Flatbush Zionist District to defray your expenses from Cleveland to New York for the meeting on June 6th, 1945.

I want to take this occasion on behalf of the officers and members of our District, as well as myself, to extend our deepest appreciation for your visit. The meeting is so much talked about, due to your appearance that I can't begin to describe to you how much prestige it added to our work in Flatbush. I sincerely hope that we will have the pleasure of having you with us once again at some future date.

In addition, Mrs. Goodman and I want to thank you heartily for having graced us with your visit at our home that evening, and if you enjoyed the evening a fraction as much as we did, a good time was had by all.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,



JG:RR
Encl.

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June 17th, 1945

To All Members of the
ZOA Executive Committee

Dear Friend:

The next meeting of the ZOA Executive Committee has been set tentatively for Sunday, June 24th, at 8:00 P. M. and will be held in the New York offices, 41 East 42nd Street, New York City.

The tentative date has been set due to contingencies which may arise necessitating a change in plans. If conditions require that the meeting be postponed you will be notified immediately. In the absence of any further communication the date set is definite.

Will you be good enough to fill out and return the enclosed card indicating whether you plan to be present at this meeting.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple, East 105th Street
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

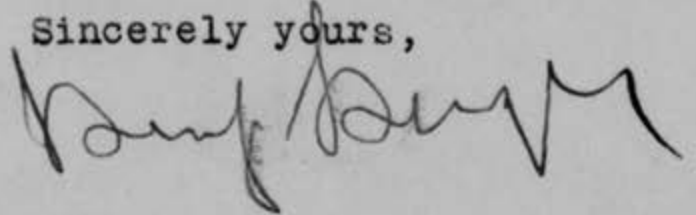
I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my deep appreciation and gratitude to you for having appeared in Minneapolis last week.

Your speech is still the talk of the town. I have received nothing but praise, and the only criticism was that you did not speak longer. That is the finest compliment that a speaker could receive.

Your talk imbued most of the listeners with Zionism, and made this community more Zionist-ically inclined.

Again thanking you for your coming to Minneapolis, and with kindest regards, I remain,

Sincerely yours,



B. Berger:c

June 18, 1945

Mr. John Horwitz, Chairman
Public Relations Committee
ZOA & Had. Coordinating Committee
2724 W. 15th St.
Oklahoma City, Okla.

My dear Mr. Horwitz:

I wish I could come to you for your meeting on September 2. It would give me great pleasure indeed. Unfortunately I shall be unable to get away from Cleveland at that time. It is the week before the High Holy Days and there are many congregational duties which will require my presence here.

I wish your Conference and your Youth Institute every success. Some day when fortune favors me, I should like to make a tour of the Southwest and also visit your community. This has not been possible during the last few years.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

June 19, 1945

Mr. Jack Goodman
H. Goodman & Sons
200 Varick Street
New York 14, N.Y.

My dear Jack:

Thank you so much for your kind note and for
the check which you enclosed for my traveling expenses.

I need not tell you that I enjoyed my meeting
in Flatbush greatly, more especially the enjoyable
time which I had in your home in the company of your
charming wife and your friends. I hope that I may have
the pleasure of seeing you in the near future.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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June 22, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland 6, Ohio.

Dear Abba:

I am still hearing echoes of your address before the convention of Methodist Ministers in Detroit. I am glad you were able to find the time to speak before this strategically important group. You may think it is but another lecture engagement, but I know that your appearances in Detroit exert a lasting influence.

The day after my conversation with you, I contacted the local leaders of the Labor Zionist group. They promised me that they would try to get their local group to take the initiative to bring pressure upon the national group to demand your return to active leadership. Since then has come the news of Chaim Greenberg's resignation. The local Labor group is pleased with that, especially because they regard it as presenting a further argument for your return. They never believed that Chaim Greenberg was suited for active political work.

I have also begun the conversations with local Hadassah leaders. I have spoken to Dora Ehrlich. She is a great friend and admirer of yours, but she is now a very tired woman and evades any job which would involve push and energy. However, a letter from you or from a mutual woman friend might be helpful. I am continuing my efforts with the local Hadassah, and I am contacting purely local leaders who have not Dora Ehrlich's national fame but who may be able to influence the local group to bring pressure on the national group. This takes a little time, as the local Hadassah group is accustomed to take the national directives blindly.

You will be interested in my conversation with Israel Goldstein, when he was here to speak at the Honor Roll rally of Hadassah -- a meeting called to celebrate our local group's raising of \$42000.00 for various Hadassah interests. He asked me boldly why I had become such an active champion of the Silver cause. He was nonplussed when I told him that it was simply because I was interested in the political work of the Zionist Organization, had seen the tremendous burst of energy and successful activity the moment Silver took the reins, and had seen a collapse of all purposeful activity and a state of general confusion the moment Silver resigned. He then confessed to me that he had gotten similar answers from many Zionist leaders throughout the country, and he was impressed with the need of healing the breach and re-establishing unity in the political work. I then told him he must

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver.

hurry up; that time was of the essence in the matter. He not only promised me personally that he would hurry but he made a public statement to that effect at his luncheon meeting with our Zionist Executive Board.

I conclude that Goldstein is definitely impressed with the determination of Zionist leaders that Silver leadership shall be restored. Confidentially, he professes that he had been neutral in this matter all along, and that he is now responding to the pressure of objective facts.

I am now looking for a speedy consummation of our project of your return to genuine leadership. If there is anything further I can do, please call on me at any time. If there should be a meeting of the Peace Committee, I shall be glad, now that I am enjoying summer leisure, to go to New York or anywhere else for the meeting.

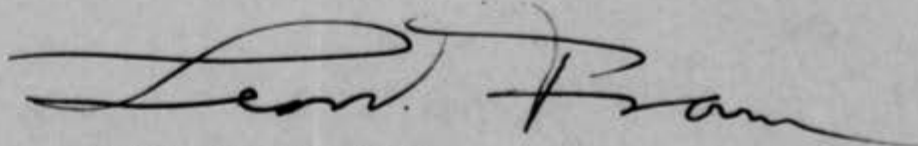
I want to remind you of my conversation with you, before the others came up, about the desire of our Building Fund Committee that you address the dinner at which we shall make our final effort to complete our half a million dollar fund for the building of our Temple. You asked me to remind you late in the summer or early in the fall and to give you alternative dates. I thought I would do this now and remind you again later.

One feasible date would be Wednesday night, September 19. This is between Yom Kippur and Sukkot. Similarly suitable would be Thursday, September 20. The following week would also be satisfactory to us, say, Monday, September 24; Tuesday, September 25; Wednesday, September 26; or Thursday, September 27. Also suitable would be week-day evenings of the following week, namely, Monday, October 1; Tuesday, October 2; Wednesday, October 3; or Thursday, October 4. I hope that from this wide choice of exclusively week-day dates you will be able to designate one ~~one~~ night when you can come to us and deliver the final word that will build my Temple.

Please convey my greetings to Mrs. Silver and to both your sons whom I have had the pleasure of meeting at our inter-city Temple High School debates.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,



RABBI LEON FRAM

LF:lh

June 25, 1945

Mr. Benjamin Berger
Berger Amusement Company
400 Pence Building
Minneapolis 3, Minn.

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your kind letter.
I enjoyed my visit to Minneapolis tremendously,
more especially the pleasure which I had in spending
some time in the company of yourself and your charming
wife. I hope that I may have the pleasure of seeing
you in the near future again. Please convey my
warmest greetings to our friends in Minneapolis.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of a letter which I have sent to Mr. A. M. Luntz, the National Vice Chairman for the Expansion Fund, representing the Cleveland Zionist Society. I know that a word from you to Mr. Luntz will prove highly effective.

Your cooperation in these respects would be appreciated.

Accept my kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Sidney Marks

SM:dh
encl.

DR. SIDNEY MARKS
Director

June 27, 1945

Mr. A. M. Luntz
2821 Drummond Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Luntz:

We have not received any part of your quota with reference to the ZDA National Expansion Fund program. It is a distressing situation and I am writing to you as National Vice Chairman for the Cleveland Zionist Society in order to ascertain the reason why these monies or any part of them have not been remitted.

I am charged, by the organization, with the duty of adequately financing this program of activity. I am faced with the problem of deficit operation unless the Zionist communities respond equitably to their obligations which they imposed upon themselves through the Atlantic City Convention.

The minimum quota of your District is in the sum of \$5547. Can I be of any help or assistance to you with reference to its collection? The summer months are upon us and it will become increasingly difficult to undertake a campaign of this nature.

I would appreciate your immediate courtesy in undertaking this effort, and relieving the difficult situation in which your organization is finding itself.

Please let me hear from you.

Accept my kindest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Sidney Marks

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The hour calls for the marshalling of all Zionist forces to realize our historic ideal. I pray that the deliberations of your conference will be successful in every regard.

Abba Hillel Silver

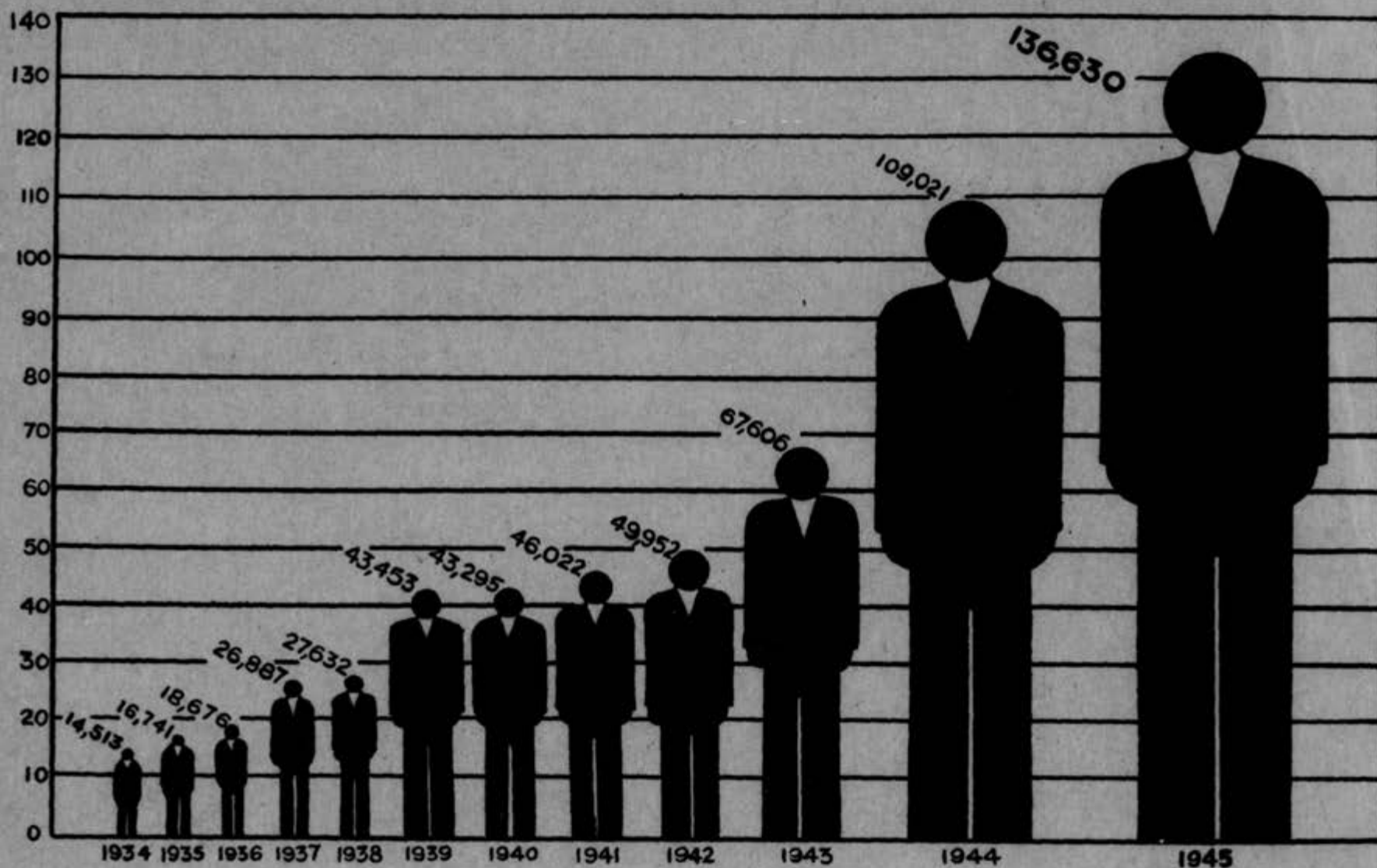
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Life Members (old and new)	1,731
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The year ahead will bring ever increasing responsibilities to American Zionists. These tasks will tax our energies, ingenuity and resources. The Yishuv needs our strength and support in these trying times. It is therefore with a will to succeed that we pledge them our determination to continue to labor arduously on their behalf and to enroll 200,000 organized workers for Zion into our ranks during the current year.

We cannot fail!

Respectfully submitted,

DR. SYDNEY MARKS,
Executive Director.

SUMMARY OF ZIONIST MEMBERSHIP BY STATES

1942 - 1945					
STATE	JEWISH POPULATION (1937 census)	1942	1943	1944	1945
Alabama	12,148	508	669	970	1185
Arizona	1,847	71	88	183	241
Arkansas	6,510	2	26	101	151
California	157,471	982	1685	3477	4346
Colorado	21,375	59	176	440	440
Connecticut	93,080	2039	2613	4129	5186
Delaware	6,587	183	228	326	352
District of Columbia	18,350	961	924	1288	1373
Florida	21,276	328	759	1400	2107
Georgia	23,781	823	896	1505	1528
Idaho	1,138				1
Illinois	387,330	2868	3021	4277	5908
Indiana	28,155	950	1303	1723	1791
Iowa	14,089	587	659	944	1159
Kansas	8,287			89	102
Kentucky	17,894	201	201	326	291
Louisiana	14,942	251	443	626	753
Maine	9,000	311	427	575	693
Maryland	76,124	797	892	1216	2026
Massachusetts	262,945	4151	4989	7788	9314
Michigan	105,201	1340	2274	3049	3294
Minnesota	41,728	524	777	2143	1892
Mississippi	4,603	25	17	57	41
Missouri	86,572	1509	1868	2556	3009
Montana	1,729				1
Nebraska	14,579	187	323	647	671
Nevada	379			2	12
New Hampshire	3,328	227	193	364	347
New Jersey	267,970	2074	2630	4124	7031
New Mexico	1,179	3	5	41	76
New York	2,206,328	12369	16763	32357	43,605
N. Carolina	7,333	263	321	496	570
N. Dakota	2,744	26	8	77	75
Ohio	183,570	2946	3985	6798	6505
Oklahoma	7,371	65	319	334	387
Oregon	11,649	82	283	270	300
Pennsylvania	434,616	7497	11320	16482	16,943
Rhode Island	27,813	698	854	1183	1412
S. Carolina	5,905	71	485	570	523
S. Dakota	1,963	22	24	65	71
Tennessee	25,811	997	1202	1389	1911
Texas	49,196	1086	1569	2839	3666
Utah	3,166		4	2	91
Vermont	2,000	62	96	158	165
Virginia	25,066	402	389	1003	1194
Washington	18,422	83	146	360	442
W. Virginia	7,213	418	538	780	706
Wisconsin	39,917	903	1213	1889	2680
Wyoming	967	1	1		6
Foreign Membership				3	2
Misc. Army					38
GRAND TOTAL	4,770,647	49,952	67,606	111,421	136,630

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SUMMARY OF COMPARATIVE MEMBERSHIP REPORTS BY REGIONS

REGION	(1943-44)	NEW	(1944-45)		LIFE	TOTAL
	SEPT. 30, 1944		SEPTEMBER 30, 1945	SERVICEMEN		
Bronx	3606 ✓	2378	2825	76	27	5306
Manhattan	5660 ✓	3221	3968	202	151	7572
Brooklyn	10420 ✓	6839	7634	216	204	14893
Long Island	5490 ✓	2660	4294	180	46	7180
Westchester	1657 ✓	441	1293	50	54	1838
Western New York	3306	598	2523	162	26	3309
Empire State	2218	1595	1784	100	28	3507
Seaboard	4348	1897	3429	162	45	5533
Eastern Pennsylvania	2821	927	2370	105	16	3418
New England	8885	2983	6867	515	154	10519
Rhode Island	1183	361	967	57	27	1412
Connecticut	4129	1558	3385	212	31	5186
Southeastern	6223	2042	5067	419	130	7658
New Jersey	3920	3694	3093	194	50	7031
Tri-State	8002	1268	5425	967	45	7705
Northern Ohio and Michigan	6272	1194	4565	230	75	6064
Ohio Valley	3944	931	2979	218	106	4234
Midwest	9705	2931	7697	411	131	11170
West Coast	4734	2271	3487	93	34	5885
Southwestern	3698	1496	3029	151	96	4772
Unaffiliated Districts:						
Philadelphia	7420	1542	5516	146	148	7342
Chicago	3573	2138	2814	43	61	5056
Misc. Army		38				38
Foreign Membership	1	1	1			2
GRAND TOTALS	111,421	45,004	85,000	4895	1731	136,630

BRONX REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Bronx</u>						
Miscellaneous	20	4				4
District #9	205	88	147	15		250
District #11	187	146	151	6		203
District #12	350	83	273	2	3	361
District #13	574	176	449	17	5	647
District #16		120	5			125
District #21	161	42	169	1		202
District #25	442	90	293	4	2	389
District #39	556	178	448	11	7	644
District #40	172	63	134	1		198
District #43	147	60	109	17		186
District #60		31	19			50
District #61	386	215	327	2	4	548
District #62	91	173	79		1	253
District #63	60	298	26		1	325
District #64	206	341	177		1	519
District #65		22	8		2	32
District #66	4	3	3		1	7
District #67	45	26	15			41
District #68		42	2			44
District #69		177	1			178
TOTALS	3606	2378	2825	76	27	5306

MANHATTAN REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Manhattan</u>						
Undistributed	179	28	45	99	14	186
Downtown	8				4	4
District #1	84	22	58	5		85
Districts #2 & #3	96	95	62	2	2	161
District #4	123	210	84	7		301
District #5	83	55	70		1	126
District #6	510	569	329	24	15	947
District #7	2922	1072	2094	36	136	3338
District #8	85	64	26			90
District #10	371	164	289	8	3	464
District #22	129	54	91	7	1	153
District #30	317	240	240	9		489
District #80	70	5	57	1		63
District #81	247	76	234	1		311
District #82	165	32	111			143
District #83	53	27	34			61
District #84	193	156	98	3	2	259
District #86		114	36		3	153
District #87		238				238
TOTALS	5660	3221	3968	202	151	7572

BROOKLYN REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Brooklyn</u>						
Miscellaneous	11	1	2		1	4
District #14	2401	638	1701	39	28	2406
District #15	365	123	294		5	422
District #17	565	102	382	33	2	519
District #18	37	28	29	2	3	62
District #19	814	968	592	21	20	1601
District #23	292	363	216	2	2	583
District #24	86	27	60	4	3	94
District #26	112	289	93	2	6	390
District #27	188	244	152	4	4	404
District #28	34	4	15		1	20
District #29	305	182	251	6		439
District #31	34	62	26			88
District #32	2292	1292	1619	76	94	3081
District #34	494	137	353	7	17	514
District #36	70	40	44			84
District #37	261	133	194	2		329
District #38	197	139	170	1	1	311
District #42	598	1030	514	5		1549
District #54	262	314	187	1	5	507
District #55	609	317	504	6	11	838
District #56	201	254	157	3	1	415
District #57	22	71	19			90
District #58	42	20	16	2		38
District #59	69	30	28			58
District #90	47	4	15			19
District #91		27	1			28
TOTALS	10,420	6839	7634	216	204	14,893

LONG ISLAND REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

FINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>		<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			<u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>		
<u>Long Island</u>						
Astoria	179	33	121	13	1	168
Arverne	4	1	3			4
Baldwin		9	26			35
Bay Shore	53	64	41			105
City Line (Ozone Park)	99	19	80			99
Ditmars	9		1			1
Farmingdale		8				8
Floral Park	15	8	14			22
Forest Hills	578	364	466	20	11	861
Franklin Square	50	4	41			45
Freeport-Roosevelt	128	17	52	3		72
Glen Cove	78	18	62	4		84
Great Neck	133	64	96	3	4	167
Hempstead	117	8	111	1	1	121
Hicksville	14	15	9			24
Hillcrest	273	392	226	4		622
Hillside-Hollis	6			1		1
Huntington	99	37	79	4		120
Jackson Heights	124	39	80	6		125
Jamaica	377	353	327	16	6	702
Kew Gardens	76	29	55	5	2	91
Kew Gardens Hills	45	62	33	1		96
Laurelton	478	157	331	2	2	492
Lindenhurst		12				12
Long Beach	239	35	201	7	2	245
Long Island Zion. Soc.	24	4	11		2	17
Lynbrook	78	31	61	3	1	96
Maspeth	24	22	21	4		47
Merrick		28	19			47
Middle Village	10	19	9			28
Mineola	53	22	39			61
North Shore-Flushing	223	115	163	12	3	293
Patchogue	115	9	88	14		111
Queens Village	87	40	60	7		107
Rego Park Forest	47	40	42			82
Richmond Hill	459	90	393	17	1	501
Riverhead	39		23			23
Rockaway	745	265	553	25	9	852
Rockaway Park	151	101	125			226
Rockville Center	177	24	158	4	1	187
Sunnyside	84	64	73	4		141
Valley Stream		38	1			39
TOTALS	5490	2660	4294	180	46	7180

WESTCHESTER REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Mount Vernon	439	190	371	9	12	582
New Rochelle	307	69	241	5	17	332
Ossining	81	6	59	4		69
Peekskill	131	36	72	17	1	126
Port Chester	286	49	233	7	14	303
White Plains	201	28	168	1	1	198
Yonkers	212	54	149	7	9	219
Tarrytown		9				9
TOTALS	1657	441	1293	50	54	1838

WESTERN NEW YORK REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Binghamton	16	106	11	1		118
Buffalo	1003	183	755	38	5	981
Elmira	153	5	126	1		132
Ithaca-Waverly	72	8	3	1		12
Massena	7	4	6	1	1	12
Niagara Falls	150	11	124	6		141
Rochester	792	72	614	44	13	743
Syracuse	827	132	647	63	7	849
Utica	286	33	235	5		273
Watertown		44	2	2		48
TOTALS	3306	598	2523	162	26	3309

WESTERN NEW YORK REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Binghamton	16	106	11	1		118
Buffalo	1003	183	755	38	5	981
Elmira	153	5	126	1		132
Ithaca-Waverly	72	8	3	1		12
Massena	7	4	6	1	1	12
Niagara Falls	150	11	124	6		141
Rochester	792	72	614	44	13	743
Syracuse	827	132	647	63	7	849
Utica	286	33	235	5		273
Watertown		44	2	2		48
TOTALS	3306	598	2523	162	26	3309

EMPIRE STATE REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Miscellaneous	19	133	1	14		148
Amsterdam	1	45	2			47
Albany	165	330	159	18	12	519
Beacon	79			3		3
Catskill	4	57	2	3		62
Ellenville	109	111	165			276
Glens Falls	52	35	28			63
Gloversville	88	19	39			58
Hudson	122	4	82	4	6	96
Kingston	164	6	130	12		148
Lake Placid	9	2	3			5
Liberty	50	106	40		1	147
Middletown	54	44	39			83
Monticello		50	55	1	1	107
Newburgh	265	39	233	19		291
Nyack	60	14	42			56
Port Jervis	36		20			20
Poughkeepsie	225	57	180	10		247
Suffern	50	31	68	5		104
Saratoga Springs	67	7	58	1		66
Schenectady	165	94	175	4	7	280
So. Fallsburg	210	44	40			84
Spring Valley		152	4			156
Troy	184	118	150	4	1	273
Woodridge		79	26	1		106
Mountaindale		18	43	1		62
TOTALS	2218	1595	1784	100	28	3507

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>		<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			<u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>		
<u>Delaware</u>						
Wilmington	326	66	284	2		352
<u>District of Columbia</u>						
Washington	1288	385	905	68	15	1373
<u>Maryland</u>						
Miscellaneous	2	1		1		2
Baltimore	1178	995	949	31	22	1997
Greenbelt		8				8
Hagerstown	36	1	17	1		19
<u>TOTAL</u>	1216	1005	966	33	22	2026
<u>North Carolina</u>						
Miscellaneous	4	3	3	2		8
Asheville	103	26	85	1	3	115
Charlotte	115	22	103	7		132
Durham	3	13	1			14
Fayetteville	51	26	41	2		69
Gastonia	30	8	25			33
Goldsboro	5	8	7			15
Greensboro	14	9	9			18
Kinston	19	3	14			17
Mimosa	27		25			25
Rockingham County	8		8			8
Weldon	3					
Wilmington	75	13	58	1		72
Winston-Salem	39	10	34			44
<u>TOTAL</u>	496	141	413	13	3	570
<u>Virginia</u>						
Miscellaneous	15	2	1	13		16
Charlottesville	11		1			1
Danville	31	9	29			38
Norfolk	467	148	408	23	1	580
Peninsula	191	68	163	1		232
Petersburg	43	3	41			44
Portsmouth	125	39	112	5	4	160
Richmond	88	15	70	2		87
Roanoke	7	2	4	2		8
Staunton	3		2			2
Suffolk	22	12	14			26
<u>TOTAL</u>	1003	298	845	46	5	1194
<u>West Virginia</u>						
Martinsburg	19	2	16			18
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	4348	1897	3429	162	45	5533

EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Allentown	184	68	140	5	3	216
Bethlehem	101	9	88	4		101
Bloomsburg	14	7	6			13
Carbondale	68	15	62			77
Chester	74	27	46		1	74
Coatesville	62	12	12			24
Easton	126	50	108			158
Frackville	23	4	22			26
Harrisburg	238	146	205	16		367
Hazleton	29	44	16			60
Lancaster	52	14	37	1		52
Lansford Jewish Cong.	14	2	10			12
Lebanon	66	13	66	1		80
Mahanoy	35	2	34			36
Mount Carmel	33	3	33			36
Norristown	26	32	22			54
Pottsville	208	12	170	41		223
Reading	249	59	203	3	11	276
Scranton	641	74	554	19	1	648
Shamokin	41	15	39			54
Shenandoah	58	14	57	1		72
Sunbury	15	3	13	1		17
Tamaqua	15		21			21
Wilkes-Barre	449	196	404	13		613
Pottstown		50	2			52
York		56				56
TOTALS	2821	927	2370	105	16	3418

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

DISTRICT	SEPT. 30, 1944	NEW	SEPTEMBER 30, 1945		LIFE	TOTAL
			RENEWALS	SERVICEMEN		
Maine						
Miscellaneous	7		5	4		9
Augusta	1					
Bangor	213	25	174	23	2	224
Biddeford	1	56	1			57
Lewiston-Auburn	109	23	107			130
Portland	214	66	168	5		239
Waterville	30	7	26	1		34
TOTAL	575	177	481	33	2	693
Massachusetts						
Miscellaneous	66		1	60	1	62
Athol-Gardner	24	2	21	2		25
Beverly	23	54	23			77
Boston Zion. Club	88	7	59	9	2	77
Brockton	278	39	204	10	11	264
B'kline-Brighton-Newton	1704	543	1388	69	59	2059
Chaim Weizmann	50	4	24	5		33
Chelsea	431	78	359	32	1	470
Everett	72	116	53	4		173
Fall River	155	132	136		9	277
Fitchburg-Leominster	119	30	61	32	17	140
Framingham	1					
Gloucester	13	57	11			68
Greenfield	75	32	58	3		93
Haverhill	56	145	52	4		201
Herzl District	36	28	18	12		58
Holyoke	179	10	142	19	1	172
Kadimah	2				1	1
Lawrence	184	55	146			201
Lowell	183	38	151	9		198
Lynn	224	72	196	3	5	276
Malden	310	68	255	25	1	349
Mattapan-Dorchester-						
Roxbury	1321	561	919	44	23	1547
Middlesex-Cambridge	156	45	134	9		188
New Bedford	237	82	193	21		296
Newburyport	32	12	22			34
North Adams	27	75	17	1	1	94
Northampton	36	32	28	2		62
Pittsfield	183		161	5		166
Plymouth	23		16			16
Quincy	110	38	1	2	6	47
Revere	53	83	3			86
Springfield	326	67	282	13	2	364
Taunton	120	11	91	10	3	115
Waltham	102	40	95			135
Webster-Southbridge	52	18	48			66
Winthrop	134	39	111	4	1	155
Worcester	603	102	510	53	4	669
TOTAL	7788	2715	5989	462	148	9314

NEW ENGLAND REGION (cont'd)

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<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>New Hampshire</u>						
Miscellaneous	1	1				1
Berlin	9	7	8			15
Claremont	61		23			23
Concord	33	1	27			28
Manchester	106	20	88	7	1	116
Nashua	37	7	32	1		40
Portsmouth	117	18	93	11	2	124
TOTAL	364	54	271	19	3	347
<u>Vermont</u>						
Burlington	82	18	57		1	76
Rutland	76	19	69	1		89
TOTAL	158	37	126	1	1	165
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	8885	2983	6867	515	154	10,519

RHODE ISLAND REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Newport	64	7	56	5		68
Pawtucket	169	2	146		2	150
Providence	801	320	643	42	22	1027
Westerley	14	4	11			15
Woonsocket	135	28	111	10	3	152
TOTAL	1183	361	967	57	27	1412

CONNECTICUT REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Miscellaneous	9	1	3	5		9
Bridgeport	465	114	394	30		538
Bristol	31	3	29			32
Colchester	188	5	86	2		93
Danbury	78	2	43	8	10	63
Hartford	1179	227	995	73	5	1300
Manchester	74	8	63	1	7	79
Meriden	123	8	102	7		117
Middletown	59	55	46	7		108
Naugatuck Valley	52	5	46			51
New Britain	218	63	183	5	4	255
New Haven	444	690	354	19	3	1066
New London	222	95	203	15	2	315
Norwalk	208	37	176	10		223
Norwich	252	65	229	8		302
Stamford	126	15	68	11		94
Torrington	30	37	29			66
Wallingford	35	18	31			49
Waterbury	267	85	237	10	4	336
Willimantic	69	25	64	1		90
 TOTALS	 4129	 1558	 3385	 212	 31	 5186

SOUTHEASTERN REGION

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FINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Alabama</u>						
Miscellaneous	12		5	2		7
Birmingham	778	62	801	78	1	942
Mobile	104	62	81	5	1	149
Montgomery	74	20	45	20		85
Selma	2		2			2
TOTAL	970	144	934	105	2	1185
<u>Florida</u>						
Miscellaneous	21	5	12	1	1	19
Central Florida	35		31			31
Jacksonville	262	38	232	3	1	274
Miami	134	157	107	8	3	275
Miami Beach	660	628	489		19	1136
Orlando	4	66	3			69
Pensacola	53	11	50	1		62
St. Augustine	51	2	48	1		51
St. Petersburg		60	2			62
Tampa	130	15	92		21	128
TOTAL	1400	982	1066	14	45	2107
<u>Georgia</u>						
Miscellaneous	14	2	11	2	1	16
Atlanta	939	135	742	68	22	967
Augusta	111	31	109	1		141
Rome	1					
Savannah	439	41	342	17	2	402
Valdosta	1	1	1			2
TOTAL	1505	210	1205	88	25	1528
<u>Louisiana</u>						
New Orleans	332	70	279	9	5	363
<u>Mississippi</u>						
Miscellaneous	26	3	9	6		18
Hattiesburg	3		3			3
Jackson	16	5	4			9
Laurel	10	1	8			9
Meridian	2		2			2
TOTAL	57	9	26	6		41
<u>South Carolina</u>						
Miscellaneous	10	1	6			7
Charleston	262	14	216	3	3	236
Columbia	298	31	231	18		280
TOTAL	570	46	453	21	3	523

SOUTHEASTERN REGION (cont'd)

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Tennessee</u>						
Miscellaneous	11		6	5		11
Chattanooga	283	5	229	87		321
Knoxville	74	69	47	1	16	133
Memphis	507	395	410	33	27	865
Nashville	514	113	411	50	7	581
TOTAL	1389	582	1103	176	50	1911
 GRAND TOTALS	 6223	 2042	 5067	 419	 130	 7658

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT -- 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>		<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			<u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>		
Miscellaneous	27	15	17		5	37
Atlantic City	762	264	570	96	2	932
Bayonne	403	237	293	25	1	556
Bridgeton	65	37	42			79
Burlington	140	47	117			164
Camden	276	213	150	10		373
Elizabeth	202	136	154	8	4	302
Jersey City	361	293	308	4	5	610
Linden	2	43	6			49
Long Branch		58	2			60
Morristown	65	44	63			107
New Brunswick	192	80	161	7	7	255
North Hudson	4	63	9			72
Passaic	7	25	3	2		30
Paterson	306	259	242	1	11	513
Perth Amboy	42	57	40			97
Plainfield	198	121	151	11	3	286
Rahway		2				2
Somerville		83	4			87
South River	58	1	45	7		53
Trenton	190	119	162	11		292
Vineland		136	1			137
Wildwood		54	11			65
TOTAL	3300	2387	2551	183	38	5158
<u>Bergen County</u>						
Englewood	26	106	26		1	133
Teaneck		188	7			195
TOTAL	26	294	33		1	328
<u>Greater Newark</u>						
Belleville		10				10
Bloomfield			2			2
Chaim Weizmann		101	16			117
Hillside		24	8			32
Irvington		20	9		1	30
Kearny		50				50
Montclair, Caldwell, Verona		16	3			19
Nutley		52				52
Orange	5	173	13		1	187
Suburban		28	23			51
TOTAL	5	474	74		2	550
<u>Newark</u>						
Clinton Hill	589	142	270	11	9	432
Ironbound-Downtown		64	41			105
Roseville		81	15			96
Vailsburg		24	45			69
Weequahic		40				40
		188	65			253
TOTAL	589	539	436	11	9	995
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	3920	3694	3093	194	50	7031

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DISTRICT	SEPT. 30, 1944	NEW	SEPTEMBER 30, 1945		LIFE	TOTAL
			RENEWALS	SERVICEMEN		
Ohio						
Miscellaneous	8	1	2	2		5
Akron	415	38	228	5	6	277
Canton	164	22	67	1		90
Elyria-Lorain	166	21	145	17		183
East Liverpool	73	13	48			61
Warren	94	20	79	4		103
Youngstown	533	94	438	24	9	565
Zanesville	1					
TOTAL	1454	209	1007	53	15	1284
Pennsylvania						
Miscellaneous-Tri-State	56		11	24		35
Aliquippa	33	2	27	2		31
Altoona	161	23	114	8	1	146
Beaver Falls	60	50	62	4		116
Braddock	16	5	14	3		22
Bradford		67				67
Brownsville	92	5	71	1		77
Butler	33		26	1	1	28
Canonsburg	66	1	42	10		53
Carnegie	3	1	3			4
Charleroi	32		15	1		16
Donora	34	1	31			32
Erie	68	141	58		1	200
Farrell	125	8	117	1		126
Greensburg	176		87	38		125
Homestead	21	3	13	5		21
Indiana	23	11	23			34
Jeanette	33	20	29	1		50
Johnstown	165	13	45	11		69
Kittaning	2	52	2			54
Latrobe	33	7	34			41
McKeesport	107	24	73	3	2	102
New Castle-Lawrence Co.	163	19	125	21	6	171
New Kensington	89	4	49	1	2	56
Oil City	69	5	55	6		66
Pittsburgh	4132	549	2738	745	6	4038
Sharon	77	4	50		8	62
Uniontown	267	14	199	23	3	239
Warren	22	5	15	1		21
Washington	83	7	70	4		81
TOTAL	6241	1041	4198	914	30	6183
West Virginia						
Miscellaneous	2	1				1
Fairmont	40	7	27			34
Weirton	45		23			23
Wheeling-Bellaire	220	11	165			176
Morgantown			4			4
TOTAL	307	19	219			238
GRAND TOTAL	8002	1268	5425	967	45	7705

NORTHERN OHIO AND MICHIGAN

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Michigan</u>						
Miscellaneous	13	4	5	9	49	18
Bay City	56	19	33			52
Detroit	2257	540	1650	71		2310
Flint	102	95	95	12		202
Lansing	52	1	10			11
Pontiac	114	10	112	5		127
Saginaw	56	11	42			53
TOTAL	2650	680	1947	97	49	2773
<u>Ohio</u>						
Cleveland District	860	86	596	33	13	728
Cleveland Society	1585	79	1207	72	1	1359
Heights Temple	640	227	409	2		638
Keron Hayesod		45	1			46
Migdol Society	15				1	1
Toledo	522	77	405	26	11	519
TOTAL	3622	514	2618	133	26	3291
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	6272	1194	4565	230	75	6064

OHIO VALLEY REGION

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Indiana</u>						
Miscellaneous	7		2	5	1	8
Evansville	147	15	119	6		140
Ft. Wayne	167	27	127	15	16	185
Indianapolis	609	268	357	50	55	730
Lafayette	75	8	55	10	1	74
South Bend	341	27	263	19	18	327
Terre Haute	96	7	82	6	3	98
TOTAL	1442	352	1005	111	94	1562
<u>Kentucky</u>						
Miscellaneous		1				1
Lexington	89	10	62	4		76
Louisville	237	13	196	1	5	215
TOTAL	326	24	258	5	5	292
<u>Ohio</u>						
Cincinnati	398	166	304	9	1	480
Columbus	644	201	715	42	4	962
Dayton	326	114	247	15		376
Hamilton	87		38			38
Springfield	67	14	60			74
TOTAL	1722	495	1364	66	5	1930
<u>West Virginia</u>						
Charleston	276	25	205	30	2	262
Huntington	90	22	73	3		98
Logan	1					
Southern W. Va.	87	13	74	3		90
TOTAL	454	60	352	36	2	450
 GRAND TOTALS	 3944	 931	 2979	 218	 106	 4234

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DISTRICT	SEPT. 30, 1944	NEW	SEPTEMBER 30, 1945		LIFE	TOTAL
			RENEWALS	SERVICEMEN		
<u>Illinois</u>						
Miscellaneous	17	25	9	10		44
Aurora	72	14	51	6	2	73
Champaign	56	8	46	5		59
E. St. Louis	43	8	36	1		45
Elgin		11	2			13
Joliet	33	2	19	4		25
Peoria	101	100	92	14		206
Rockford	66	1	42			43
Springfield	2	12	4			16
Sterling-Dixon	42	11	25	6		42
Tri-City	262	86	195	5		286
Waukegan	10	2	5	1	2	10
TOTAL	704	280	526	52	4	862
<u>Indiana</u>						
Gary	88	4	34	4	8	50
Hammond	71	6	44			50
Indiana Harbor	122	31	96	2		129
TOTAL	281	41	174	6	8	229
<u>Iowa</u>						
Miscellaneous	5	1	2	1		4
Cedar Rapids	59	10	52			62
Council Bluffs	65	19	56	3		78
Des Moines	435	111	412	30	40	593
Dubuque	3		1			1
Iowa City	16	1	4	1		6
Marshallton	36	7	25	2		34
Mason City	43	12	33	2		47
Sioux City	208	64	186	4	1	255
Waterloo	74	7	71		1	79
TOTAL	944	232	842	43	42	1159
<u>Michigan</u>						
Benton Harbor	62	42	50			92
Grand Rapids	152	9	118	7	2	136
Kalamazoo		52				52
Muskegon	68	42	71		3	116
Upper Peninsula	117	45	80			125
TOTAL	399	190	319	7	5	521
<u>Minnesota</u>						
Miscellaneous	1	7	3			10
Duluth	146	68	118	4	1	191
Eveleth	73	3	60	5		68
Hibbing	52	16	24			40
Minneapolis	1107	123	777	14	23	937
St. Paul	764	44	589	11	3	647
TOTAL	2143	261	1571	34	27	1893

MIDWEST REGION (cont'd)

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>		<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
			<u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>		
<u>Missouri</u>						
Miscellaneous	4	12		3		15
Joplin	4	1	2			3
Kansas City	616	361	484	46	6	897
Maccabaeen Club	133	2	113	5	1	121
Prog. Order of the West	22	3	22			25
St. Joseph	25	93	23			116
St. Louis	1762	293	1441	83	15	1832
TOTAL	2566	765	2085	137	22	3009
<u>Nebraska</u>						
Miscellaneous	2	1		1		2
Lincoln	76	35	76			111
Omaha	569	120	423	15		558
TOTAL	647	156	499	16		671
<u>North Dakota</u>						
Miscellaneous	4		1			1
Fargo	56	9	49			58
Grand Forks	2		1			1
Minot	14		14			14
Mohall	1		1			1
TOTAL	77	9	66			75
<u>Wisconsin</u>						
Miscellaneous	5	8	2	3	1	14
Appleton	53	4	47	3		54
Beloit-Janesville	8	44	6			50
Fond du Lac	27	1	6			7
Green Bay	171	42	140	8		190
Kenosha	44	10	39			49
LaCrosse		3				3
Madison	5	84	1	1		86
Marinette		1				1
Milwaukee	1359	697	1139	93	21	1950
Racine	96	39	87	4		130
Sheboygan	70	7	62		1	70
Stevens Point	22	7	12			19
Wausau	29	30	26	1		57
TOTAL	1889	977	1567	113	23	2680
<u>South Dakota</u>						
Miscellaneous		2				2
Aberdeen	26	5	17	2		24
Sioux Falls	25	13	18	1		32
Watertown	14		13			13
TOTAL	65	20	48	3		71
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	9705	2931	7697	411	131	11,170

WEST COAST REGION

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<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>California</u>						
Miscellaneous	25	11	1	14		26
Bakersfield		1				1
Bay Cities	65	2	3			5
Beverly Hills	137	123	142			265
City Terrace			60			60
East Bay	77	187	58	4		249
Hollywood	50	56	49			105
Huntington Park		27	1			28
Long Beach	37	62	18			80
Los Angeles	1732	460	1386	48	17	1911
Pasadena	95	29	72		2	103
Roosevelt Mem. Z.D.		70	20			90
Sacramento	99	62	35			97
San Diego	93	71	31			102
San Francisco	994	416	690	10	11	1127
San Gabriel	53	8	46			54
Stockton	1	1				1
Theodor Herzl		53	1			54
West Adams	19					
TOTAL	3477	1639	2613	76	30	4358
<u>Colorado</u>						
Miscellaneous	1		1			1
Denver	433	126	312	3	1	442
Pueblo	6		3			3
TOTAL	440	126	316	3	1	446
<u>Oregon</u>						
Portland	270	60	234	5	1	300
<u>Washington</u>						
Miscellaneous		1				1
Seattle	242	137	180	4	2	323
Spokane	68	17	51			68
Tacoma	50	9	41			50
TOTAL	360	164	272	4	2	442
<u>Arizona</u>						
Phoenix	97	83	74	4		161
Tucson	86	42	35			77
Whipple		9				9
TOTAL	183	134	109	4		247
<u>Utah</u>						
Salt Lake City	2	87	3	1		91
<u>Nevada</u>						
Miscellaneous	2					
<u>Montana</u>						
Miscellaneous		1				1
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	4734	2271	3487	93	34	5885

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DISTRICT	SEPT. 30, 1944	NEW	SEPTEMBER 30, 1945		LIFE	TOTAL
			RENEWALS	SERVICEMEN		
<u>Arkansas</u>						
Miscellaneous	23		6			6
Fort Smith	15	11	15			26
Little Rock	63	29	52	1		82
Pine Bluff		29	8			37
TOTAL	101	69	81	1		151
<u>Louisiana</u>						
Miscellaneous	14		4			4
Alexandria	56	24	51	3	1	79
Baton Rouge	39	36	36		1	73
Shreveport	185	72	149	6	7	234
TOTAL	294	132	240	9	9	390
<u>Oklahoma</u>						
Miscellaneous	13	1	6			7
Oklahoma City	129	55	113	7	6	181
Ponca City		12	2		1	15
Tulsa	192	22	131	6	25	184
TOTAL	334	90	252	13	32	387
<u>Texas</u>						
Miscellaneous	58	3	4	11		18
Amarillo	22	6	20			26
Austin	58	17	46	8		71
Beaumont	156	13	91	10	10	124
Breckenridge -						
Oil Belt	28	25	23	4	5	57
Corpus Christi	117	17	102	4	2	125
Corsicana	65	10	62	2	2	76
Dallas	337	339	289	14	7	649
East Texas	70	3	49	3		55
El Paso	140	43	118	3		164
Ft. Worth	111	30	97	2	3	132
Galveston	103	19	80	2	1	102
Houston	659	346	537	23	14	920
Laredo	17	19	16			35
Lubbock	12	10	6	3		19
Rio Grande Valley	2	42	5			47
Port Arthur		2	25	2	7	36
San Antonio	599	116	525	11	2	654
Texarkana	30	4	28	1		33
Waco	90	20	73	8		101
Wharton		20	33			53
Wichita Falls	61	13	45	2		60
Tyler	104	13	82	13	1	109
TOTAL	2839	1130	2356	126	54	3666
<u>Kansas</u>						
Wichita	89	37	65			102
<u>New Mexico</u>						
Miscellaneous	7					
Albuquerque	34	38	35	2	1	76
TOTAL	41	38	35	2	1	76
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>	3698	1496	3029	151	96	4772

UNAFFILIATED DISTRICTS

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAFINAL DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP REPORT - 1944-45

<u>DISTRICT</u>	<u>SEPT. 30, 1944</u>	<u>NEW</u>	<u>SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u> <u>RENEWALS</u>	<u>SERVICEMEN</u>	<u>LIFE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>Pennsylvania</u>						
Miscellaneous	2	1	1			2
Philadelphia	7418	1541	5515	146	148	7340
TOTALS	7420	1542	5516	146	148	7342
<u>Miscellaneous</u>						
Army				38		38
<u>Illinois</u>						
Chicago	3573	2138	2814	43	61	5056
<u>Foreign</u>	3	1	1			2

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA



Annual Financial Report

FOR THE PERIOD
OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

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Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is the Financial Report of the
Zionist Organization of America for the fiscal year beginning
October 1, 1944 and ending September 30, 1945.

Since the Financial Report submitted to you for
the last annual convention was for a period ended at July 31,
1944, a special exhibit "Exhibit C" is incorporated in this
report to cover the period of two months from August 1, 1944
to September 30, 1944.

It gives me pleasure to report that the Balance
Sheet of the General Fund as at September 30, 1945 shows a
Surplus of \$8,563.36, as against a Deficit of \$16,552.91 on
September 30, 1944.

The aforementioned surplus in our General Fund is
exclusive of the balance of \$133,382.17 in the Life Membership
Reserve Account, of which the sum of \$122,000.00 has been
invested in bonds of the Jewish National Fund, nor does it
include a balance of \$53,334.92 in the Expansion Fund Reserve
Account, which sum has been specifically earmarked and set
aside to meet commitments made in behalf of the Committee On
Unity For Palestine, the Radio Committee, the Publications
Committee, the Educational Committee, the Economic Bureau,
and other specific commitments, all of the aforementioned
being under the Expansion Fund Program.

The following is a condensed comparative summary of the income and expenditures for the fiscal year under review.

	<u>Oct. 1, 1944</u> <u>to</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1945</u>	<u>Oct. 1, 1943</u> <u>to</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1944</u>
<u>INCOME:</u>		
Membership	\$443,785.35	\$372,853.70
Bequests & Contributions	17,509.88	618.00
Other Sources	<u>61,363.62</u>	<u>60,466.33</u>
<u>Total Income:</u>	<u>\$522,658.85</u>	<u>\$433,938.03</u>
<u>EXPENSES:</u>		
Operating Expenses	\$412,155.65	\$350,136.25
Subsidies	<u>41,000.06</u>	<u>39,956.57</u>
<u>Total General Expenses:</u>	<u>\$453,155.71</u>	<u>\$390,092.82</u>
<u>Special and Non-recurring Expenses:</u>		
American Jewish Conference	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,122.06
Education Survey		4,511.84
Membership & Bond Campaign	10,992.44	18,696.87
Traveling to London Conference	6,584.80	1,724.02
Herzl Memorial Meeting		1,078.69
Balfour Day Meeting	2,704.17	3,607.08
Convention Expenses	8,207.08	6,051.32
Advertising & Special Bulletins	2,315.47	
Severance Compensation	4,166.66	<u>1,500.00</u>
Books & Literature	3,301.82	<u>(559.67)</u>
Miscellaneous	<u>5,114.43</u>	<u>5,343.71</u>
<u>Total Special Expenses:</u>	<u>\$ 44,386.87</u>	<u>\$ 43,075.92</u>
 Total Expenses:	 <u>\$497,542.58</u>	 <u>\$433,168.74</u>
 <u>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES:</u>	 <u>\$ 25,116.27</u>	 <u>\$ 769.29</u>

The extraordinary achievements indicated by the figures in this report should be gratifying to you and to the members of the Finance Committee, who, under your leadership, served the organization with unstinting energy, devotion and sacrifice.

Very sincerely yours,

Benjamin Weingart
Benjamin Weingart
Comptroller

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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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FINANCIAL REPORT

October 1, 1944, to September 30, 1945

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October 18, 1945.

Mr. Samuel Berson,
Chairman of the Finance Committee,
Mr. Abraham Goodman, Treasurer,
Zionist Organization of America,
1720 16th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:-

We have examined the balance sheet of the Zionist Organization of America as at September 30, 1945 and have examined or tested accounting records of the organization and other supporting evidence by methods and to the extent we deemed appropriate.

The petty cash and postage funds held at the headquarters' office were verified by actual count and cash in banks was verified by reconciliation of the bank accounts, supplemented by confirmations from the repositories. In the absence of confirmations of other assets and liabilities, audited book figures have been utilized in the preparation of this report.

We have been advised that there are no assets or liabilities, either real or contingent, other than those included in this report, except a contingent liability to the Palestine Pavilion in the amount of \$25,000.00 to cover guarantee of losses and a contingent asset in the remainderman interest in the Albert H. Loeb Trust Fund in the amount of \$26,088.04.

In our opinion, subject to the above, the accompanying balance sheet, together with the comments thereon, presents fairly the position of the organization as at September 30, 1945, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,



CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT.
(New York)

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B A L A N C E S H E E T

A S A T S E P T E M B E R 30, 1945

ASSETSGENERAL FUNDCURRENT ASSETS

Cash in Imprest Funds.....	\$ 12,145.00	
Cash in Banks.....	12,179.87	
Due from Expansion Fund.....	5,426.15	
Accounts Receivable.....	\$24,135.42	
Less:-Reserve for		
Doubtful Accounts.....	6,544.06	17,591.36

<u>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</u>	\$ 47,342.38
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<u>INVESTMENT</u> - Jewish National Fund Notes.....	15,000.00
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OTHER ASSETS

Jewish Colonial Trust Shares (Book Value).....	1.00
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FIXED ASSETS

Land and building (Cost).....	\$ 39,232.66	
Furniture and Fixtures (Depreciated).....	2.00	39,234.66

<u>DEFERRED CHARGES</u>	1,910.10
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<u>TOTAL GENERAL FUND ASSETS</u>	\$103,488.14
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LIFE MEMBERSHIP FUND

Cash in Bank.....	\$ 9,276.17	
Investment - Jewish National Fund Notes....	122,000.00	
Due from General Fund.....	2,106.00	133,382.17

EXPANSION FUND

Petty Cash Fund.....	\$ 1,000.00	
Cash in Bank.....	37,761.07	
Due from General Fund.....	20,000.00	58,761.07

<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>	\$295,631.38
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* The Organization has a remainderman interest in the Albert H. Loeb Trust Fund in the amount of \$26,088.04.

LIABILITIES AND RESERVESGENERAL FUNDCURRENT LIABILITIES

Accounts Payable.....	\$38,301.48
Due to World Zionist Organization.....	4,902.50
Due to Expansion Fund.....	20,000.00
Due to Life Membership Fund.....	2,106.00

<u>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</u>	\$ 65,309.98
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OTHER LIABILITIES

Due to American Palestine Campaign.....	1,500.00
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FIXED LIABILITIES

Mortgage Payable.....	17,500.00
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<u>DEFERRED INCOME</u>	10,614.80
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<u>SURPLUS</u> (Schedule "A-1").....	8,563.36*
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<u>TOTAL GENERAL FUND LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS</u>	103,488.14
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<u>LIFE MEMBERSHIP RESERVE</u> (Schedule "A-2").....	133,382.17
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EXPANSION FUND

Due to General Fund.....	\$ 5,426.15	
Expansion Fund Reserve (Schedule "A-3")....	53,334.92	58,761.07

<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES</u>	\$295,631.38
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* Exclusive of a contingent liability to the Palestine Pavilion in the amount of \$25,000.00 to cover guarantee of losses.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

SCHEDULE "A-1"

SURPLUS

<u>SURPLUS - AUGUST 1, 1944</u>	\$12,363.48
DEDUCT:- Excess of Expenses over Income for the period from August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944 (Exhibit "C")	(28,916.39)
DEFICIT - SEPTEMBER 30, 1944	(\$16,552.91)
DEDUCT:- Excess of Income over Expenses for the period from October 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945 (Exhibit "B")	25,116.27
<u>SURPLUS - SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>	<u>\$ 8,563.36</u>

SCHEDULE "A-2"

LIFE MEMBERSHIP RESERVE

<u>LIFE MEMBERSHIP RESERVE - AUGUST 1, 1944</u>	\$86,862.22
Add:-Life Memberships for the period from August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944	\$5,100.00
-Income from Investments for the period from August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944	1,830.40
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$6,930.40</u>
Deduct:-Transfer of Income from Investments to the General Fund-August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944	3,092.62
	<u>3,837.78</u>
<u>LIFE MEMBERSHIP-RESERVE-SEPTEMBER 30, 1944</u>	\$90,700.00
Add:-Life Memberships for the period from October 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945	\$40,400.00
-Income from Investments for the period from October 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945 (To be transferred to the General Fund)	2,282.17
	<u>42,682.17</u>
<u>LIFE MEMBERSHIP RESERVE-SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>	<u>\$133,382.17</u>

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAEXPANSION FUND RESERVESEPTEMBER 30, 1945

<u>EXPANSION FUND RESERVE - AUGUST 1, 1944</u>	\$ 35,835.12
Add:-Contributions for the period from August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944	<u>805.00</u>
	\$ 36,640.12
Deduct:-Expenses for the period from August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944	<u>2,959.49</u>
<u>EXPANSION FUND RESERVE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1944</u>	\$ 33,680.63
Add:-Contributions for the period from October 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945	\$225,982.86
-Transfer from Radio Account	<u>4,000.00</u>
	<u>229,982.86</u>
	\$263,663.49
Deduct:-Expenses for the period from October 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945 (Schedule "A-3a")	<u>210,328.57</u>
<u>EXPANSION FUND RESERVE - SEPTEMBER 30, 1945</u>	<u>\$ 53,334.92</u>

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES
FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

EXHIBIT "B"

INCOME

INCOME

MEMBERSHIP

	Oct. 1, 1944 to Sept. 30, 1945	Oct. 1, 1943 to Sept. 30, 1944
Z. O. A., less refunds to Districts and Regions	\$ 493,256.10	\$ 413,168.70
Bnai Zion (Inclusive of Shekel Payment)	2,235.50	1,950.00
Avukah	72.75	

TOTAL

Less Receipts for Shekolim credited to World Zionist Organization	\$ 495,564.35	\$ 415,118.70
	51,779.00	42,265.00

<u>NET MEMBERSHIP INCOME</u>	\$ 443,785.35	\$ 372,853.70
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OTHER INCOME

United Palestine Appeal Allotment	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 54,000.00
Advertising	6,399.91	4,585.62
Sale of Single Copies and Subscriptions - The New Palestine and Dos Yiddishe Folk	842.69	1,130.21
Bequests and Administration Funds	17,509.88	618.00
Miscellaneous Income	121.02	750.50

<u>TOTAL OTHER INCOME</u>	\$ 78,873.50	\$ 61,084.33
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<u>TOTAL INCOME</u>	\$ 522,658.85	\$ 433,938.03
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<u>EXPENSES</u> - Page 4-b	\$ 497,542.58	\$ 433,168.74
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<u>EXCESS OF INCOME OVER EXPENSES</u>	\$ 25,116.27	\$ 769.29
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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAEXHIBIT "B"COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSESEXPENSESFOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

	Oct. 1, 1944 to Sept. 30, 1945	Oct. 1, 1943 to Sept. 30, 1944
<u>EXPENSES</u>		
<u>EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT</u>		
Schedule 1 Page 5	\$ 33,692.06	\$ 25,212.50
<u>DEPT. OF PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PUBLICITY</u>		
Schedule 2 Page 5	15,971.19	14,629.00
<u>PALESTINE DEPARTMENT</u>		
Schedule 3 Page 6	8,649.15	5,219.47
<u>COMMUNITY CONTACTS</u>		
Schedule 3 Page 6		3,193.36
<u>SUBSIDIES TO HEBREW ORGANIZATION</u>		
Schedule 3 Page 6	11,000.06	9,956.57
<u>MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT, SPEAKERS' BUREAU</u>		
Schedule 4 Page 7	48,602.86	49,228.74
<u>NEW YORK OFFICE AND REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION</u>		
Schedule 5 Page 8	154,386.86	120,540.36
<u>PUBLICATIONS</u>		
<u>The New Palestine</u>		
Schedule 6 Page 9	63,036.53	79,379.47
<u>New Palestine News Reporter</u>		
Schedule 6 Page 9	36,805.87	3,802.05
<u>Dos Yiddishe Folk</u>		
Schedule 7 Page 9	9,368.57	7,396.55
<u>INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION</u>		
Schedule 8 Page 10	41,642.56	41,534.75
<u>AMERICAN ZIONIST YOUTH COMMISSION</u>	30,000.00*	30,000.00
<u>GENERAL EXPENSES</u>		
Schedule 9 Page 11	44,386.87	43,075.92
<u>TOTAL EXPENSES</u>	<u>\$ 497,542.58</u>	<u>\$ 433,168.74</u>

* Additional subscription of \$20,000 to the American Zionist Youth Commission from Expansion Fund (Exhibit "D" page 13)
Total received by the Youth Commission from all ZOA Fund is \$50,000.00

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

(Including Expenses of President's Office, Executive Director's Office,
Executive and Administrative Committees)

	Oct. 1, 1944 Sept. 30, 1945	Oct. 1, 1943 Sept. 30, 1944
Salaries	\$ 21,151.20	\$ 16,239.55
Postage	825.07	469.60
Cables and Telegrams	337.46	332.42
Stationery, Printing	437.48	340.37
Telephone	2,083.75	1,400.61
Travelling	4,808.87	4,311.39
Steno.-typist and Service	1,805.19	754.73
Rent and Meeting Rooms	904.45	697.01
Dinners	650.73	471.42
Moving	523.00	
Miscellaneous	164.86	195.40
 <u>TOTAL EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT</u>	 <u>\$ 33,692.06</u>	 <u>\$ 25,212.50</u>

DEPT. OF PUBLIC RELATIONS & PUBLICITY

	Oct. 1, 1944 Sept. 30, 1945	Oct. 1, 1943 Sept. 30, 1944
Salaries	\$ 10,982.46	\$ 9,541.10
Postage	905.91	687.21
Educational Programs	1,370.08	2,878.06
Travelling	1,199.53	839.56
Messenger Service, Telegrams	523.12	295.75
Yiddish Publicity Services	606.96	
Newspaper Conferences	174.75	240.00
Clippings - Newspapers	173.91	110.84
Miscellaneous	34.47	36.41
 <u>TOTAL DEPT. OF PUBLIC RELATIONS & PUBLICITY</u>	 <u>\$ 15,971.19</u>	 <u>\$ 14,629.00</u>

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICACOMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSESFOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945PALESTINE DEPARTMENT

	<u>Oct. 1, 1944</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1945</u>	<u>Oct. 1, 1943</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1944</u>
Salaries	\$ 6,451.21	\$ 4,085.20
Telephone	520.00	105.00
Rent	692.00	440.00
Postage, Stationery, Supplies	897.56	434.43
Cooler, Repairs, Towels		23.99
Telegrams	20.25	18.15
Miscellaneous	68.13	112.70
<u>TOTAL PALESTINE DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>\$ 8,649.15</u>	<u>\$ 5,219.47</u>

COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Salaries	\$ *	\$ 1,125.00
Travelling		2,015.17
Stationery, Printing		43.93
Telegrams		9.23
<u>TOTAL COMMUNITY CONTACTS</u>		<u>\$ 3,193.36</u>

SUBSIDIES TO HEBREW ORGANIZATIONS

Bitzaron	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Hadoar	5,000.06	4,956.58
Histadruth Ivrit	3,000.00	2,999.99
<u>TOTAL SUBSIDIES</u>	<u>\$ 11,000.06</u>	<u>\$ 9,956.57</u>

* For the fiscal 1944-5 Community Contacts expenditures are authorized under the Expansion Fund Program. (Exhibit "D" Sheet 13)

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICACOMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSESFOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT

	<u>Oct. 1, 1944</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1945</u>	<u>Oct. 1, 1943</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1944</u>
<u>ADMINISTRATION</u>		
Salaries	\$ 21,176.28	\$ 24,649.20
Stationery and Printing	7,362.40	10,406.44
Express and Postage	2,198.36	2,697.10
Life Membership	1,489.73	
Travelling	193.14	1,322.75
Service		625.00
Special Appropriation	444.52	47.30
Telegrams	39.79	74.82
Film Service	65.81	35.00
Pins	164.50	
Miscellaneous	19.35	31.56
<u>TOTAL ADMINISTRATION</u>	<u>\$ 33,153.88</u>	<u>\$ 39,889.17</u>
 <u>SPEAKERS' BUREAU</u>		
Salaries	\$ 4,333.55	\$ 2,937.43
Travelling	6,760.90	3,671.11
Fees	3,130.33	1,957.00
Telegrams	459.48	161.80
Conference		150.00
Cuts, Mats, Photos	210.16	127.14
Postage	252.08	82.86
Moving		202.36
Stationery, Printing, Miscellaneous	302.48	49.87
<u>TOTAL SPEAKERS' BUREAU</u>	<u>\$ 15,448.98</u>	<u>\$ 9,339.57</u>
 <u>TOTAL</u>	 <u>\$ 48,602.86</u>	 <u>\$ 49,228.74</u>

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

	Oct. 1, 1944 Sept. 30, 1945	Oct. 1, 1943 Sept. 30, 1944
<u>*NEW YORK OFFICE</u>		
Salaries	\$ 29,267.38	\$ 23,464.72
Telephone	442.14	1,763.56
Rent, Electricity	3,423.02	1,594.71
Mailing List Membership	1,046.46	1,502.87
Stationery, Printing, Postage		
Miscellaneous	33,169.82	19,164.27
Service to Districts	(29,245.91)	(19,158.49)
Repairs, Rentals, Cooler, Towels	1,778.90	1,456.32
Field Expense	136.17	175.42
<u>TOTAL NEW YORK OFFICE</u>	<u>\$ 40,017.98</u>	<u>\$ 29,963.38</u>
 <u>REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION</u>		
Salaries	\$ 59,695.30	\$ 39,319.39
Stationery, Printing, Postage	4,679.35	7,431.97
Travelling and Field Expense	12,857.54	12,894.68
Telephone and Telegrams	4,046.52	1,224.18
Rent	3,989.14	2,095.25
Regional Budget and Office Expense	27,070.64	25,475.65
Moving		1,095.93
Equipment	183.65	
Dinners, Conference Meetings	313.87	869.39
Miscellaneous	133.67	170.54
Service to Districts	1,399.20	
<u>TOTAL REGIONAL ADMINISTRATION</u>	<u>\$ 114,368.88</u>	<u>\$ 90,576.98</u>
 <u>TOTAL</u>	<u>\$ 154,386.86</u>	<u>\$ 120,540.38</u>

- * The New York office is a subordinate administrative branch of the membership department of National Headquarters. It processes membership cards and records affecting the membership of the following areas: New York State (including the Western New York, Empire State, Westchester and Long Island Regions and the regions within New York City); New Jersey, Connecticut and Rhode Island. Aside from definite overall savings and economies effected by this operation, the maintenance of this New York operation is reflected in the decrease of costs of the National Membership Department (Schedule 4, Sheet 7) over the previous year despite a membership rise of approximately 25,000.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

SCHEDULE 6

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

THE NEW PALESTINE

	<u>Oct. 1, 1944</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1945</u>	<u>Oct. 1, 1943</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1944</u>
Salaries	\$ 17,803.75	\$ 19,542.67
Printing and Mailing	40,197.88	50,049.31
Cuts, Mats, Photos	22.01	1,095.99
Service and Articles	1,994.99	3,532.66
Stencils, Mailing List	1,255.50	2,637.80
News Service	800.00	730.00
Postage	436.85	812.06
Travelling	170.54	659.31
Stationery, Printing and Telegrams	153.87	167.67
Binding and Miscellaneous	201.14	92.00
<u>TOTAL NEW PALESTINE</u>	<u>\$ 63,036.53</u>	<u>\$ 79,379.47</u>

THE NEW PALESTINE NEWS REPORTER

Salaries	\$ 11,812.81	\$ 268.27
Printing and Mailing	21,685.83	3,133.66
Mailing List	1,207.53	
Articles	383.50	55.00
Services	866.00	251.00
Cuts, Photos, Mats	645.28	79.77
Travelling	112.10	9.40
Miscellaneous	92.82	4.95
<u>TOTAL NEW PALESTINE NEWS REPORTER</u>	<u>* \$ 36,805.87</u>	<u>\$ 3,802.05</u>

DOS YIDDISHE FOLK

SCHEDULE 7

Salaries	\$ 4,014.99	\$ 3,301.97
Printing and Mailing	3,855.48	2,825.77
Service and Articles	456.00	538.50
Telephone, Telegrams, Newspapers	307.56	236.45
Postage, Stationery and Printing	146.74	143.86
Rent ,	492.00	350.00
Travelling	95.80	
<u>TOTAL DOS YIDDISHE FOLK</u>	<u>\$ 9,368.57</u>	<u>\$ 7,396.55</u>

* In crease in expenditures on News Reporter due to increase of number of issues from 2 (1943-4) to 11 (1944-5)

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSES

FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION

	<u>Oct. 1, 1944</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1945</u>	<u>Oct. 1, 1943</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1944</u>
<u>COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE</u>		
Salaries	\$ 13,657.33	\$ 12,521.68
Travelling	621.91	697.81
Postage	161.52	73.84
Meetings and Miscellaneous	307.87	188.24
<u>TOTAL COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE</u>	<u>\$ 14,748.63</u>	<u>\$ 13,481.57</u>
<u>GENERAL SERVICE AND HEADQUARTERS EXPENSE</u>		
Salaries	\$ 8,776.20	\$ 11,749.84
Printing and Stationery	3,160.06	3,069.47
Rent	(2,999.96)	(2,375.70)
Telephone	3,343.40	3,145.20
Service, Repairs, Rentals	3,703.28	1,526.89
Coal, Gas, Electricity	1,038.44	1,550.67
Postage	1,239.40	1,073.30
Taxes	650.30	650.30
Insurance	736.34	1,153.28
Telegrams	41.45	75.14
Postal Meter Rental and Guide	139.08	159.00
Carfares and Express	104.35	148.60
Supplies, Towels, Water, Ice	713.20	357.02
Miscellaneous	117.03	397.91
<u>TOTAL GENERAL SERVICE AND HEADQUARTERS EXPENSE</u>	<u>\$ 20,762.57</u>	<u>\$ 22,680.91</u>
<u>EQUIPMENT</u>	<u>\$ 6,131.36</u>	<u>\$ 5,372.27</u>
(Includes New York and Washington)		
<u>TOTAL INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION</u>	<u>\$ 41,642.56</u>	<u>\$ 41,534.75</u>

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICACOMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENSESFOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945GENERAL EXPENSES

	<u>Oct. 1, 1944</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1945</u>	<u>Oct. 1, 1943</u> <u>Sept. 30, 1944</u>
<u>AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE</u>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 1,122.06
<u>EDUCATION SURVEY</u>		4,511.84
<u>MEMBERSHIP AND BOND CAMPAIGN</u>	10,992.44	18,696.87
<u>TRAVELLING TO LONDON CONFERENCE</u>	6,584.80	1,724.02
<u>HERZL MEMORIAL MEETING</u>		1,078.69
<u>BALFOUR DAY MEETING</u>	2,704.17	3,607.08
<u>CONVENTION EXPENSES</u>	8,207.08	6,051.32
<u>ADVERTISING AND SPECIAL BULLETINS</u>	2,315.47	
<u>CABLE PREPAYMENTS</u>		(4,912.48)
<u>INTEREST ON MORTGAGE</u>	857.86	980.34
<u>AUDITING FEES</u>	960.53	778.68
<u>SEVERANCE COMPENSATION</u>	4,166.66	1,500.00
<u>BOOKS AND LITERATURE</u>	3,301.82	(559.67)
<u>PROVISION FOR DOUBTFUL ACCOUNTS & CONTINGENCIES</u> .	1,000.00	5,000.00
<u>UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE</u>	2,296.04	3,497.17
<u>TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES</u>	<u>\$ 44,386.87</u>	<u>\$ 43,075.92</u>

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICASTATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSESFOR THE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1944MEMBERSHIP INCOME

Membership Dues (Less refunds to Districts and Regions)	\$ 19,100.28
Bnai Zion	650.00
Total	\$ 19,750.28
Less: Shekolim to World Zionist Organization. .	1.986.40
Net Membership Income	\$ 17,763.88

OTHER INCOME

United Palestine Appeal	\$ 9,000.00	
Administration Fund	25.00	
Income from Periodicals	2,232.74	
Income from Sale of Literature	502.89	\$ 11,760.63
Total Income		\$ 29,524.51

EXPENSES

National Administration	\$ 2,142.59
Publications	14,323.99
Membership & Organization	12,414.34
Internal Administration & Headquarters	5,752.66
Regional Administrations	13,850.62
Subsidies	7,299.96
Total.	<u>\$55,784.16</u>

OTHER EXPENSES

Transfer to Radio Broadcast Account	\$ 2,000.00
Interest on Mortgage	152.04
Unemployment Insurance	504.70
Total.	<u>\$ 2,656.74</u>

TOTAL EXPENSES

<u>\$58,440.90</u>	<u>\$58,440.90</u>
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Excess of Expenses over Income August 1, 1944 to September 30, 1944	\$28,916.39
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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

EXPANSION FUNDStatement of Receipts and Disbursements.FOR THE PERIOD OCTOBER 1, 1944 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

<u>BALANCE</u> - October 1, 1944		\$ 37,680.63
Receipts (See Exhibit "E")	* \$ 225,982.86	
Less: -Campaign, Administration and Expenses	<u>30,667.50</u>	
		195,315.36
TOTAL		<u>\$ 232,995.99</u>

DISBURSEMENTS

Radio Production Costs and Services	\$ 50,295.11	
Committee on Unity for Palestine	31,882.29	
Economic Bureau	24,531.30	
Hebrew Arts Committee	12,000.00	
Publications	9,586.81	
Education Department	4,719.49	
American Zionist Youth Commission	20,000.00	
Zionist Organization of France	6,500.00	
World Confederation of General Zionists	7,500.00	
Community Contacts	<u>12,646.07</u>	
		<u>179,661.07</u>

Balance at September 30, 1945 available for commitments	<u>\$ 53,334.92</u>
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* The total sum of \$4,278.37 has been received from September 30, 1945 to date of preparation of this report, October 25, 1945, which applies against 1944-5 quotas and additional monies are expected.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAE X P A N S I O N F U N D

CONTRIBUTIONS - October 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945
including \$1,000.00 Club Contributions*

REGIONS

Connecticut Region	\$ 7,737.00
Eastern Pennsylvania Region	4,565.00
Empire State Region	4,562.00
Long Island Region	6,050.00
Midwest Region	12,569.50
New England Region	30,669.00
New Jersey Region	5,090.96
Ohio Valley Region	12,116.50
Rhode Island Region	1,860.00
Seaboard Region	12,155.50
Southeastern Region	18,303.40
Southwestern Region	11,775.00
Tri-State Region	6,148.50
Upper Mich. & Ohio Region	9,358.00
West Coast Region	15,897.00
Western New York Region	2,998.00

AREAS

Chicago Area	2,425.00
Greater New York Area	28,758.50
Philadelphia Area	26,515.00
St. Louis Area	2,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Palestine Bureau List	3,337.00
Undistributed	<u>1,092.00</u>

TOTAL

\$225,982.86

* \$1,000.00 Club Contributors are included in Regions to Areas of residence and are listed on Exhibit E Sheet 2, following.

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICAList of \$1,000.00 Club ContributorsOctober 1, 1944 to September 30, 1945

Samuel Berson	New York, N. Y.
Max H. Block	Seattle, Wash.
Abraham Bloomenson	Duluth, Minn.
B. G. Browdy	New York, N. Y.
Joseph Cherner	Washington, D. C.
Moses Cowen	New York, N. Y.
Albert K. Epstein	Chicago, Ill.
J. S. Gordon	Brookline, Mass.
Benjamin R. Harris	Chicago, Ill.
A. Machinist	Manchester, N. H.
Irving Manacher	New York, N. Y.
Boris Margolin	New York, N. Y.
Nathan Matzger	San Francisco, Cal.
Jacob Russo	New York, N. Y.
Albert S. Samuel	San Francisco, Cal.
Archibald Silverman	Providence, R. I.
Nathan Warsaw	Brooklyn, N. Y.

For statistical purposes the above contributions received direct at the National Office in Washington, are included in Regions or Areas of residence. (See Exhibit "E" Sheet 1) Similar contributions made to Regional or Area Expansion Funds are not listed as not available for inclusion in this report.

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Zionist Organization of America
1720 - 16th Street N W
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Please Return This Reservation Slip to the Z.O.A. Immediately

Convention Committee:

I plan to be present for meals as checked. Please make the necessary reservations for me.

Number of Plates

- | | |
|---|-------|
| 1. Friday night, Oct. 13th - Dinner | _____ |
| 2. Saturday noon, Oct. 14th - Lunch | _____ |
| 3. Sunday noon, Oct. 15th - Lunch Complimentary | _____ |
| 4. Monday noon, Oct. 16th - Lunch | _____ |
| 5. Other meals (please list) | _____ |

Name

Address

(Price per meal from \$2.30 to \$4.00 according the number of courses)

Briefing It

TIPS TO CHART THE COURSE OF THE CAMPAIGN TO WIDEN THE AREA OF ZIONIST INFLUENCE

*A newsletter for Unity For Palestine chairmen
prepared by ZOA Committee on Unity For Palestine*

ROOM 600 • 41 EAST 42nd STREET • NEW YORK 17, N. Y.

DR. FELIX LEVY, Chairman

RABBI ARTHUR J. LELYVELD, Executive Director

OSCAR LEONARD, Secretary

April 1945

Introducing this Newsletter

We are addressing you as a member of the Unity Committee's "army in the field." Your ZOA President gave us your name sometime back as Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine in your District, and while many of you have already been working diligently in our cause, you are probably eager to receive some direct guidance from us as to where your duties as Unity Chairman lie.

We're going to attempt to furnish that guidance.

Equally important, though - we want guidance from you.

We want this Bulletin to be the beginning of

A TWO-WAY PASSAGE

We'll funnel our ideas to you,

You give us your reactions and suggestions.

OUR COMMITTEE'S JOB

..... is clearly defined and vitally important. It is to win non-Zionist Jews to Zionism and to counteract anti-Zionist propaganda with a positive public relations campaign.

FROM A POPULAR SONG

An appropriate slogan for our committee is provided by one of the current hit tunes. We've got to "Accentuate the Positive, Eliminate the Negative." There is no doubt about the positive nature of our movement and our message. The anti-Zionist Council could not possibly make the same claim.

WE ARE PROMISED A HEADACHE

That job will not be getting any easier as the year goes on. The Council for Judaism - the organized anti-Zionist group - held a conference in Philadelphia recently and adopted for the coming year a budget of \$250,000. You can buy a lot of "public relations" for \$250,000 - particularly when it is to be spent in one small segment of the community: that part of the Jewish community which has hitherto been non-Zionist. Note that this is the same segment of the community which our Committee is intended to win over (with a budget of less than \$50,000), (so get behind that Expansion Fund Campaign!)

WHAT WE MUST DO !!!

What we must do, then, is follow the recipe old General So-and-So gave for military success:- "get there fustest with the mostest."

In organizing your local campaign, study our leaflets in the series "The Facts" as well as our bulletins. You will find that they are positive and that they usually refrain from mentioning or attacking the Council. This last is something we do not want to do. We do not want to advertise our opponents. These are the things you should do now!

PROJECT # 1

Initiate a direct-mail campaign designed to win non-Zionists:

1. Make up a mailing list composed of members of the Reform Congregations who have not yet joined the Zionist Organization, with the addition of the names of all those people who have been approached by the anti-Zionist Council or are receiving the Council's literature, or are likely to succumb to anti-Zionist propaganda.
2. Print letterheads for the local Committee on Unity for Palestine, listing on it the names of those who have been appointed to the Committee. These should be names calculated to impress those to whom this literature will be directed.
3. Send a covering letter with the first piece of literature. Here is a suggested form for that letter:

"Dear Friend:

"We know that as a fair-minded person interested in knowing the facts about Palestine, you will want to read the enclosed leaflet.

"'American Jews and Palestine' is the first in a series of factual brochures which this Committee has issued in the effort to remove some of the misconceptions which have been current about Zionist aims. You will agree with us that there has been altogether too much heat and too little light in the discussion of this vital subject. We feel that the enclosed pamphlet is a first contribution toward a clear understanding of what the Zionist movement actually seeks to accomplish in Palestine.

"We shall be tremendously interested to learn your reactions to this material and eager to answer any questions you may have concerning the effort to provide a home in Palestine for our homeless European brethren.

Sincerely,

Local Committee Chairman"

4. Carry "The Facts" leaflets in your pocket for ready distribution and illustration. Have your committee members carry them and hand them personally to their non-Zionist friends.

PROJECT # II

Arrange parlor meetings to which you will invite the non-Zionists in your community. We have found this to be the most effective means of getting our story across. These are generally in the form of an evening meeting in the social atmosphere of a private home, attended by 20 to 30 people each meeting - (10 or 15 couples). At these meetings someone who is equipped to discuss Zionism in a calm and factual manner should be asked to present the facts about Zionism and answer the questions of those present.

The parlor meeting technique has been used effectively by our Director, Rabbi Lelyveld, in a tour just completed. In San Francisco, for example, he addressed 12 such meetings which were attended by more than 400 non-Zionists representative of every segment of the community. More minds are changed in the intimate give-and-take of a discussion than at a mass meeting. We urge you to organize this activity in the following way:

1. Line up 5 or 6 men who would be willing to offer their homes as hosts to such meetings, and who have contacts with the groups you wish to reach.
2. Carefully prepare the list of those to be invited to each meeting.
3. Persuade someone who is equipped to do so to conduct these meetings, or write to room 600, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, for information as to the possibility of securing an outside speaker to lead these discussions. We shall endeavor to help you make contact with someone in your Region who will be capable of doing this job.

The parlor meetings in San Francisco were arranged by Mrs. Henry Harris and the local Zionist leaders, among them Jack Verdi, Sidney Rudy, and the energetic Zionist President, Rabbi Saul White. Parlor meetings in Los Angeles were held at the homes of Dr. Monte Salvin, President of the Hollywood Zionist District, and Mr. Harry Bauman, Southern California Chairman of the ZOA Expansion Fund Campaign. Parlor meetings were also arranged in Houston, Texas and Dallas, Texas, through the efforts of Bernard Lasky, Houston Unity Committee Chairman, and Helman Rosenthal and Sidney Pines, co-Chairmen of the Unity Committee in Dallas.

WE HAVE TWO REGIONAL CHAIRMEN

Two of our Zionist Regions have appointed splendidly equipped individuals to head our Unity Committee work in their areas. Mr. Julius C. Livingston of Tulsa, Oklahoma, Vice President of the Southwest Region, is serving as Chairman of the Committee on Unity for Palestine in that Region. Rabbi Sylvan Schwartzman of Augusta, Georgia, has accepted the Chairmanship for the Southeast Region, and is formulating plans for an intensive campaign this Spring.

WE THANK YOU FOR THESE BOUQUETS.

"I have just seen the open letter of Herman W. Bernstein. It is a knockout. I think that we in Philadelphia ought to circulate several thousand copies.".....
Judge Louis E. Levinthal, Philadelphia, Pa.

"The New York office has just mailed me some of the literature about which you spoke, and that was in connection with another inquiry I made, bringing to Mr. Leonard's attention the membership activity of the American Council Against Judaism. It is excellently gotten up, and I propose to use this material where it will do the most good" Mr. Isaac Potts, Baltimore, Md.

"I want to compliment you on the quality of literature I have been receiving from the Unity for Palestine Committee, we think that this material is just about what is needed" Fred Yenkin, Columbus, Ohio

"I have just read the series of pamphlets you have sent me and was so impressed that I am giving you a few names and addresses of persons to whom, I would like you to send similar literature, as I am working very hard to make ardent Zionists of them." Isidore Merwis, Brooklyn, New York

"Your pamphlet is a valuable exposition on Zionism and Americanism. There are large numbers of non-Zionists who refuse to support the movement in a mistaken conception of Zionism in its bearing on loyalty to America. You make it clear that our allegiance to America is always foremost. That is most important." I. Montefiore Levy, New York.

"I am trying to 'convert' some of our boys who are in the service to the cause of Zionism, and I thought so well of the literature which your committee issues that I asked for it in order to forward it to a young man in the South Pacific War Zone." Tobias Heller, New York

"You did a grand job sending Rabbi Lelyveld to Oakland. That man is terrific. I can truthfully say that he has done the finest piece of Zionist work in this area. The whole town is buzzing over our parlor meeting, we held Monday night. If you were a non-Zionist before the meeting, you came out a Zionist. If you were an anti-Zionist before - you came out more confused - and yet, somewhat ashamed of yourself - after the Rabbi got thru with you."... David Krinsky, Calif.

"I have just seen the first issue of your pamphlet "Unity for Palestine" and the little leaflet on "American Jews and Palestine". Please accept my heartiest commendation on an excellent job and best wishes for continued success." Rabbi Sidney H. Brooks, Richmond, Va.

"I would appreciate your putting me on the mailing list for your News Bulletin. I am highly impressed with it and believe it will be very effective." John Horwitz, Oklahoma City, Okla.

"My heartiest congratulations on the format and contents of the brochure, "American Jews and Palestine" and of the bulletin, "Unity for Palestine." Both are expertly and effectively done." ..Rabbi Robert P. Jacobs, Asheville, N. C.

"Yours of the 18th inst. and also the printed matter which you sent are received. I have glanced through the material, and it seems to me that it has been gotten up on a dignified plane and should serve well the purpose intended." Barnett E. Marks, Phoenix, Arizona.

HAVE YOU MADE USE OF OUR LITERATURE?

The following list comprises your arsenal for the battle to win converts and combat misinformation. Have you used it? Write to Room 600, 41 East 42nd Street, New York 17, for samples of each item, and we shall supply as many as you need for distribution to non-Zionists.

"THE FACTS"

"American Jews and Palestine"

"Zionism and Our Non-Jewish Neighbors"

PAMPHLET SERIES

"Palestine's Progress"

"Americanism and Zionism"

"The Mission of Israel and the Jewish Commonwealth"

"Why I am A Zionist - A Reform Rabbi's Viewpoint."

"The Creed of an American Zionist"

IMPORTANT ARTICLES IN OUR BULLETINS.

"Are We Homeless"

"On Inalienable Rights"

"A Haven of Refuge"

"That Word, Commonwealth"

MISCELLANEOUS

An exchange of letters between Miss Martha Silverman of Detroit and Rabbi David Goldberg of the American Council for Judaism.

An open letter to the American Council for Judaism by Mr. Herman W. Bernstein of New York City.

A FINAL WORD

We expect to hear from you regularly. Let us know your problems and needs in the course of the battle. Send us your suggestions, and tell us how we may be helpful to you on the local level in this important task of widening the area of Zionist influence.

החמדתות הציונית של ארצות הברית

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To All Z. O. A. Regional and
District Officers and Workers

Dear Friends:

As members of the National Executive Committee, we are jointly addressing this urgent appeal to you on behalf of the \$350,000 Expansion Fund.

Our Convention at Atlantic City gave its unanimous approval to the Expansion Fund program for wider-scope. Our greatly increased membership has added greater responsibilities. It is absolutely necessary to increase, consolidate and change both our programs and facilities in order to convert this membership into a dynamic instrument of action for Palestine.

The failure of the Expansion Fund program would constitute a serious blow to Zionist constructive efforts in this country. It would deprive our organization of the means to continue its effective activities to combat mounting anti-Zionist agitation. Our Radio program, "Palestine Speaks", which has made remarkable inroads on public opinion, would be curtailed in scope. Our enlarged educational program including Youth and Publications would be limited and seriously jeopardized.

The import of these projects and the need for their adequate financing cannot be too strongly emphasized. The Zionist movement cannot afford failure in any respect in these critical times.

We appeal to you to activate your community in behalf of this Expansion Fund. Only a maximum effort will ensure the success of this vitally important undertaking.

With Zion's greetings,

Sincerely yours,

(Please sign and return immediately)

