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Dr. Emmanuel Neumann, Président du Comité Administratif de la Confédération Sioniste Mondiale et de l'Organisation Sioniste d'Amérique, envoie, au nom des sionistes américains, le message suivant au peuple juif :

« 5718 sera une année lourde de problèmes pour le peuple juif. Elle demandera de nouveau du peuple juif entier d'accepter avec pleine conscience la responsabilité de l'avenir.

Nous sommes obligés d'envisager de la manière la plus sérieuse les dangers très graves qui menacent de plus en plus près l'Etat d'Israël.

Mais de même qu'Israël, malgré les ombres sinistres de l'agression soviéto-arabe pesant sur elle, n'a pas cessé d'avancer dans sa tâche historique de recréer la nation israélienne, de même chaque Juif poursuivra son travail pour achever l'édification et la sécurité d'Israël. Il travaillera pour la libérer des menaces de guerre continuelles. Il aidera au développement de son économie nationale. Il contribuera à enrichir sa culture et, en consé-

quence, à rehausser l'existence juive partout.

En Amérique, ainsi que dans les autres pays de la Diaspora, nous sommes obligés de combattre les forces corrosives de l'assimilation, en donnant une expression plus

complète à notre grand héritage spirituel.

A l'occasion de la nouvelle année, dédions-nous tous à nouveau à ces objectifs, qui sont ceux du Sionisme. En remplissant nos responsabilités envers Israël, en conservant nos valeurs juives et en gagnant de nouveaux membres pour notre Mouvement, nous serons les bâtisseurs d'une vie pour notre peuple à la fois plus sûre et pleine de signification profonde. »

LE SIONISME GENERAL TRIOMPHE malgré les mensonges de ses ennemis

Il y a un mois que Mme Rose Halperin, de la Hadassa, et ses alliés essayent de briser l'Organisation Sioniste le plus grand de tous les partis du Congrès Sioniste — la Confédération Mondiale des Sionistes Généraux. Depuis Août, la « Zionistische Stimme » publie maintes déclarations aussi loin de la vérité que leurs auteurs ne le sont du sionisme.

Ils racontent, par exemple, que les Sionistes Généraux de l'Australie, de l'Afrique du Sud, de l'Amérique Latine se sont ralliés autour du drapeau... — pardon, ce n'est pas exact, puisque la seule idée de ces messieurs est justement de renoncer à avoir un drapeau — disons donc : de se rallier autour du bureau de Mme Halperin et du Dr. Goldstein à New-York et autour de M. Bakstanski à Londres.

Nous publions ci-dessous l'affirmation du Secrétaire Général de la Z.O.A., qui nous autorise à déclarer que ce sont des mensonges grossiers. Ni l'Afrique du Sud ni l'Australie n'ont cessé d'être loyales à la Confédération Sioniste Générale légale, celle qui maintient l'unité inébranlable entre les sionistes de la Diaspora et ceux d'Israël — la nôtre.

Ce ne sont pas seulement les racontars de l'hebdomadaire progres-

siste parisien qui propagent ces mensonges. Leur maître, M. BAKTANSKI, commandant en chef de la fédération sioniste anglaise, aime, lui aussi, à tromper son public.

Il a, par exemple, publié dans le « Jewish Chronicle » que, le 8 septembre, un « special meeting » (séance spéciale) de l'Exécutif de la Fédération Sioniste Générale d'Europe et d'Afrique du Nord a voté « support et adhésion » pour la Confédération Mondiale dite « réorganisée » des dames de la Hadassa et des progressistes dits non-partisans. Son rapport prétend qu'à cette séance « spéciale » ont participé des délégués de presque toute l'Europe.

C'EST UNE TROMPERIE RIDICULE :

■ Les deux vice-présidents de l'Exécutif de la Confédération Européenne, Dr. KLEE (Président de la Fédération Sioniste Suisse) et M. ANISFELD (Secrétaire Général de l'Organisation Sioniste Belge), ainsi que les deux membres de l'Exécutif représentant l'O.S.F., MM. REITER et ROSENBLUM, ont publié un statement déclarant illégal et ultra vires l'ordre du jour même de cette séance. Ils ont refusé d'y participer. (Suite en page 2.)

LE CONSEIL EUROPEEN DES SIONISTES GENERAUX

Comme premier pas vers l'Organisation des Sionistes Généraux d'Europe et de l'Afrique du Nord, un conseil européen fut créé, le 2 septembre, à Paris, constitué provisoirement par cinq membres pour la France, quatre pour la Belgique, quatre pour la Grande-Bretagne et quatre pour la Suisse, deux pour l'Autriche, deux pour le Danemark, un pour la Tunisie. L'Exécutif du Conseil Européen est composé comme suit :

M. ORFUS (Paris), Président; M. LUK-SENBURG (Paris), Vice-Président; M. ANISFELD (Anvers), Secrétaire Général; Dr. Hans KLEE (Zurich), Trésorier.

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LES SIONISTES GENERAUX GAGNENT LA BATAILLE

M. ILUTOVITSCH, Secrétaire Général de l'Organisation Sioniste d'Amérique, venant d'Israël, a déclaré à une réunion avec des membres de l'Exécutif de l'O.S.E., le 20 septembre :

« Les manœuvres des progressistes ont échoué.

« Excepté les organisations du Canada et de la Grande-Bretagne, il n'y a pas une seule organisation sioniste d'importance qui ait suivi les auteurs du coup d'état de la Hadassa.

« L'immense majorité des 600.000 Juifs de l'Amérique Latine est avec nous ; leur enthousiasme pour notre cause, pour l'unité avec les sionistes d'Israël, ne cesse de grandir. Ils ont engagé une véritable lutte dans leur pays.

« L'Afrique du Sud, ainsi que l'Australie et la Nouvelle-Zélande, restent loyales et sont avec nous.

« En Europe — du moins sur le Continent — la majorité des sionistes organisés s'est ralliée autour du Comité Administratif de la Confédération Mondiale légale et

ce ne sont que quelques organisations plutôt faibles de pays avec une minuscule population juive qui supportent la séparation entre la Diaspora et les Sionistes Généraux en Israël.

« Dans les Etats-Unis personne ne prend au sérieux les défaitistes qui se rangent derrière le Dr. GOLDSTEIN et les dames de la Hadassa. On ne prend pas trop au sérieux la Hadassa elle-même. La Z.O.A., par contre, jouit d'une popularité sans précédent. Sa conférence annuelle, la semaine dernière, était une démonstration de force et de puissance presque inimaginable. Plus de deux mille délégués ont fait de cette manifestation un véritable TRIOMPHE pour notre ligne sioniste. »

M. ILUTOVITSCH a discuté ensuite la prétention de la Hadassa et de M. BAKSTANSKI au titre de "Confédération Mondiale des Sionistes Généraux" pour leur groupement à eux. Comme on a pu le lire dans la "Zionistische Stimme", M. BAKSTANSKI essaye de fonder ses récriminations sur le fait que le nom "Confédération Mondiale" fut adopté pour la première fois avant la guerre mondiale par des hommes qui ont eu les mêmes idées défaitistes et pro-Mapai qui animent M. BAKSTANSKI aujourd'hui. Il avoue sans se gêner que ses confrères étaient (et sont) ceux-là mêmes qui se sont opposés au Dr. SILVER et à la lutte politique contre les Anglais, ceux-là mêmes qui ont trahi la classe moyenne en Israël en la livrant sans soutien quelconque à la guerre des classes du Mapai et aux semi-communistes du Hachomer Hatsair. Il avoue naïvement : "Les fondateurs de la Confédération Mon-

diale (d'avant-guerre) étaient en faveur de la collaboration soumise avec l'Angleterre et (dans la politique intérieure) avec le mouvement Haloutz", c'est-à-dire avec le Mapai.

Un bel argument pour revendiquer le nom de la Confédération Mondiale des Sionistes Généraux aujourd'hui, 10 ans après la création de l'Etat juif, pour les serviteurs du Mapai de 1957 !!!

M. ILUTOVITSCH affirme que la Confédération Mondiale sera représentée, pour toujours, par ceux qui restent fidèles aux principes du Sionisme Général, à l'unité d'intérêts et d'idéaux entre les Sionistes du monde entier avec ceux d'Israël. Les six membres du Comité Administratif qui ont quitté la Confédération ont perdu le droit d'user de son nom. Les six autres qui sont restés loyaux sont les seuls représentants parlant en son nom.

M. ILUTOVITSCH est d'avis que, pour la même raison,

LES MEMBRES DE LA CONFEDERATION EUROPEENNE, qui sont loyaux à la Confédération Mondiale légale, SONT LES SEULS AUTORISES A PARLER DES MAINTENANT AU NOM DE LA CONFEDERATION SIONISTE GENERALE DE L'EUROPE ET DE L'AFRIQUE DU NORD. M. ILUTOVITSCH ne voit pas de quel droit M. BAKSTANSKI pourrait continuer à parler au nom d'une Confédération Européenne des Sionistes Généraux dès qu'il a cessé d'être un Sioniste Général et veut devenir un "non-partisan". C'est illogique au point d'en être ridicule.

LE SIONISME GENERAL TRIOMPHE MALGRE LES MENSONGES DE SES ENNEMIS

(Suite de la 1^{re} page)

■ Quant à la Belgique, le rapport de M. BAKSTANSKI prétend qu'il y avait deux représentants belges à cette séance. La vérité est qu'aucun membre — et encore moins un délégué, — de l'Organisation Sioniste Belge n'a mis son pied dans la salle de cette séance.

■ Le même va pour la Suisse et le Danemark.

■ L'Organisation Sioniste de France, la plus grande de l'Europe continentale, a ignoré, naturellement, la séance.

■ Au nom de nos camarades britanniques, M. S. LANEMAN a présenté sa protestation formelle une semaine d'avance.

■ Certains participants de Finlande, d'Autriche et d'Italie n'avaient aucun mandat de voter et ne représentaient qu'eux-mêmes.

■ Résumons : La séance d'urgence de M. BAKSTANSKI se termina par un échec complet. A part son organisation britannique il n'y avait que les Hollandais et probablement la majorité des sionistes généraux de Suède, ainsi que la poignée des progressistes français qui sont restés avec lui dans son coup d'Etat.

La véritable Confédération Européenne a passé, dès maintenant, de Londres à Paris.

L'Organisation Sioniste Générale de la Grande-Bretagne et d'Irlande

Le premier résultat de la défection de la Fédération Sioniste Britannique a été la création d'une Organisation Sioniste Générale de la Grande-Bretagne.

La Jewish Telegraphic Agency annonce, le 17 septembre, ce qui suit :

« Le Dr. Wolfgang von Weisl s'est rendu à Londres pour une dizaine de jours, en mission de la part du Conseil Européen des Sionistes Généraux. Il a eu des entrevues avec des personnages importants Juifs et non Juifs et a parlé dans deux (en réalité trois) réunions. Pendant son séjour il a réussi à constituer l'organisation Sioniste Générale de la Grande-Bretagne et de l'Irlande, qui sera représentée par quatre délégués, au Conseil Européen des Sionistes Généraux. Les représentants de Londres sont F. Ashe Lincoln, S. Landman et Dr. J. Jackson. Le délégué de la province n'est pas encore nommé. »

Les camarades londoniens ont commencé, immédiatement, l'enregistrement de nouveaux membres et la collecte d'un Fonds Politique. Dans les 48 heures, trois donations de 100 livres sterling chacune (environ 360.000 francs) et d'autres donations moins importantes furent assurées.

Un meeting interne a élu président de l'Organisation Sioniste Générale Britannique l'avocat bien connu Ashe LINCOLN, Conseiller de la Reine, Lieutenant Commander de la Réserve de la Marine Royale, etc... Notre fidèle et intrépide camarade Samuel LANDMAN, l'ancien Secrétaire politique de WEIZMANN au temps de la Déclaration Balfour et chairman de notre Comité en Angleterre, fut élu chairman de l'Organisation. Dr. J. JACKSON, Trésorier, Mrs ALLEN, Secrétaire honoraire, une dizaine d'autres personnalités complètent le Comité provisoire.

PROBLEMES DE L'EDUCATION JUIVE EN ISRAEL

Les journaux israéliens, ainsi que les journaux sionistes de la Diaspora annoncent que :

— L'année scolaire en Israël commence avec une rentrée en classe de 500.000 enfants (y compris les Arabes), dont 30.000 de plus qu'en 1956.

— Les difficultés dans l'enseignement public, causées par le manque d'instituteurs, semblent sensiblement soulagées. 1.500 nouveaux instituteurs portent le chiffre à un total de 20.000 pour l'année nouvelle.

— Tandis que le nombre des élèves atteint 4 fois celui de 1949, le budget de l'éducation est 6 fois plus élevé. (Cette disproportion est due à la hausse des prix de construction, pour les nouvelles classes, ainsi qu'à la hausse des salaires, etc.)

Commentaire : Le quotidien Général Sioniste « Haboker » (du 6-9) attaque cette manière de parler en chiffres « comme les Américains » quand il s'agit de problèmes spirituels, tels que ceux de l'éducation. « Ce ne sont pas les chiffres qui importent — ce sont les buts de l'éducation et ses résultats — qu'il faut examiner », dit notre confrère.

« Et les résultats sont assez insatisfaisants », se plaint le « Jewish Herald » de Londres, le 20 août. Il cite deux exemples :

L'un est le cas de plusieurs élèves d'un des meilleurs lycées de Tel-Aviv, des fils de bonnes familles, qui ont commis, dans l'année où ils devaient passer le baccalauréat, des crimes tels que vol d'automobiles, vol avec effraction dans des magasins, etc., et qui ont, en outre, fréquenté des maisons « immorales » — uniquement par ennui, tout comme la jeunesse corrompue en Europe ou en Amérique. Le journal voit dans ce fait une preuve que les méthodes pédagogiques actuelles en Israël ne savent pas former une jeunesse juive idéaliste. Le deuxième exemple souligne encore ce fait : parmi 300 étudiants israéliens qui fréquentent les universités des Etats-Unis, pas moins de 30 se firent baptiser, tandis que les autres étudiants en Amérique, ainsi qu'en Europe, s'éloignent des communautés juives locales, refusent de prendre part à l'œuvre sioniste, préfèrent — avec toute leur éducation « sabré » chauviniste, la compagnie de jeunes filles non juives à celle de leurs coreligionnaires.

A qui la faute ? Le « Jewish Herald » répond : « On a essayé de donner aux jeunes Israéliens une éducation juive sans religion. Or, cela n'existe pas. Cela ne peut donner que les résultats que nous voyons. »

Le « Haboker », de son côté, accuse l'éducation socialiste d'être une source

de mal. Il souligne que malgré la loi sur l'unification des systèmes scolaires, l'éducation partisane socialiste continue d'exister dans les écoles des Kibboutsim, ainsi que dans d'autres institutions dominées par les partis

presque communistes Ahdout Avoda et Hashomer Hatsair. Cette éducation à la haine des classes se dissimule sous le nom innocent de « éducation sociale », permise par la loi. Elle consiste à donner aux enfants des livres marxistes, tels que le Manifeste Communiste, les œuvres de Kaussky, Baer, même du communiste Ber Borochoy. Le journal alerte l'opinion publique contre cette transgression de la loi.

Nouvelles de nos organisations dans le monde

ETATS-UNIS

La 60^e Conférence annuelle de l'Organisation Sioniste de l'Amérique a eu lieu à New-York du 12 au 15 septembre. « Elle était remarquable par son esprit militant et son appui enthousiaste pour la politique formulée et poursuivie par le Dr. Emmanuel NEUMANN réélu, par acclamation, président. De même furent réélus le Président honoraire Dr. Abba HILLEL SILVER; les Vice-Présidents SOBELOFF, WEINBERG, Dr. FEUER, Dr. LEVINE et Jacques TORCZYNER, ainsi que A. GOODMAN comme Chairman du Comité Exécutif National.

A cette Conférence le Gouverneur HARRIMAN a attaqué l'administration d'Eisenhower pour sa politique dans le Proche Orient; l'ancien ambassadeur de l'U.S. en Israël, James G. MACDONALD, a critiqué amèrement l'attitude des Israéliens envers la Diaspora. Il a dit notamment que les leaders de l'Etat d'Israël ont le devoir d'expliquer à leurs citoyens l'esprit de la Diaspora afin que les Israéliens comprennent le Judaïsme mondial comme ils désirent que la Diaspora comprenne les Israéliens. Le grand écrivain Maurice SAMUEL, ainsi que notre camarade Israël ROKACH, Vice-Président de la Knesseth, attaquèrent fortement l'attitude de BEN GOURION qui veut regarder comme sionistes seulement ceux qui sont prêts à s'établir en Israël. ROKACH ajoute que la grande majorité de la Knesseth n'est pas d'accord avec BEN GOURION.

LA CONFERENCE NATIONALE DE L'ORGANISATION SIONISTE DE FRANCE

aura lieu, à Paris, le 9, 10 et 11 novembre.

Ce sera la conférence la plus importante qui fut jamais convoquée depuis la fin de la guerre mondiale. On s'attend à une participation record.

La préparation de la Conférence a été confiée à M. Alexandre REITER.

L'ambassadeur français M. ALPHAND salue les « sacrifices et les efforts innombrables des membres de l'Organisation Sioniste face aux obstacles qui semblent insurmontables ». De même, Lord Russell de Liverpool, l'éminent homme d'Etat libéral, dénonce la politique des Nations Unies envers Israël.

AMERIQUE LATINE

Dans les élections communales en Uruguay, les Sionistes Généraux ont présenté une liste séparée en soulignant nos principes politiques et nationaux. Ils ont remporté une victoire éclatante.

En Bolivie, à l'occasion d'une conférence territoriale de la Fédération Sioniste, nos camarades l'ont emporté comme le parti le plus fort de la Communauté.

AUTRICHE

Dr. KLEE (Zurich) visita Vienne, parla dans un meeting arrangé pour la Fédération Sioniste et pris contact avec nos camarades militants.

ISRAEL

Le Vice-Président de la Knesseth, M. ROKACH, est en visite en Amérique. Le membre de l'Exécutif de l'Agence Juive, GROSSMAN, est parti pour l'Europe et visitera Paris au début d'octobre; le membre de la Knesseth Simha BABE visite, avec une délégation parlementaire, l'Amérique du Sud; le membre de la Knesseth Dr. HARELL a participé, comme membre de la Délégation Parlementaire Israélienne, aux séances de la conférence interparlementaire à Londres, où il a tenu un discours très remarquable sur le problème des réfugiés arabes. Il était aussi membre de la Commission interparlementaire à Londres, où il a tenu un discours très remarquable sur le problème des réfugiés arabes. Il était aussi membre de la Commission interparlementaire pour la question des réfugiés. Il a tenu une conférence dans une réception organisée en son honneur par l'Organisation Sioniste Générale de Grande-Bretagne, présidée par le Dr. HOMA. Le Ministre des Pensions et l'Assurance Sociale adressa une lettre de congratulations à cette réunion.

L'Angleterre voit le danger russe

Dans le « *Haboker* » le Dr. von WEISL donne un rapport sur les vues des cercles conservateurs parlementaires de Londres concernant la situation en Syrie et en Jordanie, dont nous donnons ici un extrait.

A) *L'Amérique ne fera rien contre les Russes en Syrie et on ne voit même pas ce qu'elle pourrait faire maintenant.*

L'envoi d'armes en Jordanie est un geste futile. Les Jordaniens (comme les autres armées arabes), ne sont pas en mesure de se servir d'armement lourd moderne sans aide et commandement européens (ou russe). D'autre part, l'envoi d'armes par air en Jordanie comporte même un certain danger puisque personne ne sait au juste ce que les Jordaniens feront avec ces armes, le cas échéant.

On n'est pas sûr si le commandant en chef de l'armée supportera aveuglement le Roi Hussein, disent les Conservateurs en Angleterre. Mais qui osera prédire ce que ce jeune roi fera d'ici quelques mois ? Il a changé sa politique plus d'une fois et il peut la changer à nouveau.

En outre, les déclarations des Jordaniens lors de l'arrivée du premier envoi d'armes américaines sont considérées, à Londres, comme un symptôme inquiétant de la situation morale en Jordanie. Ce serait sans importance si le roi et ses ministres croient sincèrement ce qu'ils disent en déclarant : « Israël est la plus grande menace pour nous et jamais nous n'emploierons ces armes contre la Syrie », ou s'ils se croient obligés de parler ainsi parce que l'opinion publique le demande. Mais encore plus dangereuse serait la situation qui se produirait si le roi était assassiné comme son grand-père Abdallah. Dans ce cas, les armes américaines en Jordanie seraient employées au profit d'un bloc syro-égyptien.

B) *Le véritable danger pour le monde libre, naturellement, ne consiste pas dans l'attitude des Jordaniens ou des Syriens, mais dans les intentions de Moscou.*

Et ces intentions seraient, d'après les renseignements reçus à Londres, alarmantes au plus haut degré.

Moscou serait convaincu que — dans le cas d'une attaque syrienne, avec ou sans intervention égyptienne — aucune puissance européenne, même pas la France, viendrait en aide à Israël et ceci par crainte de la Russie.

L'attaque syro-égyptienne contre Israël serait, cette fois-ci, dirigée par des généraux russes. Elle viendrait peut-être après avoir provoqué un incident sérieux à la frontière israélienne, dont le but serait de tâter la réaction américaine avant que les Russes ne s'engagent à fond. Mais on craint, à Londres, que les Russes soient déjà convaincus que n'importe quelle action arabe contre les Juifs passera sans intervention de part de Dulles et de Eisenhower, et que l'Angleterre et la France ne risqueront pas d'agir sans l'Amérique.

pour Israël

Moscou pense que cette fois les Arabes, grâce à leur supériorité en armement et en hommes, parviendront à remporter la victoire. Mais si les Israéliens battaient, une fois de plus, les Arabes, Moscou paraît être décidé à ne pas permettre une troisième défaite de leurs alliés. Les Russes enverraient alors des « volontaires » tandis que leurs bases sous-marines dans la Méditerranée, en Albanie, en Egypte et en Syrie empêcheraient l'envoi de volontaires occidentaux vers Israël. Seule une déclaration de guerre contre la Russie pourrait alors aider Israël. Moscou est absolument certain que Eisenhower ne s'y décidera jamais !

C) *Londres sent que l'objet immédiat de la politique russe est l'élimination d'Israël.*

Londres sait que les communistes tâcheront d'éliminer également la Turquie, mais seulement après qu'ils auront fini avec Israël. Les Russes considèrent que l'existence d'Israël constitue un danger réel pour leurs projets de conquête. Israël peut servir de base militaire pour le monde libre. Une attaque venant de la Syrie et dirigée contre la Turquie ne saurait se concevoir tandis qu'une armée israélienne menace la Syrie du sud. Ce ne sera qu'après l'élimination d'Israël que les Russes s'occuperont de la Turquie.

D) Le seul moyen pour sortir de l'impasse serait une déclaration tripartite, suivant laquelle la moindre attaque contre

Israël déclencherait automatiquement la guerre des Etats-Unis, l'Angleterre et la France contre l'agresseur.

Les Russes seraient plus enclins à prendre au sérieux une telle déclaration si Israël était admise à la NATO. Les Anglais regrettent de ne voir aucune chance pour l'adoption d'une telle politique par M. Dulles, le groupe de l'Arameco et M. Eisenhower.

Malgré l'opposition permanente du Pentagone contre la politique de Dulles, l'Amérique poursuivra probablement ses efforts pour gagner les Arabes. Mais ce n'est pas seulement l'Amérique qui serait opposée à l'admission d'Israël à la NATO. En Grande-Bretagne aussi, la tradition pro-arabe est encore vivante et il est probable que l'Angleterre hésiterait elle aussi à s'engager définitivement en faveur d'Israël. Le seul espoir qui reste : le rapport de Henderson sur la Syrie a peint le danger russe en des couleurs si noires que Eisenhower fût alarmé sérieusement. Le Pentagone est depuis longtemps en faveur d'une réorientation de la politique américaine dans le sens pro-israélien et pro-anglais. Il y a des signes dans le ciel de Washington qui prédisent un changement dans ce sens. Mais Londres craint que l'obstination du Département d'Etat et le désir d'Eisenhower d'éviter à tout prix une nouvelle Corée n'emportent une fois de plus sur les opinions du Ministère de la Guerre et, en conséquence, ne rendent impuissant le monde libre tout entier.

LE DÉBAT IDÉOLOGIQUE

Dans tous les pays du monde, les deux discours de BEN GOURION à Jérusalem ont provoqué la plus vive réaction. Le parti des Sionistes Généraux, tout en condamnant catégoriquement les idées de BEN GOURION, approuve le principe de la discussion, nécessaire pour l'avenir du Mouvement Sioniste. A présent on sait à quoi s'en tenir : BEN GOURION ne veut pas seulement réduire à l'impuissance politique l'Organisation Sioniste Mondiale — il n'est pas mécontent seulement de la politique de son président actuel — mais s'oppose à l'existence même d'une organisation sioniste qui se mêlerait des affaires israéliennes.

La nouvelle thèse de « non-intervention dans la politique de l'Etat » a enchanté les assimilateurs tandis que les sionistes véritables réaffirment le principe fondamental du sionisme qui s'oppose à la création de deux catégories de Juifs, ceux d'Israël et ceux de la Diaspora. Notre ami Jacques ORFUS, Président du Conseil des Sionistes Généraux d'Europe écrit dans « La Terre Retrouvée » (15 septembre) :

« La conception de M. BEN GOURION risque d'avoir des conséquences incalculables et même dangereuses pour l'avenir du jeune Etat et pour ses relations avec le Judaïsme Mondial.

Nous connaissons les raisons qui ont amené M. BEN GOURION à prendre cette attitude, disons-le franchement, hostile au Mouvement Sioniste.

Sur le bien-fondé des reproches de M. BEN GOURION on pourrait ouvrir un débat. Quant aux conclusions, elles sont à rejeter dans l'intérêt même du peuple juif et de l'Etat d'Israël.

Des alliances, nous en cherchons en dehors du peuple juif. Au sein de ce peuple nous cherchons des « bâtisseurs ».

C'est le Mouvement Sioniste qui représente le « partnership » du Judaïsme du monde entier, dans sa forme organisationnelle.

C'est à lui qu'incombe le devoir, en dehors des tâches quotidiennes citées plus haut, de transformer les donateurs juifs, les « alliés » d'aujourd'hui en partenaires, en « bâtisseurs ».

Essayer de remplacer l'Organisation Sioniste Mondiale par des « Amis d'Israël » ou quelque autre organisation serait une déclaration de faillite de l'idée sioniste, ce serait aussi hâter le processus de séparation entre le Judaïsme israélien et celui de la Diaspora, avec toutes les conséquences désastreuses qui s'ensuivent.

J. ORFUS

TELEPHONE
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ההסתדרות הציונית של ארצות הברית

ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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ERNEST E. BARBARASH, Director
PRESS AND PUBLICITY DEPT.

September 5, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In order that your address at our forthcoming Annual Convention may be given the widest possible press coverage, I would greatly appreciate your cooperation in furnishing me salient excerpts as early as possible.

It is vitally important that I receive the copy at this office by Thursday morning, September 12th. This would enable us to meet the deadline in processing the release for distribution to the press.

With many thanks,

Sincerely yours,

Ernest E. Barbarash

Ernest E. Barbarash
Director, Press Department

EEB:flm

W. A. F. H.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

September 9, 1957

Mr. Fred Fox
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Fox:

At the suggestion of Mr. Maxwell Rabb, I am sending you the attached draft message for the 60th Anniversary Convention of the Zionist Organization of America, which will be held September 12-15 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City. The message would, of course, be addressed to the President of the Z.O.A., Dr. Emanuel Neumann.

If it could be wired to us and arrive here by or on Wednesday, it would be released as the advance story on the Convention and thus be assured of prominent treatment in the press. It would be best to send such a telegram to the Z.O.A. office at the above address. However, if the message is not likely to arrive by or on Wednesday, it should be sent to Dr. Neumann c/o the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

With many thanks for your cooperation in this matter, I am

Sincerely yours,

Harold P. Manson

Draft

Message to the 60th Anniversary Convention of the
Zionist Organization of America

I am happy to convey my warm greetings to the 60th Anniversary Convention of the Zionist Organization of America. Your organization has reason for satisfaction in its achievements over the past sixty years. It has contributed mightily to a noble humanitarian endeavor and has helped to advance the principles and purposes of democracy. In working so indefatigably for the creation of the State of Israel, you served to build a life of dignity for a sorely persecuted people and to establish a new freedom-loving nation dedicated to ideals which we Americans hold dear.

No less significant is your current aim to foster cultural exchange and mutual understanding between the people of the United States and Israel. Such understanding is vital for the future of the Free World, and the government of the United States welcomes these efforts on your part.

Firm friendship for Israel is a basic tenet of our foreign policy. In seeking to avert Communist aggression and subversion in the Middle East, the government of the United States is ever mindful of Israel's need to maintain her security and engage in peaceful commerce.

We shall continue to seek the establishment of an enduring peace between Israel and her neighbors, which will bring blessings to all the peoples of the Middle East. Knowing how strongly your organization is devoted to this objective, I express my profound hope that your deliberations will hasten its achievement.

September 9, 1957

Mr. Ernest E. Barbarash, Director,
Press Department
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Barbarash:

I am enclosing herewith the Address which I am to deliver next Saturday evening. The introductory part is not included.

With warmest regards and looking forward with pleasure to seeing you at the Convention, I remain

Cordially yours,

AHS:sl
encl.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

RESOLUTIONS ON UJA

ADOPTED AT THE 60th ANNIVERSARY ZOA CONVENTION

HELD AT THE WALDORF ASTORIA HOTEL

NEW YORK SEPTEMBER 12-15, 1957

I

The 60th Anniversary Convention of the Zionist Organization of America reaffirms the resolution of the ZOA-UJA Mobilization Conference held in conjunction with the National Executive Council on April 7, 1957. Like that assembly, it urges the ZOA to further intensify its support for the 1957/1958 United Jewish Appeal and calls upon its leadership and membership in every Region and District in every city throughout the United States to cooperate with the local campaign in which the United Jewish Appeal is included. The Zionist Organization of America will:

- a. Endeavor to see to it that every ZOA member makes a contribution to the campaign which is adequate to the overwhelming needs of the moment.
- b. Organize, in cooperation with the local campaign, meetings, and Divisions which will enable that campaign to reach its goal.
- c. Urge its members to make contributions, individually, which will inspire the same type of sacrifice from all sections of the Jewish Community.
- d. Take on the responsibility at the end of the campaign to see that every Jew in the community is given an opportunity to make an adequate contribution.
- e. Take the necessary steps to enlist its entire membership as volunteer leaders and workers in the campaign.
- f. Help to speed the campaign, in order that the funds may be applied quickly for the life-saving purposes for which it is intended.
- g. Proclaim, publicly, in every community, its support of the local campaign with its resolve to help attain maximum results.

II

1. The ZOA Convention records its great satisfaction with the encouraging response given by many ZOA Districts throughout the country to the UJA program through ZOA.
2. The ZOA Convention calls upon the ZOA Districts where 1957 Fall UJA Campaigns are scheduled, to make immediate contact with the local Federations or UJA Committees in order to plan a UJA effort through ZOA.
3. The ZOA Convention calls for the establishment within the ZOA of a permanent committee to work with the UJA during 1957-1958 in order to further its ZOA-UJA program.
4. The ZOA Convention urges the Executive Boards of the ZOA Regions to cooperate with the UJA Regional Conferences during the coming year and wherever possible hold ZOA Conferences in order to achieve full implementation of the ZOA-UJA program.

5. The ZOA Convention records its gratitude to Mr. Max Bressler, National ZOA Chairman for Israel Funds, for his effective leadership in the promotion of Israel Bonds, United Jewish Appeal and Jewish National Fund. These achievements were made possible by his great devotion to the Jewish people and his deep concern for the welfare of the State of Israel.
6. The ZOA Convention records its satisfaction with the cooperation extended to the ZOA by the United Jewish Appeal Leadership during the year, especially the guidance and help it has received from the Executive Vice-Chairman of the UJA, Rabbi Herbert A. Friedman, and for delegating Mr. Harry Shapiro as liaison representative with ZOA. His understanding of the Zionist Organization and of the communities, combined with his devotion and counsel have, in a great measure, helped to further the ZOA-UJA program.
7. The Chairman, Max Bressler, wishes to record his full appreciation of the exemplary services given to the ZOA-UJA effort by our Director, Abram Salomon, and recommends him highly for the plaudits of the entire Convention.

III

The ZOA Convention welcomes the United Jewish Appeal's decision to hold a UJA Conference in 1958 in Jerusalem. Such a gathering will afford participation of a greater number of Jews of America in the celebration of the 10th Anniversary of Jewish statehood and will serve as a greater stimulus for the implementation of the UJA program of rescue.

- (A) It urges the ZOA Administration to arrange a delegation of ZOA leaders active in the UJA-program from all Regions and Districts to take part in the June UJA Conference in Jerusalem.
- (B) The ZOA Convention calls upon the Administration to so organize the mission of ZOA leaders to Israel that it will include visits to various countries of Europe, after which the mission will bring a report of conditions prevailing there and in Israel to a special meeting of the ZOA National Executive Council so that we may stimulate even greater activity on behalf of the UJA.

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September 18, 1957

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אנחנו רוצים לראותך בפעם הבאה!
אנחנו נראה אותך!

Dear Dr. Silver:

You certainly made an extraordinary impression, as you have done on numerous occasions before, with your remarkable address at the Waldorf-Astoria.

Mrs. Shubow and my young son Moshe, who had the honor to meet you later, and myself, said to one another that the impressiveness of your appearance was virtually that of a Moses talking to his people. We had only recently seen "THE TEN COMMANDMENTS", and I know you have no Hollywood aspirations, but there was an extraordinary similarity in appearance and utterance.

May God bless you and give you health and strength until 120, like Moses of old, "with eye undimmed and force unabated."

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Faithfully and gratefully yours,

Joseph S. Shubow
Rabbi Joseph S. Shubow
President

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P.S. I and all of us in New England hope and pray you will honor us with your presence Sunday night, November 3, at the great American Zionist Fund Dinner, which will be great only if you are there.

* Deceased

של ארצות הברית

ההסתדרות הציונית



ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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September 19, 1957

Dear Fellow-Zionist:

The ZOA has just completed the 60th Jubilee Convention. The sessions were well-attended, spirited and meaningful. They reminded me of former days when the ZOA was in the forefront of all activity on the American Jewish scene. Using this convention as a barometer, the ZOA can, if we apply ourselves to the tasks at hand, again attain that pre-eminent position.

One of the fields, which I believe will be helpful in that regard, is in connection with our official participation in the UJA campaigns. If we do this well, it will enhance our prestige locally and thus bolster our national standing.

The convention adopted a few resolutions on our relationship to the UJA. I attach them with the hope that you will digest them carefully, bring them to the attention of your membership, and then take the necessary steps to assure their implementation in your District.

If there is a Fall UJA campaign in your community, will you please take immediate steps to plan your District's intensified participation in that campaign with your Welfare Fund or UJA Campaign Committee. If your city has a Spring campaign, will you please give the matter your earnest consideration and take steps in October or November to make the necessary arrangements with your Welfare Fund or UJA Campaign Committee for the '58 campaign. Should you need help on the above, you can get it from Abram Salomon, our UJA-ZOA Director, or Harry L. Shapiro, who is the liaison representative of the UJA to the ZOA. Both of them can be reached in our national office.

I take this opportunity to thank you for your past help and to wish you a Happy New Year. I would be grateful to you if you would send me a note telling me of your plans or progress on the above.

Zionist greetings.

Cordially yours,

Max Bressler
ZOA National Chairman for
Israel Funds

Sent to: Dist. & Reg. Presidents
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September 20, 1957

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

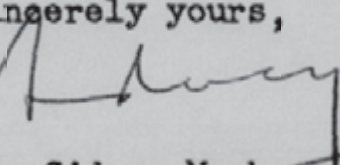
I am sure that the enthusiasm and gratitude for your address at the Sixtieth Jubilee Convention reached across the platform that time at the Convention. The delegates appreciated your thoughts given, as one person said to me, "by a craftsman in such a humble way."

Since then, delegates spoke of you and your talk again and again.

Our appreciation goes out to you from the heart. You brought us to a new peak in Convention experience and the entire Convention body - delegates and guests - are grateful.

Our gratitude and best wishes!

Sincerely yours,


Dr. Sidney Marks
Executive Director

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September 20, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
c/o The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I believe I mentioned that Truman had requested two copies of your address for his records. Since your opening remarks were not included on the mimeographed text of your address, I have had a written transcription made from the tape recording, and I thought that you, too, would wish to have a copy for your files.

Ever best,

Harold P. Manson

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enc.

ההסתדרות הציונית בצרפת (ציונים כלליים)

הועד המרכזי

ORGANISATION SIONISTE DE FRANCE

SIONISTES GÉNÉRAUX

COMITÉ CENTRAL

47, RUE DE CHABROL

PARIS-X^e

Tél.: PROvence 97-34

V/REF.

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PARIS, le 3 Octobre 1957.

Dr. Abba Hillel SILVER
105, Temple East and Russel Road
CLEVELAND, Ohio

Cher Dr. Silver,

J'ai le plaisir de vous adresser ci-joint copie de la lettre par laquelle nous invitons la ZOA d'envoyer une délégation à notre Conférence Nationale.

Mais en dehors de cette invitation "officielle" je me permets de vous adresser une invitation personnelle. Je n'ai pas besoin de souligner à quel point votre participation à notre Conférence Nationale nous serait importante. Au moment où il faut, en vérité, recréer tout le mouvement sioniste, votre opinion et votre conseil nous seraient particulièrement précieux. Le parti français serait donc très heureux si vos occupations vous permettaient d'assister aux délibérations de notre Conférence.

Dans cet espoir je vous adresse, cher Dr. Silver, l'assurance de mes sentiments les meilleurs et mon très cordial

Chalom

Alexander REITER
Membre du Bureau Exécutif

ההסתדרות הציונית בצרפת (ציונים כלליים)

הועד המרכזי

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PARIS, le 3 Octobre 1957.

Chers Amis,

Nous avons l'honneur de vous informer que la Conférence Nationale de l'O.S.F. aura lieu du

Samedi 9 au Lundi 11 Novembre 1957 à PARIS

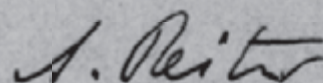
Cette réunion, qui est la première Conférence d'un parti du Sionisme Général d'Europe depuis la sécession des Progressistes de la Confédération, sera appelée à prendre des décisions importantes pour le renouveau de notre mouvement sur notre Continent.

Nous vous invitons cordialement à nous envoyer une délégation de votre Organisation pour assister à la Conférence Nationale de l'O.S.F. Nous serons très heureux de recevoir chez nous vos délégués qui auront l'occasion de s'adresser à nos camarades pour leur faire part de leur expérience dans tous les problèmes qui nous occupent en commun.

Nous nous permettrons de vous faire parvenir prochainement l'ordre du jour de la Conférence ainsi que les circulaires que nous y consacrons.

Nous vous adressons, Chers Amis, notre très cordial

Chalom



Alexandre REITER
Membre du Bureau Exécutif.

October 7, 1957

Mr. Gershon Swet
155 East 77th Street
New York 21, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you so much for your thoughtfulness in sending me your report of the meeting at the Waldorf Astoria under the auspices of the ZOA. I read it with a great deal of interest.

I trust that you are well and with all good wishes for the coming year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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October 14, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our Philadelphia Zionists are planning their annual AZF Dinner for Sunday, January 12th, 1958. I need not belabor the situation in Philadelphia, since you know better than anyone else what it is. Thus, it is of the most extreme urgency that you address this Philadelphia Dinner, since only a man of your stature and international reputation can refute the poison being disseminated in that community. The "League" has done more harm in Philadelphia than we publicly care to admit.

As you know, the Philadelphia dinners command an attendance of between 600 and 750 people, including most of the top echelon in business, communal and Zionist endeavors. I do hope that you will find it possible to clear your calendar and accept this most important speaking engagement.

Warmest regards and Chag Samaach.

Sincerely yours,

Claire J. Okonowitz
Claire J. Okonowitz, Director
SPEAKERS' AND ARTISTS' BUREAU

CJO/asp

see cable ZIONITA AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY AUSTRALIA) 10/16/57

declined invitation to attend 10th Ann. celebration-Israel



Zionism

see copy of "Jewish Newsletter"
(Zuckerman, Ed)

Oct 17/57

article "The Peckness of -
American Zionism"

in file



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November 8, 1957

Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Friends:

I have received the enclosed contribution of \$50.00 to the Zionist Fund in memory of Marie Aronsky.

Please acknowledge this contribution to her husband,

Simon Aronsky
2760 Hampshire Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Sincerely yours,

AHS:sl
encl.

ABBA HILIEL SILVER

TELEPHONE
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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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ERNEST E. BARBARASH, Director
PRESS AND PUBLICITY DEPT.

November 18, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105 Street & Ansel Road
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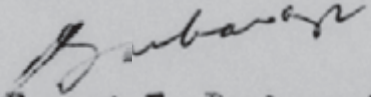
Dear Dr. Silver:

We would greatly appreciate your cooperation in rushing to ^{me} ~~us~~ for release to the press, salient excerpts of the address which you are scheduled to make on Monday evening, November 25, 1957, at the Hotel Waldorf Astoria, commemorating the tenth anniversary of the UN Resolution on Israel.

In order that the address may receive the widest possible coverage it is vitally important that I have the text or excerpts not later than Thursday morning, preferably earlier.

With kind regards and best wishes.

Cordially yours,


Ernest E. Barbarash

EEB:es

November 21, 1957

Mr. Ernest E. Barbarash
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Ernest:

At your request I am sending you a few paragraphs of the address which I am to deliver next Monday evening on the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the United Nations' Resolution on Israel.

With warmest regards I remain,

Cordially yours,

AHS:sl
encl.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Zionist Organization of America

Office of the President
145 EAST 32nd STREET
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November 29, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am returning herewith, fully copy of your address. I understand the excerpts distributed by Mr. Barbarash, will be used in the forthcoming issue of the AMERICAN ZIONIST.

I cannot close this note without telling you how thrilled and privileged I felt to have heard your brilliant address that evening. I consider myself doubly blessed that God has granted us this decade for celebration.

With kindest personal regards to you and Mrs. Silver,

Sincerely yours,

Glauco Wiseman

Administrative Assistant

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December 5, 1957

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

It is with pride that I am able to inform you that we have successfully completed our drive, whereby a dormitory in the Kfar Silver Agricultural school, costing \$50,000, will be dedicated on June 22, 1958 and will bear the name of the Bronx Zionist Region.

At our Annual Dinner on December 17th in the Park Terrace Hotel, 850 River Avenue, Bronx, N.Y., we shall celebrate this achievement.

I am sure that all those present will be thrilled to receive a message from you - you, after whom this great agricultural school is named.

Sincerely yours,

Jack Lefkowitz
Jack Lefkowitz
Chairman
Dinner Committee

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December 10, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

First, it is a distinct pleasure for me, as president of the Philadelphia Zionist Organization, to invite you to attend as a guest of honor the forthcoming 15th Annual Dinner of the Philadelphia Zionist Organization.

The function, to be held on Tuesday evening, January 21st, at the Drake Hotel in this city, will salute Congressman Earl Chudoff as he retires from Capitol Hill, where he was a stalwart champion of Israel and the Zionist cause, to become a judge of the Common Pleas Court of Pennsylvania. The evening will also mark the celebration of the 60th anniversary of the Zionist Organization of America and the 10th anniversary of Israel's freedom.

As you know, we made diligent and persistent efforts to have you grace the occasion as the principal speaker. While we aren't quite reconciled to the loss of your eloquence at our function, as good tacticians we are compelled to accept the possibility that you cannot be with us, and act accordingly.

Hence, should you be unable to attend, can we prevail upon you for a message which may be read at the dinner? This message is of great, almost critical, importance to us. In Philadelphia, our Zionist organization has suffered the brunt of whatever effective opposition the American Jewish League for Israel could muster, if for no other reason than because many of its leaders live here.

For the most part, these opposition tactics have not been crude, although there has been a share of that, too. Where the League has hurt us, and tellingly, too, is in the subtle influence which Judge Levinthal wields among the moneyed folk here, as well as among those who, in varying degrees and for varying reasons are beholden to the Judge and his followers. Truth and justice, of course, are on our side in meeting the League campaign, but the seeds of confusion sown in the community by the Judge's group have taken root.

This confusion has enabled those who have always been apathetic to our movement to withdraw completely with face-saving excuses, while those with meagre knowledge of the facts have been swayed away by the outrageous accusations being made against the Zionist Organization of America.

In asking for a message from you to be read publicly, we ask for no negative attack on the League. Rather, we want affirmative words, phrased as only Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver can phrase them, which point to the great need today for unity among Zionists, rising above personalities, and which underscore the great need for the Zionist Organization of America today to be able to carry out its historic tasks without being hampered and wounded by the pettifogging diatribes of a group of bitter men.

Your words will be heard by a distinguished audience that night. In addition to leaders of our Zionist and Jewish community, the audience will include such highly placed persons in the political and administrative structure of our state and city as our Governor and our Mayor, as well as lawyers and others who are friends of Congressman Chudoff. Your words will be a rich complement to those spoken by Dr. Emanuel Neumann, our principal speaker.

I do hope that you can find the time to compose the message we ask. It will help us immeasurably.



Sincerely yours,

Herbert S. Levin

HERBERT S. LEVIN
President

HSL:is

December 11, 1957

Mr. Jack Lefkowitz
Chairman, Dinner Committee
Bronx Zionist Region
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Lefkowitz:

I was happy to receive the very welcome news that the Bronx Zionist Region will build a dormitory in Kfar Silver Agricultural School which will bear the name of the Region and which will be dedicated on June 22nd.

I need not tell you that I was delighted to learn that your fine Region has made possible the erection of an important addition to this splendid school which already enjoys considerable importance for the fine training it offers the youth of Israel for careers in agriculture so vital in the development of the country.

Please convey to all our good friends who will be attending your annual dinner on December 17th my warmest felicitations and my great pride in their achievement.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER



ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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December 12, 1957

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I received a letter from Kfar Silver saying that you asked them to place a plaque in the school in memory of Dr. Emanuel S. Cohen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Salomon Cohen.

Will you be kind enough to let me have the exact wording of this plaque which will be put up on the Kfar Silver Honor Roll, which is now being installed in the dining hall building, which is the main structure of the school.

I would also appreciate your mentioning to which contribution this plaque is being applied.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

LI:fc



December 20, 1957

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Ilutovich:

Thank you for your letter of December 12th with reference to the plaque which is to be placed at Kfar Silver in memory of Dr. Emanuel S. Cohen.

I sent the details of that plaque on to Kfar Silver on November 5th. I hope that it will be installed by next April when I plan to visit Kfar Silver.

With warmest regards I remain

Cordially yours,

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

P.S. In connection with your letter about the publicity in Boston, I have sent it on to the Israel Bond Office in New York.

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January 17, 1958

Mr. Herbert S. Levin, President
Philadelphia Zionist Organization
1022 Bankers Securities Building
Philadelphia 7, Pa.

My dear Friend:

It was a source of great regret to me that I was unable to accept your gracious invitation to attend the Annual Dinner of the Philadelphia Zionist Organization on January 21st.

I should however, like to send my greetings to the men and women who will be attending this dinner and to Congressman Earl Chudoff whom you are honoring on this occasion.

The importance of this meeting is enhanced, of course, by the fact that you will be celebrating the 60th anniversary of the Zionist Organization of America and the auspicious 10th anniversary of the establishment of the State of Israel.

Great and historic things were accomplished by the Zionist Organization of America during its six decades of existence and more especially in the historic days immediately preceding the establishment of the State of Israel. Without its successful efforts in mobilizing American Jewry and American public opinion generally, in behalf of Israel's re-establishment, this historic event might never have transpired.

We must all realize, however, that the work of the Zionist Organization of America is not completed. Much yet remains to be done of a very crucial character to defend the future of the State of Israel against the unceasing and relentless attacks of those who would wish to destroy it and of others who would like to see it crippled and dismembered. We must remain mobilized and alerted and those who are enrolled in the Zionist Organization of America belong to the front line soldiers of defense.

I wish you every success. With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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ההסתדרות הציונית



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January 21, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed is a story on the ZOA House and on Kfar Silver by Erwin Savelson, which appeared in the New York Daily Mirror yesterday. The Mirror has a circulation of several hundred thousand daily and this story has given us excellent publicity.

If you wish to drop a line of thanks to Mr. Savelson, his address is as follows:

Mr. Erwin Savelson
391 Summit Avenue
Mt. Vernon, New York

I am sure he will greatly appreciate a note from you.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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*Letter to Savelson
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(1/24/58)*



Zionist Organization of America

WESTERN STATES REGION

590 N. Vermont Avenue
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January 28, 1958

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

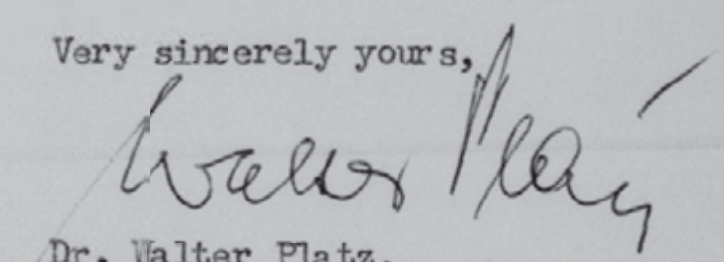
Dear Dr. Silver:

We are honoring Theodore Strimling at our AZF Banquet on Saturday, February 15, at the Beverly Hilton Hotel.

I know how much he would appreciate a congratulatory word from you. May I therefore ask you to send us a message which we could present to him that evening.

We are all very sorry that you were unable to be with us.

Very sincerely yours,


Dr. Walter Platz,
Executive Director

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Encl.

Letter of Feb 1958

American Zionist Fund
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re: Kfar
Silver

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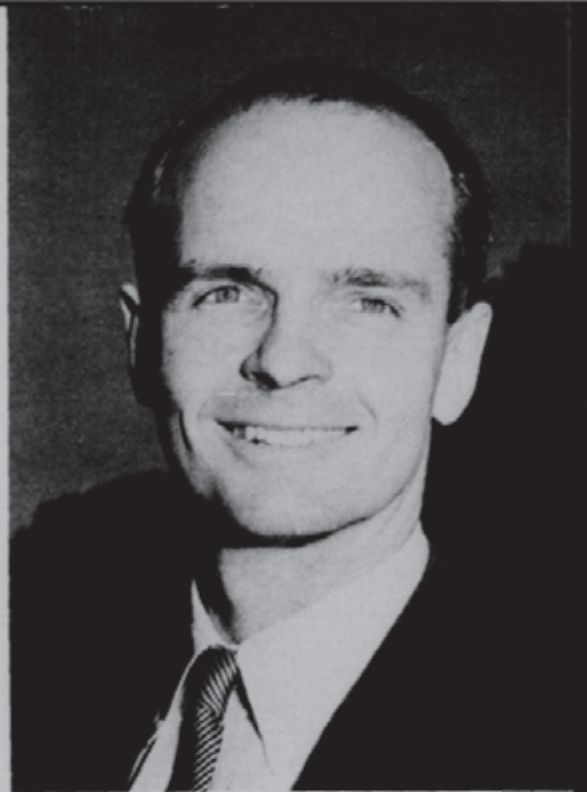
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Saturday, February 15, 1958, 6:30 p.m.

Beverly-Hilton Hotel, Bali Room

\$7.50 per plate



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February 17, 1958

Dr. Walter Platz, Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
590 North Vermont Avenue, Rm. 317
Los Angeles 4, California

Dear Dr. Platz:

Due to my absence from the city I must send these belated words of greeting to Mr. Theodore Strimling on the occasion of the dinner honoring him for his distinguished services to the cause of Zionism and American Judaism. I have been in Miami in connection with the annual Conference of Israel Bonds.

I am sure that the dinner in honor of Mr. Strimling was a tremendously successful one. I know of no one more deserving of the tributes of his fellowmen than this veteran and dedicated servant of his people. I have always had the highest admiration for his unfailing and unflagging dedication of himself to every constructive movement in Jewish life and particularly to the upbuilding of Israel.

With warmest regards, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER



Zionist Organization of America

145 EAST 32ND STREET • NEW YORK 16, N. Y. • MURRAY HILL 3-9201

February 21, 1958

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

From the Anglo-Jewish and Yiddish press, as well as from ZOA publications, you must have learned about the fine publicity the ZOA Anniversary Convocation in Tel Aviv has been getting.

I have been in contact with the ZOA House, where preparations are in full swing. They are expecting a capacity crowd of 2,000 at the ZOA House Garden on the evening of April 29, when you are scheduled to deliver the keynote address on the role of American Zionism in the establishment of the Jewish State. Arrangements were already made with the Kol Yisroel Radio, which will broadcast your address throughout Israel. We plan to have the opening meeting filmed for later showings in this country.

As soon as you are ready with your address, kindly send me a copy so that we can make a Hebrew translation.

I will also appreciate receiving your exact itinerary, especially the date and flight number of your arrival in Israel, your itinerary and appointments in Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, as well as the date of your departure.

With warmest regards, I am, as ever,

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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Z.O.A. - 60 Years of Solid Achievement for Israel and Jewry

February 24, 1958

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Leon:

Thank you for your letter of February 21st.

We plan to leave on Monday, April 14th at 7:00 P.M. from New York on the El Al #202 arriving in Tel Aviv on Tuesday, April 15th at 9:30 P.M.

We plan to leave Israel on Thursday, May 1st at 2:00 P.M. on the El Al #207, arriving in New York the next day at 5:25 A.M..

As far as my itinerary and appointments in Israel are concerned they are not finalized and other than my engagement with the ZOA on Tuesday, April 29th I would prefer that no engagements be made for me.

I hope before long to send you the copy of my address.

With warmest regards, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

Cable Address:
ZIONISTS, N. Y.



In Israel
1 DANIEL FRISCH ST., TEL-AVIV
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ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA

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March 3, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

VIA AIR MAIL SPECIAL DELIVERY

Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed please find delegates credentials to the Convocation for Mrs. Silver and yourself.

For your information, I am enclosing a copy of a letter which accompanies every credential sent out from our office to participants in the Convocation.

We would like to have a photograph for the American Zionist and the press in general showing a representative of the ZOA handing you the first Convocation credential. This, however, could be done only in case you will happen to be in New York some time before your departure for Israel. I will appreciate your letting me know whether you intend to be in New York one of these days.

As you know, the Convocation Banquet will be held at the ZOA House on April 30th in the evening. I have just received a letter from the ZOA House telling us that they would appreciate having you at the banquet as the guest of honor. This does not necessarily mean that you would have to again deliver an address but they would simply like to pay tribute to you personally on the day of Israel's Tenth Anniversary.

Originally, I thought this would be impossible since you planned to leave Israel the same morning. From your present itinerary, however, I see that you will depart on May 1st so perhaps you could accept the ZOA House invitation with regard to the banquet.

Kindly let me know if possible by return mail since I have to cable my reply to Tel Aviv.

With warmest regards to Mrs. Silver and yourself, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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Z. O. A. Program — Aid to Israel and Service to Our Community



Zionist Organization of America

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March 3, 1958

Dear Fellow Zionist:

The Zionist Organization of America will mark its 60th Anniversary year and the 10th Anniversary of Israel's independence at the ZOA Anniversary Convocation in Tel Aviv on April 29 and 30, 1958. We are pleased to welcome you as a delegate to this Convocation, which will be dedicated to the theme, "The Role of American Zionism in the Establishment of the Jewish State." Another vital subject on the Convocation agenda will be the present ZOA projects and activities in Israel.

The Convocation will be held within the framework of the ZOA Week in Israel, to last from April 29 through May 5.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver will deliver the keynote address at the gala opening meeting April 29, in the evening, for 2,000 invited guests in the Emanuel Neumann Garden of the ZOA Daniel Frisch House, with the participation of the diplomatic corps, representatives of the Government, the Knesset, the national institutions and the press.

The following day (April 30) the Convocation will assemble at a conference in the ZOA House for review and discussion of ZOA Activities in Israel. It will be addressed by prominent Zionist leaders in Israel and members of the ZOA House Management Committee and the Kfar Silver Board of Directors.

The Convocation will conclude with a banquet at the ZOA House the same evening.

The ZOA House in Tel Aviv has been notified by us of your forthcoming visit to Israel. Upon arrival, please present the enclosed delegate-credential at the ZOA House, where you will receive your admission ticket to the Convocation opening, as well as all information about the Convocation proceedings.

We hope you will set aside time to make a trip to our other big ZOA project, the Agricultural Training Institute Kfar Silver, located in the southern part of the country, near Ashkelon. The ZOA House Tourist Service will be glad to arrange the trip for you.

Wishing you a most enjoyable trip to Israel on this festive 10th Anniversary Year, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Leon Ilutovich

Assistant Executive Director

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Z.O.A. - 60 Years of Solid Achievement for Israel and Jewry

March 5, 1958

dictated March 4

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
New York 16, New York

My dear Friend:

Thank you for your letter of March 3rd.

I have noted that you would like me to attend the Convocation banquet at the ZOA House on April 30th. I shall make every effort to attend, but with the clear understanding that I am not to make another speech.

I shall be in New York City on Thursday, March 20th to participate in a Symposium under the auspices of Dropsie College. I shall be glad to see you at that time.

Under separate cover I will send you two addresses for translation. Please return the manuscript and the translations to me as soon as you can as I should like to work over the translations and put them into shape for final delivery.

With warmest regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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JOSEPH ROLNICK
President

March 5, 1958

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

WALTER SCHWARTZ
Chairman
Administrative Committee

Our Region has been made extremely happy by reports which have reached our members, that you have referred to our activities, particularly our Kfar Silver undertaking, at various gatherings throughout the country. These reports have enthused our membership to a degree difficult for me to describe.

DAVID L. JONTOW
Assoc. Chairman
Administrative Committee

Is it asking too much of you, dear Dr. Silver, to honor us at our Annual Convention? It will be held over the weekend of Memorial Day in Spring Valley, New York, a half hours travel from the Bronx.

GEORGE H. COHEN
JOSEPH GALEF
HON. IRVING GOLDSMITH
HARRY GORDON
JOSEPH KAUFMAN
HON. HYMAN J. KORN
MAX LOBL
SAMUEL MARCUS
ISAAC M. OBERMAN
LOUIS PAVE
Vice Presidents

We shall assemble there from Thursday evening, May 29th until Sunday afternoon, June 1st. Of course on the Sabbath we shall conduct the usual services.

GEORGE FEINSTEIN
Secretary

We would be glad to have you and Mrs. Silver for the full period or for any session of the three days. Should you be able to come, we would invite all the adjacent Regions and their respective Districts to attend the particular gathering you will address.

IRVING PEPPER
Associate Secretary
MAYER HERMELEE
Treasurer
HERMAN WEINTRAUB
Associate Treasurer
BARBARA WANSKER
Comptroller

Having succeeded with the first dormitory, our leadership is planning to launch its second project in Kfar Silver. It can be launched with great success in your very presence.

ISIDORE SPINNER
Associate Comptroller

MAX COHEN
Director

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Very sincerely yours,

Joseph Rolnick
Joseph Rolnick
President

The Tenth Year of the Independence of the State of Israel



March 6, 1958

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Friend:

I am enclosing herewith the address which I am to deliver at the ZOA meeting in Israel - THE ROLE OF AMERICAN ZIONISM IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF ISRAEL and another address which I call the BREAKTHROUGH.

Please have these translated in a style not too rigid and stilted.

Please return the manuscripts as well as the translations to me as soon as you can.

With kindest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

March 7, 1958

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
115 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

Dear Mr. Ilutovich:

Rabbi Silver has asked that I forward to you the enclosed card which bears the Hebrew inscription in memory of Dr. Emanuel S. Cohen by his parents Mr. and Mrs. Sol Cohen.

Sincerely yours,

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Miss Sophia Levine
Secretary to Dr. Silver

Zionist Organization of America
WESTERN STATES REGION

590 N. Vermont Avenue
Room 317
Los Angeles 4, California

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April 17, 1958

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have the honor of transmitting to you herewith, a copy of the resolution unanimously adopted by the Executive Board of the Western States Region on March 17, 1958.

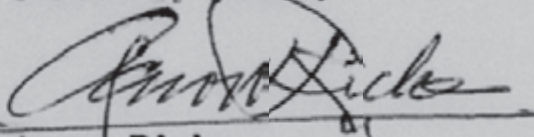
It is our profound belief that in consideration of the critical situation of our movement, Dr. Max Nussbaum is not only singularly equipped to give our organization the inspiring leadership it requires, but is also uniquely qualified to unify the divergent elements within the General Zionist Movement in the United States.

We sincerely hope that you will be pleased to join with the members of the Western States Region in the endeavor to DRAFT Dr. Max Nussbaum for the Presidency of the Zionist Organization of America.

I would greatly appreciate the courtesy of your early reply.

With Zion's greetings and kindest regards,

Sincerely yours,



Aaron Riche
President
Western States Region, ZOA

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WHEREAS, the continuing emergency facing the State of Israel requires the utmost devotion in terms of service and leadership in the American Jewish community, to the end that more effective assistance be forthcoming to our newest democracy; and

WHEREAS, it is of the utmost importance that the public opinion of the people of the United States be strengthened and reinforced by the presentation of the facts regarding Israel, by leaders who are possessed of the ability and capacity to attract and hold the attention of the public; and

WHEREAS, it is incumbent upon the Zionist Organization of America to provide the leadership for the American Jewish community so that it may obtain acceptance by the right-thinking people of the United States of the truth about Israel, as well as the principles that have guided the Zionist Organization as an American institution since its creation; and

WHEREAS, these critical times demand the DRAFTING of the type of leader who is equipped to meet the needs of the moment, and is temperamentally, spiritually and intellectually fitted not only to lead the national organization, but to bring about the unification of all the forces within the organization, and who are sincerely working for the achievement of our common goal; and

WHEREAS, it is the proud privilege of the Western States Region of the Zionist Organization of America to have in its leadership one who has over the years successfully demonstrated his passionate zeal for the Zionist objective; who has made sacrifices of time and energy in bringing the message of Zionism to the Jewish and non-Jewish communities of our country, who has proven his ability in the effective and efficient administration of Zionist affairs as President of the Region, as Chairman of the American Zionist Council, and in his activities as a national officer of our organization, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED: That the Western States Region offers to the Zionist Organization of America the incomparable leadership, talent and abilities of Dr. Max Nussbaum, as our choice for the Presidency in this time of crisis. Through his dedicated leadership our organization can be revitalized, re-inspired, and redirected in a constructive program of accomplishment. In the person of Dr. Nussbaum, the Western States Region ZOA presents to the Zionist Organization of America its candidate for President, behind whom all forces can rally, and whose youth, enthusiasm, eloquence and magnetism can capture the imagination of men and women who have been lost to the Zionist ranks, and those who have not yet felt the urge to join their strength with ours for the well-being of Israel and the Jewish communities of the United States. AND BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: That this action of the Western States Region ZOA, taken on the 17th day of March, 1958, be transmitted to every Regional organization of the ZOA in the United States, and to the members of the National Executive Council, so that they may all be aware of the rare opportunity afforded them to assure a new and more dynamic life for the Zionist Organization of America."



Zionist Organization of America

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May 5, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am glad that the little accident with the El Al plane last Friday ended well. For a moment, as I listened to the radio, it gave me quite a scare.

I hope you and Mrs. Silver are all right and that the trip was a most enjoyable one.

I would greatly appreciate it if you could spare a few minutes of your time and drop me a line about your personal impressions of the Convocation in general and the ZOA House and Kfar Silver in particular.

Although I already read most of the press reports in the Israeli and local newspapers, and I also received the first communications from our people in Tel Aviv, I still would like to know your own opinion.

Not speaking of the funds invested by the ZOA in both projects, a great deal of my own time and energies went into the reorganization of Kfar Silver last summer and into the planning and preparation of the Convocation.

You may be interested to know that a 10 minute film of the Convocation highlights taken on April 29th in the evening in the ZOA House Garden already arrived and is being developed. I hope to see the first print tomorrow morning.

I also received a complete tape recording of your and Ambassador Lawson's addresses, both of which I enjoyed very much.

Looking forward to hearing from you soon, I am, with warmest regards

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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May 20, 1958

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Friend:

Please pardon the delay in writing to you. I have been extremely busy since my return from Israel.

Both Mrs. Silver and I enjoyed our visit greatly. We found the country in a happy holiday mood and we saw many evidences of substantial progress in nearly every field.

Kfar Silver has certainly developed since I was last there. New buildings have been added -- and they are attractive -- and the new roads have made the school very accessible. The meeting at Kfar Silver was well organized. I attended a ceremony in Ambassador Lawson's office where a check from the American government was handed over to the leaders of Kfar Silver. I believe that the prospects are good for building up a substantial membership following for Kfar Silver in the United States.

The two meetings in Tel Aviv at the ZOA House were very well attended and the spirit was excellent. The ZOA House was a beehive of activity and even more than on the occasion of my previous visits I feel that it has become a most important institution in the life of the country. Mr. Elias Epstein is doing an excellent job.

With warmest regards and all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



Zionist Organization of America

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May 23, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thank you very much for your kind letter of May 20th.

I was glad you found the progress made by both Kfar Silver and the ZOA House satisfactory.

Kfar Silver, in particular, has developed nicely. With the birth pains behind us, I hope we are now on the right track.

With warmest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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NATIONAL TELEPHONE CONFERENCE - ISRAEL BOND ORGANIZATION
FROM NEW YORK CITY MAY 29, 1958

see ~~file~~ transcript in file "Committees, statements etc.



Zionist Organization of America

10424 W. McNICHOLS • DETROIT 21, MICH.
DIAMOND 1-0533

TO: District Presidents and Program Chairmen

DATE: June 4, 1958

FROM: Ezekiel Leikin, Director

SUBJECT: Tape Recordings

The National Office now has tape recordings of the addresses delivered by United States Ambassador Edward B. Lawson and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver at the ZOA Anniversary Convocation held at the ZOA House in Tel Aviv, April 29, 1958.

Ambassador Lawson's address runs for about 10 minutes. Dr. Silver's address starts with 1 minute in Hebrew, continues for 15 minutes in English and concludes with 25 minutes in Hebrew.

The English portion of Dr. Silver's address, as well as Ambassador Lawson's address, are available for district meetings, and/or local radio stations, and are obtainable by writing to David E. Hirsch, Director of the ZOA Program and Education Department.

The Hebrew portion of Dr. Silver's address is obtainable by writing to Mrs. Shoshana K. Ginsburgh, Director of the ZOA Hebrew Department.

(ZOA, 145 E. 32nd Street, New York 16, New York)

Kind regards.

E. Leikin

EL:sk

June 18, 1958

Dr. Emanuel Neumann
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

Dear Dr. Neumann:

At the last meeting of The Temple Board of Trustees, favorable action was taken concerning the sale of \$17,500.00 worth of Israeli Bonds to the Zionist Organization of America.

Although the actual details are not on hand it is our understanding that you will issue notes payable to The Temple over a four year period and you will also pay whatever interest accrues during that period until the Bonds are paid in full.

It is requested that you send the necessary papers effecting this transfer so that they may be properly examined and signed before the transaction is completed.

Very sincerely yours,

LSB:sl

Leo S. Bamberger
Executive Secretary



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July 1, 1958

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Kfar Silver has just informed us about the \$20,000.00 estate left to it by the late Philip Lagowitz of Cleveland. They received the information from the National City Bank of Cleveland, which is the executor of the estate.

I assume we ought to be grateful to you personally for this bequest. Without knowing the actual facts I am sure that it must have been the result of your endeavors sometime in the past.

Please accept our sincere appreciation.

With warmest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

Leon Elutovich
Assistant Executive Director

LI:hc

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July 3, 1958

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Leon:

Let me thank you for your letter of July 1st. I am very happy, of course, about the bequest which was left to Kfar Silver by Philip Lagowitz.

Mr. Lagowitz came to me about a year ago and requested me to suggest to him some worthy beneficiaries as he intended to draw up his Will. Among other institutions I mentioned Kfar Silver. Mr. Lagowitz made bequests also to quite a number of Cleveland philanthropic institutions and to the Welfare Federation of Cleveland.

Mr. Luntz told me that he plans to get busy before long in an effort to raise funds for Kfar Silver.

By the way, I would be interested to know what success the "\$18.00 Booklets" are meeting with.

With all good wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

AHS: sl

ABBA HILLEL SILVER



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July 7, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th St. at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Thanks very much for your letter of July 3.

I was particularly pleased to hear about Mr. Luntz's plans to raise funds for Kfar Silver.

Miss Hannah Stein, Director of our AZF Department, tells me that at the moment we are approaching the first \$10,000 mark in the Kfar Silver booklets campaign.

With warmest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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July 8, 1958

Mr. Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director
Zionist Organization of America
145 East 32nd Street
New York 16, New York

My dear Mr. Ilutovich:

The Cleveland Zionist Society has contributed to the Kfar Silver the sum of \$2550.00 since April 1957. It is the expressed wish of the Society that this sum be applied to a memorial at Kfar Silver to Dr. Fred Falkman who was a very active officer in the Society.

Inasmuch as Dr. Falkman belonged to the medical profession the Society would like to add to the amount already contributed a sum which would be necessary to furnish and equip the medical clinic at Kfar Silver. They are under the impression that the cost of such equipment would be \$4,000.00 and they would, therefore, be prepared to make up the difference.

I wish that you would have the Kfar Silver note that fact and write to the Cleveland Zionist Society acknowledging the contribution which has been made in the name of Dr. Falkman and indicating that upon receipt of the remainder they would have a plaque in the name of Dr. Falkman set up in the medical clinic.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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\$2.550 received

from Cleveland

Zionist Society

since April 1957.



Medical Clinic.

Furniture & Equipment

W
\$4.000

Expenditures Required to Complete Construction, Development and Equipment
of

KFAR SILVER

To Accommodate 320 Students

	Construction of Each Building \$	Furniture and Equipment for Each Building \$	Total per Building \$
<u>*Central School Building</u> 1 building consisting of 6 classrooms, 3 laboratories (physics, biology, chemistry and soil research), 1 teachers room, 1 director's room, 2 offices, storage room, closets, etc.	133,334	26,666	160,000
<u>*5 Student Dormitories</u> Each dormitory consists of 9 rooms for 4 students in each, 1 clubroom, 1 one-room apartment for instructor.	53,334	5,366	58,700
<u>*Staff Quarters</u> 6 Semi-detached houses (2 apartments in each) 1 house consisting of 4 bachelor apartments.	17,333 20,000	--- ---	17,333 20,000
<u>Culture House</u> 1 building consisting of an auditorium, reading room and library, veranda, dressing room.	50,000	13,500	63,500
<u>Plaza in front of Culture House</u>	20,000	---	20,000
<u>*Clothing Storage Building</u> 2 rooms, 1 ironing room, 1 mending and sewing room, closet for clothes, etc.	6,833	6,667	13,500
<u>*Laundry Building</u> 1 sorting room, booths for drying, machinery room.	6,667	11,333	18,000
<u>*Renovations in Kitchen</u> Installation for cooking on steam, dumbwaiter, mixer, pots, washing machine, peeling machine, dishes, rolling trays, closets, dish-drier, etc.	---	33,667	33,667



	Construction of Each Building	Furniture and Equipment for Each Building	Total per Building
<u>Guest House</u>	\$ 16,833	\$ 1,667	\$ 18,500
<u>Medical Clinic</u>	26,667	4,000 X	30,667
<u>Kindergarten for Staff Members' Children</u>	16,667	3,333	20,000
<u>Sport Center</u>			
<u>Swimming Pool</u>	26,833	6,667	33,500
<u>Gymnasium</u>	26,833	6,667	33,500
<u>Soccer Field</u>	16,667	---	16,667
<u>*Tools Store</u>	6,700	---	6,700
<u>Carpentry and Mechanical Workshop</u>	13,334	---	13,334
<u>Building for Students' Council</u>			
1 hall and 2 small rooms	10,000	3,500	13,500
<u>*Area Development</u>			
Development of area near dormitories and other public buildings, including concrete walks, trees, gardens, lawns, shrubbery, sprinklers, etc.			66,800
Development of area near staff quarters, including concrete walks, trees, gardens, lawns, shrubbery, sprinklers, etc.			16,700
Fences around building area			13,500

Note 1: All prices listed above are subject to change of cost of labor and building materials in Israel.

Note 2: All items marked by (*) are priority requirements in Kfar Silver.

Note 3: The above list does not include farm buildings and agricultural equipment, which is provided by the Agricultural Colonization Department of the Jewish Agency.

April, 1958

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Please return to Dr. Silver

July 10, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I received your letter of July 8 regarding the contribution of the Cleveland Zionist Society in memory of Dr. Falkman.

The Medical Clinic in Kfar Silver does not exist as yet. It is not included in the development plan for 1958-59 since other buildings were considered more essential. For the time being, they are using in Kfar Silver for this purpose one little room in an old reconditioned small house which will be demolished eventually after the Clinic is built.

We would be prepared to put up a Medical Clinic right away provided we find a contributor. The present cost of a building (excluding furniture and equipment) is \$26,667.

Under the circumstances, it is impossible to put up a plaque in memory of Dr. Falkman.

Miss Hannah Stein, Director of our AZF Department with whom I discussed the matter this morning, tells me that she met with Mrs. Falkman in New York the other day and got the impression that Mrs. Falkman would be prepared to make a contribution of her own in memory of her husband.

Should Mrs. Falkman agree to contribute \$1,000 it could be earmarked together with the \$4,000 of the Cleveland Zionist Society for a room in one of the Dormitories in the name of Dr. Falkman.

The Dormitory I have in mind consists of ten rooms of which six have already been dedicated in the names of various contributors. They are all listed on separate plaques which appear on a bronze Honor Roll in the Dormitory's Clubroom.

If the above solution is acceptable, a plaque in memory of Dr. Falkman will be put up on this Honor Roll which is both dignified and nice.

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

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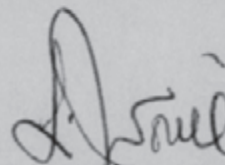
July 10, 1958

Should the Cleveland Zionist Society insist upon furnishing and equipping the Medical Clinic, it will have to wait until the building of the Clinic is put up.

I will appreciate your advice.

With warmest regards and thanks for your kind cooperation, I am,

Very sincerely yours,



Leon Ilutovich
Assistant Executive Director

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July 16, 1958

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Road
Cleveland 6, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of June 30 addressed to Mr. Manson, together with the text of your address before the Central Conference of American Rabbis Convention.

Mr. Manson is presently away on vacation and is expected back at the end of this month. Immediately upon his return your letter will be brought to his attention.

Sincerely yours,

Helene Ament
Secretary to Mr. Manson

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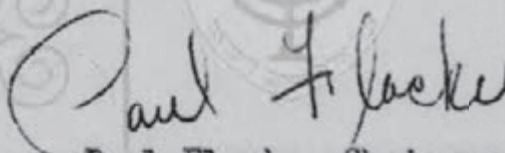
TO: Regional Presidents & Public Relations Chairmen
of Ohio Valley Region
FROM: Paul Flacks

DATE: July 17, 1958

SUBJECT:

IN VIEW OF THE FLUID SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST
AND WITH CHANGING CIRCUMSTANCES HOUR BY HOUR, WE
SUGGEST THAT GREAT DISCRETION BE EXERCISED IN
MAKING ANY PUBLIC COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE ZOA.
AS SOON AS MORE DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE, NATIONAL WILL
ADVISE YOU ALL PERTINENT FACTS WITH PROPER GUIDANCE.

Sincerely,



Paul Flacks, Chairman,
Public Relations
Ohio Valley Region

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