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THE HEBREW UNION COLLEGE SCHOOL for TEACHERS IN NEW YORK CITY

Tuesday Evening, June 9th, 1931, at 8:15 o'clock

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JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTER

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August 27, 1931

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

Dear Rabbi:

I was pleased to note your name among the members of the National Advisory Committee in connection with the President's plan for employment.

We presume that this will bring you to Washington some time this fall and winter.

If you would let us know a few weeks in advance of your coming, we may be able to plan a lecture at the Center. Of course, if we could save the payment of railroad expenses, I feel almost certain that this could be arranged as our group is very eager to hear you again.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

Maurice Biogy

Executive Director.

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AMERICAN JEWISH CONGRESS

33 West 42nd Street, New York

September 2, 1931.

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Mr. Adolph Lewisohn, 61 Broadway, New York City.

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Dear Mr. Lewisohn:

I am sending for your information copy of letter which I have addressed to the so-called League of All Jewish Institutions, the establishment of which has to my knowledge not been sanctioned by any important suction of organized Jewry.

I find that your name also appears on the letterhead of this curious society, together with the names of Lt. Gov. Lehman, Paul Block. Rabbi H. G. Enclow, Edward A. Filene, Judge Bernard L. Shientag, Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, Jesse I. Straus, Percy S. Straus, Mo. I have strong reason to doubt whether the use of these names has ever been authorized. I therefore thought I would call this matter to your attention. The address of the above League is 286 Fifth Avenue.

With assurances of esteen, I am

Yours sincerely,

(S) Bernard G. Richards

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September 3rd, 1931.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Undoubtedly you are keenly interested in any movement vitally affecting the social-economic conditions which are so disturbing to millions of men and women in all walks of life.

The enclosed LIFE FELLOWGHIP PLAN has a direct bearing on this important question. It is being sent to 214 leading statesmen, educators, financiers, business and professional men in the United States, for an expression of their opinion.

I shall appreciate the consideration you give to the outline of LIFE FELLOWSHIP PLAN, which it has been my privilege to create and organize.

Very Oly yours,

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PRESIDENT

TELEPHONE LACKAWANNA 4- 4276

League of All Jewish Institutions

P. O. BOX 120, CITY HALL STATION. N. Y.

Preamble

WE JEWS OF GREATER NEW YORK, IN ORDER TO UNITE ITS TWO MILLION JEWS-MORE JEWS THAN IN ANY OTHER CITY IN THE WORLD, ABOUT ONE-EIGHTH OF THE WORLD'S JEWRY-REALIZING THE VALUE AND STRENGTH OF A UNITED POWERFUL JEWRY TO SPEAK, ACT FOR AND HELP JEWS WHENEVER AND WHEREVER NECESSARY, DO HEREBY ESTABLISH THIS LEAGUE.

JUSTICE JACOB S. STRAHL, PRESIDENT

JACOB M. LEHRFELD, GEORETARY

New York September 3, 1931.

286 FIFTH AVENUE

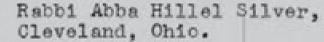
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My dear Rabbi :-

May we convey to you and yours our best wishes for a happy new year.

We would welcome from you at any time the suggestions of any matter affecting jewry for consideration by the League.

Thanking you, in advance, for your kind co-operation.

Sincerely,

lacob President.

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September 4, 1931.

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Dear Dr. Silver:

We are very glad to receive from Rabbi Jonah B.Wise the information that you will take charge of the Columbia Broadcasting System's service over the air at 2:30 P.M. on September 20th. Arrangements will be made for the broadcast from the studio of the Columbia System in your city, where every effort will be put forth to make the period a complete success.

As Dr. Wise has undoubtedly told you it is our desire to maintain these services on a high devotional plane. The period will be of thirty minutes duration and must be accurately timed because of programs preceding and following. The thirty minutes will consist of music, scripture reading, prayer, liturgy or whatever goes into the composition of a religious service and approximately fifteen minutes of sermon. It will be preceded by an announcement prepared by us and made by the station announcer.

Will you kindly let the writer know whether or not you will be able to furnish from your own synagogue suitable singers for the musical background of the service. If you are not, it will be arranged here.

Any other information you desire in regard to the broadcasting we will be glad to furnish.

Very truly yours,

COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM, INC.

By:

J. FARL CLAUSON.

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

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September 7, 1932

Rabbi A H. Silver Cleveland, Chic

Dear Rabbi Silver:

You, as one of the cutstanding American characters, hold an imporant position in the make up of our foreign and domestic affairs.

For more than a quarter of a century our relations with the important men and women of the world have proved that we too, hold a unique place in the world's make up having successfully photographed almost every national and international notable.

When you come to Washington to attend the Welfare and Relief Mobilization Committee, we ask you to be our guest in what our friends consider to be the most beautiful studio in America.

Our request is made because we must have a picture of you for our Photographic News Service and our gallery of "National Notables."

Cordially yours,

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September Sighth 1931.

Rt. Rev. Joseph Schrembs, Bishop of Cleveland, Guarantee Title Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Bishop Schremba:

Permit me to join the great host of your friends in extending my felicitations to you on the occasion of the tenth anniversary as Bishop of Cleveland.

There are great numbers not of your faith who are fully aware of the outstanding contributions which you have made to the life of the city and the important role which you have played in all movements looking to civic betterment and the moral elevation of our people. I wish you continued good health and success.

with best wishas permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours.

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Sept. 8th, 1931

Mr. J. Earl Clauson, Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., 485 Madison Ave. at 52d St., New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Clauson:-

Sept. 4th.

I note the instructions which you include with reference to the broadcasting of the Atonement Day service on Sept. 20th at 2:30 p.m. I shall arrange the service accordingly.

I plan to use our own Temple choir and music in the presentation of the ritual service. If you can arrange for some outstanding violinist to play the "Kol Nidre" number it would be highly desirable. If not, I shall make arrangements locally to have some member of the Cleveland Symphony play it.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

September 10th, 1931.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am deeply appreciative of your very kind letter of good wishes on the occasion of my tenth anniversary as Bishop of Cleveland.

It is one of the human encouragements of life to know that those who are about us feel that one's work is worth-while. It shall be my constant endeavor to prove myself worthy of the hearty good will of the community.

With kindest personal good wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

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Bishop of Cleveland.



SYSTEM-INC. AND MADISON AVE AT 52" ST NEW YORK CITY

WICKERSHAM 2-2000

September 10, 1931.

Dear Doctor Silver:

This is to acknowledge your letter of September 8th. relative to the service to be broadcast on September 20th.

Whatever musical arrangements you make will be satisfactory, I am sure. The technical difficulties involved in arranging for a violinist in New York to play the "Kol Nidre" number make it desirable, - if you can do so, to obtain a Cleveland violinist; otherwise it would be necessary to switch back and forth across the entire network.

We are looking forward with anticipation to your broadcast.

Sincerely yours,

J. Earl Clauson.

Dr. Abba H. Silver, The Temple, East 105th St. at Ansel Rd., Clevelland, Ohio.

THE RYAN-NEWMAN BUREAU

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Sept. 12, 1931

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Rabbi A.H. Silver, Temple, Ansel Rd., Cleveland.

Dear Rabbit Silver :-

You will be interested to know that Prof. Herbert A. Miller is to speak here on the 25th.

He will appear under our auspices at the Baptist Temple Auditorium, on the subject, "Gandhi and the British-Indian Conference."

Prof. Miller mentions you in one of his letters to us, so we know you are acquainted with him and his work. In view of this, we are writing to ask if you have any suggestions for making this event a success and a worthy tribute to Prof. Miller. Have you access to limited lists of persons who might be especially interested in hearing him and whom it might pay us to reach by some form of direct communication?

We shall be grateful for any ideas you may wish to offer.

An early reply will be appreciated.

Sincerely, neu Ma

Associate Director The Ryan-Newman Bureau

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September 14, 1931.

Dear Doctor Silver:

We are looking forward with much pleasure to your broadcast on Sunday, September 20th.

Columbia has just had printed a leaflet of Comments on Microphone Technique and it has occurred to me you would be interested in seeing it, so I am enclosing one herewith.

Very sincerely yours,

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J. Earl Clauson.

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

THE CLEVELAND NEWS.

Sept. 15.

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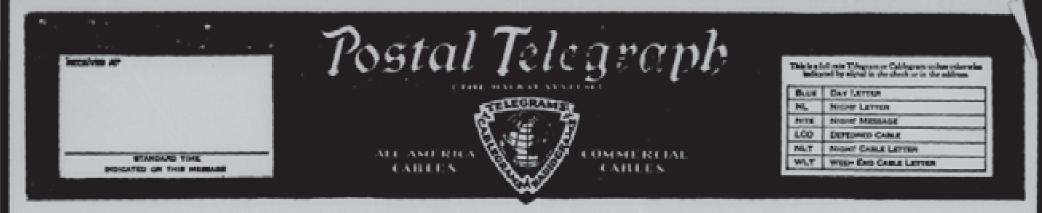
What a beautiful play you have written! I had great joy in reading it in a single evening....felt that I had been to the theater and that I had spent a much pleasanter evening than is usual at the theatre about 90% of the time nowadays.

You have again done a very big thing; and I thank the gods for the fact that you have woven into anything so important all the sentiment that it will hold. Personally, I want that sort of thing in the theater and I believe that others want it too, but they don't like to admit it.

I say, that we all ought to be grateful that there is somebody still capable of such a performance. I shall look forward to the Cleveland production of a play that "reads" and one that certainly "acts".

With all congratulations and best wishes,

(Sgd.) ARCHIE BELL



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DR ABBA HILLEL SILVER

THE TEMPLE EAST 105 ST AT ANSEL RD CLEVELAND OHIG WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE FOR YOU TO SEND US AN ADVANCE COPY OF YOUR SERMON IN FULL BY AIR MAIL TO REACH US WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES

CHARLES FREDERIC STEVENS WABC PUBLICITY.

Sept. 16th, 1931

Mr. Charles Frederick Stevens, W A B C Publicity Department New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Stevens:-

I am enclosing herewith a copy of my sermon which I am to deliver over the radio next Sunday afternoon.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain



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ABRAHAM NOWAK, RABBI

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Cleveland Beights, Ohio

September Seventeenth 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The T.mple, CITY.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

About ten days ago, I spoke to you on organizing in Cleveland a branch of the Fellowshin of Faiths.

-ou asked then for some literature on the movement. It has just appived from Chicago and I an enclosing a copy. I trust you will find time to peruse it and give it your endorsement.

The purpose of the Fellowship of Faiths is to inculcate in all peoples the world over a deeper sense of co-operation and a finer consciousness of our moral and mutual responsibility for the welfare of the world to the end that we may have enduring Peace.

I have already received the endorsement of Rev. Don Tullis, Secretary of the Federated Churches, Dr. F. Q. Blanchard, Rev. Alfred J. Wright, and Dr. Charles Thwing. They have also assured me of their active co-operation.

May I count on your co-operation?

Very sincerely yours,

Ahaham Mowar RABBI ABRAHAM NOWAK.

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How to Start, Finance, and Carry On a FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS IN ANY CITY, ANYWHERE

(Address correspondence to: Chicago's Fellowship of Faiths, Room 320, 139 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, U. S. A.)

WENTY years of successful experiences in fifteen cities in ten countries are epitomized in the following pages. Without exhortation and without adequately discussing the philosophy or purposes of the Fellowship of Faiths, this statement puts at the command of any man or woman the methods and activities by which a local Fellowship of Faiths may be organized, financed and developed.

We are now beginning to seek for Organizers or Executives, men and women. Their modest living expenses may be earned through this work. But the small financial compensation which is possible is never expected to be a motive for undertaking it. Instead, the appeal is to earnest souls who want opportunities to work out their best possible contributions to inter-national, interracial, inter-religious unity and human progress.

You who read these lines are invited to write suggesting yourself, or some other person, as a possibly available Organizer or Executive for a specified city in any State in the United States or in any Country in the world. (Naturally, you will describe the experiences, interests, and other qualifications which indicate that you, or your acquaintance, may be successful as an Organizer or Executive in the city specified.)

"Exville," in the following paragraphs, stands for your city, any city, in which an Organizer or Executive has been anthorized (by the General Executives) to develop a local Fellowship of Faiths.

(On request, accompanied by 25 cents, 1 shilling, we will send you detailed, complete instructions for securing meeting places, enlisting speakers, assuring a large attendance, training ushers and handling the audience, issuing Reserved Section tickets, preparing a timed program and controlling the speakers, introducing special features like Moslem, Hindu and Jewish chants and the prayers of eleven religions, collecting expenses, and developing local leaders and committees to supervise the financial and other operations of a local Fellowship of Faiths.)

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HOW YOU MAY USE-

"The Threefold Movement-

FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS,

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UNION OF EAST AND WEST,

LEAGUE OF NEIGHBORS, (Incorporated)"

For the Realization of Peace and Brotherhood-through Understanding and Neighborliness-between people of ALL Nationalities, Races, Religions, Cultures, Classes, Conditions and Convictions.

NE name, the FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS, may be used for the whole Movement. In some places the League of Neighbors is emphasized, in others, the Union of East and West, but there is a tendency to use the latest, historically, of the three names—the FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS—to cover, not only its specific activities in religious or spiritual fields, but also the racial or human field in which the League of Neighbors specializes, and the cultural field of the Union of East and West.

Their Historic Significance

"THE UNION OF EAST AND WEST," beginning in England in 1910, in America in 1920, through interpretative Oriental plays and other activities promotes CULTURAL Unity.

The "LEAGUE OF NEIGHBORS," started in 1918 in Chester, Pa., and in 1920 in Elizabeth, New Jersey (sprung from 30 previous years of service in organized philanthropy, social settlements, playgrounds, and other forms of Social Welfare Work), emphasizes Racial, International, HUMAN Unity.

The "FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS," created in 1924 after the fusion of The Union of East and West with the League of Neighbors, practices Religious, SPIRITUAL Unity.

Spontaneous Combustion

From Kispest (near Budapest), Hungary, there came to several of our European Executives, in the summer of 1930, welcome letters from a Hungarian Professor of Theology saying:

> "I intend, accompanied by friends, to establish a Society like the Fellowship of Faiths for realization of gence and brotherhood between religions, denominations, etc., of Hungary."

Other inquirers, too, may be interested in the following suggestions which were worked out for the Eungarian professor who subsequently accepted an invitation to be the Executive for Hungary of The Threefold Movement.

A Signer

Frequently, we have started our Movement in new cities or countries by enlisting the most appropriate, influential man or woman who can be secured, to give his signature for a letter like the following, in the native language:

A LETTER TO START WITY IN A NEW PLACE

Dear Mr. Blank:

An Exville FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS is now developing like the Fellowships already started in Fifteen Cities in Ten Countries. 2

Christians of all denominations, Jews, Hindus, Mohammedans, Buddhists, Confucianists, Theosophists, Baha'is, and other public-spirited people who are not members of any church are co-operating heartily.

A WORLD-WIDE FELLOWSHIP OF FAITMS (a greater Parliament of Religions) at the time of Chicago's second World's Fair, in 1933, is also developing—"Tc focus the World's Best Spiritual Leadership upon the Solution of Man's Present Problems."

Will you endorse this Movement and lend it some of your influence by allowing us to print your name as a Member of the EXVILLE COMMITTEE OF ONE HUNDRED —in new editions of the enclosed folder, on a new EX-VILLE letterhead, and in "APPRECIATION" (Querterly Magazine of the Movement)?

You do not thereby agree to attend meetings or to do other active work or to assume financial responsibilities beyond your own voluntary Membership Contribution. (Such Membership Contributions are in eight homorary classes—named according to the amount contributed— \$500. \$250. \$100. \$50. \$25. \$10. \$5. \$1.25. All receive, free, the Quarterly Magazine and Reserved Section tickets for all meetings.)

If you accept Membership in the EXVILLE COMMIT-TEE OF ONE HUNDRED, just write "Yes" on this letter and return it to us, please, at 398 Blank Street, Exville. (Your check may be made payable to the Exville Fellowship of Faiths.)

Yours in Neighborly spirit,

(Signature Cit) (John M. Blank) VICE CHAIRMAN EXVILLE'S FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS

Lists of People

The preceding letter should be sent to a large number of the most appropriate men and women in the City or Country which you are organizing. Ordinarily we send such a letter to between 100 and 500 persons. Favorable responses are to be expected, perhaps, from only one in five of the people addressed. (In all cur activities we act according to the wise boy's paraphrazing of the Bible LOCAL OFFICERS AND A CONTROLLING COMMITTEE

text: "Many are called, but few Get Up!" It is our business to call so large a number that there will surely be a goodly number of acceptances.)

Religious and Social Service organizations of various kinds will often give appropriate lists. (Frequently they will run our postal card notices through their addressographs.) Individuals may also be asked to suggest names.

A Working Committee

Among the people seen personally, or suggested to the organizer, or expressing special interest in their letters accepting appointment as members of the Committee of One Hundred, the Executive draws together, gradually, a comparatively small, intimate "Working Committee." These workers develop responsibility and leadership and serve in the place of an ordinary Executive Committee or Board of Trustees. Through them, local finances and all other fundamentals are controlled. It is important that congenial workers, with good spirit and vision, should constitute this potent Working Committee.

Officers

Usually the signer of the first, the enlistment, letter accepts the position of Chairman or President. Sometimes another influential person must be secured for that place. Frequently a Vice Chairman is also enlisted in advance to sign the first enlistment letter, with the Chairman. Vice Chairmen (or Vice Presidents) or Honorary Vice Chairmen (or Vice Presidents) may be enlisted in any number desired.

In London, the "Honorary (meaning unpaid) Secretary" and the "Honorary Assistant Secretary" are especially active workers, both responsible for important office duties. In Ireland, the organizer calls herself the "Secretary" although her function is fully that of our usual "Executive." In France, our Executive is known as the "Secrétaire Genéral."

The Treasurer, an indispensable official, is sometimes one of the leading officers of a bank—where the local Movement keeps its funds. Occasionally a bank has been named as the 'Treasury'' —with an "Assistant Treasurer" appointed to sign checks. It is essential that ALL funds received should be deposited in a bank —and drawn only by checks signed by two officers authorized by the Working Committee.

An Auditor is needed. A volunteer (unpaid) Aud tor should be sought who is a "Certified Public Accountant." Annual (or semi-annual, or quarterly, or monthly) summaries of all financial receipts and expenditures should be prepared, harmonized with the bank statement, and then checked and signed by the Auditor. Such financial reports should be sent to all contributors, to all Committee Members, and to others interested. Copies should al-

LIKE A PRIEST'S OR MISSICNARY'S PAY

ways be sent to the General Executives of the Movement. Other Executives, in various cities, will also appreciate copies—and will doubtless reciprocate with their own reports.

Modest Compensation for the Organizer

A "Personal Expense Allowance" is usually voted by the Working Committee as modest compensation for the Executive, or organizer, who gives his entire time, or a great deal of his time, to the work. In several cities in Europe, 3 pounds (\$15,00) is the weekly allowance which the Executive may draw if he needs it and if the money is available in the local treasury. It is ordinarily understood that this is not a cumulative obligation-that is to say that, if the Personal Expense Allowance is not drawn for two or more weeks, those unpaid weeks do not constitute an accumulating obligation-which may overburden and choke the work. (But, the local Working Committee may, of course, specifically authorize such back payments.) We have sometimes said that No Salaries are paid by The Threefold Movement (except that stenographers, typists, clerks, etcetera, have usually to receive ordinary wages). The Personal Expense Allowance (for the Executive's food, lodging, etc.) is like the necessary upkeep of a priest or missionary in any other spiritual undertaking not for profit.

In one American city the Executive's weekly expense allowance is \$20.00; in another city \$25.00; in another, \$35.0) weekly was offered (but not yet accepted)—to enable an especially promising executive to leave the employment where she earned that amount—and required it for family obligations. There is actually no determined limit to the weekly expense allowance which a local Working Committee may authorize. But, it is not expected that any Executive will undertake the service for the sake of financial compensation.

The Executive cannot be paid at all unless his work succeeds in bringing the necessary funds into the local treasury.

How An Executive Takes Hold

Dear Mr. ----: (The following letter is supposed to be addressed to you by one of the General Executives.)

I should like to cenfer with you, by letter, as to whether you are willing to become our Executive or organizer for one city, or for one part, of your country. I will try to suggest, informally, what I think you might do in your city or section. If some of the following suggestions are not entirely acceptable, they could probably be modified, or some of them could be cmitted.

⁽¹⁾ You would authomize us to publish your name and address as our Executive, or Secretary, or organizer, for your country or for a specific part of it. (Our Executives 'or other cities and countries are listed on the back cover page of our Quartirly Magazine, APPRECLATION.)

(2) You would answer letters of inquiry from your countrymen, from America and elsewhere and be prepared to give information as to what our Movement means.

 (3) You would plan for yourself the ways and means by which you think our cause can best be advanced in your territory.
 (4) You would enlist others to work with you. You might start by enlisting officers and members of a local Committee of One Hundred for your city or your district-or, you might enlist a smaller local committee with the understaning that it may become part of a Country-wide Committee of One Hundred.

(5) You would work up a list of the most appropriate men and women to be sought as Committee officers and members. You would also have possible financial contributors in view. You would acquain yourself with speakers who could represent various faiths, races, or cultures at meetings in your district. You might send us a fair number of names and addresses of people in your district or in other parts of your country to whom you think we ought to mail our Quarterly Magazine, free, as a means of developing interest-possibly leading to some future financial support for your local work.

You would organize occasional meetings or other activities, large (6)or small. You might wish to begin with a small group of congenial people who would meet with you to discuss plans for larger meetings. (This small group might be developed as your "Working Committee.")

Financial and other arrangements are discussed in the accompanying paragraphs. These will also tell you of many kinds of meetings and other activities which have been tried out, successfully, in various places. You may freely select and adapt to your own situation any of the experiences or convictions which these pages express.

To begin with, you might give only a small share of your time. More and more time might be given, increasing gradually as you receive encouragement, co-operation, and financial support.

It is not a fixed and formal proposition that we wish to submit to you. Rather, we want to appeal to your entiusiasm, to your missionary spirit, and to your own resourceful ideas as to the best ways in which to "Build Bridges of Understanding Across the Chasms of Prejudice."

Activities

Concrete, practical activities need constantly to be emphasized. Instead of discussing philosophies or debating details, let the Working Committee set a time when a meeting will be held which exemplifies the spirit and method of the Movement.

It is an immense advantage to go to people with a definite invitation to take part in or to attend an activity which expresses the purposes of the work. Then, no negative answer need deter us; if one person refuses, it is easy to forget him and enlist others.

To an organize- who is inaugurating the Movement in any City or Country, the most important advice is to ask people to do something definite. Do not stop to debate "Shall we start the Movement here?" or "Do we agree to this or that statement of general principles?" Instead, say: "Will you kindly sign this letter?" Or "Will you give us names for our mailing list?" or "Will you speak at this specific meeting?" or "Will you let us use

FIVE GREAT FELLOWSHIPS OF FAITH

your church, or hall, or residence, for such-and-such a purpose?"

Five FELLOWSHIP OF FAITHS Presentations

 In many cities we have successfully started by announcing: "Exville's FIRST Fellowship of Faiths—

Peace and Brotherhood as taught by BUDDHIST. CHRIS-TIAN, CONFUCIAN, HINDU, JEW, MOHAMMEDAN."

In several cities the first letter sent out announced such a meeting, invited people to apply for Reserved Section Tickets, Free, solicited financial contributions, and asked the best five hundred people to accept membership on the Committee of One Hundred. Starting with no funds and few friends, we have organized and financed the work in some cities by beginning with letters, printed matter, and personal interviews announcing such an initial meeting in a church which could be had without rent or other expenses.

(2) A second meeting in several cities has been:

"Tributes to CHRISTIANITY by Followers of OTHER FAITHS" This has usually been held in the leading liberal Jewish synagogue of the city. A Jew. Mohammedan, Hindu, Buddhist, Confucianist, etcetera, have paid their sincere interpretative tributes to Jesus and the Christian faith.

(3) A third meeting, naturally in an orthodox Christian church, pays

"Tributes to JUDAISM by adherents of NON-JEWISH RELIGIONS."

(4) Later, a modification of the second and third meetings was proposed:

"Tributes to the Founders of Great Religions by Followers of Other Faiths."

Thus a Jewish Rabbi speaks for Jesus; a Christian clergyman for Moses; a Baha'i for Mohammed; a Sikh for the Hindu Rishis; a Japanese Buddhist for Confucius; a Chin-se Confucianist for Buddha; etc.

(5) In an American city dominated by Roman Catholics, we proposed at every Fellowship of Faiths meeting for two years, a meeting for

"Tributes to the Roman Catholic Faith by Followers of Other Faiths."

Such a meeting was finally agreed upon. There were notable addresses by Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopalian, and Unitarian clergymen, and by the Secretary of the Federation of Churches (Protestant). The Roman Catholic Cardinal congratulated and thanked us for this meeting and said it would do great good—"especially to the Protestants." "That was exactly our

THE BASIC PRINCIPLE AND POWER

thought, too," we replied. "We did not organize that meeting to patronize our Catholic neighbors but to purge our own souls of any possible Ku Klux Klan inclinations; to enlarge and ennoble our own faith and vision."

If the General Executive responsible for this meeting had continued his work in that one city, he would have sought a large hall in a Roman Catholic school or parish house where the priest could be interested in social activities and speeches expressing "Roman Catholic Appreciation of our Protestant Neighbors."

Timing and Topics

An effective timing system is essential in every meeting where there are more than two or three speakers. We place a clearheaded, resolute "Time Monitor" in a prominent seat smong the audience. He is thus *in front* of the speaker. When all but two minutes of a speaker's allotted time has elapsed, the Time Monitor rises; he sits down only when the speaker nods to him to indicate that the warning is understood. When the final two mirutes have expired, the Time Monitor rises again—and remains standing until the speaker ceases. (It is very necessary that this system be clearly explained, in advance, both to the speakers and, particularly, to the audience. They will be amused—but cooperative and grateful.)

Appreciation

The most vital and fundamental principle, the chief source of power of The Threefold Movement is Appreciation. Tolerance is inadequate--because it is passive and patronizing. By Appreciation any individual may enlarge himself to include his neighbor. By this means a man can steadily expand and uplift himself until he develops a true World Consciousness. To "love thy neighbor as thyself" may not be within a common man's power, but Appreciation is the unfailing process by which he may attain to such love.

Edwin Markham expressed this truth in a well known verse, which he inscribed to our Threefold Movemant:

> He drew a circle which shut me out— Heretic, rebel, a thing to flowt; But, love and I had the wit to win— We dwew a circle which took him in.

How Contreversial Topics May Ee Handled

Sir Francis Younghusband, Chairman of our London Committee of One Hundred, signed, in July, 1930, the following letter:

"BRITISH-INDIA COMRADESHIP" is the theme for a proposed meeting in London. Instead of criticism or debate, our basic principle-Appreciation-would be applied. For, our conviction is that man may, by practicing Appreciation, enlarge his life to include those whom previously he has misunderstood or gnored.

APPRECIATE YOUR ROMAM CATHOLIC NEIGHBORS

"Tributes of Appreciation to our British Neighbors" would be vaiced by competent representatives of India. "Tributes of Appreciation to our Indian Neighbors" would be spoken by representative Britons.

There would also be apportunity for members of the audience to speak, briefly and informally, in this great spirit of Appreciation. (Let this be one occasion when fau ts-which are all too obvious-are not emphasized or even expressed-except in voluntary self-confessions.) Informal personal fellowship would precede the addresses and tea would be served at nominal cost.

When riots in Palestine were inflaming Jews and Arabs throughout the world, we organized a League of Neighbors and Fellowship of Faiths meeting in Boston where:

"Tributes to my Jewish Neighbors in Palestine" were nobly expressed by an eloquent Arab from Jerusalem.

"Tributes to my Arab Neighbors in Palestine" were voiced by a Jew recently returned from five years work in Palestine.

"Tributes to my Christian Neighbors in Boston" were spoken by a Jewish Rabbi.

"Tributes to my Jewish Neighbors in Boston" were expressed by a Christian Clergyman.

In Dublin, Ireland, in the summer of 1930, our Protestant friends were urged to cease criticizing their Roman Catholic fellow countrymen:

"Instead, emphasize their good qualities: pull your minds away from their faults. Talk about Saint Francis of Assist and other great spiritual leaders whom the Catholic faith has developed in notable numbers. Realize that the best way to improve a bad Catholic is by helping him to become a good Catholic. Through the Reman Catholic faith men can work their way to a noble realization of God-and this is usually the best way for people who by birth, race, or traditional associations are nearer to Roman Catholicism than to other religions."

Your so-called "enemies" cease to be enemies when you recognize them as your helpers. Even if they continue to act as if there were enmity between you, they no longer are enemies—because you, at least, have recognized the underlying, potent bonds of unity.

The JEWISH NEW YEAR Celebrated by CHRISTIANS, MOSLEMS, HINDUS, SIKHS

The New York Times on September 24, 1939, said:

"Representatives of other faiths celebrated for the first time lass night the Jewish New Year, as a mark of appreciation toward the Jews of this city. The event was held under the auspices of the Fellowship of Faiths at the Grace Episcopal Church, New York City, and was a tended by representatives of the Christian, Moslem, Hindu and Sikh faiths."

The Literary Digest, on October 18, 1930, said :

A new gospel of tolerance is being pronched. Men of different creeds have found spiritual kinship in their common belief in God.

It is remarkably illustrated in a joint observance of the Jewish New Year celebrated in Grace Episcopal Church, New York, by more than 1,000 Jews, Christians, Meslems, Hindus, Sikhs-all brought t-gether under the auspices of the Fellowship of Faiths. They listened to addresses by the Rev. Ruisel J. Clinchy, the Rev. Leon Rosser Lane, Syud Hessnin, Kedar Nath Das Gupta and Dr. Bhatgat Siigh Thind.

"There is no greater problem which faces the religious life of the world today than how different religions may regard each other and how they may work together," said Mr. Clinchy. "And this is particularly true concerning the relationship of Christianity and Judhism. For the problem of Jewish-Christian relations contains more suspicion, race antagonism, and religious antipathy than any other religious situation."

"A Hindu loves a Jew," said Kedar Nath Das Gupta, "because, like him, he worships a God Who was, Who is, and Who will be; because the Jews produced Jesus the Scn of Man; because the Jews produced many great prophets; and because there is a certain similarity in the Jewish and Hindu religious services, especially in Hebrew and Sanskrit chanting." Then came a Jew with his tribute to the gathering. "It is indeed," said Rabbi Israel Goldstein, "a signal event in the direction of comity and good will. Mutual appreciation is the culminating virtue of civilised society. The ideal humanity will never be a melting pot, but a harmonious orchestration."

Let Christmas be celebrated by Jews in Jewish synagcgues. Let Buddha's birthday, and the sacred days of Confucianism, Shinto, Hinduism, and Islam be reverently remembered in appropriate ways by people who are thus, through Appreciation, expanding their souls to receive congenial inspiration from unfamiliar ways of life.

Small Beginnings

In Germany and in France, during the summer of 1930, it became clear that a new Executive, starting our work in a new community, need not undertake a great gathering like "Europe's First Fellowship of Faiths" (which packed 3,000 people into two parallel assemblies in The London City Temple and turned hundreds away). In every city where we have started with such a great Fellowship of Faiths, it has been gloriously successful. But, if the new Executive and his Working Committee do not feel equal to such a mammoth undertaking, let them start in a private residence—with no expenses—or in a small school or church auditorium or a public hall.

The effective principle is: Always have severa- religions, races, or cultures represented and thus inspire the sudience to enlarge their souls by appreciating unfamiliar people.

Fellowship Socials

SOCIALS have proven effective. In the social room of a Jewish synagogue and, later, in the parish hall of an Episcotal Church, a Fellowship of Faiths Social was organized. Each person as he entered was labled with a readable card announcing his name. his race or nationality, and his religion or denomination. Score cards were also provided on which everyone recorded; (1) the number of different people talked with; (2) the number of different races or nationalities they represented; (3) the number of different religions or denominations represented by the persons interviewed. The solitary Moslem present became a center of eager interest. Others who represented little-known groups were especially sought out. Frizes were awarded for the largest score in each of the three counts. Short talks, with unhackneyed messages from unusually interesting people, were heard during and after the refreshment period.

Almost Anywhere

IN CHURCHES, SYNAGOGUES, MOSQUES, CLUBS, SOCIE-TIES, SCHOOLS, and other meeting places—and, particularly, IN PRIVATE FAMILY HOMES, Groups or Committees or Societies or Centers should be developed—where people will practice some of the methods or activities represented by the Fellowship of Faiths, or the League of Neighbors, or the Union of East and West. The group may call itself "The Fellowship of Faiths Group of the Church"—or by any other name. The essential thing is that they shall enlarge their own spiritual horizons by learning, through fellowship, some of the noblest characteristics of unfamiliar religions, races, and cultures.

A Lecture Bureau

SPEAKERS and participants for such groups—and for other gatherings of many kinds—may well be searched out and suggested by the local Executive, or Secretary, or other representative of The Threefold Mowement. (It has been suggested that in some cities such a "Speakers' Bureau" may be made a source of modest, appropriate income.)

Three Types of Activities

An ORIENTAL BAZAAR or INTERNATIONAL EXHIBIT may be developed by inviting foreign-born students, business men, and householders to lend for public view (or for sale on commission) characteristic handiwork, or art objects, souvenirs, p cturesque gifts, pictures, apparel, flags, decorations, and other "hings reflecting the home life of picturesque peoples.

"MUSIC OF MANY LANDS" may be presented with vocal and instrumental artists reproducing some of their noblest native music. Folk dancing may be included.

"CHILDREN AND YOUTH OF MANY LANDS"—stressing the games, plays, dances, customs, costumes and conceptions of various peoples—forms an attractive Saturday afternoon program which can usually be provided by public, parochial, and church schools whose children have used the activities, separately, on other occasions.

A Home Party

One of the happiest and most helpful things to do is to get a lady to invite twenty or more of her friends to a tea or to an evening gathering in her home—to which the local mepresentative of The Threefold Movement brings five or six of his picturesque acquaintances who come from foreign climes, cultures, creeds. Each of these is asked to talk, briefly and informally, or to sing or to present some other characteristic contribution. This little program is followed and preceded by a great deal of informal perD.SSCRIBING A LEAGUE OF NEIGHBORS PRESENTATION

sonal conversation. Everyone is introduced to everyone else. A spirit prevails which is beautiful and inspiring.

"Peace Week"

Inaugurated by our New York headquarters, a number of years ago, Peace Week, May 12 to 18, culminating in International Goodwill Day, May 18, has been celebrated annually, in New York and, increasingly, in other cities. It is a good occasion and opportunity for stimulating churches, schools, clubs, peace-promoting societies and other agencies to organize meetings, pageants, open air talks, picture shows, exhibits, parades, and various other activities which emphasize various ideals of peace and various methods of promoting peace. If earnest groups who believe in "Peace Through Preparedness" will also demonstrate some of their ideas, that will be well. Our conception is that no single set of ideas and methods should be presented but that the whole community, through various forms and agencies, should think and talk about peace during the whole week beginning May 12, every year, and reaching a noble climax on the 18th of May-which the world has long been recognizing as the day dedicated especially to International Goodwill.

Interpretative Plays

PLAYS, DRAMAS, may be presented which interpret the customs or conceptions of significant peoples. More than thirty classic plays depicting the culture of India have been produced, many times, in Europe and America, by the Union of East and West. (Mr. Das Gupta, founder of the Union of East and West, may be able to give some help in these lines to local inquirers.) Sometimes, an established local group of players may be enlisted, and helped, to produce a significant interpretative play—instead of The Threefold Movement enlisting its own actors.

Don't Build

One pertinent bit of counsel is this: USE EXISTING PLACES instead of renting, equipping, building, maintaining your own meeting places or your local headquarters. Many places of many kinds are ordinarily to be found. Even office space may be had through the kindness of interested organizations or individuals. Vitality, vision, and activities are what our movement should contribute, instead of exhausting its initial mesources in material equipment.

LEAGUE OF NEIGHBORS

Racial, national, international presentations characterize the League of Neighbors. In public school auditoriums, in armories, theaters, and other places of assembly, from ten to thirty groups have been presented in a single evening. Native-born groups are

NOT AN ORDINARY "PAGEANT"

also invited-representing local churches, schools, industries, labor and social service organizations. Colorful foreign-born groups are especially sought out and emphasized.

Each group assembles in its assigned part of the auditorium around a painted pasteboard sign reading: "Italian Neighbors," "Labor Union Neighbors," "Neighbors from the Third Presbyterian Church," etcetera. (Two or three Monitors for each group have been instructed and trained at previous rehearsa's so that they are able to organize and lead their groups without the whole group rehearsing its part.)

In alphabetical order the groups march, in turn, from back of the seats, down the central aisle, and upon the stage. The three Monitors carry, at the head of the marching group (who number from 6 to 450 adults and children), the Stars and Stripes (in the United States), the flag of the group's native land, and the painted banner describing them as "Italian Neighbors," etc. The group pause on the platform, with the United States flag on their right as the group faces the audience, their native flag on their left, and the "Italian Neighbors" sign in the center. This facing toward the audience is the group's presentation if it has been arranged in advance that they are to participate only as a marching group. If, however, it has been arranged that the group is to present a short program number, their performers step in front of the mere marchers and play the orchestral or band selection, or sing the native songs, or dance the folk dances. (Sometimes, when the meeting place is small enough and the program not tco full, a short interpretative talk is given.)

The group marches back to their seats-to the same music which starts the next group down the central aisle toward the stage. The three Monitors with their three banners, instead of following their group off the stage, remain seated at the rear of the stage, holding up their banners, until all the groups have been presented. Then all the assembled Monitors bring their banners, together, in the front centre of the stage, around a great Stars and Stripes or some other central emblem. The audience, rising, sing "America the Beautiful" or some other anthem, and the banner bearers march off, through the audience, to an informal social in the rear of the auditorium.

Unlike an ordinary "Pageant," this is a sincere and genuine presentation of native characteristics. No one enacts "Faith," "Hope," or "Charity"—each participant expresses his real self through songs, dances, marches, costumes, banners, which are deeply significant of his racial, cultural conscieusness,

For example, a secre of Croatian peasants were discovered working in American factories and persuaded to show their neighbors some of the "Loyalty, Art, and Labor" which Croatian im-

PERSONAL FELLOWSHIP IS BEST OF ALL

migrants contribute to their new American homeland. The. women made Croatian peasant costumes. A Croatian orchestra of four or five pieces was enlisted. The group marched rather awkwardly upon the stage; evidently they were not actors. They didn't stand artistically; their dancing circle formed itself "offcenter" and completel, hid their musicians. They merely locked arms and circled rythmically, first to the left, then to the right, then further to the left, repeatedly, in a characteristic Central-European circle dance such as they and their ancestors had enjoyed, since ancient times, as peasants in the fields and villages of An experienced producer of plays was enthusiastic. Croatia. "They are so real," he said. "It would pay a theatrical producer to train groups to be as awkward and extemporary as these Croatians are, for their genuine, native self-expression is deeply moving."

Friendly Visiting

Preparations for such a League of Neighbors presentation are especially worth while. The workers visit foreign-born and other group leaders in their homes, working places, and meetings. Personal fellowships are developed. Preliminary gatherings are held in the workers' homes and in the homes of their foreign-born friends. Some of the best program numbers are discovered through extemporaneous entertainment in somebody's home. "I have worked for ten years in America, and this is the first time that I have ever been in an American home." Mutual helpfulness develops. "Foreigners" appeal to their newly-found neighbors for counsel in times of trouble. Some of the most golden-hearted idealists, best workers, and most generous contributors are found through such enlarging expressions of good neighborliness.

Through such practical activities one may realize the wisdom and power of the Jewish-Christian-Moslem commandment, "Love thy neighbor as thyself."

Unity In Freedom

Permission to operate locally under the name of The Threefold Movement or of any part of it, is granted through the General Executives—who may be reached through any of the announced centers or, directly, through the Chicago cffice (Room 320, 139 North Clark Street), or the New York office, or the London office (12 Palmer Street, S. W. 1). The present General Executives are the founders of the Movement: Charles Frederick Weller, Kedar Nath Das Gupta, Mrs. Eugenia Winston Weller—who are empowered to add to their numbers and to develop their successors.

Local centers are encouraged to develop, freely, their own best methods-and thus to offer new inspiration and suggestions

TO SERVE GOD, NOT MAMMON

to their colleagues throughout the world. No one anywhere seeks to dominate or restrict another. "All in honor preferring one another," is the prevailing spirit.

Our Indispensable Magazine

APPRECIATION (the Quarterly Journal) is sent to all local members of the Committee of One Hundred and to all Contributing Members who give \$1.00 (4 shillings) or more. Free copies are also sent as a means of enlisting interest; local organizers may present the names and addresses of people whom they wish to have cultivated in this way. One dollar (4 shillings) of each contribution to the Movement is considered to be a year's subscription to the magazine. But, local centers are privileged to apply all these funds to their own local expenses—until they develop financial strength sufficient to enable them to pay about seventy-five cents (8 shillings) per year for each number of AP-PRECIATION which is used in the local field.

Not Commercialized

No percentage or part of local funds is demanded by the general, international Movement. Instead, the General Executives and others interested in the Movement are eager to help new centers—financially whenever possible, and in every other way. Ordinarily, every local center has to finance its own activities. Whenever it can also help other centers, it will of course be eager to do so. All financial arrangements are voluntary. The Movement is never to be commercialized in any way. Financial considerations are never to dominate or restrict the creative spirit.

The only formal power or authority which the central, general, or international Movement exercises over any center or over any individual member, is that permission to use any part of the name or other features of the Movement, is granted only through the General Executives—and through them may be with-irawn at any time if a local center cannot be persuaded to cease some important infidelity to the basic principles and methods of the Movement.

Finally: Do YOU --- ?

Do you agree with the conviction that man's present problemsunemployment, poverty-amidst-plenty, excessive nationalism, militarism, war—are *world problems* and, as such, are not to be solved by the narrow sectarian provincialisms which have prevailed? Instead it is necessary to develop a new, effective Consciousness of the world-wide, diversified Unity of Life.

Do you recogning the hopeful fact that man has not to create that World-wide Unilly of Life—but only to seek to realize it? For, manifestly, there is One God, not several—One Universal

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OPENING DOORWAYS THROUGH THE SCREEN

Life. Radio familiarizes us with the fact that something unseen unites all the world, instantly, so that music and wisdom from all over the earth are expressed now, in this room, and if we do not hear them, it is because we lack an adequate receiver attuned to the unseen forces.

Do you see that it is in ourselves, not in the facts of life, that the effective Conscicusness of World Unity is lacking? Since the lack is in you and me, we, as ordinary individuals, have in our own control the creative correction of the situation.

Is it not as if we are now crouching, in darkness, behind a vast, black curtain which shuts out the shining sun? Poets and Prophets are those who have pierced the curtain so that a little of the light is faintly manifest. Such activities as are suggested in preceding paragraphs are Practical Ways and Mears by which open doorways may pierce the black screen and let us through into the warm sunshine of God's realized presence.

DO YOU BELIEVE IT CAN BE DONE?

WE ARE undertaking something so very great that it cannot be accomplished unless thousands of individuals and organizations, all over the world, are moved to take hold of it with vision and with power.

A "World-Wide Fellowship of Faiths" is proposed, for 1933, at the time of Chicago's second World's Fair.

Meanwhile, in scores of cities throughout the world, Local Fellowships of Faiths are projected.

The purpose is to help develop a New World Consciousnessthat is to say, a human grasp of such Spinitual Resources as will command peace, brotherhood, and progress for mankind.

"How You May Use" the Movement in your own community is explained on preceding pages, which describe the practical methods and activities that we have tried out in many places during our twenty years of "laboratory experiment and demonstration"-preparing for our present Extension Program.

We want correspondents, organizers executives, chairmen, committee members, and contributing members-everywhere.

YOU (whoever, wherever, whatever you are) are cordially invited to take hold in your own way.

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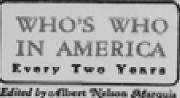
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Dear Sir:

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This new edition will be published as early in 1932 as possible. The volume is undergoing thorough revision. Nearly every sketch will be changed in some particular; removals and changes of address will be indicated; deaths will be noted; names no longer in the public eye will be dropped; and several thousand new names - names which have recently come into prominence - will be included.

Early return of the sketch will be appreciated. Please do not fail to return it even though corrections and additions may be unnecessary, as we cannot go forward with the printing until every sketch is accounted for.

We should also be pleased to receive your advance order for one or more copies of the new edition now. These advance orders greatly aid us in determining the size of the edition to be published. The price is \$8.75 if paid after publication, or \$8.23 if paid in advance.

The courtesy of an early response will be appreciated.

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My dear Dr. Silver:

This little note will be sent by Marx Lewis with a longer letter proposing a debate between you and Clarence Darrow for the benefit of the Victor Berger Foundation of which you generously became one of the sponsors. I think the Foundation in itself is worth while, as I explained to you, and I think the kind of debate you might stage with Darrow would have very high educational value. I know how busy you are and I hate to presume on your time. but you will appreciate the spirit in which this note is written.

Sincerely jours,

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Dear Abba:

My return to the active ministry, notwithstanding reports to the contrary, does not mean that I have surrendered the editorship of the new Standard Jewish Encyclopedia, nor that the progress of the work has halted. As a matter of fact, one of the reasons for my return to the active rabbinate is that the preparation for the manuscript of the Encyclopedia is progressing as per my original schedule. When I left Temple Israel of Far Rockaway to undertake this task, I stated that we would be ready to go to press with the first volume in three years. Nearly 80% of the whole manuscript is complete and we are now preparing the first volume material for the printer.

Early this year, as you will recall, I wrote your congregation, hoping that The Temple would become a Patron of this significant American Jewish cultural work by subscribing to the Patron's edition. At the time I did not receive an affirmative response and I am writing to Mr. Wolf again.

I know that it is not necessary for me to sell you the idea that a congregation like The Temple should be enrolled among the Patrons of the work. This letter, however, is to you personally. I am asking a selected number of rabbis, who appreciate the value of an Encyclopedia like ours and the effect it will have upon the Jewish educational and cultural life of our people, to enroll themselves among the Patrons. I am communicating especially with those men who have contributed articles to the work. I want their names not only among the list of contributors, but also among the list of Patrons.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

September 22nd, 1931.

give a discount. I am, therefore, enclosing two slips. If you fill in the blue slip, send a check for \$90; if you fill in the buff slip, send a check for \$25. In the latter case we will send you a note from time to time to make additional payments in the sum of \$10 each until the whole is paid up.

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Cleveland, Ohio. September 22, 1931.

Dear Habbi Hillel Silver:

Mr. Ramsey McDonald announced after the London Naval Conference that President Hoover and he had gone as far as they could go in the cause of Peace, and in reducing Armaments. A Mandate must come from the People before they could urge further reductions.

Members of the Women's International League in forty countries are circulating petitions which will be sent to the Disarmament Conference at Geneva in February - 1932. Millions of signatures have been secured up to date. The Women's International League of United States instituted an intensive campaign leaving the West Coast on June 21st., and arriving in Washington on October 10th. The petitions gathered in the United States will be presented to President Hoover by Jane Addams of Chicago, International President.

May we hope for some financial assistance in circulating these petitions? This is the first time we have gone outside of our own group for help.

Cur organization wishes to back President Hoover's demands with as many signatures as possible.

Check may be made payable to Women's International League and mailed to Mrs. Sarah Terry, 3562 Lee Road, Shaker Heights, or Mrs Helen Bell, 7718 New York Avenue.

> Sincerely, San Jerry President,

Cleveland Branch.

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My dear Rabbi Silver:

Paramount among the literature to be distributed by this Commission next year, during the Bicentennial Celebration of the Two-Huncredth Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington, will be a memorial volume of sermons pertaining to his life and character.

We are asking an outstanding few of each denomination to write these sermons for us hence this letter of request to you. A sermon - say of two thousand words - will suffice.

We are desirous of receiving these manuscripts sometime during November and would appreciate your early reply as to the approximate date we may expect yours.

Thanking you both personally and on behalf of the United States Commission.

Respectfully yours SAT Bloom.

Associate Director

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silvor Tifereth Israel Cleveland, Ohio

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PARADE 623 St Clair Ave, East Cleveland, Ohio

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September 24, 1931

Dear Mr Goldhamer:

Thank you very much for your most appreciative letter of September 17, commenting upon the illustration and the greeting for the Jewish New Year which appeared in the September 17 issue of PARADE.

Personally, I was greatly impressed by the picture. I think that it is one of the finest and most notable pieces of photographic art I have ever seen.

It has a rare interpretative quality. The patriarchal figure becomes a symbol which stands for that great faith which for more than fifty centuries has been the motivating and sustaining force, responsible for the magnificent and amazing history of the Jewish race. Dignity, authority and pride of inheritance also are expressed by this picture in a remarkable manner.

Looking at it purely from the pictorial standpoint, it has a quality which recalls the paintings of Rembrandt.

In my magazine experience, I do not recall another page of art which has elicited such widespread comment. Not alone from those of the Jewish faith, but from others as well. We have had numerous requests for copies of the photograph for framing.

I frankly acknowledge indebtedness to Miss Marion Rubinstein for her suggestion that these old men would furnish interesting subjects for illustration in our publication.

When the pages of our publication can be of service to your organization, you may be assured that we will be receptive to your suggestions.

Accept my thanks for your letter and sincerest best wishes for the coming year.

Cordially,

(Signed) Carls Robbins

Lanaging Editor

Mr S Goldhamer Executive Director The Jewish Welfare Federation 610 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg Cleveland, Ohio.

Sept. 24th, 1931

Mr. Sol Bloom, Washington Bldg., Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Bloom:- Re: File SOT.

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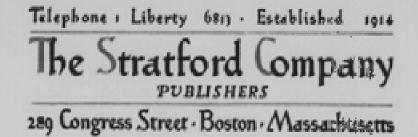
Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of Sept. 22d and for your invitation to write a sermon on the life and character of George Schington for the Two Hundredth Anniversary Memorial Volume.

I shall be pleased to write such a sermon and I shall send it to you some time before the end of November.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours.

AHS/IR



September 25, 1991

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, 105th St. Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Under separate cover, we take pleasure in sending you a copy of GRAPES OF CANAAN by Elma Ehrlich Levinger with our compliments.

We would appreciate any comment you may care to make on this book.

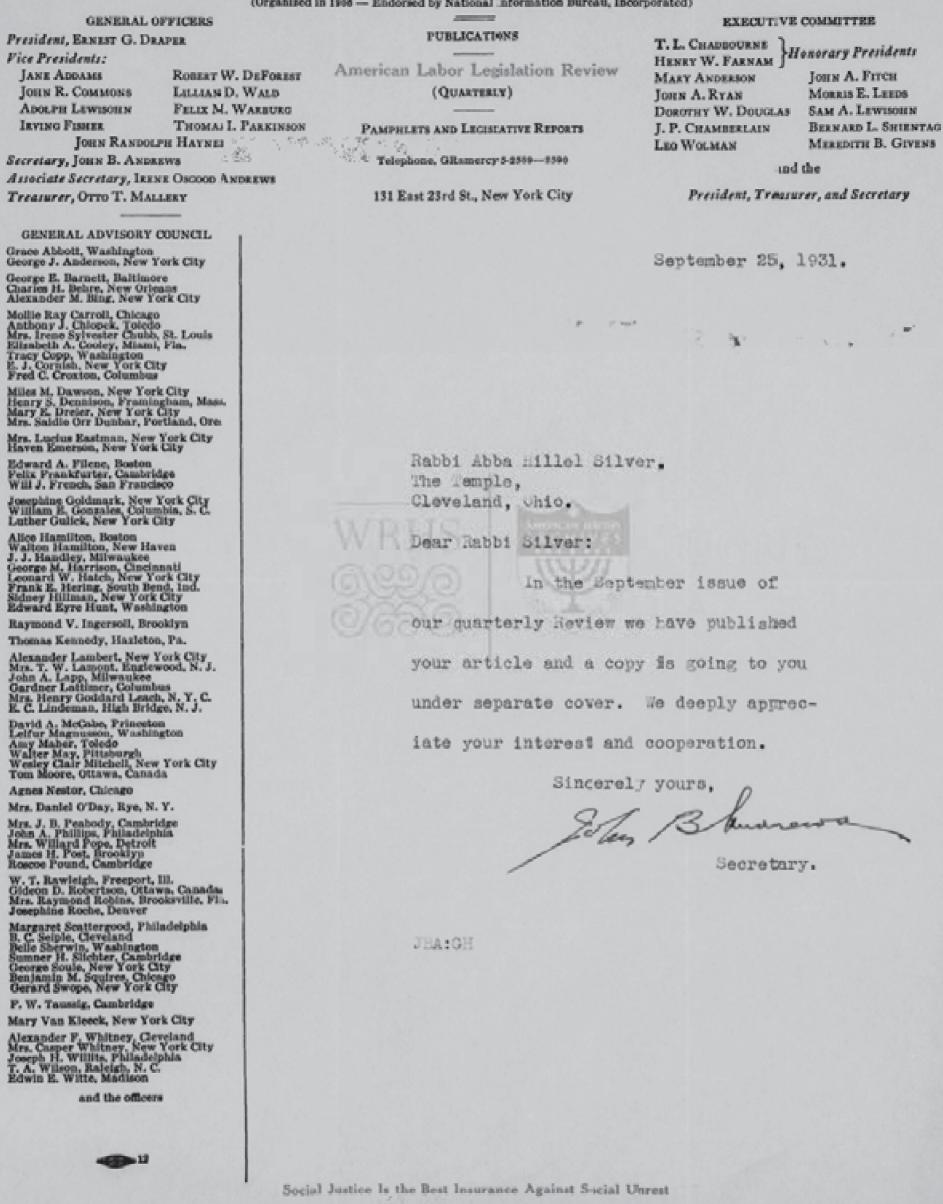
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th St. at Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

My lear Rabbi Silver:

Here is an announcement which I think may be of some interest to you.

Channing Pollock, author and playwright, whose latest offering, "House Beautiful," was one of the stage successes of last season, comes to the lecture platform this season with two new lectures, "The Way to Happiness" and "Making the House Beautiful." Mr. Pollock is a recognized force in the American theatre today, a man of courage and ideals. He is a charming speaker.

We Follock 2311 be available for Cleveland sometime between November 16 and January 3. If you would be interested in presenting him at this time, please let me hear from you and I shall do whatever I can to make it possible.

Fours sincerely.

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My dear Rabbi Silver:-

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We have your letter of the 24th expressing you willingness to write a sermon for us on the Life and Character of George Washington.

Please accept our sincere thanks for this cooperation. It is with pleasure that we anticipate the receipt of your sermon sometime during November.

With kindest respects,

Sincerely yours, Sol Bloom

Associate Directer

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple East 105th Street at Ansel Road Cleveland, Dhio

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Sept. 28th, 1931

Rabbi Abraham Howak, Temple on the Heights, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Howak :-

Permit me to thank you for your kindness in sending me the literature on the Fellowship of Faiths.

Thile I am, as a general rule, not enthusiastic about these Good-sill sevements, believing that better understanding between faiths can come about only through working in common projects rather than by talking about it, I will be glad to work with you in this effort which is connected with the chicage World Fair provided you won't call upon me for too such work.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours.

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Sept. 29th, 1931

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Dear -riender My

It is our hope to make this fifteenth year of Rabbi Silver's ministry in our Congregation the most successful from the point of view of attendance in our history.

The members of the Board of Trustees can and should lead the way by setting an example to the Congregation, by faithful and regular attendance. The Congregation looks to us for lay leadership and is guided by our example. We have the privilege of contributing to the prestige of our great historic institution.

May I not count upon your cooperation?

Very sincerely yours,

EEW/IR

Income and Expense Statement For Ten Months Period Ending September 30, 1931

Income

Membership Dues	\$24,402.98
Annual Show	668.06
Bridge	470.89
Vigar Stand	179.27
Dining Room	38.05
Initiation Fees	840.00
Interest on Investment	1,125.00
Miscellaneous	
Vending Machines	710 5.00 YE
	\$27,740,44

Expense

Accounting Fees	\$ 250,00
Commissions - To C. B. Ryan \$1,277.50	-
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	2,917.80
Dining Room-Linen, Laundry, Miscellaneous	526.42
Waiters Wages & Employes' Meals	1,240.00
Entertainment	1.35
Forum	705.02
House	1,067.97
Insurance & Taxes	1,037.10
Interest	951.55
Library	271.74
Light	549.69
Maintenance of Club House	19,80
Maintenance of Equipment	67.50
Miscellaneous	92.91
Postage	438.76
Printing	631,95
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Salaries - Administrative \$5,070.00	
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Stationery & Office Supplies	256.61
Telephone & Telegraph	211.18
	\$31,962.69

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The City Club of Cleveland

Balance Sheet September 30, 1931

Assets

Building Alterations & Improvements, Draperies Floor Covering, Furniture, Fixtures	\$49,110.53
Less Reserve for Depreciation	6,942.60
Cash - Cleveland Trust Company	2,402.37
Guardian Trust Company	470.84
Petty Cash	153,22
Accrued Interest Receivable	25,154.43
Dues Receivable - Junior Senior \$ 366.00 4,906.97 \$ 5,272.97	
Undistributed Income: 5,272.97	-0-
Accounts Receivable - Stock \$ 1,726.99 Capital Stock Billed 1,826.99	-0-
Accounts Receivable - Initiation Fees \$ 510.00 Initiation Fees Billed 510.00	-0-
Sundry Accounts Receivable Cigar Inventory	110.00 40.71
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Capital Stock Outstanding Treasury Stock Installment Payments on Stock	\$21,960.00 862.09 268.01
Special Deposit	183.96
Accounts Payable	676.34 17.237.22
Notes Payable Dues Received in Advance	49.21
Initiation Fees Received in Advance	20.00
Christmas Fund Surplus	142.14 29,149.53
	\$70,548.50

Oct. 1st, 1931

Mr. Maurice Hisgyer, Jewish Community Center, Washington, E. C.

My dear Mr; Bisgyer:-

Please pardon the delay in answering your letter but the holiday season has been a very busy one for me and my correspondence has lagged.

I shall try to keep your request in mind. If I have a free evening when I am in ashington I shall communicate with you.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY CLEVELAND, OHIO

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October 2, 1931.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,

The Temple,

Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Your bulletin announcing the lectures which are to be held at The Temple this winter and your request to have the bulletin posted on our boards reached me a day or two ago. We should be glad to post this information for you if it were not for the fact that the bulletin far exceeds the size which is permitted on our bulletin beards. The largest poster which may be displayed here is regular letter size ($3_{ij}^{ij} \ge 11$). If you have posters of that size, I shall be glad to have the information on the bulletin board.

Very truly yours,

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October 3rd, 1931.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

You have been given as a reference by Jennie K. Zwick who is a candidate for the office of councilman.

The committee on candidates would appreciate a full and frank statement from you regarding this candidate and your opinion of his character, training, experience, and general fitness for office.

YOUR STATEMENT WILL BE TREATED AS STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL.

We prefer the information in writing, but if you do not wish to put it in writing, we shall appreciate it if you will call at the League's office, or call the Director by telephone (CHerry 5340).

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Very truly yours,

Mayo Fesler Director.

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Chairman of the Temple Lecture Course, c/o The Temple, East 105th & Ansel Rd., Cleveland, Chio.

My dear Chairman: -

You have listed Mr. Robert LaFollette, Jr., as the first speaker of your Lecture course, which is to take place on the 9th of next menth.

Being somewhat familiar with the Senator ever since I was associated with his ullustrious father in promoting the passage of the Internal Revenue Bill which was enacted into law, thirty years ago, I desire to manifest my friendly feeling toward the Senator and will appreciate it if you will kindly appoint me on your Reception Committee for his arrival, and during his stay.

Cordially yours, RCUS FEDER SR.

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October 6th. 1931

Miss Irene Rothenberg, Secretary to Rabbi Silver, The Temple, E. 105th St. and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Madam:

Thank you very much for sending us the copy of Rabbi Silver's address delivered over this station on

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Sunday, September 20th.

Very sincerely yours, do lite.

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October 6th, 1931

Dr. A. H. vilver, Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

On September 18th I wrote you asking if you would join our Honorary Committee. I wonder if you received the letter. I would like to have you with us.

Vory . shang yours,

Charles D. Isaac son

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Rabbi A. Silver, The Temple, E. 105th St., City.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I will be very glad to post your notice on our bulletin board. The program is remarkably interesting, and I trust the entire course will be most enthusiastically received by all.

Yours truly,

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Dear Mr. Silver:

Realizing the controlling influence which the Rabbinate holds over the Hebrew people and realizing, also, the strong sense of social cooperation inbred in them, I write to you to explain a new educational project, namely, the publication of "The American Observer". This paper, as you may see, has a distinctive and reputable Board of Editors, men of long experience, of precise knowledge, and of deep idealism; men whom you no doubt know through intellectual contact with their works.

"The American Observer" is an attempt on the part of these educators to single out and to analyze the important events of our day; to interpret the social forces that are implicated in these events; and to introduce the key personalities that act cut these events. It attempts to do this, moreover, with true schelarly impartiality, with the endeavor to get at an understanding of the issues studied rather than to force their convictions and opinions upon others. In the short time of its existence it has met with an encouraging reception and seems destined to fulfill an important role in the educational world.

Circulated among the colleges and universities of our country and even among the higher grades of our high schools, it is intended also for the general reading public. I write to you because, being in a position to influence a group of people, you are in a position to advise us how such a project might best be brought before those who would welcome it. Let me add, parenthetically, that this is not a money-making venture but that there is far more idealism on the part of the editors than people are, today, wont to expect.

Certainly this paper might help fulfill a definite need with such groups as your Sunday School classes, your Y. M. H. A. current events groups, your various literary groups in the Jewish Community Centers, and so on. I am taking the pleasure of sending you a sample copy of the paper so that you may examine it for yourself at your leisure and convince yourself of its worth before taking any step in reply. I hope that you will have a favorable reaction to it.

Very sincerely yours Riskin

Benjamin H. Riskin Circulation Manager

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RABBI ISAAC LANDMAN CONGREGATION BETH ELOHIM EPGIPTH AVENUE AND GARPTELD PLACE DROOKLYN, N. Y.

October twelfth 1931

Dear Abba:

This pamphlet will give you an idea of the manner in which I am trying to make practical, in a measure, the curriculum I am suggesting in my forthcoming book on Adult Jewish Education.

With kind regards, Since urs.

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

Day Latter 10/12/31

President, Trustees and Faculty of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio.

Please accept my felicitations on the occasion of the Dedication of the new buildings of the School of Theology. May God prosper your work.

A. H. Silver

The President and Trustees of Cherlin College and the Faculty of The Graduate School of Theology have the honor to invite Kabbi Hille Silver to be present at the dedication of the new buildings of the School of Sheology on the eleventh and twelfth of Coloker Mindeen hundred and thirty-one

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	<u> </u>	day	5:15 to 6:00	Bible (Cont:d.) Rabbi Abraham Nowak
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Rabbi A. Silver, The Temple. Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver.

Not since the publication of POWER (Jew Süss) have we had any book which we believe will appeal to you as greatly as JOB, The Story of a Simple Man by Joseph Roth. This is the story of a modern Jew who went through the trials and tribulations of the biblical Job. cursed his God, and finally, like Job, survived all the tests to which his faith was put. In Germany, where this book was originally published, it was hailed by some of the greatest writers not only as a masterpiece but as one of the most reverent, beautiful pictures of the Jewish spirit that has been published in many years.

We believe that in this age when there is so much restlessness and disregard for religious feeling. JOB has an irresistible message for the Jewish people and the people of all races. I am sure that you will share my enthusiasm after you have read the advance copy that goes forward to you under separate cover. We hope that you will call it to the attention of your congregation and further that you will let us hear from you as to your opinion of this book.

Yours faithfully.

enheiner THE VIKING PRESS. Inc.

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P.S. JOB has been chosen by the Book-of-the-Month Club as its November selection - one more instance of its fine qualities.



THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

National World Court Committee 18 East 41st Street New York City

I shall be able to attend a meeting of the National World Court Committee on Wednesday, October 14th, at 4 o'«lock, at 99 Park Avenue, New York City.

Signed

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October 16th, 1931.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

May I take this means in behalf of the Euclid-105th Board of Commerce of thanking you for your splendid cooperation during our "University Circle Festival". Without the cooperation manifested by you and your organization it would have been utterly impossible to carry out our purpose and plan.

"University Circle" is going forward. This is the opening program to sell this immediate vicinity as the Second Largest Shopping Center in the City of Cleveland, with a cultural background that is second to none in this country. May we therefore assure you again that your cooperation has been greatly appreciated.

Very sincerely yours,

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Chairman, University Circle Hestival

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Friday evening,October sixteenth at eight o'clock

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Day Letter Oct. 19th, 1931

Hebrew Benevolent Congregation Atlanta Georgia

Please accept the heartiest felicitations of the Temple its XX Rabbis, officers and members on the occasion of the dedication of your new Temple. May God prosper you in all of your work.

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Abba Hillel Silver

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TO THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE

of the

WORLD CONFERENCE FOR INTERNATIONAL PEACE THROUGH RELIGION

Greetings:

The Executive Committee of this Conference met in Geneva, Switzerland, August 12 - 14, with sixty members present.

The meetings were held in the Athenee, and in addition to the Committee members, a large number of invited guests attended and took part in the proceedings.

Two public meetings were held in the Salle Centrale, one on Wednesday afternoon, August 12th, and the other on Thursday evening, August 13th.

At the first meeting the report of Commission No. I was made the basis of discussion. At the second meeting the question of Disarmament as a moral problem was the theme. On both of these occasions, the crowded hall and the interested attention of the public indicated the growing onthusiasm for the work of the Conference.

Reports were received from Commissions Nos. I, II and III, and discussed.

The Report of Commission No. I, which is now complete, is in the hands of the Editorial Committee and will be issued early in the year 1932. The Reports of Commissions Nos. II and III will also be finished and ready to be issued later in the year.

Inasmush as the Report of Commission No. IV is lependent upon the findings of the other thrac Commissions, and will serve as the program of the Conference, its report will not be available until the Conference meets.

Mr. K. Kodaira came from Japan to be present at the meeting, as the representative of the Japanese Committee. He told of the large and enthusiastic regional meeting held in Tokyo in May, and of the intention of the Japanese group to develop its work to the utmost. A long and interesting report was presented from Mr. A. A. Paul, Secretary of the Indian Committee.

The Executive Committee met in Geneva at a time when it seemed that conditions which had been almost hopeless were about to improve. Some weeks before, attention had been drawn to the serious conditions of affairs in Germany, and President Hoover then made his spectacular suggestion that a moratorium should be granted on all reparations and debt payments for a period of one year. This declaration was universally applauded and accepted by the principal nations involved. The directors of the Bank of International Settlements, together with representatives of the interested governments met in Basle and found the means of making effective the President's proposal. Conditions improved in Germany and everybody had a lighter heart. It was confidently expected that a turn had been made in the long hard road and a better day was at hand.

Realizing, however, that it would be some time before conditions could become normal, the Executive Committee voted that the Conference in Washington scheduled. to be held in 1932, should be a regional Conference sponsored by the American Committee, and that the American Committee be authorized to make all the errangements and invite as many or as few foreign guests as in its judgment should be wise. No sooner had the meeting adjourned than reports began to be heard from England of new and serious financial difficulties which were facing that great nation. Before the end of the month the Government fell and in the emergency a National Government was formed with Famsay MacDonald at its head, the various Portfolios being taken by men of all parties. After many serious efforts to balance the budget and meet the difficulties, early in September, the British Government made the startling ennouncement that in order to save the situation, the Government would depart temporarily at least, from the Gold Standard. This naturally threw the banks of Continental Europe into more or less confusion and many other Governments almost immediately followed the lead of Great Britain in this matter. Before the end of September, it became evident that world conditions were so serious that it would not be wise to attempt any such large undertaking as the holding of a World Conference in 1932.

A meeting of the Business Committee, together with a few invited advisors, was held, and it was voted that the Washington Conference should be postponed, and the decision as to whether or not any Conference should by held in America in 1932, be left to the judgment of the American Committee.

Further conferences have been held, and advice sought from many quarters, and it now seems that the decision arrived at was a wise one.

The situation at present, therefore, stands as follows:

- The World Conference which was to have been held in Washington will be deferred and whatever Conference is held in America in 1932 will be strictly an American Conference.
- A meeting of the Executive Committee, together with invited guests, will be held in Geneva in the summer of 1932.

- The Executive Committee will continue its work of organizing and perfecting the means of co-operation between the religious leaders of the various countries.
- The Executive Committee will premote the intensification of the work in the various groups and regions, as for instance with the Indian Committee and the Japanese Committee, and will attempt to oregte Committees in other countries.
- The Executive Committee will co-operate with other agencies in support of the Disarmament Conference and will work to make effective its findings in all the nations.
- 6. The Executive Committee will arrange through the Business Committee to maintain in Geneva during the meetings of the World Disarmament Conference a Secretary and a Committee who will keep in close and sympathetic touch with the Conference and its work, and will issue bulletime from time to time addressed to the various religious groups and those religious leaders throughout the world who have given their allegiance to the World Conference.
- 7. The Executive Committee will stimulate the work of the various religions in every land and help to create public opinion that can be brought to bear upon the Conference, and make known to its responsible delegates the desire of all people everywhere for a lessening of the grievous burdens that arms and armament have laid upon their shoulders.

It was agreed that there should be held in <u>Geneva</u> a meeting, on the eve of the convening of the Disarmament Conference, where addresses will be given by representatives of all the religions, and which will focus attention of the religious mind of the world upon the importance of this great undertaking.

At such a time as this, with the problems that meed to be solved, and with the resources available for making the Disarmament Conference a success, it is confidently believed that all the members of the International Committee and those interested in the World Conference will agree that the year 1932 can best be devoted to this cause, and in the way indicated in this letter.

A complete report of the Geneva Conference is being printed and will be mailed out at an early date, and later on, when the American Committee has had time to formulate its own judgment, it will inform the members of the International Committee of its plans for a Regional Conference.

Never since we began has there been a livelier or more intense interest in the work of this organization. The field has widened and as we go forward we feel that every step is a step toward the holding of the great World Conference which we first had in mind. When it is held, all this preparatory work will help to make it a greater and more decided success.

Faithfully yours,

HENRY A. ATKINSON

General Secretary.

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ABRAHAM NOWAK, RADDI

Cleveland Heights, Ohio

October Twenty-first 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The T_mple, Amsel Rd. at E. 105th St., CITY.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I wish to thank you for consenting to be present at the luncheon meeting to be held at Wade Park Major next Tuesday, October 27th, et 12:45 F.M. to discuss the organization of a Cleveland branch of the World Wide Fellowship of Faiths.

The post script contains the names of all who are to be present.

With personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Shaham Howay.

RABBI ABRAHAM NOWAK.

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P.S.

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THE CLEVELAND ELECTRIC ILLUMINATING COMPANY CLEVELAND

ROBERT LINDSAY

October 21, 1931

Rabbi A. H. Silver, Tifereth Israel Congregation, Ansel Rd. & E. 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir;

The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company is paying taxes to federal, state and city governments, amounting to \$3,250,000 a year.

This is more than 12 cents out of every dollar collected for electric service.

Taxes have been increasing continually.

Despite taxes, the Company six times within 10 years has voluntarily reduced rates.

The Company accepts your opinion of the quality

of its service.

We would welcome competition on a fair basis.

We regard competition by a tax-free municipal light plant as unfair not only to ourselves, but as unfair to our customers and to all taxpayers.

As a taxpayer, sharing with other taxpayers the cost of government, we regard as serious any unnecessary expenditure of public funds.

Under existing conditions, there is no need for enlarging present facilities for electric service in Cleveland.

As economies in the generation and distribution of electricity depend largely on volume, further division of service together with increasing taxes will naturally prevent further rate reductions.

Very truly yours, Hudsay

Oct. 22d, 1931

Mr. Marcus Feder Sr., 816 Swetland Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Feder :-

I do not know what the plans of Mr. LaFollette are or when he intends to arrive in the city. As soon as I hear from him we shall make our plans accordingly.

If any reception committee is appointed I shall, of course, be delighted to include you.

With best wishes, I am

Very sincerely yours.

AHS/IR

HAROLD MIRSCH, President

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SOL. I. GOLDEN, Secretary

The Temple

HEBREW BENEVOLENT CONGREGATION

1589 PEACHTRIE ROAD ATLANTA GA.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

October 22, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Please accept the sincere thanks of Dr. Marx, the Officers and Trustees of the Hebrew Benevolent Congregation for your congratulatory message on the occasion of the Dedication of its new House of Worship.

With best wishes,

Sincerely yours, faidtfich

President

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October 24, 1931.

Rabbi A. H. Silver, The Temple, East 105th St. and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Doctor:

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I am in receipt of your letter of October 23, 1931 in regard to the proposed book review, and am exceedingly sorry that I did not receive your original letter of September 3rd. I will be very glad to accept the assignment as requested.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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October 24, 1931

Rabbi A. H. Silver

The Temple

E.105th & Ansel Road

Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I am writing a New Year story for the Sunday magazine section of the Plain Dealer to be used on Dec.27,1931.

I am getting three New Year resolutions each from ten prominent Cleveland citizens to use in connection with the story. I will appreciate it if you will send me the ones that you will make for 1932.

Though it is early to be thinking of New Year resolutions this story must be written now due to various editing and printing processes. I am enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your reply.

Sincerely yours,

Mary Huschfeld

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October 26, 1931

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

Hy interests in the National Federation of Religious Liberals, concerning which there is folder enclosed, are abundant, as are my anxieties. The funds that is had on hand a year go ere tied up in a bank which closed, and only twenty mercent of them has been released. O ing to my lear illness which separated me for several months from any work, and owing to the general financial difficulties, our collections this year have been were small.

I am now carrying on correspondence with relation to three proposed conferences, but in order to carry out that program and keep out of debt we must somehow get in \$500 very soon. That doesn't seem very much. I am wondering if you would undertake to raise \$50 Of that among your friends whom you believe to be interested in this project sufficiently to help sustain it. It seems that in a generation, there has been no greater opportunity before our liberal religious undertakings than there is now; but we have to keep the makinery going to meet that opportunity.

I don't like to be a nuisance, but this necessity is very great in my eyes, and I shall appreciate your help immensely.

Imples ly your

Executive Chairman

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Oct. 26th,1931

The Viking Press Inc., 12 East 48th St., New York, N. Y.

Centlemen:-

Permit me to thank you for your kindness in sending me a copy of Jeseph Roth's "Job."

I read it in one sitting into the wee hours of the morning. I simply could not tear myself away from it. It is one of the most tender and beautiful books which I have read.

Cordially yours.

AHS/IR

The officers and members of

Congregation Isaiah - Israel

cordially invite you to attend services in honor of the seventieth birthday of

Rabbi Emeritus Joseph Stolz, D. D.

Saturday, October 31, at Ten O'Clock Sunday, November 1, at Eleven O'Clock

Hyde Park Boulevard and Greenwood Avenue

Chicago, Illinois

You are cordially invited to attend the

Inaugural Banquet

of the

Jewish National Fund KEREN KAYEMETH LEAGUE

Wednesday Evening, October 28th, 1931, at 6:30 o'clock

JEWISH CENTER BALLROOM East 105th St. at Grastwood Ave.

JUDGE WM. M. LEWIS, Principal Sheaker

Kindly Mail Your Reservations Immediately Rabbi Ablia Hillel Silver, Honorary Chairman Rabbi Har-y S. Davidowitz, Chairmon Income and Expense Statement for Eleven Months Ending October 31, 1931

Income

Membership Dues	\$26,368.62
Advertising	5.00
Annual Show	671.06
Bridge	645.69
Cigar Stand	102.82
Dining Room Banquebs	188.24
Initiation Fees	950.00
Interest on Investments	1,121.78
Hiscellaneous Revenue	5.00
Vending Machines	20.77
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	\$30,078,98

Expense

Accounting Fees Commissions - C. H. Ryan J. J. Lafferty	\$ 250.00 1,277.50 \$55.00
Depreciation Dining Room - Linen, Laundry, Miscellaneous	3,209.58
Waiters Wages & Employes' Meals	1,840.00
Forum	2.30
House	1,149.20
Insurance & Taxes Interest	1,037.10
Library	275.40
Light	604.49
Maintenance of Club House Maintenance of Equipment	19.80 77.00
Miscellaneous	101.17
Printing	440.78 645.45
Printing "The City"	1,182.00
Rent	9,083.34
Salaries - Administrative \$ 5,565.00 Dining Room 150.00	
House 5,292.50	11,007.50
Stationery & Office Supplies Telephone & Telegraph	326.61 205.72
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Excess of Expense over Income

4,730.17

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The City Club of Cleveland Balance Sheet October 51, 1931

Assets

Building Alterations and Improvements, Floor Coverings, Furniture, Fixtures	Draperies,	\$49,128,55
Leas Reserve for Depreciation		7,235,28
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Cash - Cleveland Trust Company		2,424.70
Guardian Trust Company		445.84
Petty Cash Investments		50.00 25,154.43
Accounts Receivable - Advertising	\$ 365.00	20,10%*10
Advertising Contracts	365.00	-0-
Dues Receivable - Junior Senior	\$ 282.00 2,979.17	
	\$3,261.17	
Undistributed Income	3,261.17	-0-
Accounts Receivable - Stock Capital Stock Billed	1,943.74	-0-
Accounts Receivable - Initiation Fees Initiation Fees Billed	\$ 530.00 550.00	-0-
Sundry Accounts Receivable		110.00
		\$70,118,83
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Liabilities

Capital Stock Outstanding	\$21,960,00
Treasury Stock	772.09
Installment Payments on Stock	261.26
Special Deposit	186.21
Accounts Payable	749.85
Notes Payable	17,087.22
Consission Receivable	180.00
Bues Received in Advance	58.45
Initiation Fees Received in Advance	40.00
Capital Stock Received in Advance	40.00
Christmas Fund	149.14
Surplus	_28,641.61
	\$70,118,83

J C B by Joseph Roth Publication date: November 2nd The Viking Press: New York Price, \$2.50

Bhe Book-of-the-Month Club's choice for November Smash the Ohio Criminal Syndicalist Law Demand Amnesty For All Class War Prisoners!

International Labor Defense

Cleveland District 1426 West 3rd St. ... Room 316 CLEVELAND, OHIO MAin 9675

Read the LABOR DEFENDER Official Organ L. L. D.

NOV. 3d, 1931.

Rabbi A H Silver Ansel Rd & E 10Eth St

City

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Dear Rabbi Silver:

You no doubt are sware of the activity of the International Labor Defense in the various labor cases that are taking place thruout the country as well as in our own city. To are now engaged in the campaign for the release of Tom Mooney, who has issued an appeal to the liberal minded people of this country to help in the fight to release him as well as all other prisoners the are in jail because of their activity in the labor povement.

The entire world knows that Tom Mooney die hat consit any crime and is innocently being confined to the San Quentin Petitentiary for life. Te are calling a united front conference of all workers" organizations of the State of Ohio to take place in Youngstown, Ohio Nov. 21-22, to solidify the ranks of all workers' organizations to work for the release of Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings.

It is quite a task that we have undertaken at this time to call such a gathering. However, we are depending upon the liberal support that you might give us in this important campaign. You, no doubt, have read Tom Mooney's statement in the newspapers where he says that all privilages have been taken away from him, working seven days a week, confined in ac ell eight ft. sq. with no air ventilation.

In this fight to release Tom Mooney and in organizing a conference of this magnitude, it requires hundreds and thousands of dollars. We are, therefore taking the liberty in acpealing to you to help us financially in this fight to liberate a man who has proven beyond all doubt his innocence of the crime.

Awaiting your early reply with a generous contribution, we remain

ternally young. fer, tridt Organizer International Labor Defense

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ATHENS, GA.

November 4, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, E..105th Street, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver;

I am President of our Congregation and we are confronted with a problem which I consider to be a very serious one and I am taking the liberty of asking that you assist us in colving it.

Recently we erected a Community House adjoining our Synagogue in which building our Sabbath School exercises are conducted, and it is also used as a meeting place for the ladies of the Sisterhood and for the Jewish boys and girls attending the University of Georgia.

We have no social club in Athens and prior to the erection of the Community House all card parties given by the Sisterhood were held in private homes. Since the completion of this building the ladies have expressed a desire to give their benefit bridge and poker parties in the Community House and have made a request of the Board of Trustees for permission.

Our Rabbi, Abraham Shusterman, and a large majority of the Board of Trustees have expressed the opinion that card playing for money should not be permitted in the Community House. The ladies feel that because we have no social club we are restricting their activities by not permitting card playing for money in the Community House. The ladies have stated to the members of the board of trustees that they know of instances in which card playing for money is permitted in Community Houses that are used also for Sabbath School purposes.

The opinion of Rabbi Shusterman and the Trustees was prompted by the fact that since this Community House is used for Sabbath School purposes as a meeting place for students of the University and for the meetings of the Temple Sisterhood, it would vitiate the whole purpose and power of the Community House to permit card playing for money.

I stated to the ladies of the Sisterhood that I would write to Rabbis of various congregations to find out what was being done in their own community. If you have no social club what activities do you permit in the assembly room of your Community House, and do you permit card playing for money? If you have a social club, what is your opinion as to our local problem? Should we sanction card playing for money in our Community House?

I would sincerely appreciate it if you would answer these questions fully and give your reasons because I want to present to our Congregation and the Sisterhood the opinions of the Rabbis to whom I am writing.

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November 4, 1931

Dr. A. H. Silver, The Temple, East 105th Street, at Ansel Rd., Oleveland, Ohio.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Although you have not yet been able to accept my invitation to membership in one of our annual Seminars in Hexico, I hope that in the future we may enlist you in that venture in understanding between two countries. The Seminar has now become well established in the hearts of the Hexicans and significant in interpreting Mexican culture and aspirations to the United States.

You will be interested in a new undertaking of the Committee. This year, in addition to the annual Seminar, we are planning supplementary institutes for travel and study = little trips of ten days duration for small selected groups of people. They will be supervised by a brilliant young Latin American, Enrique Aguirre, whom we have been fortunate enough to secure as a resident representative of the Committee in Mexico. These "Viajes a Mexico" cannot offer you the wide educational experience of the Seminars. They can and will take you behind the scenes in Mexico to the leaders who are remaking a nation, to the folk who carry on in their daily living a simple and beautiful culture.

We have planned two December trips so that they will center around joyous occasions when all Indian and Spanish Mexico unite in festivities which express best the color and vividness of the Mexican spirit. December 1.2th this year is not only the great feast day of the Virgin of Guadaluge, it is the Four Hundredth Anniversary of her apparition. Already Indians in the remotest recesses of the Mexican mountains are planning the long pilgrimage to the shrine of the Indians' Virgin. Here is the stuff of pageants, a simple folk celebration of a simple faith. Twentieth century Americans can for a few days step bask into a medieval life. The second of the "Viajes" will take place in the Christmas season. The markets, the "fiestas", the Christmas "Posada", a home festival which the casual tourist never enters, will relate the group to the authentic culture of Mexico.

Arrangements have already seen made with educators, statesmen, artists and Americans in Mexico to meet with Mr. Aguirre and those of his group. We can accept only a limited number for either of these trips. I am enclosing a description of them. If you are interested in joining one of the groups will you please let me know as soon as pessible?

ordially yours, Herring

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FROM "THE NEAR MAST AND INDIA", November 5, 1931.

The Islamis Conference.

Something appears to be lacking in the publicity arrangements for the Islamic Conference in Jerusales next December. Under whose suspices the various potentates and representatives of the Muslim sorld. are being gathered together is not quite clear, though the Grand Mafti of Jerusalan some to be playing a prominent part in the organization of the Conference. It is unfortunate, in say dese, that what now appears to have been a false musor should have been alloved to travel on the winds that blow in every direction From al Quda -- Burroly, that there was an intention to promote the ex-Stremens Galiph Abdal Majid toko once more in command of the Faithful. It is not compuneed that the can ference in, inter alia, morely to pronounce upon whether a restoration of the Caliphate is desirable in the interests of Islam, and not to recommend iny particular person for this once high office. that the Conference should be taking place in Jerusales is obviously a feather in the cap of Palestinian Mussulmans; presenably the objections to holding it in the natural place, Mecca, were too strong. But whatever the motives of those responsible for is ming the invitations to attend, it will be extremely interesting to watch, as the outside observer matched the Muslim Conferences of 1926, how smidably Muslims from Africa, Western Amin, the Middle Most and India will discuss matters of both world and local importance, and particuinrys larly shether a greater degree of realism has been endowed upon them since the Mecas Conference five years ago.

RABBI JONAH B. WISE 35 EAST 62* STREET NEW YORK, N.Y.

November 6th, 1931.

Rabbi Abraham Hillel Silver, The Temple, East 105th Street at Anset Road, Cleveland, Ohio

Doar Abe:

Please send me by return air mail your list of books of recent months which interpret Judaism and Jewish contemporary thought, to be arranged for use in the columns of the Federal Council Bulletin.

May I ask you to do this immediately because unfortunately the time is pressing.

Sincerely yours, ana Jønah B. Wise.

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Rabbi A.H. Silver The Temple East 105th Street and Ansel Road Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

I have been asked by the new President of our Kiwanis Club to inquire of you and your splendid organization as to whether or not you have an organization that would be interested in serving lunches on Thursday of each week at 12:15 to Kiwanis Club members, the minimum attendance will average approximately 46. Many times we have as many as 70 members present.

If you have such an organization that would be interested, we would be pleased indeed to have a proposition from them in writing or have a Committee selected by them meet with a Committee from our Club.

Very truly yours

P.T.Hargold

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Nov. 11th, 1931

Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, 35 East 62d St., New York, N. Y.

My dear Jonaht-

I have just returned from Atlantic City where I attended the Zionist Convention and find your letter.

I am not sure that I understand just exactly what you want. If it is a list of books on Jews and Judaism which have appeared recently in English, I would suggest the following:

Phillipson, David	"Reform Movement in Judaism" Revised Edition
Londres, Albert	"The Jew Has Come Home"
Parks, J. W.	"The Jew and His Heighbor"
Walker, Thomas	"Jewish Views of Jesus"
Cohon, Samuel S.	"That We Jews Believe"
Feuer - Glazer	"The Jew and His Religion"
Goldberg-Benderly	"Cutline of Jewish Knewledge" 3 vols.
Spiegel, Shalom	"Hebrew Reborn"
Waxman, Meyer	"A History of Jewish Literature" Vol.1.
Jung, Leo	"The Jewish Library" 1st & 2d series
Silver, Abba Hillel	"The Democratic Impulse in Jewish History"
	"Religion in a Changing World"
Magnus, Laurie	"The Jews in the Christian Era"

Most of these books appeared in the last two or three years.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit

me to remain

Very sincerely yours.

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November 12th 1931

Rabbi Abha Hillel Silver, Cleveland, Ohio

My Dear Fabbi Silver :-

I am enclosing copy of letter sent to Mr. Solomon of your city in respect to furthering the Jewish Olympic Games which will be held in Palestine next year.

I would appreciate very much if you would lend your cooperation and advice to Mr. Solomon so that this committee will be a success.

Games and it is important that we act at once and get things going.

Awaiting your reply, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Dr. A. Rosent

Dr. Alexander Rosenfeld



November 12, 1931.

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

Dear Sir:

The Sherwin-Williams Companyhas in it an organization known as The Junicr Club whose members are the young men of the company. The purpose of this club is to develop its membersalong lines of public speaking and to help them create confidence in themselves in speaking before groups of people.

The meetings are held once each month and next month's meeting, which takes place December 7th, is to take the form of a debate; the subject of which is; "Resolved: That Unemployment Insurance Should be Adopted in the United States".

The writer is a member of the affirmative team and inasmuch as you are vitally interested in this side of the question and spoke before the Girl's Club of the company some time ago, Miss Ebeling, our Personnel Director, thought you would be willing to grant an interview to the three members of the affirmative team.

We would consider it a great favor if you would give us some of your valuable thoughts on this question at an early date. We could arrange to meet you either at your office or your home on an evening that suits your convenience.

You may reach the writer at the address or telephone number given below. Thank you kindly for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours.

E.C.Helfrick, Sherwin-Williams Co., Midland Bidg., Cleveland, Ohio.

Telephone: Main 4200.

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November 12,1931

Mr. Solomen, Council Educational Alliance, Kinaman Road and 134th Street, Cleveland, Ohio

My Dear Mr. Solomon :-

Your name has been given to me at the Zionist convention at Atlantic City as one who would be sincerely interested in the promotion of the forthcoming Jewish Olympic Games which are to be held in Palestine next year and also in the erection of a stadium at Tel-Aviv to house these Games.

The Jasieh youth of the world is keenly looking forward to these Games and the Jewish youth of America are intensely interested and will do everything within their power to belp make the Games & success.

I should appreciate very much if you would take upon yourself the task of organizing a committee which would take upon its shoulders the work of creating sentiment for the Jewish Games in Cleveland and furthering the erection of the stadium in Palestine.

I would appreciate hearing from you as to whether you will undertake this work.

Very sincerely yours,

Dr. A-

Dr. Alexander Rosenfeld, Vice president, World Macosbee Union

Bddress: Room 307, 799 Broadway, N.Y.C.

Nov. 12th, 1931

Rabbi Phillip S. Bernstein, 177 Gibbs St., Rochester, M. Y.

My dear Bernsteint-

Dr. Wise told me at the Convention of the American Zicnists which we both attended, of a communication which you received from Elliot Cohn of the Menorah Journal, which he thought I would be interested in reading.

If it is not a confidential communication. I should appreciate very much if you would send me a copy of it for perusal.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I am

As ever yours,

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Your guarantors are assurance that those interested in the cultural advancement of Cleveland will find in these performances additional reason for pride. The casts selected, the employment of musicians from the Cleveland Symphony Orchestra and a chorus of Cleveland singers, and the able direction of Mr. Carlo Peroni, should make an impressive appeal.

It is to be hoped that the offering of grand opera at popular prices, at times that will not conflict with other notable musical events, will enthuse Clevelanders about the possibility of annual events of this character.

Co-operating organizations are being asked to aid in every way possible.

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November 13, 1931. JOSEPH BRAININ · Managing Editor

Dr. Abba H. Silver, Rabbi Congregation Tifereth Israel, East 105th Street, Cleveland, Chio.

Dear Dr. Silver.

It may interest you to learn that my connection with the Union A.H.C. terminated on November 1st. The Executive Board felt that it could not afford to have a traveling representative of the Board of Finance at a time when the returns do not warrant the expense. While all this may be true and while there is no doubt that the position is being abolished, there is a personal note to the whole affair which had its inception in Cleveland. However, this is not the place to discuss personal matters. At some later date, when I shall have the pleasure of seeing you again, I will explain further.

In the search for a new connection and a new occupation, I have decided to promote the publication of a Jewish monthly magazine dedicated exclusively to literary and cultural interests. It is to be a combination of the literary and the artistic, along the lines of "Rimon" published in Berlin in 1923. I know that there is a genuine need and, to a certain degree, a demand for such a publication. The Menorah Journal has gone out of existence, as I understand, for good. To the uninformed observer this may indicate that there is no public interest in a literary Jewish magazine. We, however, know well that the Menorah Journal could not survive because of its destructive and venomous attitude and policies. It has attacked everything and everybody. The new weekly sponsored by Dr. Wise and published by James Waterman Wise is going to be militant, and I suspect that it will culminate in a burlesque duet between Dr. Wise and David A. Brown. The feature that John H. Holmes is to publish a weekly column in that paper, thereby being offered a larger Jewish audience than he already has in his church. should not make the new weekly more attractive and worthwhile to those who have devoted their lives to the survival of Jewish spiritual and cultural values.

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It stands to reason, therefore, that a magazine as I and my associates propose to publish should get sufficient support to exist and to survive. Under the present financial stress, however, this is not altogether certain. It could only succeed with the wholehearted and generous cooperation and support of all those genuine and truly great spiritual leaders in American Israel.

I received moral encouragement from a goodly number of friends and rabbis. I now turn to you among a limited few whose friendship I value and cherish highly. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of my plans and to invite your kind reaction to the project.

I would greatly appreciate it if you would write me a letter in which you express your opinion - if it is favorable - towards the project, in which you indicate that you will recommend the magazine to the members of your congregation for subscription, provided that it will live up to expectations. A letter like that will go a long way to facilitate my difficult task.

Trusting that all is well with you, and with cordial greetings, I am, as ever,

Sincerely yours,

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KENALISANCE will champion every cause that tends to preserve the historic continuity of our people, to strengthen its bonds of solidarity and to advance its aspirations and ideals. It will reflect important religious, political and economic developments among our brethren in all parts of the world. The emphasis, however, will and must be laid on spiritual and cultural values.

• • • RENAISSANCE will stress those aspects of cultural life which impart meaning and worth to the group and the individual. It will feature biographical and travel sketches, essays on contemporary thought, interpretations of our creative forces in literature, art and science, short stories, Jewish hurnor and reviews of the drama, the screen and music.

• • • RENAISSANCE will foster good will which, because it will be based on intelligent recognition of historic facts rather than on ephemeral sentiment, will endure.

• • • Delving into the rich, well-nigh inexhaustible literature produced by our people in more than two thousand years, RENAISSANCE will blend with the creations of the present-day Jewish mind the immortal works of our people's genius.

• • • A record of every phase of our culture, a mirror of contemporary thought, RENAISSANCE will project a multicolored panorama of the world of literature, science and art. More than a publication of the month—a journal for the discerning reader—a magazine for both the skeptical youth and his enthusiastic elders. LF YOU TAKE a real interest in Jewish affairs—cultural, literary, scientific, artistic, political — you will find in RENAISSANCE a monthly inspiration.

Its contributors will be drawn from among the most virile and authoritative writers of to-day. Among those who have been invited to contribute to our forthcoming issues are:

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TENTATIVE PLAN FOR THE PROPOSED ECONOMIC CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN NOVEMBER

General Subject- "Is Economic Planning Possible in a Democracy"?

Opening Meeting Friday evening- November 13 "Industrial Planning "

> Mr. Swope has been asked to talk on this subject assuming that he will make a presentation of the Swope Plan. However, we might attempt to ask him to make a more general presentation of Industrial Planning.

"Limitation of Economic Planning in a Capitalistic Democracy"-Mr. Malcolm C. Korty of the International felephone & Telegraph Co. has been asked to speak on this subject.

Saturday morning- November 14

Two or three discussion groups under the able leadership that the community here affords. These groups will discuss some of the subjects that the committee will prepare.

Saturday noon- luncheon meeting.

Speaker to summarize the case for and against Economic Planning in some of its major aspects such as Industrial Planning.

After=lincheon meeting

The committee which constitutes the program and planning committee for the conference to form the speakers table at the luncheon meeting and following the speaker's address the speakers table to resolve itself into a round table carrying on a discussion in the presence of the audience primarily, answering the questions that the audience may address to it.

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MARJORIE GRIESSER GENERAL COUNSEL SULLIVAN & CROMWELL NEW YORK Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, The Temple, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

For the holiday season this year we are anxious to help people who are choosing book gifts to make the best selections. We have asked several prominent ministers and leaders in other fields to send us a list of the ten or twelve books which they think would be particularly appropriate choices for this gift season. We are sending these lists to newspaper literary editors and weekly magazines. I know that this is a very busy time of year for you but we will be very happy if you can send us your suggestions. Perhaps you have already made a list for a December book sermon.

Cordially yours,

November 13, 1931

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November 18th, 1931

I am outlining below my understanding of the discussion of the Executive Committee of the Rosenwald Prize Essay yesterday with respect to the basis for judging the essays submitted. It is my impression that this basis is to be submitted to the judges as our suggestions for their consideration.

CRITERIA FOR JUDGING ROSENWALD PRIZE ESSAYS

- 1. It was agreed that perhaps the best plan would be for three judges to concern themselves with the manuscripts which have been judged as worthy of consideration in the A Group, and that three judges should concentrate their attention on the selected essays in the B Group. Our suggestion was that Judges Friedenwald, Lehman and Stern be asked to judge the A Group and that Judges Friedenwald, Lehman and Stern be asked to judge the A Group and that stood, however, that each judge has the right to read all manuscripts in both groups, and the Executive Committee would prefer the latter. The above suggestion was made only for the sake of saving the judges' time.
- The basis for judging each manuscript was considered as follows:

 a. The conditions laid down in the pamphlet are to provide the guiding

principles for judging each manuscript.

b. The three major considerations on which each manuscript is to be judged are to be (1) Ahalysis, (2) Program, (3) Style. Each essay is to be judged on the basis of 100 points, apportioned as follows: Analysis 30 points, Program 60 Boints, Style 10 points.

For the sake of uniformity of understanding, each of these was further defined as follows:

Under Analysis we considered three major items:

- A. Factuality, 10 points i.e., whether the essay indicates a knowledge of the facts of past and present Jewish life and whether the proposal is based on these facts.
- B. Comprehensiveness, 10 points i.e., whether in the analysis the whole of the Jewish situation was considered or only one aspect of the Jewish problem.
- C. Interpretation, 10 points i.e., is the interpretation sound or biased.

Under Program, to which we assigned 60 points, we considered the following six items:

- A. Logical structure of the program, 5 points.
- B. Its.applicability to American Jewish life, 25 points.
- C. Comprehensiveness, 15 points.
- D. Emotional appeal, 5 points.
- E. Vision, 5 points.
- F. Courage, 5 points.

Under Style, to which 10 points were alloted, we considered four items: A. Clarity and Coherence, 5 points.

B. Interest and Balance, 5 points.

It was our combined judgment that one of the conditions for awarding the prizes should be that the author should be willing to make such editorial changes as will make the manuscript most successful from the standpoint of publication and distribution.

I trust that the above will agree with your recollection of our discussion.

THE JULIUS ROSENWALD ESSAY CONTEST

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THE JULIUS ROSENWALD ESSAY CONTEST

'N September, 1927, "Union Tidings", the monthly publication of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, printed an article by Mr. Elisha M. Friedman of New York entitled "The Functions of the Layman." The article was written in response to a letter sent by Mr. Roger W. Straus, President of the National Federation of Temple Brotherhoods, to a number of representative Jewish laymen who have rendered distinctive service, in one field or another, to American Jewry. The letter requested a statement as to what, in the opinion of the person addressed, the Jewish laity can do to further Judaism in America.

> In his reply, Mr. Friedman dealt with some of the symptoms of transition which Judaism, in common with other religions, was manifesting, and suggested some general policies by which the distinctive values of Judaism might be preserved for the next generation of American Jewry. One of his suggestions addressed specifically to the layman, Mr. Friedman formulated as follows:

"The layman, long of cash and not short of ideals and the will to serve, can set thousands of scholars the world over, thinking on the problem. A \$5,000 or \$1-),000 prize, open to Jewish scholars the world over, may not solve the problem but will cast light on the following questions:

- How can Judaism be made to function and serve effectively in modern society?
- How can our beliefs be modified to conform to modern scientific conceptions? and yet
- 3. How can historical contact be maintained with the past?

- 4. How can the experience of the Reform Movement—its contributions and its deficiencies—be brought to bear on the questions?
- What minimum of crremonial and institutional life is required to maintain Jewish spiritual values?
- 6. What shall be the content of our prayers and how can the services be made more vital and expressive and less passive?
- What sort of an education is needed to perpetuate a living Jadaism?"

Not long afterwards Mr. Friedman received a letter from Mr. Julius Rosenwald in which Mr. Rosenwald offered to make available the sum of \$10,000 as a prize in accordance with Mr. Friedman's suggestion. Since then, in order to provide the additional prizes which were deemed necessary, Mr. Rosenwald has increased his gift to \$15,000.

ON April 7th, 1929, a group of men met at the City Club in New York to consider the conduct of the prize essay contest and to formulate the inquiry. After considerable discussion a sub-committee was appointed to take charge of the contest. The sub-committee, named as an Executive Committee, consists of the following: Dr. Samson Benderly, Chairman, Mr. Elisha M. Friedman, Mr. Maurice J Karpf, Dr. Solomon Lowenstein, Dr David de Sola Pool and Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

The theme of the essay was formulated by the sub-committee in the following terms:

"For the fullest spiritual development of the individual Jew and the most effective functioning of the Jewish Community in America, how can Judaism, without impairing its integrity, best adjust itself to and influence

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modern life with respect to (a) beliefs and theories; (b) institutions: the home, the Synagogue, the school and other communal agencies; and (c) Jewish education: for the child, the youth and adult?"

'After formulating the scope of the inquiry and rules to govern the contest, the Executive Committee felt that it would be highly desirable, in addition to the contest for the general public, to establish a special contest for college students. The suggestion was communicated to Mr. Rosenwald who gave it his approval and provided the necessary additional funds.

The following were asked to serve as judges in the contests and accepted the invitation: Dr. Lee K. Frankel of New York, Dr. Harry Friedenwald of Baltimore, Mr. Elisha M. Friedman of New York, Mr. Leo Huhner of New York, Professor Nathan Isaacs of Harvard University, Judge Irving Lehman of New York, and Judge Horace Stern of Philadelphia.

GREYOND the official formulation D of the scope of the inquiry, it is not the intention of the committee to circumscribe its range or to propose modes of treatment. Within the limits of that formulation every contestant may enjoy the fullest freedom with respect to content and method. In setting down, therefore, a number of more specific questions suggested by the general inquiry, the intention is rather to stimulate than to prescribe. The questions that follow, without being exhaustive, should be helpful as indicating some of the major problems that are believed to be implicit in the general theme.

JULIUS ROSENWALD ESSAY CONTEST

- Can Judaism adjust itself sufficiently to the modern viewpoint and environment without losing its identity? What should be the basic principles of such an adjustment?
- What can we learn for this purpose from the experience of Reform Judaism, Conservative Judaism and Neo-Orthodoxy in this country?
- 3. In the Jewish agencies at our disposal to bring about this desired adjusted American Judaism what should be the relative tasks, both qualitatively and quantitatively, which we should assign to the home, the synagogue, the school, philanthropy, communal organization and public opinion?
- 4. In view of the great change that has come about in the home life of this generation, and in further consideration of the fact that the bulk of American raised Jewish women are inadequately informed on Jewish matters, how can the Jewish home be re-Judaised in order to carry out the task assigned to is?
- 5. In the task assigned to the synagogue, how is it to reckon, on the one hand, with the fact that prayer in these days has, with most people, become casual or occasional, and, on the other hand, that is becoming increasingly difficult to have the congregation assemble on the Sabbath day?
- 6. In view of the apparently increasing difficulty that the synagogue has in attracting the younger as well as the more intellectual elements, and in consideration of the additional fact that the rabbi's duties are becoming more comprehensive and complex, is there not need for a revision both of the method of selecting the rabbinic personnel as well as the course pursued in their training?
- 7. Shall Jewish life in America be premised on the self-sufficiency of the Diaspora, or is the restoration of Palesmine to be an integral part of it?
- If the Palestine idea is to be an integral part of American Judaism, in

what way should that relationship be defined?

- 9. There is a common belief that it is impossible to establish an adequate system of Jewish education in this country because the public school absorbs the bulk of the learning time of the child. It is also felt that the present Jewish Sunday school system, which consists of 35 sessions a year, is totally inadequate. Does the solution of the Jewish educational problem, then, lie in the establishment of a Jewish parochial school system, or can we take advantage of the fact that the child attends public school 190 days a year, still leaving available at least 150 days with sufficien: free time to make possible an adequate system of Jewish education?
- 10. In view of the totally inadequate provision made for Jewish education during the past 40 years, with the result that we now have a very large number of adults who are largely ignorant on Jewish matters, what system of Jewish education for adults can be devised that will in a measure correct this deficiency and prevent its further extension?
- 11. Shall the evolution and coordination of a system of Jewish education in this country be the charge off the national synagogue organizations, or shall Jewish education be a communal responsibility in view of the varied opinions on Jewish life and the subsidy which each community must give to Jewish educational activities?
- 12. What importance should be attached to the esthetic factor in strengthening Jewish life in America? By what measures should the community encourage distinctively Jewish expressions in the plastic arts, nusic, literature, the drama, etc.?
- 13. Is it essential for the progress of American Jewry to have a general flexible organization in each community which shall embrace all Jewish activities, philanthropic, educational, synagogual, etc.?

DESPITE the many centrifugal forces to which the spiritual life of American Jewry is exposed, there is evidence that a process of crystallization, accelerated by the virtual cessation of immigration, is also in progress. It is a process on which the fate of American Jewry and Judaism depend. To what extent can the process be controlled? Is it possible to plot its course? Is it possible, by organized wisdom and intelligent devotion, to channel it for the greatest enrichment of Jewish life and the creative functioning of the Jewish group in the life of America?

It is the hope of the committee, first that the Julius Rosenwald Prize Essay Contests will act as a leaven upon the intelligent minds in American Jewry, and stir them to think deeply and constructively upon its future. Nor should interest in the subject be confined to scholars or other restricted groups. The winning essays, which it is planned to publish and circulate as widely as possible, should arouse interest in the general public as well. Such interest is very much needed. It is sure to lead to more knowledge and greater loyalty.

Furthermore, the committee entertain the hope that out of this intellectual ferment may emerge something for the constructive guidance of American Jewish leadership. No definite program of action is necessarily looked for, but some investigator, gifted with knowledge, acumen and vision, may succeed in unraveling the tangled threads in the fabric of the future, and produce the synthesis out cf which a stronger and nobler and more spiritual American Jewry can come into being.

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JULIUS ROSENWALD ESSAY

CONTEST

General Theme

"For the fullest spinitual development of the individual Jew, and the most effective functioning of the Jewish Community in America, how can Judaism, without impairing its integrity, best adjust itself to and influence modern life with respect to (a) beliefs and theories; (b) institutions: the home, the Synagogue, the school and other communal agencies; and (c) Jewish education: for the child, the youth and adult?"

CLASS A. UNRESTRICTED: PRIZE: \$10,000

RULES

- The title page of the essay submitted must contain the words: "Submitted in Julius Rosenwald Prize Essay Contest, Class A."
- The essay should be from about 15,000 to 100,000 words in length.
- It must be typewritten on paper of standard letter size (8½"=11") and good quality, on one side only, and must not be folded. If possible, two copies shold be submitted by the contestant.
- It must be accompanied by an outline, a summary, a complete bibliography and a complete index.
- All authorities must be carefully cited in the approved manner; juotations must be clearly indicated; all points of indebtedness must be made unmistakably evident.
- The committee reserves the right not to award any prize if, in the opinion of the judges, the essays presented do not warrant it.
- No essay that has been previously published in whole or in major part is eligible.

- The ownership of the copyright of the prize essay, and the right to publish it will reside in the committee.
- 9. The essay must be submitted under an assumed name which should also be enclosed with the writer's real name and address in a sealed envelope. Contestants are warned that in submitting their essays they will disqualify themselves by disclosing their identity.
- The essay and accompanying identification must be in the hands of the committee not later than March 31, 1931. Announcement of the award will be made on or about December 31, 1931.

CLASS B. FOR STUDENTS ONLY: PRIZE, \$1,500

RULES

- All persons who, at any time between January 1, 1930 and December 31, 1930, are enrolled in an institution of learning authorized to award the degrees of A.B. or B.S., or in higher institutions of Jewish learning are eligible to compete. Such persons, of course, may, if they prefer, compete in Class A.
- The title page of the essay submitted must contain the words, "Submitted in the Julius Rosenwald Prize Essay Contest, Class B."
- No essay submitted in Class A is eligible for consideration in Class B, and vice versa.
- The essay should be from about 5,000 to 15,000 words in length.
 - 5. Rules 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 governing the Class A contest are applicable to Class B also. With respect to Rule 9 the sealed envelope should contain also a statement, signed by the proper college official, certifying to the contestant's eligibility under Rule 1 above.

Femple Brith Rodesh

II7 GIBBS STREET Rochester, N.Y.

THE RABBI'S STUDY

Nov. 18, 1931

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, % The Temple, E. 105th St. at Ansel Rd., Cleveland, 0.

Dear friend,

While Elliot Cohen's letter to me was not, I think, intended as strictly confidential, I do not feel that I have the moral right without consulting him to send it on to you in light of the feeling that exists between you. It was a friend's letter to a friend, and I feel it would hardly be fair to pass it on to one who is quite hostile to the writer. If you would like me to ask Cohen whether he objects to my letting you see it, I will be glad to do it.

The easence of the matter, as I assume Dr. Wise told you, is that Hurwitz has decided that for practical reasons the Journal must now play safe. This violates Cohen's principles as to what a Journel of honest and fearless criticism should stand for, and so he has resigned. Personally, I am a little sorry that this has happened, although I know that you will not agree with me. Although I have often strongly disagreed with the Journal's point of view, and last Summer severely criticized Cohen for that puerile, nasty, unwarranted criticism of your book, I have felt that the Henorah Journal has been the only publication in Jewish life with guts, that it alone has been unafraid to express honest if frequently misguided opinions about Jewish movements and Jewish leaders. I believe that there is a definite need in Jewish life for such an honest and fearless organ of criticism.

I assume that you do not agree with me, and 1 can thoroughly understand your point of view, for they have been mean and absurdly unfair to you for no good reason that I can see, except perhaps out of a deep envy, of which they themselves may not be entirely aware.

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Nov. 19th, 1931

Rabbi Philip Bernstein, 118 Gibbs St., Rochester, M. Y.

My dear Rabbi Bernstein:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of Hov. 18th.

I appreciate fully the spirit of your letter. Wy only reason for writing to you was the suggestion of Dr. Wise. He thought that I should see the letter and would enjoy reading it and said quite definitely that it was not confidential in as much as he, himself and many others had seen copies of the letter.

Please do not go to the trouble of asking permission of Cohen. The matter is not as important as all that.

You are, of course, mistaken about the Memorah Journal being "the only publication in Jewish life with gute." What you probably meant was, with bile and venom. Some day when we have a chance of talking the matter over. I shall give you some additional information about this "honest and fearlass organ of criticism."

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

As ever yours,

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

At the suggestion of Mr. Miller, it is my pleasure to invite you to be our guest at the speaker's table this Saturday when he speaks on "Ohio State University."

The speaker's table guests will assemble at 12:15 p.m. in Parlor B or C, near the entrance to the Hollenden Ballroom.

We hope that you will be in

attendance.

Yours very truly,

JJL:MD

Nov. 19th, 1931

Mr. E. C. Helfrick, Sherwin Williams Co.. Midland Bl g.. Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Helfrick:-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of November 12th.

I shall be very pleased to see the members of your debating team but I regret that I can not see them in the evening. My evenings for the next ten days or two weeks are purity nearly all taken up. Would it not be possible for them to come in to see me some afternoon or Saturday or Sunday morning at twelve o'clock. I would be very happy to discuss the subject with them and to put at their disposal some material on unemployment insurance.

With best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours.

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Novamber 19, 1931.

Rabbi A. H. Silver. Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This interesting scientific expedition is soon to fare forth for two years around the world. Leading American museums, universities and scientific societies are represented in the cooperative group, who comprise the membership of the explorers. The purpose of the undertaking is for the good of many American communities who otherwise could not enlarge their collections because of financial conditions.

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Now, as the official writer of the Expedition, I am first of all, anxious to draw the sympathy and good will of the leaders of American life, and in that direction to organize an Honorary Committee of which I am hapeful you will become a member.

Should you desire first any additional material, facts, data, substantiative information, I should be most happy to furnish it, to the end that you be thoroughly familiar with the full picture.

Ocrdially yours, raccon as Charles D. Isaacson

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Nov. 19th, 1931

Mr. Max Michael. 416 Southern Mutual Bldg., Athens, Ga.

My dear Mr. Michaelt-

Bermit me to thank you for your letter of November 4th.

I am in agreement with your Habbi and and with your Board of Trustees that card playing should not be permitted in your Community House even when the proceeds of such games are used for worthy purposes. I believe that it distinctly cheapens the institution.

"e have had a policy in our Temple not to sanction any card games for any charitable purposes or for Synngogue objectives or for any other reason. If money has to be raised other means should be employed.

If people want to play cards they are privileged to do so in their homes or elsewhere. The Community House which is an integral part of the Temple, ought not to be used for such purposes.

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me

to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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THE JULIUS ROSENWALD ESSAY CONTEST

OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE

71 WEST 47TH STREET

NEW YORK CITY

November 19 1931

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

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You are a member of the Executive of the Julius Resenweld Essay Contest. We have not held many meetings of this Committee, but even when we did hold a meeting, it was called at such short notice that it did not seem practical to send you a notice of the meeting, since you were in Cleveland and the next of the Committee were in New York.

However, I did report to you from time to time the results of our meetings.

Last Tuesday, November 17, the Executive Committee again held a meeting to discuss the procedure to be followed by the judges in passing on the essays which have come in. Enclosed you will find a summary statement of the essays as read by some of the members of the Committee prior to submitting the essays to the judges. "Class A", of course, refers to those essays which are eligible for the \$10,000 prize; "Class B" refers to those eligible for the \$1,500 prize.

I also am enclosing a summary of the points discussed by the Executive Committee on the criteria for judging the Rosenwald Prize Essays, prepared by the Secretary of the Committee, Dr. Kerpf.

It was decided at the meeting that I invite the judges to take lunsh with the Executive Committee on Sunday, December 13, in view of the fact that several of the judges are also members of the American Jewish Committee, which is holding its annual meeting on that date. I do not know whether you plan to be present in New York on Sunday, December 15. But if you are here, we should like very much to have you attend the luncheon meeting. The purpose of this meeting is to decide definitely on the procedure to be followed by the judges both in reading the essays and in awarding the prizes.

With kindest regards. I am

Sincerely jours,

Chairman, Executive Committee



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November twentieth 1931

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

Dear Habbi Silver:

We have just published a very helpful book called, THE UNIVERSE WITHIN US by R.O. P. Taylor. It seems to us a book which will find friends as well as readers, and I should be curious to know what you think of it. While it is not pretentious, it is a very significant effort to get beyond the stale controversy between science and religion.

Should you be in a position to let me have any word which we could use in getting the book to the attention of readers who would be helped by it, I should be greatly obliged.

Sincerely yours,

Charles & Fryan -1

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November 21, 1931

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I have and thank you for your letter and I sincerely appreciate your consideration of the matters presented.

I am delighted to be able to inform you that it did not become necessary for the Congregation to take any action in this matter because the ladies withdrew their request.

With all good wishes, I am

Very spherely, Shickard

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ANNUAL REPORT

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SAMUEL H. STERNBERG

President of Temple Israel of the City of New York

To the Congregents:

Pursuant to the by-law requirement, I submit to you a synopsis of the affairs and condition of the Congregation.

PERSONAL

To-night completes my second year as President of Temple Israel. It has been a pleasure indeed to serve you. Many and at times onerous are the duties of this office. Yet I feel more than compensated for any sacrifices which I may have made. The relations within our congregational family are so cordial and the spirit of good will and good feeling so prevailing, that I would be wanting in appreciation if I did not acknowledge that whatever altruistic motives may have prompted me to serve have been more than overshadowed and compensated by the pleasure which I have derived from the service. To all our members, to my co-officers and trustees, to the rabbi and cantor do I express my thanks for their very helpful co-operation. Particularly do I wish to thank our Secretary, who to-night completes twenty five years of active and continuous service. His thoughts are always of and for the congregation. No day is complete without some suggestion coming to me from him for the good of the congregation. Only one who is in constant and almost daily contact with him can really know and understand the service which he is rendering.

We may be pardoned, I am certain, the pride which we take in our religious services. Many and constant are the praises received from visitors. Only recently, Supreme Court Justice Harris, presiding at the Northeastern Regional Convention, took occasion publicly to comment on the beauty and warmth and inspirational nature of the service which he was privileged to attend in our House of Worship. An attendance much as we have at divine services on every occasion can only be explained by the truly religious atmosphere which exists in our Temple and such attendance not alone brings credit to us, but augurs well for the future of Jewry in general. I feel that our Cantor, Mr. Wolfe, contributes much to the beauty of the service and is deserving of considerable praise in this connection. Farticularly are we indebted to our Rabbi who is maintaining our pulpit on the high spiritual plane to which it was brought by our leader, now of sainted memory, our beloved Dr. Harris. Both within and without congregational precincts, Rabbi Rosenblum is exerting every effort - and successfully, I may add - on behalf of Temple Israel. It is quite natural that his sincere and spiritual leadership should strike so responsive a chord as it does. His association with us is most happy and his cooperation most valuable and helpful.

Our Senior temple organizations are functioning splendidly. In their respective spheres, they are doing excellent work. The service recently rendered by our Women's Organizations in connection with the religious schools' conference was outstanding and distinctive, earning for them - and justly so - the praise of all who were privileged to accept of their hospitality. It is most fitting that we here acknowledge the debt we owe to them. The Junior organizations are in the process of development and we are hopeful of excellent results from them. Each is serving its members, but equally, if not more so, it is serving the congregation. We sincerely hepe and trust that harmonious cooperation will ever exist amongst all of them and that their efforts will be so coordinated that our temple family and the great body of Jewry of which it is a constituent part, will derive therefrom the benefits intended.

It is pleasing to note our active participation and cooperation with other congregations in Jewish matters. At the convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in January of this year, our former President, Mr. Rosenzweig, was invited to read a paper on "The Modern Synagogue and its Community Centre". His excellent paper was very well received. The finals in an oratorical contest under the auspices of the Union were held in our Temple. The first of a series of conferences of religious school teachers, initiated by our Rabbi and sponsored by the Union, was held in our Temple. Upwards of three hundred rabbis, teachers and lay heads of various congregational units attended this conference. At the recent convention of the northeastern regional union of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the President of this congregation was invited to read a paper on "The Place of the Synagogue in Modern Jewish Life". The New York Committee of the Union on which this congregation is represented, is busily engaged in planning activities for the synagogue which promise to cement in still closer and firmer relationship the members of all congregations. These activities should receive whole hearted support from the congregation and its membership.

Our official family sustained a distinct loss in the passing of Mr. Simon Strauss, for many years one of our active trustees. His time was always at the disposal of the congregation and he spared no effort in furthering its interest.

We were all greatly shocked to learn of the injuries recently sustained by our Cantor Emeritus, Mr. Newmark, as a result of which he lies to-day on a bed of pain and suffering. We all sincerely hope and pray that healing and speedy recovery will be vouchsafed to him and that soon again he will be restored to his loving family.

FINANCES

The finances of this congregation continue to be in very satisfactory condition. The revenue during the past year Was somewhat reduced, but this was to be expected. Considering the condition of trade and business generally, we have been particularly fortunate. A careful and close serutiny of our disbursements enabled us last year, as in previous years, to balance our budget. We have a substantial fixed overhead, a great part of which is met from revenue other than from seats and donations. The other disbursements, however, we shall always endeavor to measure by and meet from income. The fair and reasemable needs of the congregation will always be provided. Extravagance on the one hand and parsimoniowsness on the other, should alike be avoided.

LEGACIES AND BEQUESTS

And while on the subject of finance, I should like to make reference to a matter, intimately related therewith, and to which I feel the attention of all congregants should be directed. We constantly read in the daily press of legacies to churches of other denominations; yet, strange to say, we seldom read of such bequests to Jewish Congregations, except for the perpetual care of cemetery plots. Such bequests can only be used for the express purpose for which they are given and we are not permitted to use them for the budgetary requirements of the congregation. Does it not seem strange indeed, that we contribute so much in time and energy and effort and not infrequently guite liberally in funds to erect and maintain a beautiful edifice to which we may retire for worship and communion with God, and yet, we make no provision for continuing the maintenance of that house after our span of life has ended. We seem to purchase religion for ourselves and fail to preserve it for our children. If our obligation is to serve the synagogue rather than to be served, should not our efforts be directed towards insuring its future permanence? Whether our children will carry on we do not know. If they do, then we shall be recompensed for our efforts and labors. If they do not, then all the more reason exists to insure the future support. Does it not seem somewhat thoughtless on our part, after doing so much to erect the costly structure, to leave the burden of supporting and maintaining the product of our han is upon others in the congregation, who, in later years, may experience difficulty in meeting that obligation. The individual passes on, the institution survives. Shall we, who labored for the institution, permit its existence to be threatened, when we are no longer able to protect it? Should not each of us always have in mind not alone the present but the future needs of the congregation, not my congregation or your congregation, but our congregation, and should not we, as do our neighbors of other faiths and cults, by legacy to the congregation, provide for those needs? The provision may be a specific amount, with a limitation not to exceed a certain percentage of the net estate. It may be such an amount, which, invested at 4%, would yield the present rental of the seat. It may be a larger amount, depending upon the size of the particular estate. Whatever the amount is, that is secondary. Let us realize our obligation to the synagogue and let us to the utmost of our powers endeavor to discharge that obligation properly and adequately. I am not addressing this appeal to those alone of substantial means. I earnestly ask all who can afford, to give serious thought to the matter. The following may be incorporated in a Will or Codocil thereto: "I give and bequeath to Temple Israel of the City of New York, for its gome rel uses and purposes, the sum of-(insert amount) Dollars". The subject should be carefully considered by all who have the Congregation at heart.

MEMORIAL TABLET

How many there were who have passed to the great beyond, who, in their lifetime cherished the hope that their earthly existence would be memorialized on the occasion of their Jahrzeit by the anniversary light and the recital of the Kaddish and how frequently the hope fails of fulfillment. That light and prayer are the tie which links us to them and should remain sacred and inviolate. Yet how frequently does that light remain unkindled and that prayer unuttered. Temple Israel makes possible the preservation of that tie through the memorial tablet within the sacred precincts of our House of Worship. Here are suitably inscribed their names and dates of passing as a permanent record. Opposite their names the memorial lamp burns brightly on the anniversary date. From our pulpic their names are read and the Kaddish prayer recited. Thus is insured the perpetual fulfillment of their cherished hopes. May I not suggest the use of this tablet as a fitting and loving tribute to your loved ones.

OUR DEPARTED

Life's long pilgrimage has ended for many near and dear to us. Tired and weary they retired to rest from turnoil and turnult. Gently the shades of night closed in about them. They sleep no more in this mortal life, but live to-day in the life everlasting. Many there were who toiled in the vineyard of the Lord. Many who labored without the gates but in whom the spark of Judaism never ceased to burn. Many who knew not the synagogue, but whose memory will reunite their kin to the ancient home of their people. All of them do we now sorrowfully recall and in loving remembrance do we record their names in our archives for they were all of the House of Israel. May their memory be a blessing unto those that cherish it.

ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP

At the recent convention of the newly created Northeastern Regional Union, the question of dual membership was quite generally discussed. Such a membership is of importance to all congregations. It applies particularly to persons who frequently attend services in the synagogue with which they are not affiliated, and to persons who seek free religious education for their children. We find individuals, who for convenience, attend our service throughout the year, but who, for the Holy Days, rent seats in other Houses of Worship. We do not wish to disturb the affiliation with the other temple. We also find individuals not affiliated with any temple, who very frequently attend our House of Worship. Many of these individuals. I feel, would be happy if given the opportunity to contribute to the temple of frequent attendance. Heretofore such contributions were made only by way of seat rentals. Now Temple Israel offers an associate membership to those not renting seats, the fee for which is \$20. yearly. This intitles the member to many of the privileges of our active members, including the right to the religious education and confirmation of his children. I feel that all should know of this form of membership and many not now affiliated with us should avail themselves of it.

Particularly should this membership appeal to the parent who seeks to have his children educated in our religious school and confirmed without cost. We provide religious education for every child who wishes it. We maintain two schools, one at Federation Settlement where 250 poor children receive free religious education and one in our Community Centre where similar education is provided for upwards of 350 children. Both schools, under the excellent supervision of Mr.Strauss, our principal, and equipped with a most competent teaching staff, employ the most modern and up-to-date educational methods. This is done at considerable cost to our members. When the non-affiliated parent seeks to have his child educated in our religious school, we feel that he, if financially able, should share in the burden of the synagogue. There are many children receiving free religious instruction at our school in the Community Centre, because their parents cannot afford to share in this burden. They, needless to state, are as welcome as the children of the most liberal contributors. But if the parent who can afford it recognizes a Jewish consciousness to the extent of requesting the services of the synagogue for the education and confirmation of his child, for occasions of joy and sorrow, for a place to worship and especially on occasions of sorrow for the Kadeish and Jahrzeit, why should he not extend his consciousness a bit further by affiliating

with the synagogue and thus contributing to the cost of making possible that service which he seeks: There are many who can ill afford it, yet who affiliate, even though they have no children in the school, because they recognize their obligation to the synagogue. Should not the parent of children, able to afford it, recognize a similar obligation?

COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Community Centre erected and maintained by this congregation at a substantial cost is rendering a valuable service to the community. From a recent report of the executive secretary, it appears that during the past year, almost 46,000 persons were accommodated in this building. Fifty-seven organizations, of which twenty were directly affiliated with the Temple, thirteen with the Centre and twenty-four outside organizations, held 1233 meetings. These activities were of a health, recreational, cultural, philanthropic or religious nature. I appeal strongly to the members of this congregation to take advantage of the facilities offered here. It is their centre. They pay the cost for maintaining it. They and their children should share in its benefits.

The summer play school continues to be the outstanding and distinctive feature of service rendered by the centre. A report of this important activity will be presented to you by the Chairman of the Commission.

I wish to extend the thanks of the congregation to the Commission and to all who contribute so generously of their time and effort to make possible the excellent work that is being accomplished. Likewise do I wish to thank them who contribute so liberally of their funds to provide in our Centre a place of cheer and happiness for them who might otherwise be the victims of the dangers of our streets and highways.

In conclusion, I wish again to thank you for your hearty cooperation. I repeat that it has been a genuine pleasure to serve this congregation. You have been sparing in your criticism and generous in your praise. You maintain here a warmth and cordiality of feeling which is most encouraging. With such feeling, spelling as it does unity and permanence, our future will always be assured.

SAMUEL E. STERNBERG,

President.

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Movember 22, 1931.

CLEVELAND, Nov. 23, 1931.

The Rev. A. H. Silver, Rebbi, The Temple, CLEVELAND, Chio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On Sunday evening next, at the "PEOPLES TEMPLE," 93rd Street and Euclid Avenue, we are holding a special service at which the theme to be presented will revelve around the co-responsibility of religuous leadership&evolving the respective faiths.

We are inviting representatives of the Jewish faith, of the Roman Church and of the Protestant church, each to speak briefly, and we would be most happy to have you present to our congregation, a short message on the leadership of the Jewish people in world co-operation.

While our effort here is a new one, we feel that we have a most interesting as well as interested congregation, and if you feel that you can make the personal sacrifice to be present with us, we are sure that all who attend this service will be grateful.

Our service is set for 7.30 o'clock.

Should you be unable to be with us, would it be possible for you to find a substitute.

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Yours very truly, d. d.

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November Twenty-fourth 1931

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Not since we issued your book last January have we published a book which seemed to us to have as wide an appeal as a new book I am sending you today. It is TWENTY-ONE by Erdman Harris. I do not mean to compare the books in any way except to say that they deal with very fundamental matters and Harris' book has a chance of rousing almost universal interest. Rarely, it seems to me, have the problems which young men face been handled with such sound commonsense.

If the book should appeal to you, I would greatly welcome some The of the ser word about it. I think it is going to be a very wholesome influence wherever it sells.

Sincerely yours,

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Nov. 27th,1931

Dr. George Hall, Peoples Temple, E. 93d & Euclid, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Hall:-

I regret very much that I shall not be able to attend your meeting next Sunday evening. I have a long standing engagement for that evening.

With kindest regards, permit as to

remain.

Very sincerely yours.

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver 10311 Lake Shore Blwd. Eratenahl, Ohio

Dear Friend:

The inclosed material will give you an idea of what I am doing in the City of Cleveland this winter.

I know you will be pleased to know that Mr. Samuel S. Mather, three weeks before his death, signed a guarantee blank such as I am herewith inclosing for you to sign if you care to join the rest of the last as you will read on the inside page of the announcement.

I am not particular how much you care to guarantee as it is your good name that will help this great cause. Also inclosing a pair of tickets if you care to purchase them for the pleasure of yourself and your wife.

I have undertaken a tremendous task in a bad time and it looks very encouraging. You will please notice in the patrons list the type of people who have purchased tickets. I hope that you will not refuse my request in returning this guarantee card signed as I said in any amount.

The Cleveland Civic Board in a letter to the Cosmopolitan Grand Opera Company has endorsed its plan. A copy of which is herewith inclosed.

Thanking you for all favors of the past, I am,

Gratefully yours, gland.

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Rabbi Silver The Temple Cleveland Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Last Tuesday noon the writer appeared before the Solicitations Committee of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce and gave them a complete understanding of the "Help Eat the Surplus Wheat" campaign which we are promoting.

This committee asked me a great many questions and really made a searching analysis of our whole program. The result of this meeting was a unanimous vote expressing the Committee's hearty approval of this program with the request that the Chairman and Secretary prepare a letter to be sent to the Directors of the Chamber of Commerce, suggesting to them that this movement is one that the Chamber could well afford to put their strength back of.

Rabbi Silver, we do not know whether we are going to be able to break down the fear of commercial opposition among the Directors of the Chamber, but, as the Chairman of the Solicitations Committee expressed himself, this is the first real practical plan of combining a self-supporting charitable move with the taking of food to the hungry people on a sound marketing plan without marketing profits.

This movement has been very carefully planned to take advantage of merchandising methods but to absolutely avoil profit taking and will stand up under my investigation as a movement deserving the support and backing of any individuals or groups seriously interested in human welfare.

We need the help of men like yourself, and we believe the possibilities of good that can come from this campaign entitles us to an immediate and thorough investigation of our program.

The writer is enclosing a sheet of general information of this campaign and also an incomplete proof of our letter head which will carry the names of about fifty charter members. With this information to start with, we do unge you to help us by reaching a decision as to the soundness of this effort.

Very truly yours, Ohas, E

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Dec. 1st, 1931

Mrs. J. C. Goodman, Columbus, Ohio.

My dear Mrs. Goodman:

Enclosed you will find copy of the curriculum of the Temple Religious School as per my promise to you at the Convention.

I am also enclosing a review of Rabbi Feuer's new book which may prove helpful.

Anticipating a renewal of our acquaintance at the Cleveland Convention, I am

Sincerely yours.

Mrs. Joseph H. Gross, President, Temple Women's Ass'n.

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Dec. 3d, 1931

Mr. G. Bernardi, Managing Director, Cosmopolitan Grand Opera Co., 1015 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Mr. Bernardi :-

I am sorry that I must return the enclosed tickets.

I am scheduled to be in Columbus on Dec. Sth and will therefore not be able to attend this function.

With kindest regards, permit no to remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS/IR

Dec. 3d, 1931

Mr. Leo Weisenfeld, The Jewish World, Cleveland, Ohio,

My dear Mr. Weisenfeld:-

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Venezuela. You may perhaps wish to bring it to the attention of your readers.

Very sincerely yours,

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Dec. 3d, 1931

Mr. S. Benderly, Julius Rosenwald Essay Contest, New York, M. Y.

My dear Mr. Benderly !-

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of

Nov. 19th.

I am sorry that it will not be possible for me to attend the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Julius Resenwald Essay Contest on Sunday, Dac. 13th. I must be in my pulpit on that day. I am sure that whatever procedure to be followed by the judges that you finally adopt will be satisfactory to me.

I believe that it would not be smiss to call the attention of the judges very forcibly to the fact that the essays by the terms of the contest, are to devote themselves primarily to the problem of Judaism and the Jewish religion and not to the secular, cultural survival of the Jewish people.

The theme was well formulated by the sub committee, "For the fullest spiritual development of the individual Jew and the most effective functioning of the Jewish Community in America, how can judaism, without impairing its integrity, best adjust itself to and influence modern life with respect to (a) beliefs and theories; (b) institutions: the home, the Synagogue, the school and other communal agencies; and (c, Jewish education: for the child, the youth and adult?"

The winning essay as I take it, is to be a contribution to Jewish religious thought and it to outline a program for the preservation and intensification of Jewish religious life in America.

It is possible by deft dialectics to interpret the word Jewish religion to mean Jewish culture or Jewish civilization or Jewish nationalism. This, I take it, was not in the mind of Mr. Elisha M. Friedman who originally suggested the essay contest nor in the mind of the group who finally formulated it.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

CHESTER C. BOLTON 22D DISTRICT OHIO

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December 4, 1931.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Just a word to say that I have your very

nice letter of the 25th of November which was forwarded to me here.

It was a pleasure to help you and your

Congregation in having the Temple Bulletin admitted as second-class mail matter.

May I express the hope you will not

hesitate to call upon me at any time.

Most singerely yours,

Chester & Bollon

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THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMITTEE EXTEND TO YOU A CORDIAL INVITATION TO ATTEND A MEETING IN CELEBRATION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF THE COMMITTEE SUNDAY AFTERNOON. DECEMBER 6, 1931 AT HALF PAST THREE O'CLOCK

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

Dear Dr. Silver: I have your letter of December 3, which I read to the judges at our meeting, which was held yesterday as planned.

It has been decided that all the judges should read the fourteen essays that have been selected for judgment -- nine for Class A and five for Class B. It will probably take them about two or three months to do so, and as soon as they are all ready to report, we shall probably hold another meeting, prior to the announcement of the winning essays.

I shall keep you informed of further developments.

Cordially yours,

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December 7th 1931

Rabbi Abba Silver Angen Road and 105th Street Cleveland Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

We are confident that you will be interested in the enclosed statement which is an appeal to Christians to disavow anti-Semitism and to strive to remove its causes and consequences. We are hoping that this message will have widest possible publicity and help the cause of better understanding and relationships between Jews and We plan to follow up the medsale with an aggressive Christians. campaign to promote practical action of its contents by way of the local churches throughout the country.

Very sincerely yours

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, East 105th and Ansel Road, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

Knowing of your interest in international relations and particularly in the Latin American relations of the United States, I am writing on behalf of the Committee to invite you to accept membership and to participate in the Second Annual Session of the Seminar in the Caribbean which is scheduled for January 23 - February 10.

The Seminar in the Caribbean was inaugurated latt winter as a method for bringing a small group of internationally-minded people into relations which would permit a frank interchange of thought and experience with the leaders of the Caribbean area. Our purpose was threefold - the acquisition of knowledge, the making of friends, and the opportunity for rest and recreation - all of which were amply fulfilled in the first Seminar. The members returned after a vivid and unforgetable experience in Porto Rico, Haiti, Santo Domingo and Cuba.

This year's Seminar will be even stronger. The enclosed announcement will give details. We are assured of a warm welcome in Porto Rico, the Virgin Islands, Santo Domingo, Panama, Jamaica, Haiti and Cuba. We are assured of strong leadership with the presence of such men as Ernest Gruening, Chester Lloyd Jones, Thomas E. Benner, and Lincoln Steffens.

We hope you find it possible to join us. May I request an early response?

Cordially yours,

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Stuart Chase, Chairman

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December 9, 1931.

Dear Dr. Silver:-

We acknowledge, with profound gratitude, receipt of your message of congratulation on the occasion of the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the organization of this Committee, which I took great pleasure in reading at the Meeting last Sunday. Your good widnes encourage us to go forward with renewed energy and vigor, in the work we have undertaken on behalf of our people.

Confident that we count upon your sustained cooperation, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Cyrus toler

CYRUS ADLER President.

Rev. Dr. Hillel Silver, 1485 East 106th Street, Cleveland, O. Wire 12/9/31

Regret exceedingly can not be with you on the occasion of your 30th anniversary. Am scheduled for an address in Cincinnati Please accept my heartiest felicitations on this outstanding occasion. Mms.Silver joins me in wishing you and your dear one continued success and happiness in the distinguished service which you have rendered to the community. The officers and trustees of the The Board of Trustees of Temple likewise send their heartiest greetings. Anshe Hesed Congregation

> Abba Hillel Silver cordially invite you to attend a

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December 10, 1931.

My dear Rabbi and Mrs. Silver:

There is being sent you an invitation to the Judicial Reception st the White House on Thursday, December 17th. But if it is not convenient for you to come to Washington then, perhaps you would like an invitation sent you instead for the reception to the members of the Senate on January 21st, or to the one for the Executive Departments on February 4th.

Yours sincerely.

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December 10, 1931

Rabbi A. H. Silver The Temple, E 10th Street Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Silver:

We should like very much to have you review for RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Goldman's book, "A Rabbi Tikes Stock."

If you find it possible to review it for us won't you let me know at once so that I can send it to you?

Cordially yours,

J. M. Artman

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Mr. J. M. Artman, Religious Education Association, 59 E. Van Euren St., Chicago, Ill.

My dear Mr. Artman:-

Permit us to thank you for your kind letter of December 10th.

I would rather not review Rabbi Coleman's book "A Rabbi Takes Stock."

With kindest regards and best wishes, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

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December 11, 1931.

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

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Negro Welfare Association is forming a Council of representative men and women of the various groups in Cleveland for the purpose of handling the problems of race relations and racial understanding in the city. We shall be glad to have you accept membership on the Council and become a part of this movement. The affairs of the Council will be conducted in such a manner as not to require a large amount of time of those serving on the same.

There will be an informal dinner meeting of this Council on Thursday evening, December 17th, at 6:30 o'clock in the City Club, 712 Vincent Avenue.

At this meeting, Prof. Charles S. Johnson, the former Secretary of the Chicago Commission on Race Relations, formerly editor of Opportunity Magazine, and now head of the Department of Sociology of Fisk University, will be the guest speaker. Dr. Johnson, out of his wide and varied experience will bring to us an interesting and instructive message on America's most perplexing problem, the developing and maintaining of harmonious relations between the races of this country. There will be also the report of the Committee on Organization and Program.

The price of the dinner will be \$1.25. Please indicate your intention to be present on the enclosed postcard.

Sincerely yours,

Benny C. Busch.

Henry C. Busch, Chairman Committee on Grganization and Program.

HCB:H

December Fourteenth 1931.

Mr. Warren D. Robbins, Chief of Protocol. The White House, Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Robbins:-

I am deeply appreciative of the invitation which has been sent to Mrs. Silver and to me to ottend the Judicial Reception at the White Forme on December 17th.

Unfortunately a previous angagement which I must keep will make it impossible for us to attend the reception.

We shall be heppy to avail ourselves of your invitation for the date of Pabruary hth which you suggest in your communication.

With kindest regards, permit

me to remain

Vary sincerely yours.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

December 14, 1931

Mr. Julius Klein, Editor, Illinois Staats-Herold Publishing Co., Inc., 2148 Sheffield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois

Siri

This Department acknowledges receipt of your letter of the 8th instant, complaining of the so-called Hitlerites, who you state belong to an organization of German Hational Radicals who have come to this country solely for the purpose of causing trouble and disturbing the peace of American citizens of German extraction, and the statements contained therein have been noted.

In reply, I beg to advise you that there appears to be no Federal law covering the matter of which you complain. A copy of your letter has, however, been referred to the Secretary of Labor for his information.

> Respectfully, For the Attorney General:

> > NUGENT DODDS, Assistant Attorney General/

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver, 105th Street at Ansell Road, Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I have this day received a letter from the Department of Justice, a copy of which you will please find enclosed herewith, together with copy of my reply.

This clearly shows you that something must be done immediately to offset the activities of the Hitlerites, since we can not get any support from our Government.

Poverful German newspapers in this country are supporting the litlerites here, and as you know they do not stop at anything to slender the name of good German-American citizens of Jewish faith. The activities of the Hitlerites in this country are strengthening their power in Germany, for they make it appear that the American people are sympathizing with them.

We must organize at once in order to stop this activity. We owe this to our brethern across the sea.

Kindly let me hear from you regarding this matter, and with kindest personal regards, I am

Very/sincerely yours,



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JULIUS KLEIN, Editor

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December 16, 1931

Department of Justice, Washington, D. C.

Gentlemen:

In pet ND HAF 202600-2821.

I an in receipt of your letter of December 14, 1951, and note the contents thereof.

I am sorry to see that your Department feels that it can not protect American citizens and the peace in our componentry against those German-American Anti-Jewish Atleritss, who are here only for one purpose to cause trouble.

they are using the mails to defome the charaster of American citizens and went so far as to forge press dispatches.

He have done our bit in writing you as the proper institution.

We sincerely hope that you will look into this matter.

Very truly yours,

JULIUS ELEIN, Henoging Feiter

JE:Z

Dec. 17th, 1931

Mr. Conrad Moffmann Jr., Gen. Sec'y. International Missionary Council. 419 Fourth Ave., New York, H. Y.

My dear Mr. Hoffmannt-

Permit me to thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a copy of your "Christman Message Concerning Our Relations With Our Jewish Neighbors."

I read it with keen delight. It is a splendid and forthright statement, timely and very much needed. Your Committee is to be congratulated.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very simeerely yours,

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1556 Ausel Road, Cleveland, This , Dear Kabli filver. I are writing to ask whether you would like a be me g übe supporters que newly maniged cleveland Truch of the lonners Inde tenion League. I am my much interested in it because I think it is the hest my I assisting the spread 3 Inde luionisme among

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DEC. 21st, 1931

We are glad to announce that Aunt Molly Jackson who was brought to New York by the Dreiser Committee from Harlan, Ky. will be in Cleveland on <u>Tuesday, December 29th at Grdina Hall, 6021 St Clair</u> <u>Ave., at 8:00 P.M.</u> Mrs. Jackson, wife of a Harlan, Ky. miner and composer of songs as a result of the bitter strike that took place in Ky. a few months ago. She will not only sing but will also relate the conditions of the starving children in that particular section of the country. With Aunt Molly Jackson, Jim Grace, one of the leaders of the Harlan, Ky. strike will also be here and speak.

We are endeavoring to have Aunt Molly Jackson broadcast over some local radio station. Aunt Molly Jackson and Jim Grace will speak under the suspices of the International Labor Defense. This meeting is also part of the campeign that our organization is carrying on for the support of prisoners and their dependents.

Hoping to see you at this monting where you will get first-hand information as to what actually took place in Ky. where the bloodiest strike in the history of the American labor movement took place, we remain

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J. Schiffer, District Organizer International Labor Defense-Ohio District

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BARNETT R. BRICKNER RABBI

December 22-1931.

Rabbi Abbah Hillel Silver, The Temple, East 105th & Ansel Rd., Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver :-

That was a mighty kind and thoughtful action you took in sending your telegram of congratulations on behalf of your associates and yourself to the Eighty-Fifth Annual Meeting of the Euclid Avenue Temple on Sunday night, December 20th.

The reading of your telegram added to the occasion immensely and added to the enjoyment of those present.

As Secretary of the Euclid Avenue Temple, I am pleased to acknowledge receipt of your telegram and to thank you on behalf of all of us not only for the telegram, but for the kind thought that prompted it.

Sincerely yours,

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Rabbi Abba H. Silver, The Temple, Ansel and East 105th St., Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi Silver :-

This will introduce to you my friend Dean Alfred M. Hacgard of Drake University. He is secretary of a committee having to do with the proposed change of our calendar and is desirous of having an interview with you. Any courtesy you may extend to him I shall very gratefully appreciate.

With kindest regards, believe me,

Ileays most cordering yours, J. N. Maun

JHG/M

Clermont, Florida. 1 * 30 * 32.

Box 4 4 4.

Hy Dear Fellow Laborer,-I was called away from Cleveland before I had time to present this letter in person. Therfore I am putting my questions in written form. Thanking you very,very much for time and attention given these questions,I am

Yours Very, Very Truly,

Alfred H.Haggard.

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Rabbi A. H. Silver, Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Dr. Silver:

I want you to know how much I appreciate the three books you send me . I shall certainly find great pleasure and profit in reading them and in refering to them as I will constantly have occasion to do. They certainly make a valuable addition to my Library and I thank you for them most sincerely.

I notice that the Temple is having its youth service Sunday and would appreciate your sending me an extract from your sermon. If it is possible for you to do so I would like it held in from 400 to 500 words. Will you have Miss Rothenberg send it in by messanger as usual and charge the nessenger service to the Plain Dealer.

Staberely yours Buy flemmitt Religious Editor.



WICKERSHAM 2-2000

December 28, 1931.

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

We are considering publishing in book form, the sermons which the speakers of all denominations have presented on the Church of the Air services throughout the year. Our idea was to arrange these in book form, either in chronelogical order as they appeared over the air, or under the various denominational chapters.

I am writing to ask your opinion in this matter and wonder if you would be kind enough to oblige me; whether you think this would be a good thing to do and if so, if there is any special arrangement of such a book which would strike you as being the most appropriate form of presentation.

I would also very much like to know the number of letters you received, either commending you for your splendid address over the air, or requesting copies of your sermon.

Our decision to undertake this work, will naturally, have to rest somewhat on the amount of public interest ewidenced through correspondence, for there is no use preparing such a work unless there is a sufficiently wide interest on the part of the listeners to merit it.

I will greatly appreciate your opinion in this matter and any data or facts which will help us to arrive at a sound decision.

Thanking you for your splendid cooperation, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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Frederis A. Willis/Y

Educational Director.

Dec. 29th, 1931

Miss Zetta Robart, Mgr. for Carveth Wells, Rm. 3038 - 11 West 42d St., New York, N. Y.

My dear Miss Robart :-

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Will you please ask Mr. Wells to please call the Temple Office, Cedar 0132 when he arrives in Cleveland on January 13th.

With kindest regards, permit me to remain

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver The Temple Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Abba Hillel:

I write to you in my capacity of Librarian of the American Jewish Historical Society, asking your kind favor to send us, if you can, copies of your Messianic expectations in Israel and Religion in a changing world. Both these books belong in our Library, and we should be grateful to you, if you will find it possible to comply with this our respectful request. I don't dare ask for more; otherwise, I should ask for all your publications, thick or thin, ephemeral or substantial.

May I also, at this time, ask that you have the name of our Library placed on your mailing list for your Temple bulletin, or any other of the Temple publications. I hope that you will find it possible to accede to this our respectful request, and thus, be able to regard it as one of your good deeds of 1951.

With high regard, and best wishes for the comming year, I am

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Very sincerely yours. , Coleman Librarian.

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