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P.S. Congratulations on your greatest "creative achievement"! Hope Mrs. Silver is doing well.

Cleveland, Ohio.

April 2nd, 1928

Dr. A. H. Silver,

Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Enclosed find a pamphlet which please glance over. Am sending this to you as I firmly believe Dr. Thomas M. Stewart has a message for your organization. Would suggest him as a speaker for The Temple Club.

Dr. Stewart is probably the most advanced student in Spiritual Things that I have had the pleasure of meeting and knowing. He does considerable lecturing, though he earns his living by an established practice in Cincinnati, O. He has been a practicing physician and surgeon for about forty years, specializes in Eye, Ear, Nose and Throat. He is a Neurologist and has taught Anatomy in a Medical College. He is a member of the American College of Physicians and Surgeons, which evidences the fact that he is one of the elect in the Medical Profession.

Dr. Stewart not only knows the great Mystic Literature of the world, but is that rare soul that has demonstrated ^{its} ~~the~~ truth in his own life. He is a 33^d Mason, author of "Symbolic Teachings" and "Symbolism of the Gods of the Egyptians". He is a lecturer on "Comparative Mythology" and other subjects dealing with the realness of the Soul as an enduring entity.

For a Scientific man to present in an invincible manner the reality of the Soul is a distinct need of our times and will find a happy champion in the distinguished Doctor.

Dr. Stewart by his character, fine personality, and knowledge would add a new impetus to spiritual values in the lives of those who hear him.

Dr. Stewart will be glad to answer questions at the conclusion of any lecture he is called upon to give.

Very truly yours,

Edson Wirpel.
Edson Wirpel,

2104 Superior Ave.,

Cleveland, O.

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April 9, 1926.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
East 105th Street & Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We take great pleasure in enclosing herewith Publication No. 2 in connection with the Universal Religious Peace Conference. You will see from this pamphlet what a wide and influential endorsement the proposed conference has received. You have already given it your approval.

We are now planning to hold the preliminary meeting in Geneva September 12-14 of this year. We are to bring representatives from China, India, Japan and other countries. Our budget will not meet all the expenses of the initial meeting. We have to take care of the travelling expenses of delegates from the Far East — Shintoists, Buddhists, Hindus, Confucianists, Mohammedans, Jains and Christians. We also have to provide for some of the travelling expenses of the European delegates, in addition to publicity, secretaries and the service of interpreters.

We want your backing. We have to raise \$15,000 to carry the expenses of this first meeting, and will be grateful to you for any amount you may contribute. Mr. Gordon, who is one of the joint secretaries, would be glad to make an appointment with you at your convenience if you would care to hear more of the details of the program, or if you prefer, make your check payable to the order of our treasurer, George A. Plimpton, and address it to Mr. Gordon.

Thanking you for your cooperation, we are,

Yours very sincerely,

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April 10th, 1928.

Child Welfare Committee
of America,
730 Fifth Ave.,
New York, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

Permit me to acknowledge receipt
of the copies of Rabbi Silver's address, "What
Is Happening To The American Home".

Rabbi Silver has asked me to
write to you asking for about three dozen more
copies, as we wish to use same for distribution.

Thanking you very kindly and
with kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very truly yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

Mizpah Congregation

SAMUEL R. SHILLMAN, RABBI

Chattanooga, Tennessee

April 12, 1928

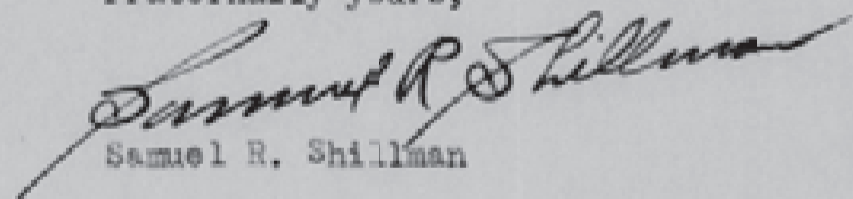
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Colleague:

My congregation joins me in extending sincere thanks to you and the members of your congregation for your kind felicitations extended upon the dedication of our new Julius and Bertha Ochs Memorial Temple and Temple Center. It was very kind of you to remember us on that happy occasion and we are deeply appreciative of your thoughtfulness.

With kindest personal greetings, I am

Faternally yours,


Samuel R. Shillman

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April 13th, 1928.

4:00 p. m.

Night Letter

Hon. Abram I. Elkus,
c/o Widderscope Committee Dinner
Hotel Astor, N. Y.

I know of no development in American Jewish life in the last decade which holds greater promise for the advancement of Judaism than the establishment of The Hillel Foundation STOP It is exerting a tremendous influence upon the young Jewish college men and women on the campus and is turning them in the direction of an enlightened loyalty to the imperishable ideals of our race STOP My heartiest felicitations.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver

April 16th, 1928.

The Ohio Jewish Chronicle,
508 Schultz Bldg.,
Columbus, Ohio.

Gentlemen:- Rabbi Silver To Broadcast.

Beginning this Sunday morning
April 22d, the Temple of Cleveland will broad-
cast over WTAM for a period of four Sunday
mornings. Rabbi Silver will speak at each one
of the services.

Services begin at 10:30 a. m.

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April 17th, 1928.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

WRHS



Let me thank you very much for your wire. Your endorsement means a great deal in New York City and we are going to use it in our campaign which began with "Hillel Night".

The Hillel Night Dinner was in my opinion, a great moral success. We had more than 400 guests. We have undoubtedly sold the Hillel idea to the metropolis. It will take some time before we make connections with the pockets of the people here. But it is a good investment.

With best personal greetings, I am

Sincerely yours,

Conrad Bogen

BDB:DR

SAMUEL WOHL
RABBI

READING ROAD TEMPLE
3212 READING ROAD
CINCINNATI, O.

April 18, 1928

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Inclosed you will please find a copy of the "Eden," which is the mouthpiece of the Junior Congregation of the Reading Road Temple of Cincinnati. As faculty advisor of the paper, it has been my great privilege to work together with a group of young boys and girls, who have done everything in their power to "put the paper across." It is their paper, and everything in the paper has been written by them. We are all very proud of the "Eden" for several reasons. In the first place, we are quite sure that ours is the only Religious School or Junior Congregational paper written up in newspaper style. In the second place, the children themselves, - not only the editorial staff - but all the children in the Religious School, are contributing to the paper. We are now concentrating all our efforts on the final issue for this year. It will be a Confirmation Number, dedicated to the Confirmants. It will probably be an eight-page issue.

Since you were once a teacher in the Religious School of the Reading Road Temple, I think several words from you about the paper would mean very much to the children. We are expending all our

SAMUEL WOHL
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efforts to make the Junior Congregation, and the 'Eden' permanent institutions in the lives of the children and the Temple. Tell us what you think of the paper and the Junior Congregation. Tell us how we can improve our work. We are always open to constructive information. If you have much to say, please say it, for we will give you as much space as you may need.

Before closing, I wish to take this opportunity of congratulating you and Mrs. Silver on the birth of a little baby boy with which God has blessed you. May he be a source of שׂוּכָה to you, his parents, and to all of Israel, as you yourself have been. May the blessings of God always rest upon him in his journey through life, and may it be said of him, as it was said of a Sage of old - יֵשׁוּעַ בְּרַחֲמֵינוּ.

Trusting that you will favor me in this matter, and hoping that this will find you and yours in the best of health, I am,

Yours ardent admirer,
Mordecai Thurman

3104 Harvey Ave.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

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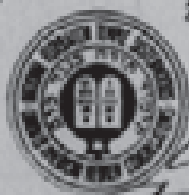
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were sent to
Jewish residents in 166
small towns in Ohio, whose
addresses were secured in
our survey of the state.

To the 32 President of Ohio
Sisterhoods with the request
that they notify their Congregation
and Sisterhoods -

To the Presidents of 22 State
Federations -

To the Officers and 60 Directors
of the National Federation
and to individuals.

In the information and help
you will give to thousands
especially to those in the small
towns who have no Jewish
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I am very thankful
Yours -



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The Associated Press.

GENERAL OFFICE

383 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK, N. Y.

April 19, 1928.

Dr. A. H. Silver,
10303 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

The Associated Press is distributing to its more than 1,200 member newspapers, through its Feature Service, weekly sermonettes of approximately 200 words.

It is suggested that these brief articles shall be inspirational, yet set forth timely ideas of real interest to newspaper readers. They are based on Biblical texts or stories, or the subject is an opinion which the writer wishes to express.

Your name is among those of a number of the country's foremost theologians who have been recommended to us. We should appreciate your contributing an article to the series, which goes to newspapers throughout the United States.

Will you please let us know if you can give us the feature? We should like to have it as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours,

Richard J. Massock
Feature Editor.

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THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE
CINCINNATI, OHIO

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DEPARTMENT
OF
SOCIAL STUDIES
DR. ABRAHAM CRONBACH

April 20, 1928

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The request has been made by the local committee that I communicate with the outstanding persons whom I may chance to know urging them to attend the National Conference of Jewish Social Service which is to be held in Cincinnati, May ninth to thirteenth. This is the purpose with which I am now approaching you.

The Conference invariably brings together distinguished experts not only in Jewish Social Service but also in Jewish Education and Jewish Center activities. This year's program promises to be the best ever offered.

It goes without saying that the Cincinnati community, rejoicing in the honor of being host to the Conference, will leave nothing undone to make you conscious of a hearty welcome.

Earnestly wishing that you may attend,
I am

Cordially,
Abraham Cronbach

VIDAS' DEFENSE COMMITTEE

11903 IMPERIAL AVENUE

CLEVELAND, O.

April 21, 1928,
11903 Imperial Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:-

The enclosed brief states the case of Mr. and Mrs. Vivas, two workers of the city of Cleveland, of Spanish parentage, who are about to be deported. The undersigned have known these parties for the past two years. And we know them to be conscientious and honest in all their dealings.

We know Mr. Vivas to be the editor and publisher of the magazine, "Algo," a magazine which has been compiled from selected articles of the various great writers. The undersigned are familiar with the language and contents of the magazine and know these people to be sincere in their duty towards the progressive government of the United States.

We believe it is our duty to forward you the brief and the questionnaire as it stands from the Department of Justice in the city of Cleveland. And we pray you to use every effort to prevent the deportation of these individuals, who we assure you, would make good American citizens.

Signed

W. J. Barnard
Luba Fagin

VIVAS' DEFENSE COMMITTEE

11903 IMPERIAL AVENUE

CLEVELAND, O.

THE DEPORTATION CASE OF EMILIO VIVAS AND
HIS WIFE AURORA ALVAREZ VIVAS ARRESTED AT
CLEVELAND, OHIO, MARCH 22, 1928; BY UNITED
STATES IMMIGRANT INSPECTOR W. H. FLYNN,
COMMITTED TO THE CUYAHOGA COUNTY JAIL; RE-
LEASED ON \$1000 BOND,
TRIED BY INSPECTOR W. H. FLYNN MARCH 7, 1928,
AND RECOMMENDED FOR DEPORTATION TO SPAIN.

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Aurora Alvarez Vivas was born at Palencia, Spain, 1895. In 1907, when she was 12 years old, her mother and step-father, Antonio Arenas, brought her to the Canal Zone, where they made their home thenceforth and she grew up. The step-father, now dead, is believed by members of the family to have become a naturalized citizen of the United States while in the Canal Zone, but there is no other proof. Aurora lived at Quiebra in the Canal Zone until 1913. She was then 18 years of age. She entered into a marriage arrangement there (without religious or civil ceremony) with one Jesus Lauzara. They came to New York in 1913 as man and wife. No passports were required, as they were residents of the Canal Zone. They moved to Steubenville, Ohio, where they lived as man and wife for ten years. She bore him two children, a boy in 1914, and a girl in 1918, who have the father's name. At the end of ten years they agreed to separate, he taking the boy, she the girl.

On May 31, 1924, she married, by civil ceremony, Emilio Vivas, at Elyria, Ohio, with whom she is still living. She helped him slightly in the mechanical work of his little magazine, "Algo" which caused their arrest.

She is charged with having entered the United States, "for immoral purposes" and with being an anarchist.

Emilio Vivas was born at Plasencia, Spain, in 1900. When he was 15 years old his family moved to France. In 1920 he came from Havre, France, with his mother and step-father to the United States, settled at Mansfield, Ohio, and has lived in Ohio ever since. But he is charged with being an anarchist and circulating anarchist literature, viz., the little magazine "Algo."

The private life of Mr. and Mrs. Vivas is above reproach. Neither was ever arrested before. They have been quiet, law-abiding, industrious people, paying their debts. Vivas worked 5 years steadily for the National Tube Company at Lorain, Ohio, and lost his job only because a number of employees were laid off in slack season and replaced by machinery.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Vivas positively deny they are anarchists or communists, or members of any anarchist or communist organization.

They designate themselves as "electics," which term they define as meaning persons who refuse to accept any "ism" but select the good ideas from all schools of thought. They are willing to be classified as "individualists."

The little magazine "Algo" in the Spanish language was occasionally prepared in the Spanish language by Vivas in his spare time upon his typewriter, illustrated by his own pen and ink drawings, mimeographed, and handed out free or mailed to his acquaintances, some 250 copies in all.

It states at the top it is a "Publicación Ecléctica" (eclectic publication.)

The sixth number, for July, 1927, is the only one offered in evidence by the government agent against him and his wife. That number contains articles or parts of articles culled from various sources. There is a prefatory editorial by Vivas himself. The only portions of the magazine quoted by the government agent against the defendants are excerpts from this editorial. A wretched and misleading translation was used which attempts to show Vivas as a defender of anarchism.

Vivas explains the editorial thus: Some local criticism had been aimed against him and his little paper, accusing them of anarchism. His editorial was a refutation of that criticism. It tried to show that his critic did not understand anarchism. But in order to refute the critic he was compelled of course, to state what he himself conceived anarchism to be. Those passages in which he was attempting to define anarchism in order to show wherein his own philosophy differed, were seized upon by the government agent as the basis of its charge against him and his wife.

The whole editorial breathes a spirit of the broadest toleration and desire to see and select good in everything, even in anarchism if possible.

Almost at the beginning the editorial says:

"Many good-goodies when the word 'individualistic'

is mentioned, draw the line at everything that has to do with the social problem: economic betterment, freedom of speech, legal injustices, etc.; and this wrong interpretation of what individualism really is, causes the so-called anarchist to see in 'Algo' a publication not only anarchistic but even anti-anarchistic - if such a thing could be possible. Is it not a lamentable thing that our aims of freedom should be thus badly misconstrued?"

At the close it says:

"And what 'Algo' intends to be is this: a free publication, free from everything, even from the adjectives ending in 'ism' which defines nothing and says nothing, especially since imbecility has also been called anarchism."

The following questions and answers were presented as a signed statement by Vivas and his wife at the hearing in the inspector's office March 7, 1928, as a careful expression of their opinions, for they feared their imperfect grasp of the English language during the oral examination might lead them astray.

Question 1: Are you obedient to the laws of the United States?
Answer: Yes.

Question 2: Do you believe in the present government of the United States, Ans.: I do, so far as it is a government of the people, for the people, and by the people; and so long as the American people want it.

Question 3: Do you believe the present government of the United States should be maintained, Ans.: I do, so far and so long as it is the government which the American people want.

Question 4: Do you advocate any change in the present government of the United States, Ans.: I do not until and unless the American people express in a proper and lawful way their will to change it.

Question 5: Do you advocate any revolutionary change in the government of the United States, Or its abolition, Ans.: I do not. I am not in favor of any political changes as such. What I am interested in is a spiritual revolution. If as a result of a spiritual revolution in the minds and hearts of the American people they would make changes in the present form of government I think it would be all right; but only on that condition. I believe that any change of government which did not come as a result of a spiritual change in the majority of the American people would be wrong. It would be worse than useless. It would be actually harmful.

Question 6: Do you believe the present government is a government of, for and by the people? Ans.: I believe it is

a government for and by the people, but that of recent years it has become too much under the control of Big Business to be entirely a government for and by the people. But so long as the majority of the American people are satisfied with it, it is the best form of government for them.

Question 7: Is the publication "Algo" an anarchist publication, Ans.: It is not. It is what it says it is on the front page: an "eclectic publication." That is, it selects from any and all sources good ideas and seeks to advocate free discussion and toleration of all opinions.

Question 8: Does "Algo" publish anarchist articles? Ans.: It does not, except as a good idea may be contained in an anarchist article, the same as in a republican or democratic or socialistic or communist article. "Algo" does not advocate anarchism. It criticises anarchism, just as it criticises communism and socialism.

Question 9: Are you an advocate or supporter of anarchism? Ans.: I am not. I do not advocate or support any "ism." I cannot call myself anything, unless an "eclectic," or possibly an "individualist."

Question 10: Do you favor or advocate any form of political assassination or violence? Ans.: I do not, and never did.

Question 11: Do you disbelieve in or oppose organized government? Ans.: I do not. On the contrary I believe in letting the people have the kind of government which they want.

Question 12: Are you a member of or affiliated with any organization entertaining or teaching such disbelief or opposition? Ans.: I am not.

Question 13: What kind of a spiritual revolution is it which you are interested in? Ans.: A change in the minds and hearts of the people which will cause them to see the value of wider individual liberty of thought and conduct, so that they will not be so much controlled by ancient custom and the gregarious or herd instinct. The spiritual change which I should like to see would be a change towards individualism.

Question 14: What sort of change of government would you expect to result from such a spiritual revolution? Ans.: I do not know. But I hope it would be such a change, if any, as would recognize the principle set forth in the American Declaration of Independence, that is, the right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Any government which does that is a good government.

Question 15: Have you ever advocated or circulated anything contrary to the statements contained in your answers here? Ans.: Not knowingly.

For holding these opinions (there is no evidence to the contrary offered by the inspector) the immigrant inspector recommends to the Secretary of Labor that these aliens be deported to Spain!

Spain is to both of them now as strange and foreign a land as if they had never been born there. To begin life over in Spain would entail upon them heavy hardships. They have no funds, and would be landed there practically penniless. It would compel Mr. Vivas to leave his mother and brother; Mrs. Vivas to leave her elder child, her younger sister, and brother, never in all human probability to see them again.

The opinions for which they are to be thus martyred unless men and women of political influence speedily intervene in their behalf with the Secretary of Labor, are neither dangerous nor new. This philosophy of individualism is not essentially different from that of the ancient sages, whose ideal was the perfection of the individual mind and heart until the individual was sufficient unto himself. It produced many great shining characters in the ancient world, notably the Emperor Marcus Aurelius and the crippled freedman Epictetus, the writings of both of whom are still read in the United States by many who would be aghast to learn that aliens are deported for expressing the same lofty ideals.

Those who are willing to aid in preventing this unjust and disgraceful deportation are urged to communicate at once to their own congressman and senators their disapproval, with a request that their representatives at Washington interest themselves in the proceedings before U.S. Secretary of Labor Davis.

The legal counsel for the defendants is Joseph W. Sharts, Attorney at Law, 805 Commercial Bldg., Dayton, Ohio, who will gladly furnish further information if requested.

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April 23, 1928

Rabbi A. H. Silver
c/o The Temple
E. 105th Street & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio
Dear Rabbi Silver:

We take the liberty in behalf of the "Hebrew Week" Committee to approach you with the request to lend us your assistance and co-operation in our work.

We deem it unnecessary to outline to you the importance of our work. We know you are an ardent lover of Hebrew Culture and Education. If we are writing to you it is only because we are informed that unless we secure your wholehearted co-operation, the success of our work will remain problematical.

May we ask you, therefore, to address a letter to all the Rabbis who are affiliated with your organization, requesting them to address their congregations on the Saturday, February 5, on the subject of Hebrew culture and education.

There is no need for us to assure you how deeply we would appreciate your help and co-operation.

With kindest regards, we remain

Sincerely yours,

"HEBREW WEEK" COMMITTEE

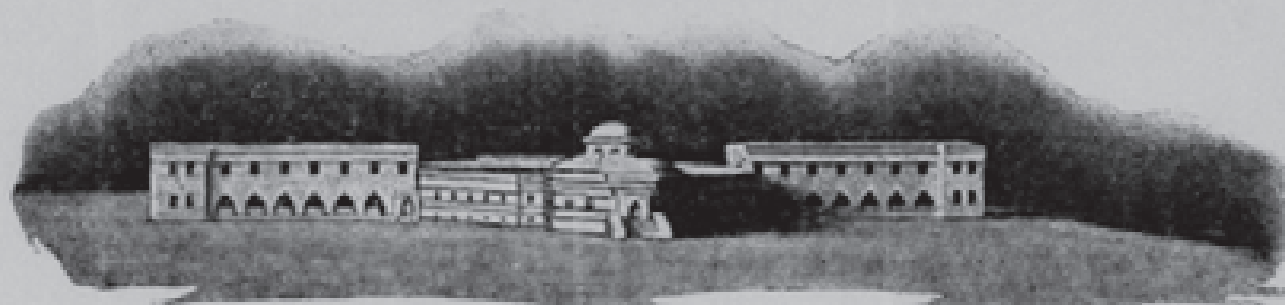
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April 23rd, 1928.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver,
Temple,
105th at Ansel Road,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The operations on the construction of the building of the Hebrew Teachers' College have reached a point where funds will have to be secured immediately to permit the continuation of work during the next two months.

We are therefore making a strenuous effort to collect pledges that remain unpaid. There is due a total of \$757.50 from the pledges that have been made in your city.

We shall appreciate your special effort to secure the payment of these contributions during the early part of May.

With kind greetings,

Sincerely,

J. Max Weis,
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Please do your utmost,
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April 27, 1928.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi:

At the request of General James G. Harbord,
we are forming a Cleveland Committee of the Leonard Wood
Memorial for the Eradication of Leprosy.

At Culion, the leper island of the Philippines,
there are 6,000 human beings exiled to a living death.
But there, under the flag of the United States, hope has
been born for three millions of lepers in the world.
Devoted scientists have joined the colony and are develop-
ing new methods by which 1,000 cases have already been
cured. The way is being found to "make clean the lepers."

As you know, General Leonard Wood returned to
the United States determined to raise a fund of \$2,000,000
for medical staff and equipment so this age-old scourge
could be wiped from the face of the earth.

Death intervened, so Leonard Wood's friends have
taken up the task and will complete his work as a memorial
to a great physician, soldier and administrator.

Clevelanders have undertaken part of the re-
sponsibility and are forming a committee of one hundred.
I am writing to ask you to serve on this committee. By
agreeing to do so, your only obligation will be to ask
ten persons, of your own choosing from a list which will
be provided, to contribute to a fund which will be used
in a deed of mercy in honor to a great man.

Very truly yours,

James R. Garfield
Rev. E. E. M.

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Will you signify your willingness to serve on the
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April 30, 1928

A NATION DINNER

Mr. Oswald Villard, Editor of The Nation will be in Cleveland, Wednesday, May 23.

The local readers of The Nation will celebrate the event with a dinner given in his honor.

We want every reader of The Nation in this vicinity to attend.

Price per plate \$2.00. Use the enclosed card for reservation.

Truly yours,

E. S. Byers
Saul S. Danaceau
Peter Witt

P. S. In the Hollenden Hotel Ball Room, 6:30 P.M.

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May 1st

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Rabbi A. H. Silver
E. 105 St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At my suggestion, a committee is now being formed in New York City to sponsor a memorial service for the men who have died recently in the fighting in Nicaragua. This service will memorialize both the United States Marines and the men of Gen. Augustino Sandino's forces.

It is intended that this service shall be strictly non-political in character. I feel that there is now throughout the country a deep sorrow on the part of the religious groups of the land in seeing these men go to their death, and I believe that such a service would make articulate that feeling, would express our deep regret and humiliation when faced with the ever recurring phenomenon of death as a resultant of men's struggles with each other.

The service in New York will be held at the Community Church on the morning of Memorial Day, May 30th. It would be most worthwhile if similar services of this character should be held throughout the country. We are already negotiating with men in various cities who, we feel, are interested in the Nicaraguan situation. Your name was suggested to me as one who might be interested in organizing such a memorial service in Cleveland. May I state again that the service is not to have any political aspects, but will be strictly religious in character, in keeping with the spirit of Memorial Day.

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Could you organize such a service in Cleveland?
The following have already joined the New York
Committee: Dr. Edmund Chaffee, executive di-
rector of the Labor Temple, Dr. A. Wakefield
Sisten of the West Side Unitarian Church, Rev.
John Haynes Holmes of the Community Church,
Bishop Paul Jones of the Fellowship of Reconcili-
ation, John Mevin Sayre of the Bible House,
Villa Faulkner Page of the Fellowship of Faiths,
and Rev. Leon S. Land of the Bronx Free Fellow-
ship, and an invitation is being sent to the
other religious and ethical leaders of our city.



Cordially yours,

Mitchell Salem Fisher
Rabbi

Hazeldell School,
661 E. 123rd St.,
Cleveland, Ohio,
May 3rd, 1928.

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

Dear Sir:

The Cleveland Public Schools have set aside the week of May sixth as Education Week. In accordance with the plan of the entire school system the teaching staff of this building are extending a hearty invitation to the parents and patrons of the district to visit the school during the week.

The Church is rendering valiant service in furthering the cause of education and promoting understanding between the home and the school. Because we realize your influence in the community, we respectfully ask that you make such opportunity as may be feasible for a discussion of the aims and ideals of education on the coming Saturday and Sunday.

I beg to remain,

Yours sincerely,

Edick Peters

Principal,
Hazeldell School.

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RABBI EMIL W. LEIPZIGER
TOURO SYNAGOGUE

May 3, 1928.

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

Dear Friend:

For myself and for Touro Synagogue,
let me thank you for the beautiful sentiments of
congratulations on the occasion of our Hundredth
Anniversary. Your words were appreciated more
than I can tell.

With fraternal greetings and repeated
expression of appreciation, I am

Yours sincerely,

Emil W. Leipziger

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MID-WEST COUNCIL
of
THE SOCIETY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF JUDAISM

May 3, 1928.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Last February you were invited to attend a Conference to Discuss the Problem of Modern Judaism. We are sending you herewith the Proceedings of that Conference. You will find the Summary of discussions interesting; it was a stimulating Conference.

If our dissatisfaction with present Jewish platforms and programs is real, and if our quest for a more satisfying and more tenable program in Judaism is sincere, then we shall wish to follow up the impulse given by that Conference and meet again for further discussion,--for clearer and more definite formulation. We should like to meet once more before the summer, so that the effects of the Conference may not be dissipated.

We are calling another Conference for Monday, May 21, at the Jewish People's Institute, 3500 Douglas Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois. The Conference will last one day.

Two papers are to be read as the basis for our discussion:

"Judaism as Philosophy and as Folk Religion" - by
Prof. Mordecai M. Kaplan

"Introduction to a Program for the Advancement of
Modern Judaism" - by Rabbi Felix A. Levy

Please return the enclosed card, stating whether we are to expect you. We are eager to have you.

Sincerely yours,

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Amos Nathan
Secretary

P. S. Kindly return \$1.00 to cover the cost of reprint and stenographic costs of Conference.

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May 4th, 1928.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver: -

Our Organization, which is purely a Zionist Club, under the name as here-in-below mentioned, and which is in existence since last July, or nearly a year now, voted at our last meeting unanimously that we write and ask if you would be willing to let us have the honor of having you with us as an HONORARY MEMBER. If so I assure you that this would be more than a pleasure to us.

We are going to have new stationery printed, and we are waiting for your reply, as in that case, and with your kind permission, we would have your name on our letter heads as Honorary Member, together with the names of all of our officers.

I am enclosing postage for your kind reply, for which I will be waiting very anxiously.

Also, we are having a debate in our regular meeting room, in Carmel Hall, 887 Parkwood Drive, Corner Bryant Avenue, on Monday Evening, May the 14th, at 8:30 P. M. This comes a week from this Monday Evening.

This is another thing the members voted on, namely; that we ask you to kindly be one of the Judges for us at this occasion, which if it is at all possible for you to do for us, would be highly appreciated by all.

The subject of the debate is "Resolved that the 18th Amendment should be repealed", and so far, two of the Judges are Judge Jacob Stachel and Judge Mary B. Grossman, so if you would consent to be the third Judge, nothing could be finer.

You may address me to my office, as given below.

The News Papers promised me reporters at this debate and publicity previous to same, which they say I should give them by Monday, so if it is convenient for you to do so, an early reply would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance, and with best wishes,
I remain,

Yours very sincerely, Organizer and Pres.,
Harry H. Green The New Zionist Club.
408 Prospect Bldg., -1104 Prospect Ave.

Meeting of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation
Commission, held in Chicago, May 7, 1928.

Pursuant to call by the Chairman, a meeting of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation Commission was held today at ten o'clock A.M. at the headquarters of District No. 6.

Present: Alfred M. Cohen, Chairman; Adolf Kraus, Dr. Louis L. Mann, Isaac Kuhn, Edwin L. Schanfarber, Rabbi James G. Heller, Judge Harry M. Fisher and Dr. Boris D. Bogen, Secretary.

A joint debate by students of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundations of the Universities of Illinois and Wisconsin having been arranged to take place in Chicago last night, which brought to Chicago the Directors and some others associated with the Foundations named, on the suggestion of Brother Fred Bernstein, Chairman of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation Committee of District No. 6, the Chairman of the Commission invited to this meeting for conference the Directors of the two Foundations named and also those of Ohio and Michigan. When the meeting was called to order, there were present besides the members of the Commission hereinbefore named, Rabbi Solomon Landman, Director of the Wisconsin Foundation; Mr. Adolph Fink, Director of the Michigan Foundation; Rabbi Lee J. Levinger, Director of the Ohio Foundation; Dr. Moses Jung of the Michigan Foundation; Mr. Max Litow, a student at Wisconsin; Mr. Morris Sostein of the Illinois Foundation; and Mr. Fred Bernstein.

The Chairman of the Commission welcomed all present and added that he had availed himself of information that a number of the Foundations would be represented in Chicago at this time to invite the Directors of the four Foundations in nearby states, and others connected with these Foundations to meet the members of the Commission for a full and frank discussion of problems and situations which with those in charge of the Foundations are confronted. He was pleased that his invitation was so generally accepted, thus affording opportunity for an unusual conference.

The Chairman begged that all present would feel entirely free to express themselves. He invited Dr. Mann because of his very close contact with the Foundations to open the discussion.

Dr. Mann complied with the request of the Chairman by asking the Directors and other representatives in the Foundations to answer four questions:

1. What has the Foundation done for the Jews in my University?
2. Our one greatest success?
3. Our one greatest failure?
4. What has the presence of the Foundation done for our Jewish students?

The following answers were given:

Mr. Fink:

It has made for a community feeling among the Jewish students whereas before there was no such feeling. There were separate groups. It has made for a break down of prejudices within the groups and without the group. It has increased the self-respect of the student for each other among the Jew and the campus generally from President down. It has given the Jewish student an opportunity to have religious services of which a good number take advantage. It has given the Jewish students an opportunity to discuss their problems.

Rabbi Landman:

The Foundation has served to give the Jew a status in the University that he has never enjoyed before: (a) through my efforts at achieving co-operative endeavors of the University churches, culminating in the All-

University services - a thing that had been often attempted, but never accomplished in the sixteen years prior to the coming of the Foundation to Wisconsin; (b) through succeeding in eliminating the attitude of mutual distrust between all the religious organizations on the campus, and especially removing the feeling of distrust on the part of the Churches toward the University Y.M.C.A., which is after all, the semi-official University organization; (c) through establishing a policy of seeking to co-operate with the University, instead of demanding that the University recognize the Churches - and thus greatly eliminating the feeling on the part of the University that "the University Churches are a divisive influence in the campus life." That these things have been accomplished chiefly through my efforts, is recognized by the University administration, from the President and Deans, down.

Our one greatest success has been the annual Freshman party, which has succeeded in bringing over ninety percent of the new students each year into the Foundation for that function, and has thus introduced them to the Foundation and its possibility of service to them.

Our one greatest failure has lain in the personal approach. With a limited administrative staff, it has been practically impossible for me to establish personal contacts with any large number of students through calling upon them and meeting them in the privacy of their rooms. As the numbers of students increase (this semester we have 702, whereas when we first came there were but 317), this job becomes more and more impossible. But it is nonetheless an important job, and I have always felt that it has not been properly handled.

The presence of the Foundation has accomplished two things for the Jewish students, amongst others: (a) it has undoubtedly given them a feeling of self-respect that they would not have had, because most of them recognize the fact that it is the Foundation, as a Jewish organization, that has given them status on campus, and in the eyes of the University. (b) The Foundation has provided the Jewish students the opportunity for self-expression as JEWS - a thing that no other campus Jewish organization could adequately do in Universities where the Jewish students are numerically so large a proportion of the student body.

Mr. Litow:

I have only one thing to add to that. Sometimes I wonder if it hasn't hurt Jewish institutions in general almost as much as it has helped because of this one thing. The Foundation was established for religious and educational as well as social parties. I think the word "social parties" hurt more than they help. I don't care what Universities are represented here. I know that all of them have fraternities and that's where the hurt comes in. The Foundations cannot hope to compete with the fraternities' social activities. It not only affects the attitude of the wrong sort towards Foundations Social activities, but they do the same thing toward the religious activities. I think the social program ought to be cut down. I think a mixer once in two months is all that we should have. Of course, we should have our afternoon teas or Sunday night dinners where speakers are, but couple dances and various receptions hurt the Foundation and detract from the religious activities.

Mr. Sestrin:

In addition to what the others have said, I say this: It has increased the respect of the campus for the students. We have more Jewish students mixing with gentiles than heretofore. It has given the Jewish students increased respect for themselves and it has given increased respect for the Jewish students.

Our Foundation, I believe, has helped to break down group barriers. By group barriers I mean barriers between the social organizations between the fraternities and the sororities because they do mix at the Foundation.

They are mixing more than they ever were before. It is also breaking down the barrier between the Orthodox and the Reformed Jew.

Rabbi Lowinger:

Self-respect of the Jews on the campus is very true. Second, bringing the Jews together equally true and equally important, although more difficult. I feel that the social program is very important, except for the fact that the social program does not appeal so much to the fraternity and sorority members. We do bridge over to a certain extent, to an important extent, the great gap between the affiliated and the unaffiliated students. We are giving the student a chance for self-expressions. A great number of Jewish students do not have that chance on the campus in various organizations. There was always here and there a certain amount of prejudice. All Jewish students now get a chance for self-expression through Hillel, that is for the various talents of leadership. Music, debating, study circles are all to a very large extent, Jewish. The point which was mentioned in the general discussion by Rabbi Landman, the matter of personal assistance in their various problems as students and as individuals. I have been called on by the Deans, have brought students to the Deans. I have helped them with regard to class adjustments. I have no doubt that the other Directors have done the same.

Dr. Jung:

Hillel Foundation has helped the Jewish student to gain a better understanding of Jewish problems. The Hillel Foundation gives them an opportunity to express their ideas through the Hillel Foundation activities.

The following additional statements were made:

Mr. Fink:

I will accept Dr. Mann's challenge and am willing to state quite frankly that the matter of Sunday Religious Services have not been nearly as successful as I wish for and as you of the Commission might expect. I wish to mention in this connection some of the reasons for the condition.

First: The proximity of Detroit to Ann Arbor. There are some 30 conveyances each day between Ann Arbor and Detroit which is a distance of 45 or 50 minutes by train. An average of 40 or 50 percent of the Jewish students of the University of Michigan spend week-ends in Detroit with relatives or friends.

Second: The place in which we hold Sunday services is not in any sense attractive, but is esthetically very repellent. It is cheerless and drab. There is no rug on the floor. There are no pictures on the wall. Eighty per cent of the time there is a program proceeding in the next room and we are disturbed by the sound of laughter, applause, music or oratory in the next room. Very frequently our services are interrupted by students, members of the Hindustan Club, the Phillipino Club, etc. who hold their meetings in the back of our hall and use our hall as a passage-way to and from their meeting rooms. If I were a student at the University of Michigan, having the average background of the average student, I doubt very seriously whether I should be attracted to religious services especially if I were to hear myself speak.

Third: There is considerable objection to the prayers ordinarily read at Sunday Services. These are monotonous and filled with meaningless theoretically catch phrases which the students resent. Students do not generally like the religious services and come in time to hear the sermon. In other words they come to services to hear a talk. I suggest that we select passages of literature from Jewish as well as general sources that have esthetic and spiritual value that will appeal to the mind of the average student for use as supplementary reading in connection with the service. Each Foundation Director should prepare a list of as many of these passages as possible and bring these to the attention of the other Directors so that all Foundations may be benefited.

Fourth: I suggest that an outstanding scholar of national and

even international reputation in each academic field of knowledge be engaged to speak at each Hillel Foundation on his particular field in relation to Jewish letters, the Jewish people or Judaism. I mean for example, that the leading Jewish sociologist, anthropologist, philosopher, etc., in the United States be engaged to speak at each Foundation relating his field to Jewish life or fellows. This will cause the Jewish students to gain a new self-respect. It is important that the Jewish students hear Einstein, but if Einstein were to appear in each Foundation it would be a marvelous thing. Not only would it create a new respect for the Jew by the Jew but it surely would cause the campus generally, including the faculty, to gain a new and better impression of the Jews. Besides all this we will be having men with important messages. It might be a good plan to have several distinguished Rabbis appear at each Foundation during the year. Students are not always particularly interested in the appearance of the Rabbis even though they have a great reputation. At any rate, each Director can secure prominent Reform Rabbis in his vicinity, but in my opinion it should be a policy of the Foundations to have prominent scholars speak at different definite times, arranged for in advance, at each Hillel Foundation.

Fifth: With regard to the Orthodox services, we have had no problem at all. A few days after school had begun last year we had our first Orthodox service on Friday night and have not missed a single Friday night of the academic year from the very beginning of the Hillel Foundation admission. This service is strictly traditional in every sense, including the lighted candles and the Kiddish. There is an average attendance of 17 or 18 at this Friday night service.

(Replying to a question addressed by Mr. Isaac Kuhn, Rabbi Pink stated that there is a maximum of 200 orthodox Jewish students on the campus at Michigan and that 50 per cent of this number is in Detroit on Friday nights, according to his best ability to estimate.)

Rabbi Lovinger:

For our Orthodox Service we draw out about twenty-five to thirty on Friday evening and 15 to 25 Saturday morning for complete service with the Torah service. Sunday mornings we have an average of one hundred. Of course, an average of one hundred sometimes means over and sometimes under. That means Hillel Services are successful but not nearly as successful as we desire. I am estimating that about one-third of the students are Orthodox and two-thirds Reformed; that is are personally Orthodox. Of course, there are many more that come from Orthodox homes but a great many students are not Orthodox themselves. A great many are not actively religious in any sense. There is an actual measure of success. That measure is far greater than was ever dreamed of before we had the Hillel Foundation in our campus. Certainly very many more Jewish students come to service at the University than ever would go if they went from their own homes. But it is not nearly the success that we desire. In the first place we start with a great difficulty that most of these young people were not synagogue attenders during their high school years. Whether that is the fault of the home synagogue or of the home or of the age it is very, very difficult to say. It is very hard to talk to people who never went to the synagogue ordinarily and convert their views altogether and their habits when they enter university. The Christian Churches in our campus have a great deal of difficulty in drawing large numbers. I think we are drawing more, as far as my knowledge goes, than any of the Protestant denominations on our campus. I am not satisfied with that comparison because they are a very weak group to compare with. We draw many more students to our various activities than the various Christian Student Centers do and somewhat more to our religious service.

We consider the Orthodox service more successful than the reform, in spite of the fact that the numbers are smaller because we are more easily satisfied. When twenty-five boys turn out for a Friday evening service we think that is pretty good. If twenty-five turn out for Sunday morning service we think it is pretty bad. Sunday morning service is formal. We have

a choir and speaker. Friday night we have a student leader and usually a student speaker. We feel that the Sunday morning service should be far more successful than it is. I can almost duplicate the list that Rabbi Fink gave.

#1. Our hall is most unsatisfactory. The hall in which you, Mr. Chairman, spoke is no longer available for us and we are now the paying guests of the Methodist Student Center which is very small. It is the only place available at the present time and is most uninviting. The hall is unsatisfactory.

Our student choir functions very well and is a real attraction. Our services of course, we are all very much dissatisfied with them. I happened to be on the joint committee of the Foundation and the Central Conference and the committee worked on new service and that committee ceased work with the illness and death of Rabbi Frankel. I am hoping we will be able to go ahead at some future time.

As to outside speakers, we find that an outside speaker is a great attraction providing that we don't have too many of them and also providing it is somebody who is known to the students by reputation. The students, after all, are fed up with lectures. They listen to lectures fifteen or twenty hours a week and it takes a real attraction to pull them out to any more lectures. Lectures and addresses are all in the same category and we need a real attraction. Rabbi Silver was a big hit on our campus. We have hundreds of Cleveland students who knew him personally or by reputation and they were followed by others. Some of our well known speakers did not do so well. Some did. I feel that it would be a very fine idea if we could have the well known Rabbis of the country make a tour such as Rabbi Mann suggested. It would also be a very fine thing to have rabbinical speakers. The Menorah Societies have been promised them all along, but the one on our campus hasn't had such a one this year. They feel it would help, but so far it has not come and the year is almost over.

In summary I would say that we are attacking here an extremely difficult problem. The students come from homes where they are not used to going to services. They are just at the age when they are receiving liberty, where they want to stay away from things they are supposed to do. A great many of them are in the exciting state of development and they are not altogether of the type that are necessary to counter-act this very, very intricate and important problem.

Mr. Max Latow:

From the students' point of view, from the few we have talked to, particularly some of the older fellows and girls who have shown what we call an "I don't care attitude," they are neither opposed or for Hillel. We always receive this answer when we tell them of the theory of Hillel, the idea for which it was formed, there is no attraction to our statements. The first thing we have to deal with is this attitude that they don't care if Hillel exists or not. If they are asked, would they be sorry if Hillel were forced to discontinue, they would say, "Yes." At the same time because of their lectures, because of the many activities, many of them don't care for the active part, and from what Rabbi Levinger has said it would almost seem a hopeless case in attempting to interest all of the students in Hillel Foundation. So far as student attitude is, it can be stated very shortly in an attitude of "I don't care what happens." I think the only possible thing that will attract them to Hillel, still taking the students' point of view. I am not taking in view the Hillel from the Director's point. There is no sense in calling Hillel Foundation a center when it is not because of quarters and the other objections about lectures, too many lectures and things of that sort. Hillel would be much better off if it could compete with many of the buildings of the Methodists, Protestants, etc. Going a little further into it, talking with some of the students they say, "If I haven't gone to the service when I was at home it is not very logical that I would start going all at once. The only hope is that in time I will start off." All students object very much to

being rushed into crowds. They would rather go to the things they want. They do not feel as if 700 students can be given the things 50 can. All I can say from the students' attitude is, "I don't care."

FRED BERNSTEIN: How long have you been in Wisconsin?

MR. LITOV: Five years.

Q. Was there any difference in the attitude of the student when you first came and now?

A. Undoubtedly.

Q. Just what is the difference?

A. The difference was that at first there was an attitude of distrust. It was going to take some of their privileges away. Now it is an attitude of trust because they see that if they do not care to come to Hillel they can use the Hillel quarters as long as it is a Jewish organization.

Q. Wasn't there a feeling of opposition on the part of a large number of students?

A. The only attitude at that time was one of regret that they hadn't been consulted before the Foundation was brought there. I think that was the biggest mistake in forming the Wisconsin Foundation.

Q. The older generation is passing out?

A. It will pass out almost entirely.

Q. What is the attitude of the incoming classes, the new fellows?

A. The new fellows have this attitude. When there is anything of worth they will come. They will make a habit of coming to the various things they like.

Q. Has it helped Jewish self-respect at the University?

A. That's the thing it has done. I think when I came there were less than 300 Jews. About 150, while they would not deny it, would walk out of their way rather than acknowledge the fact that they were Jews.

DR. MANN: How many Jews have you at the University now?

A. We have approximately 700.

Rabbi Landman:

I have noted down some things that Rabbi Fink mentioned that I want to corroborate with emphasis. In the first place Rabbi Mann has said that the reason why men fail is because of excuses. They have them in advance and it is the easiest thing to give out. We are not offering excuses because we can find them if we want them, very well, so the things we mention are not excuses.

The first thing I think that we ought to recognize is this: that the students in the Universities are after all a reflection of the communities from which they come. Less than a reflection, for the simple reason that they are, as Rabbi Lovinger stated, in the adolescent stage and a reaction from a forced religious observance perhaps and coming into the community away from home they feel a sense of liberty which they interpret, as youth would, more license to get away from these things which are distasteful. The most popular men in the University have the reputation of being agnostics. These are factors they may follow in different Universities but have to be considered in this matter.

As Rabbi Fink mentioned, there is to my mind no doubt at all but that adequate quarters, for religious services, will make a difference. They have adequate quarters for their other activities. If the Foundation building itself is not attractive you can expect them to stay away. The type of community of which the Foundation is a factor has to be considered. There are communities where the Jews who live there never come near the Foundation for whatever reasons they have and the students do expect, rather do receive the interest of the University Community. When you have your Jewish Professors who bend over backwards, as in the case let us say of a certain University, bend over backwards to avoid any possibility of anybody saying that he indicated a favorable attitude toward the Jew in this, that or the other situation, or the Professors who never come into the Foundation who aren't even interested,

your students are going to see that and they are going to follow the lead of the professor as much as the lead of the Rabbi.

The most important thing that we have in this work is the revision or the creation of a new service which will be at the same time Jewish and meet the requirements of the modern mind. That is the most important task.

Suppose we should ask a man with a wide reputation in American Rabbinate to come to the Foundation. He undoubtedly has other things to take care of and it may have been that his time was occupied two or three weeks before and he will not be able to prepare. If he is a flop the next time the students will not come around and it is going to determine their attitude of the Rabbi and is going to carry the influence of the Hillel Foundation. We have to understand that even Rabbis are human beings and subject to all failings of human beings and we take a chance on other men that we ask to talk. That, as far as the points that have been raised by Rabbi Fink.

The one thing that Rabbi Mann started with I think should be considered as the key-note of the activity of the Foundation. You can get a crowd to the social gathering. All you have to do is promise a good orchestra and decent refreshments and pack them in. All you need is proper advertising. Realizing that it is important that the social program go on, I wonder if it is more important than the religious and intellectual. You will forgive me for reverting back to Wisconsin because that is the Foundation I knew best. We have discovered this year, experimenting the first semester and experimenting in a different direction the second semester, that attendance at service can be increased in spite of the fact that the league plays its game on the Varsity diamond on Sundays, in spite of the fact that automobiles are permitted in Wisconsin and are enjoyed by a great number of students, in spite of all these things we could offer as alibis, I say the service can be increased and we found out, I think, a promising way, which is this: The first semester we did not send out notices about religious services. We wanted to see for a whole semester what would happen. Last year Sunday morning attendance was 85. The first semester this year was scarcely more than 65. Then we started in the second semester, sending out notices and developing what we call a District Lieutenant system, where we have a person planted in each Fraternity and Sorority House, a person in each rooming house, who can keep in touch with the students. The average attendance the second semester was over 95. Where we have had difficulty in getting a minyon on Friday nights the first semester the second semester we have had as many as 25 people at Friday night services, simply because we have taken pains to develop publicity. That was just an experiment. We hope next year to improve that plan of District Lieutenants and work it through on the matter of relative emphasis of religious and educational as against the social and other sides.

Rabbi Fink suggested a series of Jewish Speakers not necessarily religious. Well, of course, it is a matter of opinion, but I can't conceive of a Jewish speaker who doesn't sound a religious note. It is alright if we can get them. The Lecture Bureau supplies them but we have not had an offer of one for less than \$25.00. We have a series of men from the University lecturing on various fields of knowledge. President Frank spoke on Religion in the Modern World. Professor Mikol came with Religion and Education, etc., and I attempted to follow on what they had said, the following Sunday. They spoke during the week. That sort of thing can be done. If we can have a religious and educational program of interest, of course, with the kind of men the students know will be interested, who have got stuff to attract, and at the same time create a variety of different kinds of programs I think that we ought to be very well satisfied if we have two or three of them with 25 attending in each one. Of course a greater number is desirable, but that is the first number that came to my mind, we should feel very well satisfied. Because, when there is a group of men and women in the University attending, as Rabbi Levinger suggested, lectures fifteen to twenty hours a week when the University brings the very finest men appearing anywhere, from one to five times a week, when there is a variety of glee clubs, orchestras, string quartets, I think we ought to be congratulated when we got any people into the Hillel Foundations, when you consider all of the factors. I would like to invite some of you to spend three or four days in Madison when the University program is at its height, to see the tremendous variety of everything going on.

The university student considers it a far greater honor to be a reporter on the Daily Reporter than the job of a Chairman of the Committee of the Hillel Foundation. If you ask the student what is his choice, it will be definite and immediate. All of these things are extremely important of consideration. The social life of the University offers attractions that the Hillel Foundation can never compete with. And so all along the line. Therefore, I believe that it is important for us in the Foundation to give the chief emphasis to the religious and educational side and make every possible effort to attract, not simply to attract them but to attract them because of the quality of what we have to offer them. I think we can do that. There is no question at all by offering them the quality we can get them to come again and again and again. It is a matter of building a habit and I believe that habit can be built into the University student. It is a question of considering the conditions in the respective Universities. The situation for each University Foundation is the situation of the campus and I think it is the most difficult thing to lay down any regulations. The University Community is not much different from any other Community.

Mr. Fink:

As the relationship grows between the boys and girls who will meet at services and from services invite each other to the fraternity and sorority houses, you will get more at services. When they are friendly and know each other, when the barriers are broken down between this fraternity and that fraternity so that they are not repelled by the sight of the other, then I say religious services are going to be attended. The person who does not realize the importance of the social program in the Hillel Foundation, in my mind, is making the most serious mistake possible. It stands to reason that any organization is going to get more to social than religious service.

With regard to the intellectual program at the Foundation. When I speak to a student about football, I wind up about Hillel. He will tell me why he does not come to services, without my asking him. I say, "Don't disappoint me, I don't want to see you there, but is there any reason in the world why you as a Jew should not be interested in Jewish background, Jewish history? Do you intend to live as a Jew or not?" "Yes." "Well, then isn't it reasonable that you come in here and learn about it?" They will say, "yes, that's true." Not in all cases will they come in because one has a class, etc. but a great number of them actually come in to these discussion groups and I believe that that educational aspect of the program is of very, very great importance. We can get a student to come into a class much quicker and study Jewish history and read it on the outside much quicker than we can get him to come into the religious services.

Dr. Jung:

The students are in college to listen, but not to give. I discussed the matter repeatedly with my friend Rabbi Frankel and we have worked out a scheme. The student ought to be active in the choir. He ought to be called upon to lead the services. The student feels that he goes to the reform services just to listen, to have an emotional experience. The average student is sick and tired of hearing of the glorious past of our people. He wants to have definite advice as to sex morality, about Jewish home life, his attitude toward his girl, etc. Unless we can give him that conception, make him understand that any sort of Jew is accepted, that we do not classify the Jews in any Orthodox or Reform, then we have failed. The students want to be led. They are not satisfied with lectures.

The second point is the numbers. If I may go back to the Orthodox Services. We have tried to make it more active by having the students lead the services. We have had a remarkable response this year. We had over 125 students at Yom Kippur services and over 100 for Rosh Hashonah. We have not those beautiful buildings and we haven't the social background as yet. We have the older families in Champaign being associated with the Reform synagogue, but yet we have been able to encourage the boys to come. I cannot tell how many

will come next Friday - between 25 and 50, sometimes we have only enough for a Minion.

I think that is all I want to say, that the Hillel Foundation should not be one-sided.

Rabbi Landman:

Dr. Jung mentioned the importance of the sex problem and I want to mention two things that he suggested. The first was the lectures. Lectures called Sex and Life. The thing came across after a long period of consultation with the President of the University, when we found out his attitude toward such things in student groups, with the Dean of the Medical school, with the individual faculty members. We had six lectures and then the question arose as to whether they should be to mixed groups of men and women or separate groups. We compromised by dividing into three. There was a constant attendance practically all the time. Some dropped out after the first lecture when they expected to get sex thrills. There were about 65 men and 75 women who never missed a one of them. We have four men of International reputation in their fields and two of National reputation. Dr. F. M. Geyer spoke of the origin of Sex, followed by Dr. Cole on Nature and Function of Sex. Dr. H. B. Bradley spoke to the mixed group on How Shall we Regard Sex. Our idea was to lift it out of the gutter and to give it the exalted position. We broke up into groups of men and women. Women spoke to the women, men to the men on Hygiene of Sex. Women to women, man to man on Sex Conduct in Marriage. The reaction was marvelous. Personal interviews, letters written to the professors who gave the talks, by the parents of students who came with their daughters. I am quite sure that if the Foundation ever performed a religious function it did it in that.

To have a Rabbi, outstanding by reputation but certainly outstanding for his scholarship, for his leadership, for the power in every direction of his personality and for his ability to gain the confidence of the students, come in for a week. He will introduce himself to the students Sunday morning. Find out what point they would like to have discussed. He will address himself each night to the students for a week. They will also learn that he is there every afternoon. If they should want to talk to him they will be able to see him. It is a sort of a revival but on a very high plain. I think that something like that will mean a great deal in the personal lives of these students as well as in their Jewish lives. We are going to get there this year.

Mr. Sostrin, Assistant Director of Champaign:

At Illinois we have 650 students. We have about 100 Orthodox students and 550 Reform students. The attendance at the Reform service has been actually about 100. We have at times 130, twice 175, but in general about 100 every week this semester certainly. Where we have been making a mistake in this matter of attendance is by not arriving at some standard of what we consider good attendance. We personally believe that at the University you are getting students to attend services more than they would in their own community. If you take members of each family in their own communities, most of these members do not attend once a month so when you have students away from home they are attending once a month you are having an unusual situation, I believe. What we ought to arrive at first is some standard of good attendance. In regard to the Orthodox services we have had regular attendance, between 15 and 18 sometimes more, but the average has been 15 and 18 and the proposition is just about the same as among the Reform students. When you come to the services, especially the Reform services, see the students watch the students during the service, hear what some of them are saying about this, you realize that the services themselves are lacking; that there is something with the service that the students are absolutely not interested in. I have many times heard the conversation of students. Two weeks ago I was sitting next to three girls from one house. They came in after the service had started. Usually the sermon does not start until twenty minutes after. The girls said, "Gee, I thought we had come in just when the sermon was going to start." There is evidently something wrong with the matter of service.

In regard to having unusual speakers, unusual attractions, personally I am opposed to them. If anything I believe we ought to attain a regularity of attendance and everything we do. Not strive for a succession of shows. What we strived for throughout our program has been the regularity of attendance. We have not advertised our social program too much. I think we have only had one social event this year that we have given any publicity to. Our attendance, because of this, has been unusual. And the services the same way. It is alright to advertise the services if you want to. It will serve to remind them that services are being held on Sunday, but I do not see why you need any reminder that there are services. The thing to strive for is regularity in attendance.

We have methods of publicity. I know at Wisconsin they have a calendar sent to the students every month. We have one like it. I think that publicity is sufficient. If you have, once in a while, an outside speaker, send a notice that you have somebody of unusual prominence. I am concerned with the matter of attendance at services. We all want to strive for a larger increase in attendance. If you compare attendance in individuals, it is very good.

In regard to the speakers, I am not much in favor of them unless you have open forums. If we attract only fifty students to an open forum they are being benefited."

The Chairman expressed his gratitude to the Directors and others who had addressed the Commission and assured them that their observations, which had been stenographically reported, would be of great assistance to the Commission.

The guests of the Commission retired at 12:30 P.M. and the Commission proceeded with its work.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with.

The Chairman reported that pursuant to instructions of the last meeting of the Commission he had arranged with Professor A. L. Sachar to act as Director of the Champaign Foundation during the remainder of the scholastic year at a salary of \$1200. The Chairman added that reports that had come to him from various sources indicate that Professor Sachar has succeeded admirably in his work since taking charge of the Illinois Foundation.

The Chairman stated that he had arranged after consulting Dr. Mann and others of the Commission, for the temporary engagement of Rabbi Max J. Merritt to divide his time between the Foundations in Madison and Champaign, during the remainder of the academic year, with a view to his permanent attachment to Foundation work, provided this temporary engagement proved to Rabbi Merritt his like for the work and to the Commission that he was adapted to it. Included in the work to be done by Rabbi Merritt is that of acting as the official Rabbi of the congregation in Champaign. Professor Sachar officiates in that pulpit at times but his position in the faculty of the University precludes his being the official Rabbi of the congregation. Rabbi Merritt is to receive \$500. for his services during his temporary engagement, in addition to his actual expenses from the East to the Foundations. The action of the President was on motion approved.

A very full discussion of the present status of the various Hillel Foundations followed. The need of coordination of the Foundations under the leadership of a National Director was stressed throughout the discussion.

It was moved and carried that the Chairman appoint a committee of two to present a list of men fit and available for the permanent headship of the Hillel Foundations, to a future meeting of the Commission. The Chairman appointed Rabbi Heller and Dr. Bogen as such committee.

It was moved and unanimously carried that Dr. Louis L. Mann pending the selection of a permanent National Director be named as acting National Director of the Foundations.

On motion Professor A. L. Sachar was elected Director of the Champaign Foundation. Professor Sachar is to retain his position in the faculty of the University but is not to accept any other engagements. This action on the part of the Commission is to be communicated to Professor Sachar by the acting National Director, who will discuss with him his compensation, which is to be approximately \$4000. for the coming year.

A motion was made and carried that Mr. Morris Sostrin now associated with the Illinois Foundation be retained during the coming year at a salary of \$3000. The character of his services, and the place or places where the same are to be rendered, is to be determined by the acting National Director.

A motion was made and carried that if investigation of conditions warrants, a Foundation be established next in Cornell University, Ithica, New York, and that without delay a survey of conditions in that University, including the attitude of the students and faculty, towards the introduction of a Hillel Foundation be made with a view of establishing a Foundation during the next academic year.

It was moved and carried that a similar investigation be made of conditions in the West Virginia University at Morgantown, West Virginia, with a view of establishing an extension Foundation therein during the next academic year.

In accordance with the directions of the last meeting of the Commission, the Chairman reported that three additional members will be placed ^{shortly} on the Hillel Foundation Commission, and that local Advisory Committees of the Hillel Foundation in the various Districts of the Order are to be established. The following appointments will be made:

District No. 1. Myron Salzberger, Chairman

Rabbi Nathan Krass, Rabbi Leo Jung and four other members to be selected by the Chairman.

District No. 2. Edwin Schanfarber, Chairman and six members to be appointed by the Chairman.

District No. 3. Judge Joseph L. Kun, Chairman

Ludwig Bernstein of Pittsburgh, Rabbi Fineshraber, Felix Fuld, Rabbi Wolsey and two members to be appointed by the Chairman.

District No. 4. Judge Schloss, Chairman and six members to be appointed by the Chairman.

District No. 5. Henry A. Alexander, Chairman, and six members to be appointed by the Chairman.

District No. 6. Fred Bornstein, Chairman

James Becker, Fred Butzel and four members appointed by the Chairman.

District No. 7. Charles Haas, Chairman and six members to be appointed by the Chairman.

In written requests, the Foundations in Michigan and California asked that permanent buildings for the use of the Foundations be acquired. The Commission decided that the requests be denied for various reasons, among them being the lack of necessary funds.

The Secretary presented a budget for each Foundation for the ensuing year, which with minor modifications were adopted, except that of the University of Illinois. The budget for the Foundation at Champaign was referred to the acting National Director and the Secretary for readjustment.

As adopted, the budgets are as follows:-

COMPARISON TOTAL BUDGETS
B'NAI B'RITH MICHEL FOUNDATIONS

	1927-28 Budget	Proposed 1928-29 Budget
	Current Expenses	
Illinois	\$20376.00	\$20000.00
Michigan	14645.00	14000.00
Wisconsin	17700.00	16000.00
Ohio	14750.00	15300.00
California	16775.00	13500.00
National Office	3650.00	7000.00
	<u>\$87896.00</u>	<u>\$85800.00</u>

Permanent Equipment

Michigan	435.00	400.00
California	1000.00	500.00
Ohio	750.00	500.00
Illinois	600.00	600.00
Wisconsin	500.00	500.00
	<u>3285.00</u>	<u>2500.00</u>
	<u>\$91186.00</u>	<u>\$87000.00</u>
Cornell		16000.00
Extension		5000.00
		<u>\$ 98000.00</u>

WISCONSIN FOUNDATION Budget 1928-29

Janitor	500.00
Maintenance	300.00
Secretary's Salary	750.00
Travelling Expenses	150.00
Religious Committee	1000.00
Menorah	100.00
Social	200.00
Social Welfare	100.00
Publicity & Publications	400.00
Hillol Players	200.00
Athletics	50.00
Magazines	50.00
Postage	200.00
All Univ. Relig. Serv.	100.00
Library	100.00
Summer School of Relig.	400.00
Student Council	100.00
Rent	3000.00
Director's Salary	6500.00
Asst. Director's Salary	1800.00
	<u>\$18000.00</u>

OHIO FOUNDATION Budget 1928-29

Rent	2100.00
Janitor	350.00
Maintenance	500.00
Director's Salary	7000.00
Asst. Director's Salary	1800.00
Travelling Expenses	100.00
Secretary's Salary	500.00
Office Expenses	300.00
Library	100.00
Magazines	50.00
Congregation	150.00
Open Forum	350.00
Education	300.00

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Menorah	\$ 100.00	
Social	350.00	
Social Welfare	75.00	
Publication	600.00	
Dramatics	400.00	
Athletics	50.00	
Student Council	125.00	
	<u>16,300</u>	\$16,300

MICHIGAN FOUNDATION

Budget 1926-28

Rent	2400.00
Janitor	500.00
Maintenance	700.00
Secretary's Salary	1200.00
High Holy Days	
Orthodox Services	850.00
Reform Services	850.00
Open Forum	400.00
Social	400.00
Publication & Publicity	500.00
Social Welfare	250.00
Student Council	200.00
Athletics	100.00
Music	100.00
Dramatics	200.00
Education	100.00
Avukah	100.00
Office	175.00
Library	150.00
Travelling Expenses	75.00
Magazines	50.00
Director's Salary	5000.00
	<u>\$14000.00</u>

CALIFORNIA FOUNDATION

Budget 1926-28

Rent	2400.00
Janitor	600.00
Maintenance	750.00
Director's Salary	5500.00
Secretary's Salary	500.00
Director Student Act	1500.00
Office Expenses	200.00
Library	125.00
Magazines	50.00
Religious Education	100.00
Open Forum	300.00
Social Welfare	150.00
Publication	500.00
Student Council	200.00
Dramatics	150.00
Social	400.00
Menorah	75.00
	<u>\$13500.00</u>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4 o'clock P. M.

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Dear Friend:-

I am attaching two tickets
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 Masonic Auditorium, Sunday afternoon, May 13th.

You will be interested to
 know that preceding the mass meeting, the famous
 Salvation Army staff band of New York augmented
 by forty pieces from the local band and accompan-
 ied by mounted police and the 145th Infantry will
 parade from the Salvation Army Citadel at E. 9th
 and Eagle out Euclid Avenue to the Masonic Hall.

Commander Booth is to give
 her famous lecture, "The Greatest Romance in the
 World." I hope you will be able to attend this
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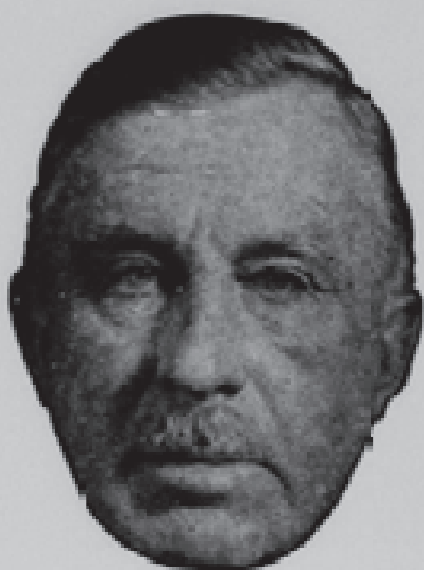
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your kind offer to serve on the Leonard Wood Memorial
Committee is deeply appreciated. Knowing that there
are certain individuals whom you would prefer to inter-
view, I am enclosing a blank which you will be good
enough to fill in and return as soon as possible.
Names will be allotted to the members of the committee
in the order in which they are received.

Yours very truly,

James R. Garfield
per E. E. M.



**The Leonard Wood Memorial
for the
Eradication of Leprosy.**



LEPROSY



THE unspeakably heart-breaking cry of the leper has echoed up and down the highways of the world for countless centuries. Today these supposedly incurably cursed cry by the roadsides, creep through the streets and jostle in the bazaars of India, of Japan, of China, of Siam, of Norway, of Sweden, of Iceland, of Egypt, of Palestine.

Three million lepers, it is estimated, there are in the entire world. A throng so great that were they to stand in line touching outstretched hands, it would require the fastest express train, traveling constantly five days and nights to pass that chain of human wretchedness.

Twelve thousand of these are under the Stars and Stripes in the Philippines, and 6,000 in the single colony of Calicut—the largest colony of concentrated misery in the world.

WHAT IT IS



“THERE is no affliction that has the physical basis for so much dismay and anguish as leprosy,” says Dr. Victor G. Heiser, Director for the East, International Health Board, Rockefeller Foundation.

“It is horrible to live with and difficult to die with. Death seldom comes until caused by some other disease. As the incubation period is unknown one of the disquieting features of having been in contact with lepers is the long period which may elapse before the disease manifests itself. The shortest time known is about two years and in some cases it has been over twenty years. On the other hand leprosy is not hereditary.

“Of the hundreds of children taken away from the leprous mothers soon after birth not one has developed leprosy. The disease begins insiduously, progresses slowly and may last twenty to thirty years.”

THE CURE



IT is commonly supposed that the only recorded cures for leprosy were those resulting from the miraculous touch of the Man of Nazareth in the Galilean Hills. Although the cause of leprosy is unknown, Hansen, a Norwegian scientist demonstrated that it is due to a bacillus. Little however was known of a cure or a remedy.

Natives of India claimed some benefit from chewing the leaves and twigs of the chaulmoogra tree and finally it was determined that it was the oil of the tree that was beneficial. The oil was so nauseating, however, that little could be accomplished from its use until a hypodermic method was developed on a large scale in India and the Philippines. The ethyl ester of chaulmoogra now being used at Cullian is bringing splendid results. Science is at last able to report cures of the milder cases.

Much remains to be done in the laboratories and in research before the remedy is perfected but leprologists believe they are on the right road to complete success.

LEONARD WOOD



WHILE Governor-General of the Philippines, Leonard Wood, a physician before he took up the sword, became deeply interested in Cullion. He visited the lonely island many times and he finally became convinced that leprosy is curable and that only additional research workers and equipment is needed to eradicate the disease from every corner of the world.

His heart was touched by all the needless suffering he witnessed and when he came home on leave of absence he presented the facts to America and asked for \$2,000,000 to carry on the work so a cure may be perfected.

He died before the fund was obtained but his friends took up the work in his name and established the Leonard Wood Memorial for the Eradication of Leprosy.

CULION



TWO HUNDRED MILES to the south of Manila, lying on the windy edge of the China Sea, is Culion, the largest leper colony in the world. Here under the American flag, 6,000 lepers are undergoing treatment. Here within five years, by means of the new methods developed by science, 1,000 of the milder cases have been cured. The colony is supported by the Philippine government to the full extent of its ability, but the government can not provide additional funds needed for research—equipment and personnel.

Culion may be compared to a vast hospital where a splendid page is being written into the history of medicine. Yet it is practically forgotten. One heroic American physician, Dr. H. Windsor Wade, who has not been away from the burning heat of the tropics for 12 years, and a group of physicians trained in the Philippines have buried themselves in this far-off colony and yet are in dire need of everything a modern hospital regards as absolute necessities. Radium, X-rays, buildings, and above all, workers—these are lacking in Culion.

A Few Extracts from the Budget

CULION

Special Dispensaries	\$25,000
Negative Colony—for handicapped ex-lepers	75,000
Dormitories for Inmates (four at \$3,000 each)	12,000
Emergency Hospital Improvements	1,000
Nurses' Home and Community Social Hall	10,000
Laboratory Building with equip- ment	75,000
Animal House	3,000
Special Observation Wards	5,000
Balala Improvements (where the staff lives)	12,500
Equipment (general)	15,000

CHILDREN'S HOME — MANILA

Building, equipment and mainte- nance	\$100,000
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ELSEWHERE THAN CULION

Stations Where Milder Cases Will Be Treated

Dispensaries	\$ 1,000
Barracks	10,000
Administration Building, includ- ing wards, clinic, pharmacy	20,000
Bodega kitchens, carpenter shop, visiting pavilion	9,000
Laboratory building	20,000
Negative Clinic	18,000

Specific gifts to be applied to any of the needs listed above will be welcomed by the Trustees. Detailed copies of the budget may be had upon request.

THE MEMORIAL



THE LEONARD WOOD MEMORIAL for the Eradication of Leprosy is a philanthropic non-profit sharing organization incorporated under the laws of the State of New York and administered by a Board of Trustees. It has for its purpose the eradication of leprosy throughout the world by developing the resources and equipment of the leper colony at Cullion, with the end of perfecting the most effective procedure in treating leprosy. The incorporators of the Memorial are:


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Later there will be added three representatives from the Philippines. The Trustees are seeking to obtain gifts to the amount of \$2,000,000 to carry out its purposes. The Headquarters are One Madison Avenue, New York City.

THE PLAN



IT is not proposed to establish the fund as an endowment for perpetuity largely because the needs are so urgent that a large part of the money will have to be spent immediately. Funds will be expended in erecting a new children's home, a laboratory building, and living quarters for the staff, in establishing receiving stations on neighboring islands, and in increasing the personnel and carrying on the work necessary to the complete eradication of the disease.

The balance of the fund, both principal and interest will be expended at the rate of \$125,000 a year for the period of approximately 15 years. This money will be used in developing laboratory and research work.

The actual maintenance of the colony, housing, feeding, clothing and the like is cared for by the Philippine government, which gives an extremely large part of its entire governmental revenue for the purpose.

THE CHILDREN



ON the shores of Culion there stands to-day a pathetic little group—children of lepers, born clean, but destined to live as outcasts and finally to sleep in lonely leper graves—shunned in death as in life.

Children of lepers—denied the joys of childhood and sentenced to a terrible fate because of a lack of facilities to care for them. Born clean, because leprosy is not hereditary, they can not escape its deadly grasp unless they are removed from the island in time.

A children's home is being prepared at Manila, as a haven of refuge for these tiny prisoners—but it is wholly inadequate and the sum of \$100,000 is being sought to enlarge and improve it so that it will not be necessary to pitilessly sentence these helpless little ones to a fate so terrible.

A SUMMARY



"IF Thou wilt Thou canst make us clean," pleaded the lepers when the Man of Galilee walked among them nearly 2,000 years ago. And in his great compassion He answered, "I will, be thou clean."

But even in this advanced age the agonized cry of the leper is raised, unheard, lost on the winds of the sea and stifled by the loneliness of far-off islands where millions of lepers this very hour are living, a walking, breathing death.

And yet, these exiled and forgotten millions are suffering and dying needlessly. Leprosy is curable. In five years, more than 1,000 of the milder cases have been cured at Cullion and the patients returned to their homes. Now, only money is needed to provide increased personnel and equipment at Cullion so that a perfected cure may be given to the lepers of the world. This was Leonard Wood's dream and it was he who asked America for help, just before his death.


THE LAST WORD

"IF Thou wilt, Thou canst make us clean." Yes, the same old prayer, but this time addressed to you. You can help rid the world of leprosy. Stamp it out for all time by simply giving you: support to aid the heroic men and women who have buried themselves among the lepers and are giving their lives to this task.

Checks may be made payable to the National Treasurer, General Samuel McRoberts, and sent directly to the offices of the Leonard Wood Memorial, One Madison Avenue, New York City. In cities where a local treasurer has been appointed, it is preferable that gifts be sent to him.

Gifts to the Leonard Wood Memorial, Inc., may be deducted from income tax returns under the law governing contributions to charity.

"I know of no appeal that has ever been made in a more worthy cause than this one for the aid of these lepers. I bespeak your support and assistance in this great work."

 *Conrad Greig*

Rabbi Abraham Burstein
118 POST AVENUE
NEW YORK

May 9th, 1928.

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I am projecting, and am about to edit a volume to be called "The Portion of the Week," containing sermons by American rabbis on every Pentateuchal portion. The cooperation of a publisher has already been assured, despite the fact that a compilation of such limited appeal is hardly likely to be profitable. A selected list of rabbis, carefully chosen from all branches of the American rabbinate, is being asked to contribute one sermon each on an assigned portion.

It would please me greatly to be able to include in this volume a sermon by yourself on the portion 7/2

The only conditions are a limitation to 1500 words, and that the text apply to the actual portion read and not to prophetic or holiday readings. Copy should be typed on regulation paper, double-spaced, and the text indicated at the head. Proof will be sent you before printing and a special de luxe complimentary copy of the book when completed.

May I have your early response? With thanks and best wishes,

Sincerely and cordially yours,

Abraham Burstein

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Warsaw, June 9.—Important recom-
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May 11th, 1928.

NEW YORK, N. Y.

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
% The Temple,
105th St., at Ansel Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I hope that you would not mind to spend one or two
mornings with me in order to call on a few individuals
in the interest of the fund being raised for the
Jewish Daily Bulletin.

I would like to arrive at a time when you would be in
the city in order that I might be able to secure your
cooperation in meeting with a few of the prominent
Jews.

I wonder whether my arrival in the week of May 14th or
of May 28th would find you in town. If I could secure
this helpful cooperation from you and others, I could
hope that a fair sum might be subscribed from Cleveland.

Looking forward to hearing from you. I am, with best
wishes,

Very sincerely yours,



JOHN SIMONS.

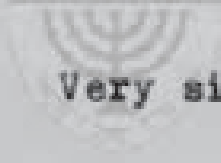

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May 11th, 1928.

Miss Flora Rohrheimer,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Flora:-

I would suggest that you
send copies of your Presidential message
both to the Jewish Review and Observer and
the Jewish Independent for publication
next week. Your report was splendid and
should be published in full.



Very sincerely,

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Rabbi A. H. Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.,
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My dear Rabbi Silver:

Leading philosophers have, for more than thirty years, put a rather low estimate upon the value of algebra as a subject of instruction in the schools. William James, for example, called the regular college preparatory algebra "a low form of cunning."

Recently, a group of mathematics teachers, in cooperation with the Bureau of Educational Research, is spending some time in determining what the legitimate uses of algebra in the thinking of educated adults may be.

To guide the committee in its work, a number of objectives for pupils have been set up, among others the following:

"IV. To understand and use algebraic concepts or modes of thought, as distinguished from algebraic techniques, in reading, thinking, and talking about the ordinary things educated people are interested in. Examples follow:

"A. President Lowell's formula for the product of education -- $(x + 1) YC = P$, when $P =$ product, $x =$ teaching, $Y =$ ability, and $C =$ effort.

"B. Recent researches suggest a possible explanation for character development -- $C = \frac{S P}{S - P}$, when $C =$ character, $S =$ social

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Rabbi A. H. Silver.

strength, and $P =$ social pressure, cases where the denominator lies between +1 and -1 being uninterpretable.

"C. A ninth grade class suggests that the pleasure or profit derived from a piece of work might be the product of interest and effort. $P = IE$

"Note: The use of a mathematical mode of thought is often justifiable for the clarity it gives even when the precision of a mathematical technique is not desired. It is important, when using such a method of thinking, to keep in mind that it falls short of the absolute accuracy commonly associated with mathematical work."

You have been chosen as one of ten educated thinkers in Cleveland to review this proposed objective.

Can you perceive any advantage in teaching fourteen to sixteen year old boys and girls to state social, educational and economic problems so that they can apply mathematical modes of thought to them?

Can you perceive any disadvantage in such a procedure?

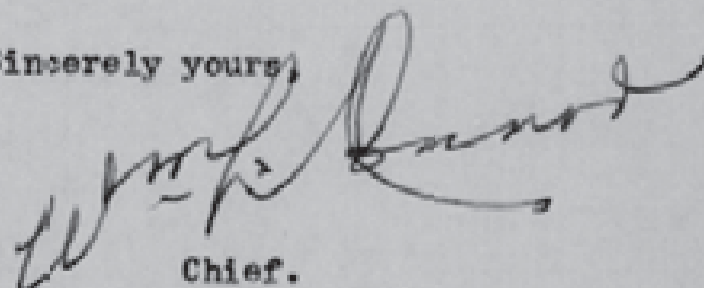
Do you recall that you have ever used such modes of thought?

If you do not use such modes of thought, do you believe it would be an advantage to you to do so?

The committee at work on the course of study is interested in such an extension of the use of algebra but is distinctly doubtful about its advisability. Will you give them the benefit of your judgment?

Please accept the thanks of the committee for your reply.

Sincerely yours,



Chief.

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May 14, 1928

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Adult Education Association has as one of its departments of work, the classification of subjects for program service.

From your experience, you know of the need of such a service. The many luncheon clubs and other men's and women's organizations are constantly presenting speakers on various subjects. The program selected by these organizations is often a hit or miss one.

The Adult Education Association is interested in serving these organizations. We would like to have each one of them present a logical and sustained series of talks which, if the interest is thereby created, may be carried over into a series of two or three lectures on a chosen topic. This, we believe, is more the ideal of adult education.

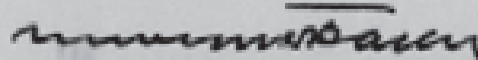
We have asked and secured the cooperation of the following in this department of our work:

Art and Archaeology -	- Cassiter Howard
Natural Science and Travel -	- Harold Madison
Business and Finance	- Edwin Baxter
Health	- Dr. Roger Perkins

We would be most happy if you would assist us in the field of Philosophy and Religion. The only work entailed would be the suggestion of an outline of study and a list of speakers whom you feel you could vouch for in this field. May we hope to receive this list by the 25th of this month?

Appreciating your past cooperation and interest,

Cordially yours,


President

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May 16, 1928.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver,
The Temple,
Ansel Road & E. 105th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have the honor of tendering you an appointment as a member of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation Commission and trust to receive at an early date your acceptance thereof.

With expressions of highest esteem, believe

me

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

Alvin M. Cohen
Chairman Hillel Foundation
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Telephone

Rabbi Silver will try to cooperate with you in drafting an outline of study, list of speakers in the field of Philosophy and religion. It may be some time however before he gets to it.



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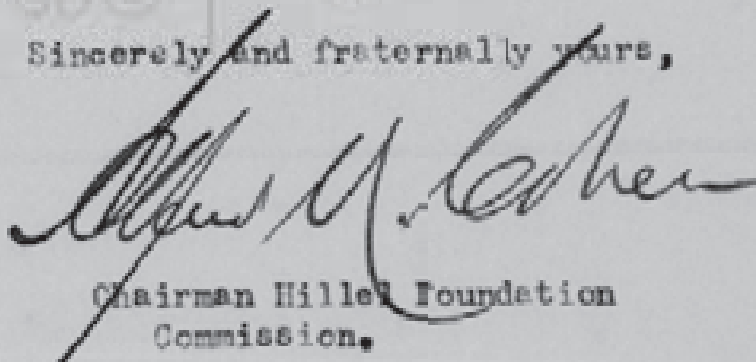
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

A kit bag with ten prospect cards, pledge
cards, literature, and other necessary material will be
held in your name at Mr. Mather's home, Friday evening.

Will you please ask for it after the re-
ception?

Very truly yours,

Edith E. McBriarty,
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May 16, 1928

May 18th, 1928.

Mrs. Sam Cohn,
14304 Superior Rd.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Cohn:-

I have received word of the meeting which is to be held Monday, May 21st by the Joint Program Committee which is to plan a Joint Educational Program for the coming year under the auspices of the Cooperative League.

From the discussions at the last meeting of the Cooperative League it appears that the Sisterhoods will be asked not to hold any programs on the months when the Cooperative League is to hold its programs. Inasmuch as you are contemplating three programs during the year it would mean that our Sisterhood could have only three of its own programs during the year for there are only six months actually when successful programs can be held.

Our Sisterhood membership demands a minimum of five programs: A mother's and daughter's affair, our annual symposium, and the celebration of the three holidays of Chanuka, Purim and Passover. These are the only meetings at which members of our Sisterhood are present under the Temple auspices, for as you probably know we conduct no Temple Forum. We therefore feel that we can not agree to any arrangement which would reduce the number of our meetings. While we regard the meetings of the Cooperative League as important and we are happy to cooperate, we also wish to maintain the morale of our own organization and the interest of our own members in our Sisterhood. We feel that the Cooperative League does not really require three meetings; for the Council of Jewish Women affords additional opportunity for the women of our city and of all organizations to meet in common assembly.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Sincerely yours,

Lora Pokshiner
Pres.

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14 Salisbury Square
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NEW YORK, May 19, 1928.

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

Dear Doctor Silver:

We are sending to you with the compliments of the author and the publishers, a copy of "Steering or Drifting--Which?"--Solutions of Every-Day Problems Confronting the American Jew, by Dr. Israel H. Levinthal, Rabbi of the Brooklyn Jewish Center.

This volume may well be considered one of the most important as well as the most interesting expositions of the problems which American Jews are called upon to meet.

After you have read the volume we are certain that Rabbi Levinthal will be most grateful for the expression of your opinion regarding it--briefly or at length as you choose.

Sincerely yours,

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BALTIMORE, MD.

OFFICE OF THE RABBI

May 31, 1938.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba,

I would appreciate it if you would ask your secretary to let me know under just what regulations you are working in reference to mailing your bulletin under the second class privilege.

We are having considerable difficulty with our local postoffice department. The man here seems to be very meticulous and I shall be happy to have this information for my guidance.

With love, in which we all join,

Faithfully,

Morris

May 21st, 1928.

Mr. Alfred M. Cohen,
Electric Bldg.,
Cincinnati, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Cohen:-

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

I shall be very pleased to serve
as a member of the B'nai B'rith Hillel Founda-
tion Commission.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

May 22d, 1928.

Mr. William L. Connor,
Bureau of Educational Research,
Board of Education.
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Connor:-

Permit me to thank you for
your letter of May 11th.

Frankly I find myself in no
position to give an intelligent reply to your
question concerning the possible use of the
algebraic form in other than the purely mathematical
sphere of thought. I have never myself used such
modes of thought and I have never felt the need of
it except when reading works on philosophy and logic,
where, as in the case of some German works, the
algebraic symbolism is frequently employed.

This method seems to have the
advantage of conciseness which all summarizations
in formula afford. However, it has an inherent
weakness. It suggests, as you yourself indicate in
your letter, an accuracy and absoluteness which human
thought, other than the purely mathematical or scientific,
does not possess. In this regard it may be very
misleading.

With kindest regards, permit me
to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Blvd.
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May 23, 1928

My dear Rabbi Silver

I am enclosing a program to be given in connection with the Hungarian Art Exhibit at Carnegie West Library. We have over fifty five pictures promised, some by famous artists, that have been brought to America by Hungarian people. There will also be pictures and art work by Cleveland artists. Hoping you may find it possible to attend, I am,

Most cordially yours,

Mrs. Helen Horvath

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May 23d, 1928.

Edith E. Moriarty, Sec'y.,
The Leonard Wood Memorial
For the Eradication of Leprosy,
931 Leader Bldg.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Miss Moriarty:-

I am returning herewith the
cards which you sent me. Because of my
position I have made it a practice not to
solicit in person, funds for any cause whatsoever.
I trust that you will understand.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

May 24th, 1928.

Mr. Harry H. Green,
The New Zionist Club,
408 Prospect Bldg.,
1134 Prospect Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Green:-

Please pardon the delay in answering your kind letter of May 4th. I have been away from the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has accordingly lagged.

I should be very happy to be an honorary member of the New Zionist Club providing it does not involve any responsibilities on my part. It will be nigh impossible for me to attend meetings or to assume any other obligations. I am already over burdened with activities. If you wish the use of my name, I am very happy to comply with your request.

With kindest regards and wishing your new organization a successful career, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

May 24th, 1928.

Rabbi Morris Lazaron,
Baltimore Hebrew Congregation,
Madison Avenue and Robert Street,
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Rabbi Lazaron:

Your letter of May 21st to Rabbi Silver has been referred to me with reference to mailing your bulletin under second class matter. I note from your letter that you are running into the same difficulties as when I first applied for the permit. It seems a universal system in all Post Offices to make it considerably difficult to obtain this permit. In fact, I had to use influence to obtain what I wanted, but the result after it is obtained is worth the effort.

Our bulletins are now mailed on a poundage basis, that is, when they are taken down to the Post Office they are weighed and we are charged at the rate of \$.01 per pound. The cost of mailing our 2500 bulletins each week averages about \$.30 a week compared to an outlay of \$37.50 prior to getting the permit.

The Post Office Department told me at the time I applied that all matters contained in publications mailed under this heading must be of general interest to the entire public and that our bulletin was only of interest to the Congregation. I was fortunate in having with me at the time, bulletins of our City Club, Women's City Club and other local organizations who were already mailing their publications under this permit and I had the material to convince him that these particular publications came under the same heading as ours and that their literature contained only interest to the members of their particular organization. After convincing him he still refused and it was then that I had to use this influence that I mentioned before.

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When I filed the permit it was necessary for me to send out to the entire Congregation a form letter with a post-card enclosed which they were to return to me giving us permission to charge their dues with \$.50 as a yearly subscription to the bulletin. This was only formality, but nevertheless they insisted on it and I was very fortunate in getting most of the names returned. I would suggest, if I may, that in spite of all the efforts to stop you, that if possible, use some influence, because it certainly is worth the effort and while you may have some trouble in getting it I think that by being persistent they eventually will yield.

If there is any other information please do not hesitate to correspond with me as I shall be very happy, indeed, to give you any assistance that I can so that you may get your end.

With cordial greetings to Mrs. Lazaron and yourself, in which Rabbi and Mrs. Silver join me, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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May 25th, 1928.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
City.

Dear Rabbi Silver: -

Yours of the 24th Inst. to hand. I assure you of our appreciation for your acceptance as Honorary Member of our Organization. Same is more than an Honor to us.

We realize that you are a very busy man and will not be able to attend the meetings, but any time you are able to come up, we will indeed be very pleased to have you with us.

The Secretary will always keep you informed by sending you all regular Club Mail.

We are going to have new stationary printed and your name will be at the top of the letter head as Honorary Member, always.

Our next open meeting will be Monday Evening, June 11th, and it is at this meeting we would very much like to have you address us. Enclosed you will find a self addressed and stamped return envelope for your kind reply to this request. If this is at all possible, we would be more than thankful.

Again thanking you, and with best wishes, we remain,

Yours very respectfully,

The New Zionist Club.

By

Harry H. Green
Organizer and President.

The Board of Trustees
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Nineteen hundred twenty-eight
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May 29, 1928

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
1485 East 108th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

I feel honored by the duty reposed
on me by virtue of my office to notify
you of your election as an honorary mem-
ber of our Advisory Board.

Your moral support of this great
forward movement, because of your aims
and ideals, will help toward the ac-
complishment of our purpose.

Cordially,

L Eugene Wetthing
President

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FOREWORD

The code of morals and ethics of every man and woman is founded upon the religious training and precepts received in their youth. Heretofore, the inspirational lessons of the Bible stories have not entirely benefited our little folks because it was difficult for them to retain the beautiful lessons contained therein. Therefore, it is essential to make this study as interesting as possible. The mind of youth is notoriously volatile and retains only those points of information which are absorbing or romantic.

The picturization of Biblical incidents makes them infinitely more appealing and easier to conceive. A picturized Golden Rule is obviously more graphic and interesting to the child's mind than the more tedious process of instruction formerly administered. The figures of Biblical History live and become more inspiring as the youthful senses encompass their visual reality.

The Rev. Mr. Wettling arrived at this conclusion some years ago, and has devoted a great amount of his time in perfecting the initial details of organizing this company, securing satisfactory associates making the necessary arrangements and preparing for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, there to film Biblical incidents at authentic locations with historically correct backgrounds. Using the exact text of the Bible leaving all interpretations to creed, denomination, organization or individual using the pictures.

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MR. WALTER A. LANG, Secretary.—Brings to the organization a valuable banking experience extending over a period of years, thus augmenting his fitness for responsibility in the guidance of the company's business.

MR. ALFRED WALKER, General Manager.—Has had a broad and active experience in the production, sales and distribution of motion pictures extending over a period of fifteen years. He is thoroughly capable and exceptionally well qualified to supervise the company's production and distribution.

THE VERY REV. HARRY ST. CLAIR HATHAWAY, M.A., Dean of the Pro-Cathedral Church of St. Mary, Philadelphia.—Was chosen as being especially fitted to act as Religious Director for Religious Films. He will be Co-director of the production entrusted with the responsibility for the Bible text, geographical and historical settings, costumes, native tradition and customs of Bible times, thus assuring the one hundred per cent accuracy of the pictures. He has made many trips to the Holy Land, sojourning from Dan to Beersheba, making a study of the Bible stories in their geographical settings. His background of twenty-five years as a religious teacher and lecturer will lend human insight, which will give to these pictures very great teaching value.

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DR. WILLIAM C. STURGIS, Ph.D.—Needs no introduction in educational or church circles. He has been appointed by the Department of Religious Education of the National Council of the Episcopal Church, to approve the taking of these pictures on behalf of the Church and will accompany the pilgrimage.

BUSINESS OF THE COMPANY

RELIGIOUS FILMS, Inc., was organized for the purpose of producing and distributing non-denominational religious and educational motion pictures to churches, schools, organizations and individuals for religious and educational instruction and entertainment, released through exchanges owned and operated by the Company in ten key cities.

Picture to yourself the educational and lecture possibilities of these films. Bear in mind the fact that the men connected with this enterprise are of unimpeachable integrity, have never been connected with an unsuccessful enterprise, and could hardly afford to affiliate themselves with any but the most meritorious project. Remember your own youth, and how your Sunday School hours could have been made tremendously interesting. Consider the possibilities of this great work, and if your conclusions are similar to those of the eminent men who are sponsoring this movement, we cordially invite you to participate in its furtherance.

Rabbi Abraham Burstein
118 POST AVENUE
NEW YORK

May 31, 1928.

Rabbi Abba H. Silver
E. 105th St. & Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I trust that you will be able shortly to reply to my letter of May 9th, wherein I requested a sermon for my forthcoming volume. Most of the eminent rabbis to be included in this project have already signified their intention of contributing. I should not wish to publish the book without having your name in it.

May I hear from you?

Yours very sincerely,

A. Burstein

AB:hw

File
under "Pageant"
Fannie Barnett Linsky

164 Walnut Avenue

Roxbury, Mass.

MAY 1928

Dear Rabbi:

Temple Israel of Boston, Mass. recently marked its 70th anniversary with a splendid pageant-play, "Three Score Years and Ten", in which the history of the congregation was depicted in dramatic form by some two hundred of its own members with outstanding success. May I interest you in the idea of marking your congregational birthday or some other special occasion in the same way?

As the author of the Temple Israel, and many other pageants, I wish to bring to the attention of congregations in other cities the splendid possibilities of pageantry as a means of telling their congregational stories in colorful, appealing, and dramatic fashion. As writer, dramatic consultant and director, I am prepared to offer you one of several types of service. I will write your pageant-play manuscript for you (from data to be supplied by one of your number) and arrange it to meet your special needs and tell your special story. I will send this to you, and one of your members or some local person may train your cast. Or, if desired, I will take full charge and responsibility, - writing, directing, producing. This would necessitate my being in your city during rehearsals.

Or, after having prepared the manuscript, I will act as consultant and adviser, by correspondence, and will come in, if needed, for final rehearsals, to oversee and direct production.

My charge for the work is, of course, based upon the type of service rendered, and the amount of time devoted to the task. I invite further correspondence from you on this subject, and will be glad to furnish detailed information regarding arrangements for producing a pageant-play for you.

Surely a congregational birthday is an event worth celebrating. A pageant-play offers a dignified vehicle, original, impressive, and with the added advantage that your own people tell their own story. I hope to have an opportunity to serve you.

Very sincerely yours,

(Mrs.) *Fannie Barnett Linsky*

PLEASE DO NOT DESTROY THIS LETTER. FILE IT AWAY

FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

ENDORSEMENTS

I am glad to commend Mrs. Linsky and her work to your favorable consideration. Mrs. Linsky has been writing plays of a general character for years. She has been one of my religious school teachers for more than a decade. In this time she has been responsible for all of our pageants and for much of our school and congregational dramatic work. She knows how to write. She has a fine Jewish understanding. And she has unusual dramatic sense. I know how happy I was to discover her special talent and how gladly I have availed myself of it these many years. If I may judge from my own experience I am sure there are Rabbis all over the land seeking just the type of material and assistance I have been able to find in Mrs. Linsky. I believe she can serve them as she has served Temple Israel.

HARRY LEVI
Rabbi, Temple Israel,
Commonwealth Ave.,
Boston, Mass.

Fannie Barnett Linsky through her writing and teaching experience of many years, is eminently qualified to undertake pageant-play writing and producing for religious organizations everywhere. I have seen some of her dramatic writings, staged and produced with the highest degree of reality and craftsmanship. Mrs. Linsky succeeds in bringing to her work fine conception and warmth of spirit. I believe that she can serve congregations through a medium of effective dramatic expression which congregations so often want, and too seldom can find.

SAMUEL WOLK
Asst. Rabbi, Temple Israel,
Commonwealth Ave.,
Boston, Mass.

The name Fannie Barnett Linsky is a synonym here for a writer of exquisite verse, plays and pageants, with a fine Jewish-religious appreciation and background. Everything Mrs. Linsky does is a finished product of a unique and high order. The pageants and plays written and produced by her for several local religious schools, organizations and Temples have won for her a prominent place in this field. Whenever and wherever there is need for a pageant by a Temple, school, juvenile or adult organization, "ask Fannie Barnett Linsky - she knows."

SAMUEL ABRAMS
Rabbi, Beacon St. Temple,
Congregation Ohabei Shalom,
Brookline, Mass.

June 1st, 1928.

Mrs. W. J. Bushea,
11105 Euclid Ave.,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Bushea:-

I would suggest the following
list of subjects under the general theme of
"Philosophy of Religion" :-

1. The Psychological Aspect of Religion.
Dr. McWilliams of Western Reserve
University is to my mind best equipped
to present this subject.
2. The Permanent Values in Religion.
Either Dr. Meyers or Dr. Lupton.
3. Is Religion Compatible with Science?
Rabbi Goldman, Dean Thomas W. Graham of
Oberlin College or Rev. Joel Hayden.

With kindest regards, permit
me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Educational Institutions:

Hebrew Talmudical Academy
Hebrew Teachers Organization
Jewish Educational Ass'n of L. A.

Benevolent Institutions:

Chevre Chesed Shel Emeth
Hebrew Free Loan Association
Hebrew Sheltering Home for the Aged
Jewish Ex-Patients Home Society
L. A. Home for Incurables
Moyes Hittin

Zionist Organizations:

Boyle Heights "Hadasah"
"Chalutzos"
Jewish National Fund
"Mizrachi"
National Arbeiter Verband
"Poale Zion"
"Yarbutz"

Trade Organizations:

Agudath Hashochtim
Hebrew Bakers League
Jewish Retail Grocers League
Junk Collectors Protective Ass'n

Social Organizations:

Federation of Jewish Clubs
Odesser Verdin
Warsaw Young Men's Society
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Jewish Publications:

California Jewish Review
California Jewish Voice
L. A. Jewish Bulletin
The Jewish Merchant

Dear Friend:-

The Jewry of Los Angeles has discovered the need for the "KEHILLAH" as that solvent agency which will crystalize the various elements of Jewry, coordinate and systematize the multitudinous conflicting communal activities and needs, give it solidity and unification and establish a medium for conscious self-expression through a representative and authoritative body.

We know that you are fully acquainted with the history and functions of a Kehillah and because of your well known social spirit and participation in many constructive communal endeavors, we are taking the liberty of writing to you and request your sympathetic and encouraging comments on our efforts in establishing a Kehillah in Los Angeles.

We respectfully request your permission to read and publish your telegram or letter on the occasion of our get-together Banquet on June 27th.

May we not express to you in advance our appreciation for your cooperation helping us to solidify public opinion in favor of the Kehillah Movement.

Sincerely yours,

The Executive Committee, Board of Governors,

George J. Saylin
Dr. George J. Saylin,
President.

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Boost the Kehillah Banquet, Wed., June 27, at SINAI TEMPLE