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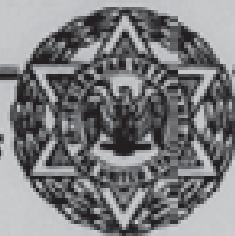
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January 4, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
National Chaplain
Jewish War Veterans of the United States
276 Fifth Avenue
New York, New York

Dear Comrade:

You are hereby cordially invited to be present at the institution, installation of officers and presentation of flags and colors of the LAWRENCE H. JONES POST NO. 190 to be held at the Fort Shelby Hotel, Detroit, on Sunday February 5th 1939, ceremonies to start at 5 P.M.

We would appreciate hearing from you at your earliest convenience in order to place your name on our printed program.

Yours in Comradeship,

Louis R. Miller
Post Adjutant

LRM/HB

Delivered by phone

January 5, 1939

Mrs. Jesse M. Rosenberg
20 Catherine Street
Portland, Maine

My dear Friend:

I understand that you are inaugurating your annual action in behalf of the Youth Aliyah and I hasten to extend to you my heartiest good wishes for success. One of the noblest things which is being done in Jewish life today is the rescuing of Jewish childhood and young manhood and young young womanhood from the horrors and hopelessness which face them in Nazi Germany and in other lands in Central and Eastern Europe where the virus of anti-Semitism and intolerance has spread. If Palestine has justified itself in no other way than in providing a new home and a new hope for thousands upon thousands of Jewish children, it has fully vindicated its place in the affection and gratitude of the Jewish people. There is today no other place in the world that is as fit and prepared to receive large-scale immigration as Palestine. All the preliminary work has been done to make possible the absorption of tens of thousands of newcomers within the economic and social life of the country in quick time. What is required now is the redoubled financial support of Jews throughout the world and an attitude of friendly cooperation on the part of the Mandatory Government which undertook by the terms of its Mandate over Palestine to facilitate Jewish immigration into the country and to assist in the upbuilding of the Jewish Homeland.

I wish you and your organization every success.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Mrs. Jesse M. Rosenberg
20 Catherine St.
Portland, Maine.

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Send the following message, subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to

Jan. 6, 1939

Dr. Felix Frankfurter
Harvard U.
Cambridge, Mass.

My warmest felicitations

Rosa Hilleg Silver

Executive Offices
270 West 89th Street
Phone: Schuyler 4-1400

Temple
257 West 88th Street



CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN
NEW YORK CITY

Founded 1825

January 9, 1939

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

We are grateful for your reservation of our invitation to join the Honorary Committee in connection with the dinner which is to be tendered to our Rabbi, Dr. Israel Goldstein, upon his completion of twenty years of ministry to our Congregation and to the community at large.

Your presence as our guest on Sunday evening, January 22, 1939, at our Community Center, 270 West 89th Street, where the dinner will be held, would give us much pleasure.

We should feel greatly honored if you would consent to address the gathering on that occasion. We look forward to a distinguished program of addresses dealing with important phases of Jewish and communal life as well as American inter-group relations, which will be an inspiring word to those present as well as to those who will listen by radio.

May we have the favor of your affirmative reply?

Sincerely yours,

Charles W. Endel
CHARLES W. ENDEL
President.

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DAVID P. HYMAN
HARRY W. HYMAN

January 9, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver
c/o The Temple
E. 105th and Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I thought you might like to be reminded that Professor Louis Finkelstein will deliver his lectures at Oberlin College on Wednesday, January 11, 1939. A luncheon in his honor is being given by the faculty of the Theological Seminary at the Faculty Club, 105 Elm Street, Oberlin at about 12:30 that noon.

Perchance you could find time to greet him.

Sincerely yours,

David P. Hyman

David P. Hyman/gd

January 10, 1933

Mr. Peter Witt
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Witt:

I received your kind invitation to attend the private screening of Professor Mamlock on January 12. I had the great privilege of seeing the picture in New York City. It was superb. The action of the Ohio Division of Censorship in rejecting the picture is amazing to me unless the members of the Censor Board are receiving their orders from Berlin.

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

EMANUEL HERTZ

COUNSELLOR AT LAW
141 BROADWAY
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January 10th
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Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

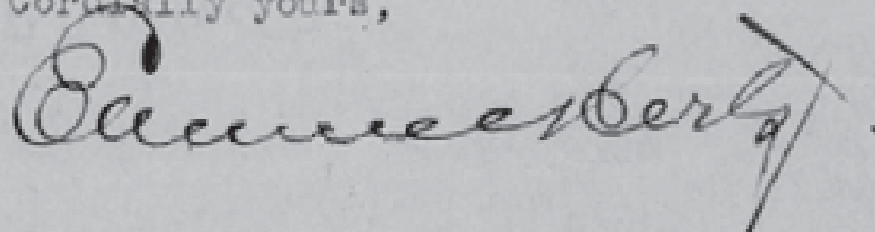
Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I expect to be in Des Moines and Marshalltown, Iowa, on February 10th and as I may be able to stop in Cleveland, I would be very much pleased to address your temple, either the morning of the 12th or some time during the 13th of February.

When we last met, you owed me a criticism of the book and I owed you an address to the congregation as I have only spoken to your junior and senior students.

By the way, a new book of mine will appear during the first week of February which will not only interest Jewish preachers as did the Tribute of the Synagogue, but will also interest preachers of every denomination.

Cordially yours,



EH:FPR

January 12, 1939

Mr. Charles W. Endel, President
Congregation B'nai Jeshurun
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Endel:

Permit me to acknowledge receipt of your kind letter of January 9 and your gracious invitation to address the Testimonial Dinner to Dr. Israel Goldstein on Sunday, January 22.

It would have given me great pleasure indeed to be able to come to New York on that day and to attend the banquet of my good friend and distinguished leader in American Israel. Unfortunately I had accepted, some time ago, an invitation to attend the important conference of the Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds in Baltimore on that day. I plan to occupy my pulpit in the morning and fly to Baltimore in order to be there in time for the evening meeting.

With all good wishes, permit me to remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

ISRAEL ZION HOSPITAL

10th Avenue, 48th to 49th Streets

BROOKLYN, N. Y.

—
BORIS FINGERHOOD
Superintendent

January 15, 1939.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am taking the liberty of presenting to you herewith a situation which is assuming the proportions of a problem in the medical profession of this country, and a proposed solution. I refer to the influx of refugee physicians into our larger cities.

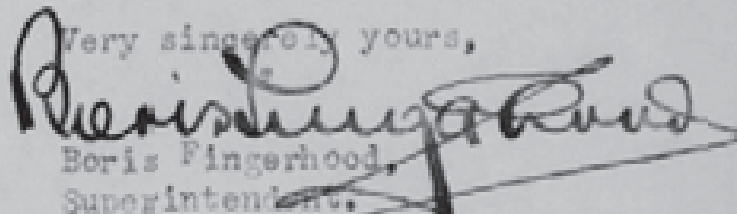
I believe this is a matter that merits careful and sympathetic consideration. Your reaction to the plan as outlined would be deeply appreciated.

Should you be in accord with the plan in principle, would you be willing to cooperate with a national committee for this purpose, in the event such committee is formed?

I shall be very grateful for your early reply.

With kindest regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,


Boris Fingerhood,
Superintendent.

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January 16, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The Ohio Council of Churches is very much interested in making its contribution to stopping any growth of Anti-Semitism in America. We have been for years interested in increasing goodwill between Jews and Christians. While the Ohio Pastors' Convention has been open for sometime to the attendance of Jewish Rabbis, and a very few have attended, we are extending a special invitation this year to sixteen Jewish Rabbis from over Ohio, urging them to attend. You, of course are one of those invited.

I am enclosing a complimentary ticket of admission, which will admit you to all sessions. I am enclosing also a copy of the program. If you will accept this hearty invitation, I will immediately send you a complimentary ticket to the dinner meeting Monday evening at which Everett R. Clinchy and Rabbi Louis Wolsey will conduct an after-dinner conversation, as indicated in the program.

I am fully aware of the fact that you will be somewhat strange in this new and large group but I hope you will make yourself at home and feel one of them. You, at least, will know some of the Protestant clergymen from your own city and that will help you to get better acquainted with a larger group from over the state.

I take it for granted that you will not agree with everything that will be said by the speakers on our program but I find myself in disagreement with many utterances from time to time so we will have much in common at that point.

I hope you will accept this cordial invitation, which comes with the unanimous vote of the Program Committee for the Ohio Pastors' Convention, which is composed of one representative from more than fifty county ministerial associations of the state.

Hoping 1939 is starting off well for you and awaiting your reply to this cordial invitation to join us in our convention, January 30 to February 2, I am

Very cordially yours,

B. F. Lamb
B. F. LAMB

BFL:PH
Encl.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church
requests the pleasure of your presence at a Reception
in honor of their new pastor and his wife
The Rev. Dr. and Mrs. John William Flynn
Thursday Evening, January Nineteenth,
Eight to Ten o'clock
Church Parlor, Euclid Avenue at East Thirtieth

January 20, 1939

Dr. B. F. Lamb, Executive Secretary
The Ohio Council of Churches
44 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio

My dear Dr. Lamb:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of January 18th and for the complimentary card of admission which you sent me to the Ohio Pastors' Convention. I need not tell you that I am deeply grateful for your thoughtfulness and for the beautiful spirit which prompted your thinking of me.

I do not know whether the pressure of duties under which I find myself at present will make it possible for me to attend the sessions of your Convention, but I shall make every effort. Your program is unusually attractive. Some of the speakers who are scheduled to address your body I have had the privilege of hearing and I was profoundly impressed by them.

Again thanking you for your fine and brotherly invitation, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:DK

January 20, 1939

Dr. John William Flynn
The First Methodist Episcopal Church
Euclid Avenue at East Thirtieth
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Flynn:

I have just returned from a week's absence from the city and find on my desk an invitation from the First Methodist Episcopal Church to attend a reception which was given in your honor last evening.

I deeply regret that I was unable to join the throng of your parishioners and your friends in welcoming you to Cleveland. I hope that I shall have the extreme pleasure in the very near future of seeing you. You will find Cleveland a delightful city in which to live and work. I base it on my own twenty-two years of experience in my ministry here. We will, I am sure, have many occasions to work together for great causes which are common to us all.

With all good wishes for peace and happiness,
I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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January 21, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver:

I appreciate your letter with the fine spirit manifested therein. I am glad that there is a possibility that you will be at our convention and I am enclosing a complimentary ticket for the dinner Monday night at the Southern Hotel.

If, and when, you definitely decided that you can come, I will be pleased if you will write me a line to that effect. We will still hope that you will be here.

Cordially yours,

B. F. Lamb
B. F. LAMB

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Jan. 22, 1939

Dr. Israel Goldstein
270 N. 9th
New York, N.Y.

FROM COLLEAGUE TO COLLEAGUE I SEND YOU MY WARMEST GREETINGS ON THIS FINE OCCASION WHEN YOUR OWN PEOPLE AND YOUR HOST OF FRIENDS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY UNITED IN HONORING YOU. YOUR MINISTRY HAS BEEN FRUITFUL AND BLESSED. YOU HAVE GIVEN OF YOUR FINE GIFTS OF HEART AND MIND TO EVERY WORTHY CAUSE IN AMERICAN AND JEWISH LIFE. YOUR LIFE IS AT ITS FULL TIDE OF POWER AND ENTHUSIASM. MAY YOUR COMING YEARS BE DOWERED WITH EVEN GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS. I WISH YOU AND YOUR DEAR ONES ALL HAPPINESS.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER

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January 22, 1939

Charles W. Endel, Pres
cong. Bnai Jeshurun
270 W. 89 St
N.Y.

THE OFFICERS AND CO-WORKERS OF THE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL EXTEND THEIR WARMEST GREETINGS AND FELICITATIONS TO DR. ISRAEL GOLDSTEIN THEIR CO-CHAIRMAN. HIS OUTSTANDING DEVOTED AND UNSELFISH SERVICES TO THE UNITED PALESTINE APPEAL HAVE EARNED FOR HIM THE ADMIRATION AND AFFECTION OF ALL. WE CONGRATULATE HIM ON HIS TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY AS SPIRITUAL HEAD OF THE HISTORIC BNAI JESHURUN CONGREGATION AND WISH HIS CONGREGATION THE ENJOYMENT OF MANY MORE YEARS OF HIS DISTINGUISHED SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE.

ABBA HILLEL SILVER
National Chairman United Palestine Appeal

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The Officers and Trustees
of Temple Beth El

cordially invite you to attend a

Testimonial Dinner

honoring

Dr. Leo M. Franklin

on the occasion of his
Fortieth Anniversary as Rabbi
of the Congregation

Hotel Statler

Sunday, January 22nd, 1929

at 6 p. m.

Dress optional

CHARLES W. ENDEL, *Chairman*
Testimonial Dinner to Dr. Israel Goldstein
270 West 89th Street
New York City

Enclosed please find \$_____ for _____ reservations for the
Testimonial Dinner given in honor of Dr. Israel Goldstein, at the Com-
munity Center, New York, Sunday, January 22, 1989.

Reservations—\$5.00 per person. Tables accommodate ten.

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DANCING

Name_____

Address_____

Please make checks payable to CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN

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Special Anniversary Service
at Temple Beth El
Friday Evening, January 20th, at 8 o'clock

Speaker
Dr. Julian Morgenstern
President, Hebrew Union College

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Banquet Speaker
Dr. Samuel H. Goldenson
Temple Emanu El, New York City

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January 22, 1939

Dr
Rabbi Leo M. Franklin
Hotel Statler
Detroit, Michigan

Please accept my warmest personal felicitations and those of my congregation on this happy occasion when your people and your host of friends throughout the country united in paying you tribute of love and appreciation. Your devotion to the cause of Judaism, your championing of the best in American life and your splendid example of dignified, conscientious and unselfish service have been a blessing not only in your community but throughout the nation.

Abba Hillel Silver

MRS. FRANKLIN JOINS ME IN DEEP
APPRECIATION OF YOUR GREETINGS
AND FELICITATIONS ON THE OCCASION
OF THE FORTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF MY
MINISTRY IN DETROIT. IT IS MY PRAYER
AND MY HOPE THAT IN SOME SMALL
MEASURE I MAY HAVE MERITED THE
GOOD WISHES WHICH YOU SO THOUGHT-
FULLY AND SO GENEROUSLY EX-
PRESSED.

VERY SINCERELY YOURS.

L. M. Franklin

DETROIT, JANUARY 24TH, 1939

Oswald Garrison Villard
No. 20 Vesey Street
New York

January 24, 1939

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I am asked by my publisher to inquire whether you would be interested possibly in having an advance copy of my Memoirs with a view to speaking upon them either from your pulpit or to some group? I confess I do not know whether this is customary or possible for you, but I am bound to forward the request. The book will probably be out the end of March unless it is taken by the Book of the Month Club, in which case publication will doubtless be deferred. I need not say how greatly I should be honored if I felt that you should consider the book worthy of pulpit discussion.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours

Oswald Garrison Villard

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



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TOLEDO, OHIO

January 24, 1939

Miss Bessie Klein,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Bess:

Will you please send me at once the name of the individual or agency with whom the Temple negotiated to bring Mr. Jan Masaryk to Cleveland.

With many thanks for this information and with kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Leon Israel Feuer

LIF-c

January 25, 1939

Rabbi Leon I. Feuer
Collingwood Avenue Temple
Corner Collingwood and Acklin Avenues
Toledo, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Feuer:

Mr. Jan Masaryk's American representative
is:

Edward B. Hitchcock
Somerset Hotel
Boston, Mass.

Be sure to mark the envelope PLEASE FORWARD.

Kindest regards to you and Mrs. Feuer.

Cordially,

Office of the Rabbi
270 West 89th Street

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257 West 88th Street

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CONGREGATION B'NAI JESHURUN

NEW YORK CITY

Founded 1825

January 25, 1939.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

Your message of greeting and felicitation meant much to me. There is no one among the leaders of our work at whose side it has been my privilege to serve whom I respect more highly than you, and whose friendship I treasure more deeply than yours.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Israel Goldstein".

Dr. Israel Goldstein.

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January 27, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Mrs. Harold L. Ickes has suggested that we write to you about Films For Democracy, since she had talked to you about it while she and the Secretary were in Cleveland recently.

Under separate cover, we sent you printed material which will give details on the various phases of our work and the excellent reaction which it has evoked from different sections of the public. In this letter I shall but summarize briefly.

Films For Democracy, a non-profit membership organization, has been founded by a representative group of distinguished American liberals to produce progressive motion pictures which will popularize the idea of Democracy. The purpose of these films is to re-awaken in the hearts of the everyday American --- the habitual movie-goer --- new pride and new love for American democratic institutions and civil liberties.

The cooperation of some of Hollywood's most outstanding progressive scenarists, directors and actors has already been promised. Under their professional guidance, Films For Democracy is preparing to produce dramatic feature pictures which deal with today's social problems in a constructive pro-democratic way, yet at the same time are thoroughly entertaining and have all the comedy, romance and adventure which give the Hollywood product its mass appeal.

We invite you, as a progressive American, to join our Advisory Board. As a member of our Board you assume no obligation beyond whatever degree of cooperation you find convenient to give us.

We hope, however, that you will find it possible to render us the assistance we merit.

Please let me hear from you when you plan to be in New York City, so that we can meet for a chat.

If you deem it wise, I shall be glad to come to Cleveland to confer with you on this matter.

Sincerely yours,
Samuel J. Rodman
SAMUEL J. RODMAN,
Executive Secretary.

SJR:JG:JC

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at the celebration of the

One Hundredth Anniversary

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Friday, Saturday and Monday

January twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth and thirtieth

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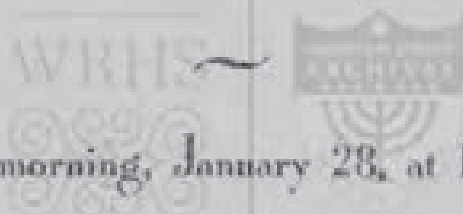
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Rabbi Hillel Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Re: Hansi Benedic

We have your recent letter enclosing correspondence regarding the above case. We have written directly to the interested applicant, and are endeavoring to give the information needed to meet the particular problem.

Thank you for your cooperation in forwarding the material to us so promptly. We have advised the applicant that the inquiry was turned over to us by you.

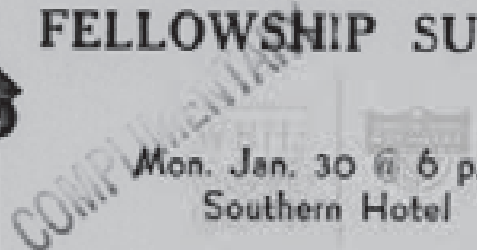

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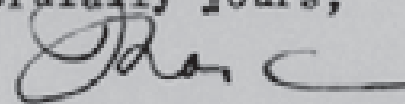
Rabbi A. H. Silver,
10311 Lake Shore Boulevard,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi:

I am today in receipt of the attached letter from Carl J. Austrian, who, as you doubtless know, is a member of the Survey Committee of the American Jewish Fund. Perhaps you will wish to make your response directly to him, or, if not, I shall be delighted to meet with you, at your convenience, and to communicate to him anything you may have to say on the subject.

With kindest personal regards,

Cordially yours,



Encl.
MJG.R

January 31, 1939

Mr. Oswald Garrison Villard
20 Vesey Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Villard:

Let me thank you for your note of January 24. I am happy to learn that you are about to publish your Memoirs. I know that they will be of extreme interest to your many friends throughout the country. Please have your publisher send me an advance copy. I shall be most happy to speak of your book in my pulpit.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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Dr. Kornfeld,
1148 5th Street,
New York City.

Dear Dr. Kornfeld:-

Am enclosing a copy of letter I have written to the Joint Distribution Committee, and I want to add my personal thanks to you for having brought such a wonderful message with a picturization of conditions as you saw them in Eastern Europe.

Needless to say that I enjoyed the personal contact that Mrs. Lobman and I had with you and that we sincerely hope the time will not be far distant when we can again have you in our midst. May I add my personal thanks for your contribution to our community.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

3/h

Jan. 31, 1939.

Joint Distribution Committee,
100 East 42nd Street,
New York City.

Attn: Mr. M. Robert Herman.

Dear Mr. Herman:-

The message of Dr. Kornfeld was received by his audience here in Montgomery with a great deal of interest. Dr. Kornfeld presented to his Montgomery audience a personal picture of what he has seen in his travels over Eastern Europe, and I am sure that I voice the opinion of all those that attended that he presented the facts so realistically that everyone were able to say their future contributions to the cause that so much concerns all of us will be cheerfully given and in greater volume.

I am sure that were we to have a drive at this time for funds that the message of Dr. Kornfeld would be the means of securing more funds for the work at hand.

Expressing our gratitude to you for sending Dr. Kornfeld to us, I am,

Sincerely yours,

3/h

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To: Open Forum Speakers Bureau
From: Jacksonville, Florida Forum
Date: February 6, 1939.

"Dr. Kornfeld was very stimulating and eloquent
and we were very happy to have him with us."



(Signed) Israel L. Kaplan
Chairman

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To: Open Forum Speakers Bureau
From: Dr. George W. Coleman, Founder, Ford Hall Forum, Boston
(from Florida)

Date: February 1, 1939

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OFFICE OF THE
RABBI
JOSEPH L. FINK, Ph. D.

February 1, 1939

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

My dear Friend :

Do you know where I can
reach Jan Masaryk ? I am eager to get him
to speak in Buffalo. Perhaps you could
help me to get him.

With deep personal greetings,

Cordially yours,

Joe

February 1, 1939

Mr. Marc J. Grossman
NBC Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Marc:

Thank you for calling to my attention the letter which you received from Mr. Carl J. Austrian. The situation of which Mr. Joseph P. Loeb, of Los Angeles complains is not unique to Los Angeles. We have met with it in some other communities which are confronted with the problem of satisfying the zealous champions of one agency or another for largely increased subsidies or for capital accounts for new projects.

It is of course both impractical and unwise for the national headquarters of the United Jewish Appeal, or for its officers to interfere in local community situations. We have carefully refrained from doing that right along. You can readily understand the reason for it. We would be charged with meddling in affairs which do not belong to us, with trying to dictate to communities what to do, with partisanship, etc. etc. We have taken the position that each community should determine its own arrangements with reference to its Welfare Fund.

We have, however, made an appeal to all the communities of the United States to remember that American Jewry is confronted, this year, with an emergency situation arising from the desperate plight of our brothers abroad and that all other causes must be subordinated to this major and imperative task.

I am enclosing herewith the statement sent by Rabbi Jonah B. Wise, for the Joint Distribution Committee and by myself, for the United Palestine Appeal, which was sent broadcast throughout the United States, to the officers of all Welfare Fund communities and to many others. On Page three of this statement, you will see that we urge Welfare Fund communities "that any increases in their quotas in this year's campaign should be devoted as a general principle, in their entirety, to the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees and overseas needs. Mr. Loeb has undoubtedly received this statement as well as all his co-workers. He might well use it in defense of the position which he has taken and correctly taken.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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JOHN B. STETSON UNIVERSITY
DeLand, Florida

Office of the President

February 2, 1939

Dr. Joseph S. Kornfeld
1148 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Kornfeld:

I am writing to express again appreciation for your excellent address at the Stetson University Forum, Tuesday afternoon, January 31. Your fine analysis of the subject, "Can America be Neutral", was the best I have ever heard. Scores of people, students and townspeople alike, have expressed deep satisfaction with the address.

I hope we may have the pleasure of hearing you again either on this topic or another.

Every good wish in the great work you are doing.

Sincerely,

Signed: W.S. Allen
President

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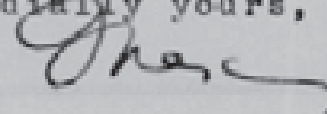
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
The Temple,
East 105th Street at Ansel Road,
Cleveland.

Dear Rabbi:

Thanks very much for your prompt response to
mine of January 31st. I shall see to it that Mr. Austrian
is immediately fully advised in the premises.

With kindest regards and good wishes,

Cordially yours,



MJG:S

February 2, 1939

Dr. Joseph L. Fink
Temple Beth Zion
Delaware Avenue
Buffalo, N.Y.

My dear Joe:

The manager of Jan Masaryk is
Edward B. Hitchcock, Plaza Hotel, New York
City.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

February 3, 1939

Mr. Samuel J. Rodman, Executive Secretary
Films for Democracy
342 Madison Ave.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Rodman:

Let me thank you for your letter of January 27. I think the plan to produce motion pictures which would popularize the idea of democracy is a very good one.

I should be pleased to join your Advisory Board. However, I must warn you, in advance, that I cannot do any fund solicitation for you. You know, of course, that I am National Chairman of the United Palestine Appeal and one of the two Co-Chairmen of the United Jewish Appeal for Refugees which must, this year, raise Twenty Million Dollars. I am devoting every spare hour of my time to this cause and I am refraining from soliciting for other causes, undoubtedly worthy and necessary. With this understanding, if you feel that you want to use my name, you are privileged to do so.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK

February 4, 1939

Judge Emanuel Hertz
141 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

My dear Judge Hertz:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of January 10th. I have been out of the city a good deal of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I regret that it will not be possible for us to have the pleasure of hearing you in The Temple pulpit on February 12th. I scheduled, some time ago, a guest speaker for the pulpit on that day inasmuch as I am to be at Harvard University on the 12th.

I shall look forward with keen interest to the new book which you are publishing.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

February 5, 1939

Dr. Boris Fingerhood, Superintendent
Israel Zion Hospital
10th Ave., 48th to 49th Streets
Brooklyn, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Fingerhood:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of January 15th and for the Memorandum on "The Refugee Physician In America" which you sent me.

I believe that you have touched upon an important matter which ought to command the attention of leaders of our people. I wonder, however, whether the proper organization to which you should refer, is not the National Coordinating Committee whose offices are at 165 West 48th Street, New York City. That organization is close to the entire refugee problem and is being provided with substantial funds to carry on its work. You probably know that out of the 1939 United Jewish Campaign for Refugees, the National Coordinating Committee will receive Two Million Dollars. Consultation with this organization may result in some such plan which you indicate in your letter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

(Please read this at the next meeting of your organization.)

An Invitation

To Help Safeguard and Put Democracy to WORK

Attend

the

Cuyahoga Conference

for

Progressive Legislation

Sunday, February 5, 1939

10 A. M. *until* 6 P. M.

CITY CLUB • *712 Vincent Avenue*

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We hope that your organization will send five delegates. The credential fee for each organization will be \$1 to cover expenses. Will you please send in the enclosed credential blank just as soon as possible to

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Program of the Conference

Sunday, February 5

City Club, 712 Vincent Ave.

10:00 A. M.—Registration of Delegates

11:00 A. M.—General Session

1:00 to 3:30 P. M.—Round Table Committees

3:30 to 6:00 P. M.—Final Session—Reports of Round Tables, Resolutions.
Adjournment.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that

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Signed _____

President or Secretary

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

May I express our pleasure in having you as a sponsor of the Sesquicentennial Celebration? We hope you will find it possible to be with us at the March fourth Conference.

We plan to keep you informed of our progress and hope you will make any suggestions that occur to you.

We are most anxious that this year shall be marked by many activities by all possible groups, designed to reawken public interest in the Bill of Rights; and we hope you will take any steps you can towards this end.

Sincerely yours,


John Perry

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921 Madison Ave.,
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February 7, 1939

Dear Friend:

This note is to tell you that the amount which has been pledged toward the liquidation of the debts of the Religious Education Association is over four thousand dollars. On the basis of this amount, we have been able to make a settlement with all of our creditors, since they are all willing to make very generous contributions to the Association. You will find in our journal a full report of the campaign.

This note is written on behalf of the committee to thank you for your generous contribution, which has been paid in full and which is applied to the first payment to our creditors.

Sincerely yours,

Philip C. Jones

Committee:

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Philip C. Jones, Treasurer

E. M. BAKER
CLEVELAND

February 8th, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver,
The Temple,
East 125th Street,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Dr. Culler has asked me to name approximately fifty Jewish men and women to serve on the Citizens' Committee, sponsoring the Ellman Civic Concert.

Will you be good enough to look over enclosed list of suggested names and let me know if it meets with your approval.

Are there any changes that you think advisable?

Cordially yours,



E. M. BAKER

EMB/FA

February 9, 1939

Mr. Edward M. Baker
Union Commerce Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Ed:

The list of suggested names for the Ellman Concert seems to represent a good cross-section of the entire community.

I am still doubtful, however, as to the advisability of holding the Concert in the large Public Hall. The suggestion made at the first meeting appeared to me far more practical - to concentrate on a smaller auditorium, say Severance Hall or the Public Music Hall. No artist has, in recent years, filled the Public Hall and a hall only partially filled, will prove a disappointment both to the artist and to the cause. Furthermore, in an effort to fill so large a hall, our community will have to be subjected to a noisy newspaper campaign, the organization of ticket sales committees, etc. etc. - all of which quite undesirable both in themselves and in relation to the major effort in which we will be engaged about the same time - the organization of our 1939 Welfare Fund Campaign.

I know that Mr. Goldhamer had similar doubts in mind before he left for the South. I wonder whether the attention of Dr. Culler should not again be called to this matter.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BK

MRS. JESSE M. ROSENBERG

20 Catherine Street Portland, Maine

February 9, 1939.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

Your letter and kind wishes for the success of Youth Aliyah are most appreciated. I have read the letter many times to groups of people in appealing for their support of this project. It has been very helpful.

In Portland we follow the Minyan method of forming groups of ten to share the cost of supporting a child in Palestine for two years. The success of this method depends upon regular and systematic collections while the cost to the individual contributor is still small. We have a large group of women sufficiently devoted to the cause to be willing to make monthly collections. Portland's Minyan members are all women who manage to pay their pledges from their budgets. I am happy to tell you that they are pledged to care for twenty children. We hope to increase this number as each day brings new contributors.

I watch with interest the Joint Jewish Appeal and am confident that it will succeed with you at the helm.

Is it too much to hope that someday your travels will bring you close enough to Portland and that there will be time on your schedule to address an audience here? We are just two hours from Boston and if some arrangement could be made that would fit in with your itinerary I should be pleased to make the necessary arrangements here with all of our local organizations participating.

With kindest regards to you, Mrs. Silver and your family, I am

Sincerely, Ruth Levy Rosenberg

E. M. BAKER
CLEVELAND

February 10, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you for your letter of the
9th.

I am transmitting to Dr. Culler
the considerations suggested in your
note.

I rather inferred however, from
my talk with Dr. Culler the other
day, that plans for the meeting had
been fully chrystalized.

With kindest regards, I am,

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "E. M. Baker", written over a horizontal line.

E. M. BAKER

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February 10, 1939.

Dr. Abba H. Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:-

In connection with the United States Census of Religious Bodies, may I enclose herewith a memorandum on our work. You will please note the requests made by the United States Census Bureau and by the Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies, as well as the resolution adopted by the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

I am sure you will be glad to know that the United States Census Bureau is pleased with our work.

The question of a religious classification in the forthcoming United States population census will not be settled before the end of this year. This dangerous agitation and the matters that are closely tied up with it, discussed in the memorandum, need our closest attention.

I shall thank you if you will peruse the enclosed memorandum, and let me know your reaction.

HSL:B

Very sincerely yours, *as it*

Harry
H. S. LINFIELD, Director

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Division of Adult Education

February 14, 1939

Rabbi A. H. Silver
The Temple
Cleveland

My dear Dr. Silver:-

In a letter dated February 7, Dr. A. Caswell Ellis asked you to prepare a very brief statement of the activities of your organization which would be of interest to out-of-town delegates to the Adult Education Section of the N.E.A. Convention, February 26, 27, 28, and March 1.

Dr. Ellis is very desirous of having this list of announcements collected and organized in the form of a directory just as soon as possible.

So that this may be done, may I request your contribution to this list of activities at the earliest possible moment? Please send this information to the Division of Adult Education, Cleveland Board of Education.

Your assistance in complying with Dr. Ellis's request will be very much appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Harry E. Ritchie

Harry E. Ritchie,
Director of Adult Education.

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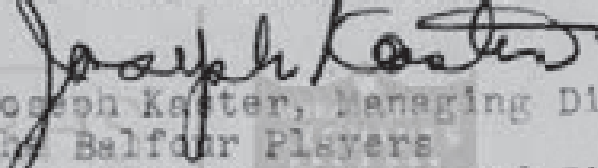
P.S. If you have already complied with this request, please disregard this letter.

(2)

It is our hope that The Balfour Players will serve as the foundation for a national Jewish theatre in America, which will express the past and present of Jewish culture, and which will become a most important medium of Zionist thought and action.

I am sure that you realize the value of our new undertaking, and feel confident that you as one of the great leaders of American Jewry will give us your blessing and your moral support.

Very respectfully yours,


Joseph Kaster, Managing Director
The Balfour Players
The American Theatre of Zionism

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MASADA

YOUTH ZIONIST ORGANIZATION OF AMERICA
... Affiliated with the Zionist Organization of America ...
111 FIFTH AVENUE NEW YORK, N. Y.

February 14, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

A group of young people have recently organized what we believe to be an essential in modern Jewish life--a Jewish national theatre to express Jewish ideals through the medium of the drama. We are calling our group "The Balfour Players, The American Theatre of Zionism." The organization of this Zionist dramatic company was undertaken by Masada, the Youth Zionist Organization of America, and The Education Department of the Zionist Organization of America. We were fortunate in securing as director Mr. Benno Frankel, formerly director of the Staats Theater in Hamburg.

Mr. Frankel was in Palestine since 1934, where he organized the "Teatron Ivri", and was director of the famous "Matateh" troupe. There he produced Shakespeare's "Othello" in Hebrew, initiated a venture in chamber opera, and was director of the Jerusalem Conservatory of Music and Art. Mr. Frankel arrived in New York a few months ago, and the Education Department of the Zionist Organization of America made it possible for him to undertake the direction of The Balfour Players.

At present we are producing "Soil", a play of Modern Palestine in five acts by Martin Rost, a young Palestinian playwright. Mr. Frankel brought the original German script (entitled "Boden") with him from Palestine, and it was translated into English in New York. The play deals with the conflict between a group of private land speculators in Tel Aviv and the ideals of a group of the kibbutz. The problem is presented via the medium of an interesting human situation. We are presented with a vivid picture of the lives, loves and burning problems of young Palestine. The play is a graphic presentation of the modern Palestinian scene.

"Soil" will have its premiere on March 11, 1939 at the Master Institute Theatre in New York, and will run for a series of ten week-end performances. It is planned to have the performances subscribed by various Zionist organizations.



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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Because of its importance at the present juncture, and especially because the attacks upon America and American institutions from foreign sources have increased enormously in recent months, I am taking the liberty of sending you, under separate cover, a copy of NAZI SPIES IN AMERICA, by Leon G. Turrou, which we have just published.

I think you will agree that the facts it discloses need to be given the widest possible publicity. Mr. Turrou shows that the recent Nazi spy trials in New York did no more than scratch the surface--German agents continue at work in this country and we must continue to be on our guard against them. In addition, of course, Mr. Turrou tells a fascinating tale of crime and detection which would cutdo a dozen ordinary "thrillers."

I hope you will find an opportunity to read NAZI SPIES IN AMERICA and to give it such publicity as you can. If, after reading it, you care to send me a short statement giving your reactions to it, I should be most grateful to you.

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bennett A. Cerf".

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WALTON E. COLE, MINISTER
3420 RUSHLAND AVE.

February 17, 1939.

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

I can't begin to tell you how much I enjoyed seeing you at Lowell House. Rev. George E. Cary has just written me from Bradford, Mass. and tells me that you were kind enough to transmit my letter to him. He says: "Rabbi Silver gave us a fine talk. What a splendid fellow he is." And so say a host of your known and unknown followers.

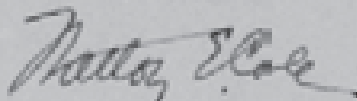
I am lecturing at the Temple in Columbus, Ohio, Sunday evening on: "Defending Ourselves Against False Propaganda."

I saw Prof. Clyde Miller, director of the Propaganda Analysis Institute in New York this week. I am working with him on an analysis of Father Coughlin's technique as a propagandist. The Institute has made a very thorough study in this field, and Prof. Miller has asked me for some editorial service in connection with the forthcoming publication.

With warmest personal greetings, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

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February 17, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

I have been trying to reach you by phone for the past few weeks, and have been unable to reach you.

I am writing this letter concerning our Eighth Annual Yeshiva Banquet.

In the name of the board of directors of the Yeshivath Adath Bnai Israel, I would like to take this opportunity to invite you to attend our banquet, to be held February 26, 1939, at Carmel Hall, as our guest speaker of the evening.

I sincerely hope that you will be able to come. A while back, you told me that if it were possible, and if you were in Cleveland, you would be pleased to attend.

May we anticipate an early reply? Hoping that you will be able to come, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

YESHIVATH ADATH B'NAI ISRAEL

Max Kerman
President

P.S: I would also like to see you on a different matter. Would you please try and give me a few minutes of your time.

M.H.

February 20, 1939

Dr. Walton E. Cole, Minister
The First Unitarian Church
3620 Rushland Ave.
Toledo, Ohio

My dear Dr. Cole:

I was happy to receive your note.
I enjoyed my visit with Reverend Cary greatly.

I shall be very happy to see the results
of the propaganda study which you are making of
Father Coughlin. It is a job which needs to be
done.

Hoping to see you again in the near
future, and with all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BX

JOSEPH S. KORNFELD

New York, N.Y.
February 20, 1939.

Dear Dr. Silver:

Ever since you were good enough to speak to Mr. Henry Montor about me, he favored me with quite a number of speaking engagements for the U.P.A. I have every reason to believe that the reaction to ~~my~~ work was acceptable. While Mr. Robert Herman appears to be very friendly to me, I don't know how I shall fare under the new arrangement. For that reason, I make bold to ask you whether you would not be good enough to let him know that you would be pleased to have him use me as often as possible. I am sure that he could keep me occupied and to the material advantage of the campaign. The enclosed letter from Mr. Lobeman would appear to justify that assumption.

The enclosed comments on my work in the Florida Forum may interest you. If you think well enough of them, you may decide to recommend me to your Men's Club or your Sisterhood. I assure you it would be greatly appreciated.

Thanking you most heartily for your generous efforts in my behalf and with all good wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Joseph S. Kornfeld
Joseph S. Kornfeld
1149 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver
E. 105th St. and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio



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276 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, N. Y.

ISADOR S. WORTH
NATIONAL COMMANDER

February 20, 1939

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

My dear Rabbi:

Permit me to extend to you on behalf of myself and the entire staff of National, sincere thanks for your very fine statement expressing the sympathies of our organization on the passing of Pope Pius XI.

Be assured that your cooperation is appreciated.

With warm regards and best wishes, I am

Most cordially yours;"

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Isid
ISADOR S. WORTH
National Commander

ISW:GS

February 20, 1939

Mr. A. M. Luntz
Harter Bank Building
Canton, Ohio

My dear Friends:

Do you plan to be in Cleveland in the near future? If so, I would greatly appreciate it if you would come to my study for I should very much like to talk over with you the situation with reference to the United Jewish Appeal and Canton's share in it. Perhaps one or two other men of Canton could join you in an informal conference with me. There are certain facts about the campaign which I would like to bring to your attention and I should like to take counsel with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Cleveland Chapter of HADASSAH

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February 21, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver,

As has been the custom in former years, Hadassah is again asking the children of your religious school for their annual contribution to the School Luncheon Fund for Palestine. Your school has always been generous. This year, however, I scarcely need to bring to your attention the necessity of giving to the utmost.

Hadassah has this year, because of the added number of children in Palestine who need our help, doubled its quota for Child Welfare. As you undoubtedly know, the School Luncheon Fund provides not only a hot luncheon daily to 2,000 children but in addition teaches these children diatetics, thus serving as an educational force.

Let us at this season of Purim remind our children in America of their good fortune at being able to live in this blessed land and ask them to share their blessings by sending Shalach Monos to their brothers and sisters in Palestine.

We are enclosing literature telling the story of Hadassah's activities for Child Welfare in Palestine. We will be happy to send you as many copies as you will want for distribution.

Thanking you and the children of your school for your cooperation in this worthy cause for our children in Palestine, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Marion H. Strauss

Mrs. Abraham Strauss, President
Cleveland Chapter of Hadassah

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Temple B'rith Rodesh

117 GIBBS STREET
Rochester, N. Y.

THE RABBI'S STUDY

Feb. 23, 1939

Dear friend,

We are thinking of inviting Jan Masaryk for a big public meeting in Rochester under the auspices of our Sisterhood. I know that you had him at your Temple recently and therefore I am writing to inquire what your experience with him was. Did he draw a very large audience and was he effective in his address? Did you have to pay him five hundred dollars which is the fee quoted by Pest, his agent, or is it possible to secure him for a lower sum? I will be grateful if you will answer these questions and also will offer any suggestions on the basis of your experience with him that you think would be helpful.

That was a magnificent address that you delivered in Cincinnati. It reads as well as it sounded.

Best wishes.

As ever,



February 24, 1939

Rabbi Philip Bernstein
Temple E'rith Kodesh
117 Gibbs Street
Rochester, N.Y.

My dear Bernstein:

He paid Masaryk his customary honorarium of \$500. He charged admission to his lecture - twenty-five cents to members, and fifty cents to non-members. There were about twelve hundred in attendance. He is a pleasant and appealing speaker and makes a good impression. There is nothing new in what he says, but because of his background and the interest which people have at the moment in the Munich Affair, there is particular weight to what he says.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BX

Ohio Senate
Columbus

LEO M. ASCHERMAN
TWENTY-FIFTH DISTRICT
1108 N. B. C. BUILDING
CLEVELAND

2/28/39.

My Dear Rabbi:

Please note the proposed change in Sec. 1272 "2" of the enclosed bill. This measure first came to my attention to-day when it passed the Senate. It has been sent to the House where it will be referred to committee.

I would appreciate the benefit of your judgment on the proposed amendment to the law.

With kindest regards,

Cordially
Leo

MR. PHILLIPS

A BILL

To amend sections 1270, 1272, 1282 and 12699 of the General Code, relative to the educational requirements for admission to examination for license to practice medicine and surgery in Ohio and the distribution of fines collected for violation of statutes regulating the practice of medicine and surgery.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio.

2 SECTION 1. That sections 1270, 1272, 1282 and 12699 of the General
3 Code be amended to read as follows:

4 Sec. 1270. ***1** The state medical board shall appoint an entrance*
5 *examiner who shall not be directly or indirectly connected with a medical*
6 *college and who shall determine the sufficiency of the preliminary educa-*
7 *tion of an applicant for admission to the examination. The minimum*
8 *requirement shall be two years of collegiate work in an approved college*
9 *of arts and sciences in addition to high school graduation. In the absence*
10 *of the foregoing qualifications, the entrance examiner may examine the*
11 *applicant to overcome deficiencies. When the entrance examiner finds the*
12 *preliminary education of the applicant sufficient, he shall issue a certificate*
13 *of preliminary examination upon the payment to the treasurer of the state*
14 *medical board of a fee of three dollars. Such certificate shall be attested*
15 *by the secretary of the board.*

16 The applicant must also produce a diploma from a medical institu-
 17 tion in the United States in good standing as defined by the board at the
 18 time the diploma was issued, or a diploma or license approved by the board
 19 conferring the full right to practice all branches of medicine or surgery
 20 in a foreign country.

21 Sec. 1272. ****2**** The state medical board shall admit to the exam-
 22 ination an applicant holding the credentials set forth in section 1270, ex-
 23 cept that an applicant holding a diploma or license conferring on him the
 24 right to practice all branches of medicine and surgery in a foreign country
 25 shall not be given entrance to the examination unless the country issuing
 26 such diploma or license extends a like privilege to an applicant licensed
 27 to practice medicine and surgery in the state of Ohio.

28 Sec. 1282. ****3**** When a physician or surgeon licensed by the
 29 licensing department of another state, a territory or the District of Co-
 30 lumbia or a diplomate of the national board of medical examiners wishes
 31 to remove to this state to practice his profession, the state medical board
 32 may, in its discretion, issue to him a certificate to practice medicine or
 33 surgery in Ohio without requiring the applicant to submit to examination,
 34 provided he meets the requirements for entrance as set forth in section
 35 1270 and section 1272. The fee for registration in this manner shall be
 36 fifty dollars. Application shall be made on a form prescribed by the board.

37 Sec. 12699. All fines collected under the next five preceding sections
 38 shall be ****4**** distributed as follows: one-half to the state medical board
 39 and one-half to the treasury of the county or municipality in which the
 40 offense was committed.

41 SECTION 2. That existing sections 1270, 1272, 1282 and 12699 of
 42 the General Code be, and the same are hereby repealed.

The following matter eliminated from the present law — see corre-
 sponding numbers with asterisks in body of bill:

- 4 1. The state medical board shall appoint an entrance examiner who shall not be directly or indirectly connected with a medical college and who shall determine the sufficiency of the preliminary education of applicants for admission to the examination. The following preliminary educational credentials shall be sufficient:

A diploma from a reputable college granting the degree of A.B., B.S., or equivalent degree.

A diploma from a legally constituted normal school, high school or seminary, issued after four years of study.

A teacher's permanent or life certificate.

A student's certificate of examination for admission to the freshman class of a reputable literary or scientific college.

In the absence of the foregoing qualifications, the entrance examiner may examine the applicant in such branches as are required for graduation from a first-class high school of this state, and to pass such examination shall be sufficient qualification. If the entrance examiner finds that the preliminary education of the applicant is sufficient, he shall, upon payment to the treasurer of the state medical board of a fee of three dollars, issue a certificate thereof, which shall be attested by the secretary of the state medical board.

The applicant must also produce a certificate issued by the entrance examiner and a diploma from a legally chartered medical institution in the United States, in good standing, as defined by the board, at the time the diploma was issued, and which institution, subsequent to May 1, 1913, requires for admission for the degree of M. D., to such institution, a preliminary education equal to that required for graduation from a first grade high school in this state, or a diploma or license approved by the board which conferred the full right to practice all branches of medicine or surgery in a foreign country.

21 2. If the state medical board finds that the applicant has obtained any one of the credentials necessary for admission to the examination, that his diploma is genuine and granted by a legally chartered medical institution in the United States in good standing as determined by the board, or that his license is genuine and confers upon him full right to practice all branches of medicine or surgery in the foreign country in which he obtained it and of a standard approved by the board, that the person named in the diploma or license is the person holding and presenting it and is of good moral character, the board shall admit such applicant to an examination.

28 3. The state medical board may dispense with the examination of a physician or surgeon, duly authorized to practice medicine or surgery in another state, a territory or the District of Columbia, who wishes to remove from such state, territory or district and reside and practice his profession in this state, upon his complying with the following conditions:

Such physician or surgeon shall make an application on a form prescribed by the board, pay a fee of fifty dollars and present a certificate or license issued by the medical board thereof; provided the laws of such state, territory or district require of physicians and surgeons practicing therein qualifications of a grade equal to those required of physicians and surgeons practicing in Ohio, and equal rights are accorded by such state, territory or district to physicians and surgeons of Ohio holding a certificate from the state medical board who desire to remove to reside and practice their profession in such state, territory or district.

38 4. paid to the state medical board.

March 7, 1939

Mr. Alexander Mintz
Standard Building
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Mintz:

Rabbi Silver has requested me to send
you the enclosed article which appeared in the
Jewish Telegraphic Agency Bulletin of March 6.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.



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Euclid Ave. and East 97th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

GORDON E. BIGELOW
MINISTER

March 8, 1939

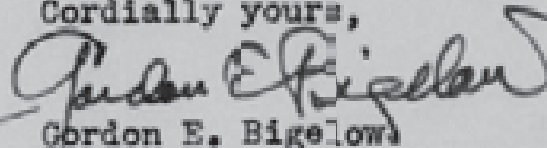
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
E. 106 & Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio
Dear Rabbi Silver:

The enclosed communication was sent to me by Dr. Karl Langer. It is another illustration of the terrible condition of persecution under which many fine people are having to live in these days. I am sending it on to you thinking that you may have access to some individuals or groups who may be in a position to help Dr. and Mrs. Langer in reestablishing their residence. I presume that you receive many such communications.

I thought that was a very fine and inspiring service in the Epworth Methodist Church some time ago in which you brought a remarkable message. I am indeed grateful for the way in which many of the Christian and Jewish faiths are standing shoulder to shoulder for the inalienable rights of personality, conscience and religious freedom.

My very best wishes to you always in the great work which you are doing.

Cordially yours,


Gordon E. Bigelow

GEB:DM
ENC.

March 8, 1939

Mr. S. D. Wise
The Arco Co.
7301 Bessemer Ave.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Wise:

Enclosed herewith is the letter, in duplicate
and notarized, regarding Joseph and Rosa David which
Rabbi Silver wrote on June 27, 1938.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK
Enc. - 2

Secretary to Rabbi Silver

March 9, 1939

Reverend Gordon E. Bigelow
Church of the Master
Euclid Avenue and E. 97th St.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Reverend Bigelow:

Let me thank you for your letter of March 8. I read the enclosed communications from Dr. Karl Langer with great sorrow. I do not know what, if anything, can be done by me or by our Refugee Committee here in the city. We have been deluged with requests from all parts of Germany. Those who are able, are signing affidavits for near and distant relatives. I shall, however, send on the letters of Dr. Langer to our Central Office and ask them if anything can be done. I am sure that the Office will communicate with you.

Thank you so much for the fine things which you say about the meeting at the Epworth Methodist Church and the address which I delivered there. I thought that the meeting was one of the most moving and impressive meetings I ever attended.

With all good wishes and hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you and knowing you better, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

March 9, 1939

Mrs. Miriam Jacobs, Secretary
Cleveland Co-ordinating Committee for Refugees
Huron-Sixth Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Jacobs:

I am enclosing herewith a letter which I received from Rev. Bigelow, minister of the Church of the Master with the enclosed communications which explain themselves. I wonder if anything can be done in this case.

I would appreciate it if you would communicate with Rev. Bigelow one way or another.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:EK
Enc.

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March 11, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Because of the inability of the leading public officials to participate at this time in our Sesquicentennial Celebration of the Bill of Rights, we have been obliged to postpone the main New York meeting from this month until October 13th next. We expect at that time to have their cooperation and to give the New York gathering the significance it deserves.

The function will be appropriate at that time because the Bill of Rights was not actually submitted to Congress until September 1789.

Meanwhile we are encouraging local groups throughout the country to put on their own celebrations as occasion permits.

If you have no objection, we will continue to use your name as among the sponsors for the national event in New York.

With appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

Harry F. Ward

HFW:GB



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Bulletin No. 395

March 13, 1939

Order of Amaranth, will hold an International Convention of its Supreme Council in Cleveland June 25-28, 1939. To meet expenses of the convention and to publicize the event, a paper, the "Amaranth Tidings", will be issued monthly, March through June. Advertising in this paper is being sold by a professional telephone solicitor assisted by collectors, one of whom is reported to be a member of the Order.

Your Committee disapproves this appeal because of the telephone method of solicitation.

American Committee for Jewish Palestine Participation in the New York World's Fair has appointed a Cleveland representative to sell tickets of admission to the Palestine Pavilion at the Fair. Funds thus obtained are to be used in completing construction of the Fair buildings, and are being raised by the Jewish people, without the support of any government. The Cleveland manager of the ticket sale will install telephones in his office, for his solicitors. Commissions will be paid, and other expenses up to 25% of total revenue are said to be allowed by the American Committee. Jewish people, and others, will be solicited.

The use of the telephone in this ticket sale cannot be approved by your Committee, despite assurances that the appeal to the general public will be limited.

Cleveland Industrial Council (C.I.C.) "1939 Yearbook", to be distributed at a banquet and dance, April 22nd, 1939. Advertising and publication are being handled by the publisher of the "Cleveland Union Leader", the weekly journal endorsed by the Council. He has assigned his staff of telephone solicitors to the project. Space is being sold, and a "patron's listing" is urged as a second choice.

Your Committee disapproves this solicitation because of the telephone method, with its inherent high cost and other objectionable features frequently mentioned in prior bulletins.

Irish American Civic Association, -- annual St. Patrick's Day edition of the "Irish American" and annual St. Patrick's Day parade. Funds for this publication and the event are being raised by the professional telephone solicitor employed in previous years.

Your Committee disapproves this solicitation because of the telephone method, with its inherent high cost and other objectionable features frequently mentioned in prior bulletins.

COMMITTEE ON SOLICITATIONS

March 15, 1939

Dr. Joseph S. Kornfeld
1148 Fifth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Kornfeld:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter. I have been away from Cleveland most of the time and my correspondence has accordingly lagged.

I shall, of course, be glad to speak to Mr. Robert Herman about you. I am very happy to know of the effectiveness of your mission wherever you go.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ahs:bk

March 15, 1939

Mrs. Abraham Strauss
2961 No. Park Blvd.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Marion:

I am enclosing herewith a letter from a lady in Coshocton, Ohio, who wants some advice with regard to organizing the Jewish women of that city in behalf of Youth Aliyah or some other worthy project. I am sure that you can give her some helpful suggestions.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX
Enc.

March 15, 1939

Mrs. Miriam Jacobs, Secretary
Cleveland Co-ordinating Committee for Refugees
Huron-Sixth Bldg.
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mrs. Jacobs:

I am enclosing herewith another batch of letters, one of which was sent to me by Professor H. S. Woodward, head of the Department of Speech at Western Reserve University. I would suggest that you communicate with him and give him an idea of the status of things today.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK



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To Guarantors:-

Next Monday night, March 20th, the Sherwin-Williams Company, in cooperation with the Northern Ohio Opera Association, is presenting a gala Pre-Opera Concert in Public Auditorium.

Brief stories of the operas will be given by Milton Cross, famous NBC announcer, while a sextette of artists from the Metropolitan Opera Association will sing favorite selections from the operas which are to be presented here. Wilfred Pelletier, of the Metropolitan's outstanding conductors, and Boris Goldovsky, of the Cleveland Institute of Music, will be at the concert grand pianos.

While there is to be no admission charge for the Concert, admission will be by ticket only. We are happy to enclose for your use two tickets in a special reserved section. It is our sincere hope that you will be able to use them.

Cordially yours,

HAROLD J. MISKELL,

Manager

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March 16, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are sending you under another cover an advance
copy of Oswald Garrison Villard's FIGHTING YEARS: MEMOIRS OF A
LIBERAL EDITOR. Publication is scheduled for April 6.

We understand that Mr. Villard has already written
you about the book, and we are glad to hear of your interest in
it. Any comments, at your convenience, would be most welcome.

Yours sincerely

William K. Taylor

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DAVID PHILIPSON
RABBI ROCKDALE AVENUE TEMPLE
CINCINNATI, OHIO

March 16
1939

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

Dear Abba:

Possibly you met or heard Dr. Kurt Wilhelm during the Convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in Cincinnati in January. Dr. Wilhelm is rabbi of the liberal or reform Congregation in Jerusalem.

Whatever differences of opinion adherents of liberal or reform Judaism may have on the subject of political Zionism, I feel sure that all of us are agreed in the feeling that there is a great need for our liberal interpretation of Judaism in Palestine.

There are now three congregations in that land, in Jerusalem, Haifa and Tel Aviv. They are all struggling for existence. Naturally, they look to us in America for aid in these critical times. The World Union for Progressive Judaism is sponsoring the Palestine movement. Rabbi Samuel Wohl of Cincinnati has been appointed Chairman of a Committee to raise funds.

Personally, I am keenly interested in this effort. I am writing you to do what you can in securing financial help. This is missionary work in the best and highest sense. The three liberal rabbis in Palestine, Wilhelm, Elk and Rosenberg sorely need our assistance. Surely we will not fail them. As the Dean of American Reform Rabbis, I urge your earnest and effective cooperation.

Sincerely and fraternally yours,

David Philipson

DP:HR

March 18, 1939

Mr. Edgar J. Kaufmann, President
General Jewish Council
Kaufmann Department Store
Pittsburgh, Pa.

My dear Mr. Kaufmann:

I am wondering whether something can not be done to discourage the numerous Jewish organizations from bestowing honors on the President. First it was a gold medal by the American Hebrew; now it is a Torah Scroll by the Young Israel; and tomorrow it will be, I presume some other decoration by some other lodge or newspaper or group. If continued, I am afraid this practice will become embarrassing to the President, if it has not already. It is also quite undignified from the Jewish point of view - an unconscious survival of a practice common throughout the Middle Ages.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:BK

Cleveland Chapter of HADASSAH

10616 EUCLID AVENUE



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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Rabbi
The Temple,
Cleveland, O.

My dear Rabbi Silver:

The matter of Mrs. Ida Abel's letter is of course a regional one, not one that can be handled by a local chapter. It is for just such cases — and others — that the Region exists.

Therefore, with your approval, I shall forward her letter to the president of the Central States group, and let her help Mrs. Abel to organize either a small chapter of Hadassah or a minyan for youth Aliyah or whatever project most appeals to the Women of Cohecton.

Cordially and gratefully yours,

Marion Strauss.

March 19, 1934.

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TELEPHONE GHELSEA 3-8700

March 21, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Sir:

Several years ago I had the good fortune to purchase for my personal library a copy of your book entitled "Religion in a Changing World", published by Richard R. Smith, Inc., New York. I would like you to know that I read your book and re-read sections of it with great interest and profit. In fact, I have made inquiry as to what other of your work is available in published form, but unfortunately I cannot locate your publisher, nor have I, up to this time, been able to find out if anything else you have written is available.

The purpose of my writing is to express thanks for the splendid help your book has been to me and to inquire whether other of your writings can be obtained. Please be assured any information at your disposal, in response to my request, will be gratefully received.

Faithfully yours,

George Darby
GEORGE DARBY
LT.-COLONEL

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March 22

1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your letter addressed to Mr. Edgar Kaufmann
has been turned over to me.

The Council takes the same point of view
that you do on the subject of medals, etc.
given to the President or other prominent
people.

The question of how the practice should be
discouraged is not so easy of solution and
while we have no formula for stopping these
presentations, through personal efforts of
members of the Council we are trying to dis-
courage these activities when we hear about
them.

If you have any suggestions as to effective
method, we would like to hear it.

Sincerely yours,

George Backer

GEORGE BACKER

Vice-Chairman

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SZOLD & BRANDWEN
30 BROAD STREET
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March 22, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Silver:-

I got home last Wednesday and delayed answering your letter of March 9 for a few days in order to see if I could possibly arrange to come out to Cleveland. I should like to visit you there. I find it, however, impossible. I have not been able to read all the mail which has accumulated while I was away.

With kindest personal regards to you
and your lady,

Sincerely yours,

Robert Szold

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Robert Szold
New York, N.Y.

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THE TEMPLE
EAST 105TH ST AT ANSEL ROAD
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CHARGE TO: PALESTINE ENDOWMENT FUNDS INC. 30 BROAD ST

March 23, 1939

Mr. Hiram Rivitz
Industrial Rayon Corporation
W. 98th and Walford
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Friend:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the article by Mr. Grover C. Hall. Some good friend from Montgomery had sent it to me some time ago. I read it with the keenest pleasure. It is a courageous, thoughtful and challenging article.

With all good wishes and hoping that you are in good health and in good spirits, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

P.S. Will it be possible for you to attend the meeting on April 2nd which Governor Lehman of New York has called? I understand that you have been invited by the Governor. It will be a very important meeting. All the leaders of American Jewry will be there.

March 24, 1939

Miss Cecilia Razovsky, Executive Director
National Coordinating Committee
185 West 48th St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Razovsky:

I am in receipt of the enclosed
two letters from Mr. W. J. Tooley of Wyoming.
I do not, of course know what to do about it.
Perhaps you do. Will you kindly communicate
with Mr. Tooley?

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ARS:BX

March 24, 1939

Mr. George C. Bensinger
176 E. Bacon Street
Pottsville, Pa.

My dear Mr. Bensinger:

In reply to your letter of March 18,
permit me to state that your request for Rabbi Silver's
address on the Message of Israel program has been
forward to the headquarters in New York. As soon
as the address is printed, I am sure they will send
you a copy.

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

March 24, 1939

Colonel George Darby, Secretary
The Salvation Army
120-130 W. 14th St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Colonel Darby:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of March 21. I appreciate greatly what you say about my book "Religion in a Changing World." I have not written any books since. My time has been so greatly occupied with many other tasks. I hope to be able to get a book into print before very long.

With all good wishes, permit me to
remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

Harry Richmond
wire congratulations sent

The Rabbi and Board of Directors of
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Wichita, Kansas

invite you to attend the

Golden Jubilee Service

Friday, March twenty-fourth

and the

Golden Jubilee Dinner

Sunday, March twenty-sixth

in Commemoration of the Fiftieth Anniversary
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Golden Jubilee Service

Friday evening, March twenty-fourth

at eight o'clock

Temple Emanu-El

Dr. Louis L. Mann, Speaker



Golden Jubilee Dinner

Sunday evening, March twenty-sixth

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Ball Room, Hotel Allis

Dr. Felix A. Levy, Speaker

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March 27, 1939

Miss Helen K. Taylor
Harcourt, Brace and Company
383 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Taylor:

I have received the advance copy of
Oswald Garrison Villard's "Fighting Years" which
you kindly sent me.

It has been an exciting experience to read this
autobiography of one who more than any other man of
our generation has remained unswervingly true to the
classic traditions of American democracy. "Fighting
Years" is a superb record of the reaction of an
alert mind, a compassionate heart and an intrepid spirit
to the surging and turbulent movements in world affairs
in the last four decades. Mr. Villard sheds new and
revealing light upon many events, particularly upon
many of the great personalities who helped to shape
or mis-shape our world. It is one of the great
documents of our day.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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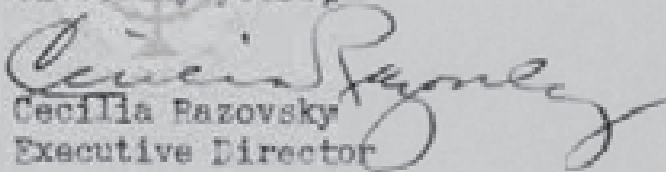
March 29, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We have received your two letters
from Mr. W. J. Tooley of Wyoming and have referred
these to our Agricultural Committee, who will immediately
make reply.

Sincerely yours,


Cecilia Razovsky
Executive Director

CR:BH

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April 5, 1939

Hugh Salpeter
Wm Penn Hotel
Pittsburgh, Pa.

WRHS



I will be pleased to come to Pittsburgh April 20
for special gifts committee meeting provided you
think the meeting is of sufficient importance
to warrant my coming.

Abba Hillel Silver

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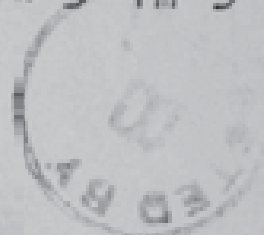
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April 7, 1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi:

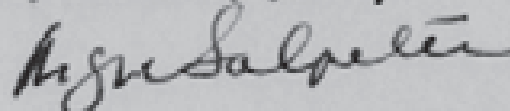
Thank you very much for your telegram of April 5. I think it would be an imposition on the part of the Pittsburgh community to ask you to attend the Special Gifts Committee meeting because, as arrangements now stand, fund-raising will be done on April 12 and 13 in two prominent Pittsburgher's homes.

My feelings in the matter are now fully shared by Mr. Oliver M. Kaufmann, the chairman, and both of us want to sincerely thank you for the promptness of your reply and for the sacrifice you would have had to make in coming to Pittsburgh on April 20.

All of us are deeply grateful for your offer of assistance, but we feel that your time is much too valuable to waste on a stimulation meeting when most of the funds will already be in.

Mr. Kaufmann as well as I send our warm personal regards.

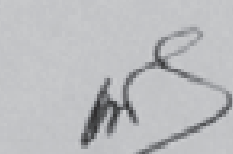
Very sincerely yours,



High Salpeter
Campaign Director

HS:AG

The meeting for the 20th since it would serve no purpose, except for stimulation, has been cancelled.



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April 7, 1939

Rabbi A.H. Silver
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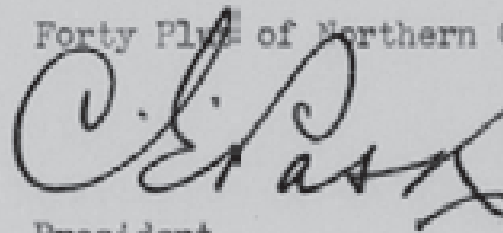
Dear Rabbi Silver:

In behalf of the membership of Forty Plus of Northern Ohio, we wish to express our sincere appreciation for the cordial and courteous interview given to our member Mr. L.B. Simonds who called to solicit your interest in acting as a sponsor of our organization.

We are extremely grateful for the interest you evidenced to Mr. Simonds and we hope that further discussion with you along this line will result in favorable action on your part.

Sincerely yours,

Forty Plus of Northern Ohio



President

Forty Plus of Northern Ohio

WHAT IT IS:

The Forty Plus of Northern Ohio is the organized effort of executives over 40 years old who are working to re-establish themselves in industry by their own co-operative action. Forty Plus is non-commercial, non-sectarian and non-political in every sense of the word.

OBJECTIVES:

1. To help re-establish in industry executives over 40 years old.
2. To show that it is advantageous for employers to eliminate arbitrary age deadlines that discriminate against men over 40.
3. To demonstrate to employers and the public that this type of man, with a creditable record of business achievement, is a valuable and economic asset to any organization.

MEMBERSHIP:

Forty Plus membership is open to any executive whose record of business ability and experience demonstrates that they are capable of filling positions of responsibility which merit suitable compensation. Membership in Forty Plus of Northern Ohio is available to unemployed men whose background of business experience includes the essential qualifications. No membership dues, or placement charges, are required of the members. Each applicant is required to submit a complete business record of accomplishment before any action can be taken upon his application.

ORGANIZATION:

The active planning and management of Forty Plus is vested in the Board of Governors, with the execution of the Club's objectives being delegated to Committees.

The Personnel Committee is responsible for passing on admissions — study analysis and recommendations pertaining to member personnel histories.

The Marketing Committee is responsible for the preparation of data for the sales organization's use in properly and understandingly presenting the qualifications of members to employers. The Marketing Committee is, in reality, the sales organization and is authorized to call upon any member for assistance.

The Public Relations Committee is responsible for the study and preparation of all material being used that may affect public and employer reaction.

BOSTON YOUTH ALIYAH COMMITTEE
OF HADASSAH

April 11, 1939.

Rabbi Hillel Silver
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:-

We are very happy to submit to you an outline of the procedure we have adopted in Boston for the organization of "Minyanim" to raise money for Youth Aliyah.

You will find this outline rather detailed, but it is, of course, flexible. In adapting our system for use in the Middle West, you may wish to make changes and improvements. If you do, please let us know so that we may benefit by your experience and make our work here more effective.

We hope that you will have great success and that you will raise large sums to rescue our persecuted Jewish Youth from the

horrors of Central Europe and transport them
to the hope and opportunity of Palestine.

Sincerely yours,

(Mrs. J. S.) Sayde Z. Gordon.

(Mrs. Paul) Sylvia J. Drepper

CO-CHAIRMAN OF YOUTH ALIYAH

(Mrs. Lewis) Mildred L. Goldberg
President

BOSTON ORGANIZATION FOR MINYANIM

I. A General Chairman of Youth Aliyah

To be appointed by Hadassah Chapter President, preferably a woman not actively identified with any particular cause or organization, but socially prominent and energetic.

Duties:

1. Invite group of important women for tea.
 - (a) Presidents of all organizations.
 - (b) Representatives of all local organized groups: sisterhoods, welfare, social, political, and auxiliaries. In cities where there is no Junior Hadassah, contact youth organizations.
2. Choose a few women speakers with poise and good contacts to address every group in the community.
3. Contact wealthy individuals and representatives of Family, Endowment, Family Remembrance and Trust Funds for large contributions.
4. Contact Board of Directors or organizations, and ask for privilege to speak to them and form "Minyanim."
 - (a) Contact men's groups, if advisable, in your community.
5. Contact bridge clubs, reading clubs, sewing clubs, and study and cultural groups. (Our best results come from this source because the groups are already formed, the women meet regularly, and the women pay at the meetings.)

II. A General Youth Aliyah Treasurer

To receive all monies from the district chairmen.

III. A General Youth Aliyah Secretary

To keep record of all individual contributors, Captains of Minyanim, and names and addresses of women of each Minyan.

IV. A Chairman for Large Contributions.

This chairman is to assist General Chairman in obtaining large donations.

V. A Chairman of Minyanim

To act as Supervisor over captains and assist the General Chairman.

VI. District Chairmen

Each to supervise a designated section of the city.

Duties:

1. Divide districts into streets.
2. Make list of names of Jewish women on the street.
3. Appoint a captain of each street. Where there are a few families on the street, the captain may be assigned to more than one street.

VII. Captains:

Duties:

1. Make regular weekly or monthly collections.
2. At end of each week or month turn money over to District Chairman, who in turn gives money to the General Treasurer.
3. Form Minyan groups as follows:-
 - (a) Most popular group is one of ten women who promise to pay 35¢ per week, or \$1.50 per month.
 - (b) Wealthier women form groups who pay \$1.00 per week, 75¢ per week, or 50¢ per week.
 - (c) Groups of women whose budget is limited form "double Minyanim" or a group of 20 women who pay 18¢ per week. In such groups two captains should be appointed. It is suggested that a captain be responsible for not more than ten women.

VIII. Instructions to Speakers:

- A. Speakers should be thoroughly familiar with details of Youth Aliyah program, such as
 1. The urgency of the prompt rescue of refugee children.
 2. The unlimited cooperation of Great Britain in granting certificates limited only by our capacity to raise funds.
 3. The amount of money necessary for each child. It takes exactly \$15.00 per month for two years, totalling \$360.00, the amount necessary to support, educate and train one child in Palestine.
 4. How children are placed, and what they do after the two-year apprenticeship under Youth Aliyah.
- B. After giving short talk on program, enlist volunteer workers. Suggest one woman to be responsible for the Youth Aliyah activity in her organization, and urge immediate formation of Minyanim.
- C. Impress upon your audience that there is a group suited to every budget.

IMPORTANT: Make it clear that all money raised for Youth Aliyah goes intact to Palestine. Hadassah defrays all administrative expenses from dues of its members.

Publicity should be very carefully supervised. We have not resorted to the general press at all, but have limited ourselves to the medium of our anglo-Jewish weekly. Personal contacts rather than printed propaganda have given best results. Thus this work which must be carried on day in and day out never takes on the form of a campaign or drive and should not, therefore, interfere with any drive for local or overseas funds.

NOTE: In Quincy, Mass., we have a voluntary non-Jewish Minyan. Each community decides on its own policy regarding non-Jewish groups.

The following reports suggest how Youth Aliyah was launched in some other cities in Massachusetts.

WORCESTER: Jewish Population, Approximately, 20,000.

A Youth Aliyah Sunday night supper at a hotel was attended by about 700 men and women who paid \$5.00 per person. This affair was to discharge Worcester's obligation to Youth Aliyah.

The speaker capitalized this unusual opportunity, and described in detail the success of the "Minyan" idea; The result was a veritable landslide. Six people gave a child each, fifteen "Minyanim" were formed there and then at the supper, and now workers are combing the streets of Worcester in the method evolved in Boston.

In this way, Worcester is saving many more children than we had dared hope for.

FALL RIVER: Jewish Population, Approximately 900 Families.

A Youth Aliyah luncheon was planned at which there were about 300 women at \$2.50 per plate. This affair was to discharge Fall River's obligation to Youth Aliyah.

The Boston Youth Aliyah Chairman spoke and explained the workings of "Minyanim" and through the excellent cooperation of the Fall River Youth Aliyah Chairman and Committee, Fall River is taking care of thirty-seven (37) children.

This shows how enthusiastic people become when they understand that by a small weekly contribution they can definitely help in saving the Jewish Youth from Central Europe.

Note: It is interesting to note that some men who were in an adjoining room heard about the "Minyanim" are cooperating with the women in forming groups.

Suggestions: In order to bring out more people to form more "Minyanim," do not have too expensive a luncheon or supper.

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April 11, 1939.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
National Chaplain
Jewish War Veterans of the United States,
The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

On behalf of the Department of Connecticut Jewish War Veterans of the United States, I take pleasure in extending to you a cordial invitation to attend the convention business sessions Sunday, May 28th, as well as the annual convention banquet Sunday evening on the same date at 6:30 P. M. at the Hotel Bond, Hartford, Connecticut.

Yours in comradeship,

Milton H. Richman

M. H. RICHMAN
Department Commander



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Hartford's famed Charter Oak in 1687, Connecticut's charter was hidden and preserved from seizure by agents of James II.

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April 12, 1939

Mr. Samuel Friedman, National Vice-Commander
Jewish War Veterans of the United States
910 Second National Bldg.
Akron, Ohio

My dear Mr. Friedman:

I have this day written to Rabbi Lazon, of
Baltimore, asking him to interest himself in the Jewish
War Veteran's Post in Baltimore and to speak to the
other Rabbis about it.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very Sincerely yours,

AHS:BX

April 12, 1939

Mr. Morris Stone, Commander
Jewish War Veterans Post No. 127
108 N. Eighth Street
Saint Louis, Mo.

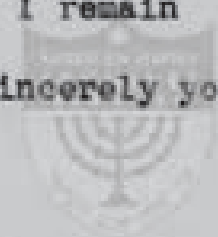
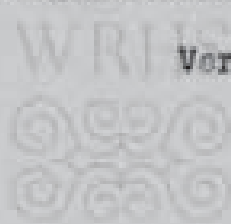
My dear Mr. Stone:

I shall write to some people in Kansas City asking them to assist in the work of organizing a Post in that city, and I hope that you will get some good cooperation.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

AHS:EK



April 13, 1969

Mr. Milton H. Richman, Department Commander
Jewish War Veterans of the United States
983 Main Street
Hartford, Conn.

My dear Mr. Richman:

Let me thank you for your kind letter of April 11 and for the invitation which you extend to me to attend the Convention of the Department of Connecticut Jewish War Veterans of the United States. Nothing would give me great pleasure. However, as you know, I am very heavily taxed by my duties as national chairman of the United Jewish Appeal and I am traveling extensively in connection with the campaigns now being held throughout the country. It will therefore be quite impossible for me to come to Hartford on Sunday, May 28.

I wish you every success. Please extend to the Veterans my warmest greets and best wishes.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

April 13, 1939

The Most Reverend Joseph Schrembs, D.D.
Archbishop, Bishop of Cleveland
N B C Building
Cleveland, Ohio

Your Excellency:

I have been away from the city most of the time during the last few weeks and upon my return, I learned of the great honor which has been bestowed on you by your Church in elevating you to the exalted position of Archbishop. May I join your host of friends in the community and throughout the nation in extending to you my heartiest felicitations and in expressing the fervent hope that our community will continue for many years to come to enjoy the outstanding spiritual leadership which you have been giving to it.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK



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April 15th, 1939.

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

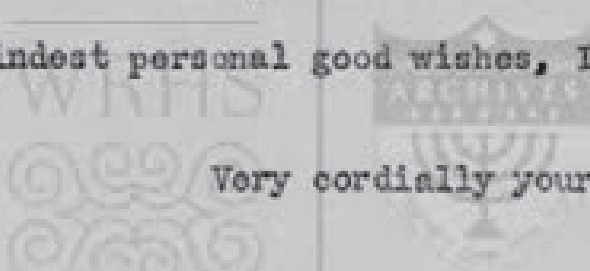
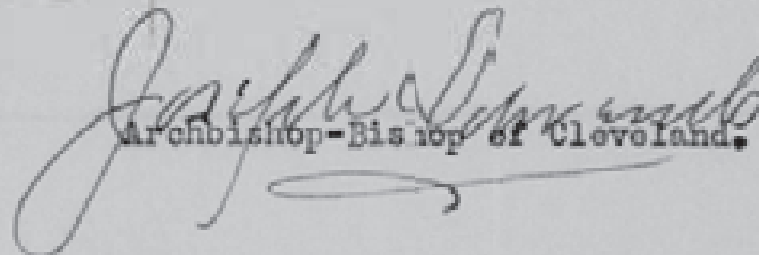
My dear Rabbi Silver:

I am deeply touched by your kind words of good wishes and congratulations on the signal honor which has been bestowed upon me by Pope Pius XII.

I hope and pray that I may be always worthy of the good will and the good wishes of my fellow citizens.

With kindest personal good wishes, I remain,

Very cordially yours in Christ,



Archbishop-Bishop of Cleveland.



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April 18th, 1939

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

My dear Rabbi,

I am enclosing herewith copy
of a letter which I am sending this date
to Mr. Freedheim, Chairman of the Speaker's
Bureau of the Jewish Welfare Fund, which
speaks for itself and which may be of
some interest to you.

Sincerely,

Morris Friedman

MF/RC

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April 18th, 1939

Mr. Eugene H. Freedheim
Mooney, Hahn, Loeser, Keough and Freedheim
National City Bank Building
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Mr. Freedheim,

Please be advised that I kept my assignment to speak at the meeting of the Forest City Hebrew Benevolent Association Monday, April 17, 1939, at ten o'clock p. m. at 10512 Hathaway Avenue.

Mr. Frank Stein, the president, gave me a cordial reception and I was permitted to speak almost immediately after my arrival at the hall. The meeting was well attended and I felt that the membership was very responsive.

At the conclusion of my talk Mr. Stein made a brief statement in which he said that in 1937 the Association had received a letter from the Fund that no speaker had ever appeared and that for said year they had made no contribution; that in the year 1938 a speaker had been sent to address the Association, after which a contribution, which he thought was in the sum of twenty-five dollars, was forwarded to the Fund for said year and a similar amount was also included for the year 1937. He expressed appreciation of the fact that a speaker had been sent so early in the campaign to the Association this year, and expressed the thought that before the meeting was over a



COUNTY OF CUYAHOGA

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Mr. Eugene H. Freedheim

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April 18th, 1939

substantial contribution would be made.

Later in the evening I was advised unofficially that the Association had voted to contribute to the Welfare Fund in its current campaign the sum of five hundred dollars, four hundred dollars of which will be paid by the Association itself and one hundred dollars by its Ladies Auxiliary.

I have just received a telephone call from my home to the effect that Mr. Cohen, the secretary of the Forest City Hebrew Benevolent Association, had called up and left a message for me to the effect that immediately after I left the hall, on the conclusion of my remarks, a discussion was had and a resolution adopted pledging the sum of five hundred dollars to the Welfare Fund for the current campaign, as above indicated. This call makes it official. I am further informed that an intensive campaign will be made among the membership of this Association for individual subscriptions.

I thought this information might be of interest to you, hence this letter.

Sincerely,

Louis Friedman

MF/RC

C C: Rabbi A. E. Silver

April 19, 1939

Mr. Morris Friedman
Assistant Prosecuting Attorney
County of Cuyahoga
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Morris:

I was delighted to receive your letter and the copy of the letter addressed to Mr. Freedheim. My warmest congratulations upon the fine job which you did upon the Forest City Hebrew Benevolent Association. You should feel delighted with that accomplishment.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

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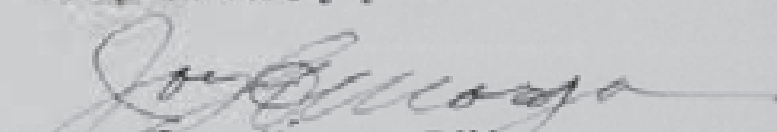
Miss Bessie Kline
Secretary to Rabbi Silver
The Temple
East 105th Street at Ansel Rd.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Miss Kline

We appreciate your letter of April 17 calling our attention to the poem "America" by Rabbi Silver, which we are delighted to have. The error in The Journal for April grew out of the fact that in typing the manuscript in the press office at Cleveland the quotation marks were left off, so that in our handling of the material for The Journal, being unfamiliar with the poem, we did not catch the matter.

With best wishes

Very sincerely yours


Joy Elmer Morgan, Editor

JEM:rm

C O P Y

CONFIDENTIAL

April 19, 1939

Mr. Morris D. Waldman, Secretary
American Jewish Committee
386 Fourth Avenue
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Waldman:

With reference to our work against the introduction of a religious classification in the forthcoming census, may I state the following, for your personal information:

Dr. Dublin writes me as follows: "Personally, I believe there is not a chance in the world of such a request for a census by religious affiliation being taken in connection with the next census". Dr. Dublin, as I wrote you before, is chairman of the Advisory Committee on Population Questions. Recently, the secretary of the National Association of Statisticians of Religious Bodies appeared before this Committee to urge the introduction of a religious classification in the census, and the Committee requested the submission of briefs.

I conferred with the president of the National Association of Statisticians of American Religious Bodies, and I found that the Association was going ahead with its work in favor of a religious classification in the census. The Executive Committee is preparing a brief in accordance with the request of the Advisory Committee mentioned above, which will meet some time in the summer. The U.S. Census Bureau, needless to say, may if it so chooses disregard the advice of the Committee on Population Questions. I was again assured that as a member of the Executive Committee of the Association, I would be given the opportunity to write a "minority report", which would be submitted along with the brief of the majority.

It looks as if we are going to defeat this dangerous agitation, and the victory, when it will come, will not be the result of opposition by Jews as Jews. This is very important. I am watching this matter from many angles and I shall keep you informed.

Very sincerely yours,

HSL:a

H. S. LINFIELD, Director

The First Unitarian Church

COLLINGSWOOD BLVD. AT W. BANCROFT ST.
TOLEDO, OHIO

WALTON E. COLE, MINISTER
3318 GRIMSBY PLACE

April 20, 1939.

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

My dear Dr. Silver:-

It was great to see you in Detroit Sunday night. Leon and I value your judgment so much, that we were very reassured by your reaction to our work.

It would be a very great pleasure to appear before the Cleveland City Club as you suggest.

Some new developments in the Coughlin situation impel me to "blow the works" in my address at Ford Hall Forum, Boston, this Sunday evening.

With sincere thanks and warmest personal regards, I am,

Faithfully yours,

Walton E. Cole

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April 26th, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

The American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom is undertaking a campaign against the abuse or inappropriate use of the term "race" in school textbooks. The enclosed draft gives our position on the matter and statement of what we are proposing.

We should like the endorsement of a few outstanding scholars, churchmen, school administrators, publishers and political leaders. I hope that you will find it possible to add your name in support of this essential educational campaign.

Any criticisms of the statement will be most welcome. I should appreciate a reply by return mail.

Sincerely yours,

Franz Boas

Franz Boas

FB:MLC

April 26, 1939

The Rev. Dr. Walton E. Cole
Unitarian Church
Collingwood and Bancroft
Toledo, Ohio

My dear Dr. Cole:

Mr. Marc J. Grossman is President of the City Club of Cleveland. I wrote to him and the enclosed letter is self-explanatory. I hope that it will be possible for you to come to us next season.

I would be interested to hear of the reactions to your address in Boston at the Ford Hall Forum.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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April 27, 1939

Rabbi Hillel Silver
The Temple
Euclid & 105th Street
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Detroit Section of The American League for Peace and Democracy on March 27th inaugurated a radio program entitled "Democracy Speaks", consisting of half hour talks on C.X. L. W. every Monday evening 7:45 to 8:15 P.M. The purpose of the series is to expose Father Coughlin as an enemy of democracy, to refute his false propaganda, and in a positive way to impress the radio audience with the real implications and value of democracy. Among our speakers we have had Rockwell Kent ("Enemies of Democracy"), Reverend H. P. Marley ("Coughlin and the Cross"), and William E. Dodd, Jr. ("Coughlin, the Nazi Hero"). Under separate cover we are sending you copies of our scripts to date.

We should like you to appear on our series Monday, May 8th, on the subject, "Jews, Defenders of Democracy", (or a more suitable title if you prefer it) in which you emphasize the role of the Jews in the history of this country (Solomon, etc.) and refute the charges of Father Coughlin against the Jews. We feel that as one of the outstanding leaders of the Jewish people in the United States you are very well qualified to discuss this subject.

We shall appreciate it if upon receipt of this letter you wire us (collect) your acceptance immediately, as we should like to arrange for a hook-up of Cleveland and Chicago for your talk.

Would your secretary also please follow up the telegram with all publicity material on yourself including mats or pictures.

With many thanks, I remain

Very truly yours,

Mimi Robbins
Mimi Robbins, Chairman

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April 27, 1939

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

With reference to the dangerous agitation for the introduction of a religious classification in the forthcoming government census, I take pleasure in sending you herewith a copy of my recent letter to the American Jewish Committee, for your personal information.

I am sure you will note my statement in the last paragraph. There is no doubt that this menace could not have been fought by Jewish organizations known for their political interests. From the very beginning, our approach was that the projected innovation was inadmissible from statistical considerations.

Very sincerely yours,

Harry S. Linfield
H.S. LINFIELD, Director

HSL:BEBF

Family Welfare Association of America
122 East 22nd Street
New York, N. Y.

GERMAN CHILD REFUGEES
(Wagner-Rogers Bill)
Resolution of the Board of Directors
of the
Family Welfare Association of America
April 29, 1939.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Family Welfare Association of America on Saturday, April 29, 1939, the following resolution was duly moved, seconded and carried, the vote being unanimous on the part of the members present:

WHEREAS this Board in its resolution of November 19, 1938, urged the admission to this country under adequate safeguards of refugees from racial and religious persecution, as a policy in keeping with the finest American traditions and with the principles of family social work; and

WHEREAS there is a proposal now before Congress (the Wagner-Rogers bill) to admit 10,000 German child refugees in each of the years 1939 and 1940, over and above present quota restrictions, and said proposal is

- (1) Confined to children under fourteen years of age who are the most innocent of all victims of persecution, and who may also be the most easily assimilated in American life; and
- (2) properly safeguarded through advance provision that said children shall be carefully selected and guaranteed not to become public charges; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the members of the Board of Directors present at this meeting endorse the proposal contained in the Wagner-Rogers bill and urge its passage by the Congress of the United States.

We recognize that in such matters members of this Board speak only for themselves, without authority to bind the 225 autonomous Member Agencies of this Association, who may take such independent action thereon as they deem appropriate.

May 1, 1939

Mr. Louis J. Borinstein, Chairman
Jewish Welfare Fund
705 Majestic Building
Indianapolis, Indiana

My dear Mr. Borinstein:

My heartiest congratulations on your splendid victory! You ought to feel deeply gratified for the great service which you have performed in an hour of great need for the benefit of our people. Please convey my warmest greetings and heartiest felicitations to all your co-workers.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

ABS:BX

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GREETINGS=

E I KAUFMANN,

May 4, 1939

Mr. Edmund I. Kaufmann
205 Homer Building
Washington, D.C.

My dear Ed:

I need not tell you how grateful I am for your kind invitation to join your Springtime Frolic. I appreciate also your kind telegram. Were I free, I would have been delighted to come, if only to spend a few days with you and to rest. Unfortunately a few months ago, I accepted an invitation to deliver the Baccalaureate Address at the State Teachers College of West Virginia on Sunday afternoon, June 4, and it would not be fair to cancel that engagement at this late hour.

Please keep me in mind for next year, and if you will let me know early enough just about the dates of your Frolic, I shall keep my schedule free for those few days.

With all good wishes and hoping that you and your friends will have a grand and enjoyable time, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK



James A. Hamilton
Superintendent

City Hospital
Department of Public Health and Welfare
3395 SCRANTON ROAD - CLEVELAND, OHIO

Fourth May
1-9-3-8

The Temple
An. 61 and E. 135th St.,
Cleveland, Ohio

Gentlemen:

Hospitals throughout the country observe on Thursday, May 12th, National Hospital Day. On this day we, the workers at City Hospital, cordially invite the members of your congregation and their friends to visit with us so that they may become better acquainted with the work which this hospital is doing on behalf of the patients and community. Undoubtedly, many of them have been in a hospital either as a patient or to visit someone near and dear to them. Their observations of the hospital at that time were probably casual, concerned mostly with illness and recovery. We believe that the relationship between our institution and the people in our community should be intimate and sympathetic. We urgently invite them now to come and visit with us, so that we may show them how City Hospital functions with its staff of doctors, nurses, and other workers.

You will find enclosed a copy of our program of many interesting and special events occurring from 9:00 in the morning till 7:00 in the evening. Further details will be found in your local newspaper or obtained by calling our "Hospital Day Hostess", at Florida 4820.

Your members, as tax payers, are stock holders in City Hospital. They are undoubtedly vitally interested in knowing how the hospital-dollar is used in alleviating the suffering of the injured and sick. May we have the pleasure of better acquainting them with the part their hospital plays in this community and respectfully request that you make mention of this day and observance from your pulpit and in your weekly bulletin.

Your assistance in this endeavor I believe would be a definite contribution to the community.

Cordially yours,

CITY HOSPITAL

James A. Hamilton
James A. Hamilton,
Superintendent

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JEWISH INSTITUTE OF RELIGION
WEST SIXTY-EIGHTH STREET
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NEW YORK

May 8, 1933

My dear Dr Silver:

The bulletin of your Temple with the editorial on my seminars by the Cleveland Plain Dealer comes to remind me of the pleasure of my recent visit to your town and temple. I recall with especial gratitude the delightful hospitality of your home and your gracious lady to whom I beg you to convey my cordial thanks and good wishes. As a remembrance of our conversation on Hebrew education I take the liberty to send you under separate cover a recent paper of mine.

I wrote to Dr Freehof in Pittsburgh (in answer to his sending^{at} for the American Academy of Jewish Research a check of \$200 from his congregation) that you warmly endorsed his selection for an American counterpart to the now defunct German Akademie der juedischen Wissenschaft. Who if not you and he should understand its urgency in the tragic bewilderment of present-day Jewish life ? Accept ,please, again my thanks and my very sincere regard

Melchior Jurek

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May 10, 1939.

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

My dear Dr. Silver:

About a month ago we forwarded to you a draft of our projected campaign against the abuse or inappropriate use of the term "race" in school textbooks.

Having already received the endorsement of a score of outstanding scholars, churchmen, school administrators, publishers, and political leaders, we are now ready to launch the campaign.

We should like to do so with the addition of your endorsement.

A reply at your earliest convenience will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

Franz Boas.

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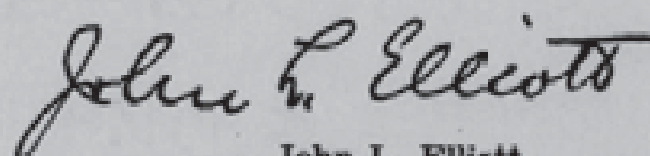
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Representatives of all groups interested in work with refugees in New York City are asked to take part in a general Conference Tuesday evening, May 9th, and Wednesday, May 10th, followed by a public function on Thursday, May 11th. The purposes will be to consider unfulfilled needs, to evaluate what is being done, to exchange experiences and to encourage cooperative thought and action in meeting this challenge to American idealism and intelligence.

A completed program will come to you soon. It will include addresses by community spokesmen—one, if possible, by Mayor LaGuardia. Our primary aim will be to bring together those workers who, through experience, can discuss constructive methods of handling specific tasks. The agenda will include educational activities, family difficulties, the needs of emigré children, employment and resettlement, social and cultural adjustment, and methods of meeting racial and other group conflicts. The Conference sessions will be held at the Meeting House of the New York Society for Ethical Culture, at 64th Street and Central Park West—the Thursday public function at a place to be announced.

You are urged to take part in this Conference, and to cooperate at this time by filling out the enclosed registration card for yourself, and by sending us a list of the full names and organization affiliations of other workers you think should be invited. I am sure that you will have much to give to this Conference, and much to gain from it.

Sincerely yours,



John L. Elliott
Chairman.

May 11, 1939

Mr. Edmund I. Kaufmann
205 Homer Building
Washington, D.C.

My dear Ed:

Thank you so much for your telegram. I really deeply regret my inability to join with ~~on~~ your Springtime Frolic for many reasons. It would give me great pleasure to be with you and with the many people whom you have invited, but unfortunately, earlier commitments make it impossible for me to get away for that weekend.

I am sorry that you will not have representation for the National Drive. Why don't you make an effort to get one of the Co-chairmen, of whom there are eight. I am sure that they would be in a position to present adequately the facts about the National Drive.

With all good wishes to you, and trusting that you are well, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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Dear Dr. Silver:

Chairman

EDWARD M. M. WARBURG

May I invite you to lend your name and prestige to a dinner which is being planned in honor of Sholem Asch, by accepting membership on a committee now being formed to sponsor the event. The dinner will be held on Wednesday, June 7th, at the Hotel Commodore.

Mr. Asch is one of the leading literary figures of our time, and well deserves this tribute from the Jewry of Greater New York. But this is a serious and tragic moment in our history. Recent events abroad have made our hearts heavy with sorrow.

It is because of this refugee situation overseas which Mr. Asch knows so well at first hand, that he asked us to make this dinner an occasion for rallying support behind the \$20,000,000 emergency refugee campaign.

I have personally undertaken the chairmanship of the affair, and I am anxious to secure as representative and broad a sponsorship for it as our city affords. People already serving on the committee include such well-known personages as Dr. Stephen S. Wise, Louis Lipsky, Professor Einstein, Sinclair Lewis, Paul Muni, Thomas Mann and scores of other literary and public figures. Will you as an individual of standing in this community match their enthusiasm by lending your name and influence to this effort.

I would appreciate it if you will write me personally at 200 Madison Avenue, advising me that I can list you as one of the sponsors. I shall take it for granted, unless I hear from you to the contrary, that I have your permission to do so.

With warm gratitude, I am

Sincerely yours,

Edward M. M. Warburg
Edward M. M. Warburg

EMMW:ND

May 17, 1939

Professor Franz Boas
American Committee for Democracy and Intellectual Freedom
519 West 121st Street
New York, N.Y.

My dear Professor Boas:

You may use my name in connection with your projected campaign against the abuse of the term "race" in school textbooks.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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May 17, 1939

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Detroit, Michigan

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REACHED LAST NIGHT SEVEN HUNDRED EIGHTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS. KINDEST
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ABBA HILLEL SILVER

May 21, 1939

Mr. Max Simon, President
Cleveland Jewish Community Council.

My dear Mr. Simon:

The enclosed message from Rabbi Silver is
to be read at the meeting, this afternoon.

I have also enclosed a couple of extra copies
for the Press, if they request them.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

State Committee

The Bigelow Pension Plan


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May 23, 1939.

Christ Williams,
Ex. Sec'y & Bus. Mgr.

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

We are addressing you on behalf of the old people of Ohio to allow us to add your name to the Northern Ohio Committee of the Ohio Bigelow Pension Plan. This cause is a worthy one and merits the support of all socially-minded citizens.

This Sponsoring Committee will not be asked to do any work or put in any time on our behalf, or give any financial contributions; all we ask is your approval. Our Executive Committee will do all the necessary work, but the members feel it will be better to have the names of a few socially-minded citizens who are known throughout the city, and who have earned the public confidence to give their stamp of approval to our efforts to secure more nearly adequate pensions for our old folks. This Committee will be composed of people of Catholic, Jewish and Protestant groups, and labor officials.

It may interest you to know that such persons are on our executive board as Max Hayes, veteran labor leader, James McWeeney, metal trades, Virgil D. Allen, Rev. J. Sommerlatte, Walter G. O'Donnell, J. L. Tong, E. Cleveland Consumers' Cooperative, A. E. Stephenson and other outstanding citizens.

If you will give this matter your careful and immediate consideration we will appreciate your cooperation.

Yours very truly,

PRESIDENT

J. L. Tong
EX. SEC'Y

Christ Williams

May 23, 1939

Mr. Edward M. M. Warburg
200 Madison Avenue
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Warburg:

I shall be most happy to serve on the committee sponsoring the Testimonial Dinner in honor of my dear friend, Sholem Asch. I know of few people who more worthily deserve such a honor.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

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Captain for the Crew
205 Homer Building, Washington, D.C.

Baltimore, Maryland, June, 1939

Dear Friend:

I herewith beg to acknowledge my sincere thanks for the kind message of congratulations which you sent me for the 50th anniversary of my ordination as rabbi. It was indeed considerate of you to put a high estimate on the modest services I rendered during the past half of a century to the cause of Israel.

Sincerely,

William Rosenau

1925

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It is good to live in a country where men still have faith that they can solve their problems within the framework of freedom, equality, and mutual helpfulness. Here in America we can take courage from the fact that race hatred, intolerance, and discrimination, though they exist, have not yet won respectability in public opinion or become enshrined as national ideals. Never have the peace and security and opportunity we enjoy within these happy shores seemed more precious. Never have human rights and liberty seemed more important to live for—and to struggle for. As we count our blessings, our hearts are filled with gratitude—and the strong resolve to give of ourselves to all good causes, so that the spirit that has made this country great may long endure, as a beacon and an example to all the harassed peoples of the world . . . To this we dedicate the voyage of our good ship in this troubled year, 1939.

EDMUND L. KAUFMANN.

Captain.

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All Aboard!

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A WORD TO THOSE ATTENDING THEIR FIRST TRIP

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INFORMATION PLEASE

To those who have been on trips before, we know you will be gratified to learn that your former shipmates are the ones who are leading most of the present drives. We believe the contacts they made and the discussions on board the Boat have inspired them sufficiently to be more generous and take a more active part in our affairs.

The serious discussions will not be overdone . . . but they can't be overlooked! With a boat-load of authorities and would-be authorities on hand, there is always an opportunity to learn from (and heckle) the experts, with profit to all.

TO ALL MEN WHO ATTEND THE TRIP

Wherever we stop arrangements have been made for

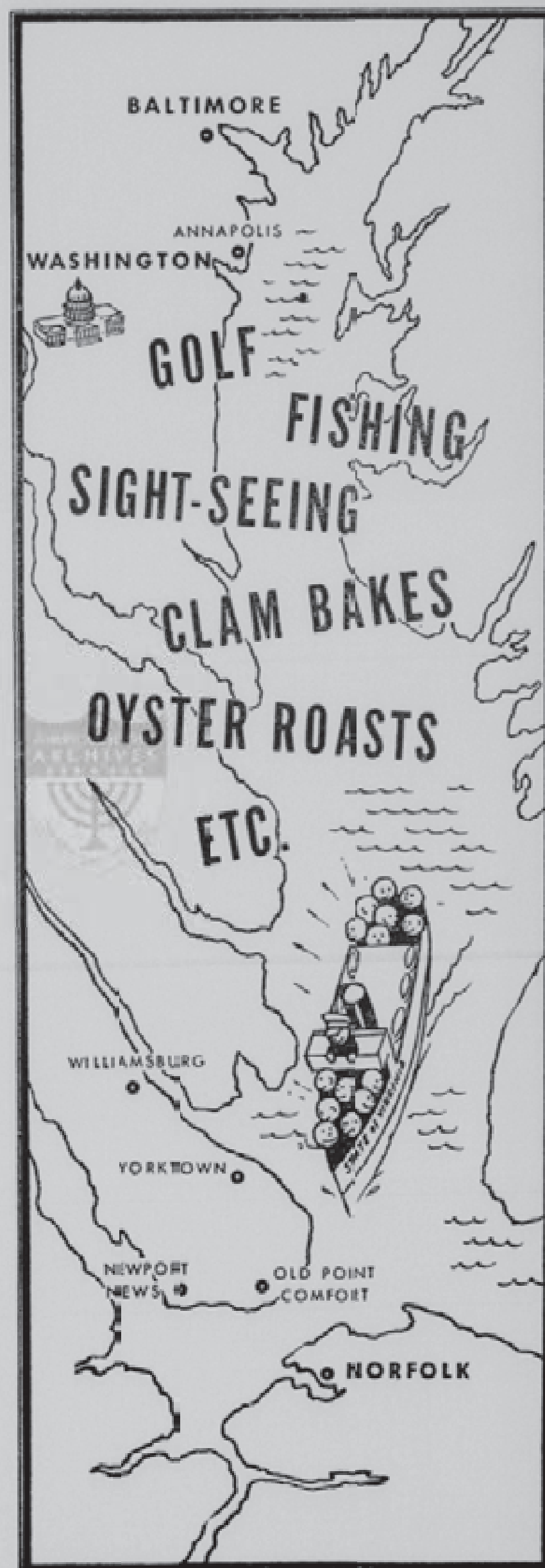
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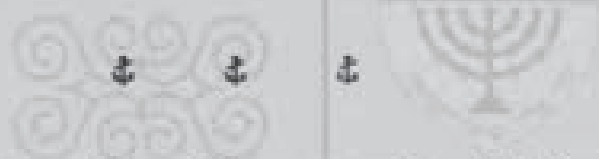
SAIL SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 1939

AT 3:00 P. M. EASTERN STANDARD TIME
RETURNING JUNE 6TH—3 P. M.

Steamer State of Virginia sails from Light Street Dock (Baltimore Steam Packet Company).

For those who wish to golf, arrangements have been made for golf and lunch at the Suburban Country Club.

Mate Nathan Kaufman, Carey and Winchester Streets, Baltimore, Md., and his experienced Committee, will take you in charge. Write him if you intend to play golf and machines will meet you at the Station.



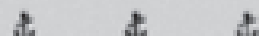
1:30 P. M. Eastern Standard Time: Hors-d'oeuvres and cocktails with a bevy of beautiful wives and sweethearts to toast our departure.

2:30 P. M. Eastern Standard Time: Photograph of Sailors and Crew.

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June 3, 1939

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

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In developing plans for the conference and meeting in New York represented by this letterhead to which you have kindly lent your name, we have come to the conclusion that the Sesquicentennial idea will be so stale by fall that it will be flat. When we originally planned this celebration for March it was fresh. We were obliged to postpone the conference until fall because of inability to get the speakers we desired.

It seems desirable to make the occasion one for a National Conference on Civil Liberties, drawing in all the organizations active or potentially active in any aspect of that campaign. The purposes remain the same; only the title is changed.

We trust that this is agreeable to all the sponsors and we will so assume unless we hear to the contrary.

With appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

Harry J. Ward
Chairman

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June 10, 1939

Mr. Jacob Landau
The Jewish Telegraphic Agency, Inc.
1560 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Landau:

I am to read a Paper before the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Washington this Wednesday on the subject: THE WORLD CRISIS AND JEWISH SURVIVAL. I thought that the Jewish Telegraphic Agency would be interested in the enclosed abstract.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BK

P.S. I am leaving with my family for England and France on the Queen Mary, sailing on Wednesday, June 21st.

June 11, 1939

Dr. William Rosenau
Eutaw Place Temple
Baltimore, Md.

My dear Dr. Rosenau:

I received an announcement from your congregation that on June 23rd, it will give itself the honor of celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of your Ordination as Rabbi. I shall not be in the country at that time, and I am therefore taking this opportunity to send you my warmest greetings and heartiest felicitations on this glorious occasion. I need not tell you that I share with the host of your friends throughout the country a deep admiration for the distinctive service which you have rendered the cause of American Jewry in so many fruitful fields. May God's favors be with you for many years to come.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

June 18, 1939

Mr. Jacob Landau
Jewish Telegraphic Agency
1560 Broadway
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Landau:

Please make the following correction in
the abstract on "The World Crisis and Jewish Survival"
which Rabbi Silver sent you on June 10:

On page two, the eleventh line from the top,
the last word should be one instead of our. The phrase
should read: "too far-flung for one policy to embrace it
all".

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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June 15, 1939

The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Joseph F. Smith
St. John's Cathedral
Cleveland, Ohio

PERMIT ME TO JOIN YOUR HOST OF FRIENDS IN EXTENDING TO YOU HEARTIEST FELICITATIONS ON THE OCCASION OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF YOUR ORDINATION AS A PRIEST OF GOD. YOUR CONSECRATED SERVICE TO ALL THAT IS FINE IN HUMAN LIFE HAS MADE MYRIADS IN THIS COMMUNITY YOUR DEBTORS. I PRAY THAT OUR HEAVENLY FATHER MAY VOUCHSAFE TO YOU MANY MORE YEARS OF WELL-BEING HAPPINESS AND OUTSTANDING SERVICE.

Abba Hillel Silver

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,
National Chaplain, Jewish War Veterans,
c/o The Temple,
Cleveland, Ohio.

My dear Rabbi:

I read in the press where you made one
of our rousing addresses at the conference of
American Rabbis in Washington recently.

I like your audacious counter attack.

Am wondering if you could not let me have
one of your fine articles - about 1500 words -
for an early issue of the "Jewish Veteran".

You might be able to use the one you had
in Washington, with a few changes to suit our
magazine.

We have not had one of your articles since
last October when we used your speech at the Con-
vention in Detroit.

I hope this finds you in the best of health.

With warm personal regards, I am

Very truly yours,

J. George Fredman
J. GEORGE FREDMAN, P.N.C.,
National Editor.

JGF/f

June 22, 1939

Mr. J. George Fredman
591 Summit Ave.
Jersey City, N.J.

My dear Mr. Fredman:

In reply to your letter of June 19, permit me to state that Rabbi Silver has left for his summer's vacation abroad.

I regret that we have no available copy of the address which Rabbi Silver recently delivered at the conference of American Rabbis in Washington to send you. I am, however, taking the liberty of sending you his address, recently published, "Religion in Present-Day Jewish Life". Perhaps you may wish to reprint part of it in "The Jewish Veteran".

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Rabbi Silver.

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July 31st
1939

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
National Chaplain, J.W.V.
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Rabbi Silver :

I do not know whether you have as yet returned from your trip to Europe. If you have, I think it would be highly appropriate for you to send in an article of about 1500 words, for the Convention issue of the "Jewish Veteran", which is not being composed. You are probably aware that our National Convention will be held this year in Miami, from August 28th, to September 1st, 1939, and we hope that you will be able to attend to inspire us as you did last year in Detroit.

However, you must have an important message for the comrades based on your wide travels in the U.S.A., and more recently in Europe. Our comrades, as well as the rest of Jewry, need a re-awakening. No one is better fitted to undertake this task, in our opinion, than you. Won't you, therefore, do this through the medium of an article in the "Jewish Veteran?"

The magazine will go to press on August 12th.

Incidentally, since writing you for a photograph of yourself, we have discovered your cut, and will not have to inconvenience you further. You may disregard that letter.

With warm personal regards and best wishes, I am,

Yours sincerely,

J. GEORGE FREEMAN, PNC
National Editor

JGF/eb



August 9, 1939

Mr. J. George Fredman, NPC
Jewish War Veterans of the United States
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New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Fredman:

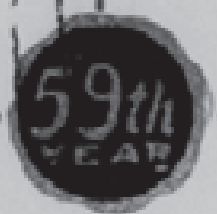
On returning from my vacation, I found your letter of July 31 to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver is still in Europe and will not return to Cleveland until the 8 or 9 of September. It will therefore not be possible for him to attend the National Convention of the Jewish War Veterans which is to be held in Miami from August 28 to September 1, this year. Nor will it be possible for him to write an article for "Jewish Veteran" which goes to press on August 12.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

BJK

Secretary to Dr. Silver.



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Dear Dr. Silver:

"We are writing to you as a member of the Editorial Advisor Board of The American Hebrew, to ask whether, in these times so difficult for Jews, you do not think it advisable for all of the members of the Board to come together for discussion and consultation two or three times a year, so that we shall have actual constructive advice and guidance on editorial policy.

We shall look forward to receiving your comment on this plan at your earliest convenience.

Cordially ours,

J. H. Biben

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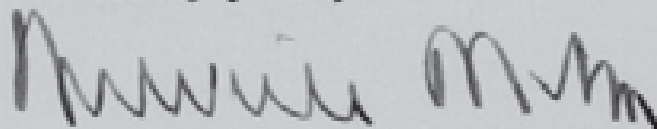
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Dear Dr. Silver:

It is with very considerable pleasure that I send to you, under separate cover, with the compliments of Mr. Asch and ourselves, a specially inscribed presentation copy of THE NAZARENE.

I share with Mr. Asch the hope that you will find THE NAZARENE to your liking.

Sincerely yours,



MM/MW

September 7, 1939

Mr. Melville Minton, President
G. P. Putnam's Sons
2 West 45th St.
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Putnam:

I have just returned from abroad and find on my desk a copy of Mr. Asch's "The Nazarene". When Mr. Asch was in my home, a few months ago, he told me about this new work of his and I am most eager to see what the extraordinary genius of Mr. Asch has done with this extraordinary subject. I am grateful to you for your thoughtfulness in sending me a complimentary copy of the volume.

With best wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Please read the attached memo!

Where can we find an "angel"
who will make it possible for us
to reach our mass membership?

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**A METHOD OF MEETING SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC FEARS
CONCERNING REFUGEES AND STIMULATING COMMUNITY
INTEREST IN THEIR ADJUSTMENT TO AMERICAN LIFE**

The Good Neighbor Committee
on the Emigre and the Community

DR. JOHN L. ELLIOTT
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The Good Neighbor Committee was organized during the fall and winter of 1938 to provide a means of making effective the deep desire of people in the various professions and other occupations, and of different faiths and nationalities, to work together during this critical period toward common purposes that are equally precious to all. It seeks to unite such people, regardless of religious, racial or national backgrounds, on the basis of the contributions which they make through their own functions and activities to a free, enlightened and mutually helpful community life.

The underlying principle of this Committee, one that is essentially American and democratic, is that responsible groups within the community can make their own liberties and opportunities secure only by working together to secure the same liberties and opportunities to all other responsible groups. If recognized and actually made operative by various groups that are working in their own way toward a better kind of community, this principle, it is believed, will give practical effectiveness to great stores of generosity and good will that are now deprived of their potential strength for want of a basis of united action. Such a union of forward-looking elements, each working in its own way for the common goal of community enlightenment, should prove to be a powerful force in keeping out of America those bigotries which we deplore in other lands.

Common concern among all of the principal religious groups over the plight of refugees from the dictator-controlled countries was the first and immediately urgent human problem which seemed to offer an opportunity to test the validity of this principle as applied to current affairs. For that reason, the Good Neighbor Committee is concentrating its efforts at this time upon a more enlightened, community-wide grasp of the refugee problem, and upon the group misunderstandings and social and economic fears associated with it. The committee's first tangible contribution was the organization of the recently held New York City Conference on the Emigre and the Community, and it has since launched a permanent program of cooperative work inspired by the success of that conference.

(NOTE: For further comment on the practicability of the Good Neighbor plan, see the article "Team Play for Refugees" by Paul Hellogg in the June Survey Midmonthly.)

United Approach to the Refugee Problem

When the Good Neighbor Committee of New York decided upon better teamwork among agencies dealing with refugees as its immediate task, the first plan considered was to establish a hostel or series of hostels which would serve emigres of all denominations by welcoming them to America and supplying a sort of "first aid" in re-establishing their lives. It was later decided that, so far as New York is concerned, such hostels, with their accompanying educational and social work programs, could be better maintained by groups already established. However, there is a suggestion here for other communities. It may be that hostels and actual programs of educational and social work under inter-denominational auspices may be needed in cities where the individual denominations are less active, or where the demands for such work are too great for the resources of any one group. For New York, it was decided that a conference of all groups dealing with refugees would be a more useful first step. The demonstrated value of this Conference impels us to recommend the holding of similar Conferences elsewhere.

Launching the Good Neighbor Movement in Other Cities

The Good Neighbor movement must reach out into the community life of America if it is to be effective as an instrumentality for making real our traditions of freedom as set forth in the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. To this end, the organization steps taken in New York with regard to the refugee question are here briefly outlined, not as a model procedure, but in the hope that they will be practically helpful to groups in other communities.

National Sponsorship

The first step taken was to consult several national leaders for confirmation of the basic philosophy and general purposes. These consultations brought forth the sponsorship of the following:

Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt; James G. McDonald, Chairman of the President's Advisory Committee on Political Refugees; Prof. Joseph P. Chamberlain, Chairman, National Coordinating Committee for Aid to Refugees and Emigrants Coming From Germany; Clarence E. Fickett, Executive Secretary, American Friends Service Committee; Dr. Samuel McCrae Caver, General Secretary, Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America; Miss Cecilia Razovsky, Executive Director, National Coordinating Committee for Aid to Refugees and Emigrants Coming From Germany; Dr. Alvin Johnson, New School for Social Research; Dr. Harry Emerson Fosdick, of the Riverside Church; Dr. Eduard C. Lindemann, New York School for Social Work; and Father Joseph D. Ostermann, Executive Director, Committee for Catholic Refugees From Germany.

Those contemplating the organization of Good Neighbor Committees in other cities should keep in mind that the sympathetic interest of these national leaders has already been enlisted; additional approaches to them from individual communities will not be necessary.

Suggestions for the Setting up of Good Neighbor Conferences on the Emigre and the Community

A printed program and other available material will show the actual set-up and outcome of the New York Conference. The following points are here emphasized for special consideration:

- (1) The initial step was a quick field survey to find out what the prevailing attitude might be toward a general conference. The survey itself, covering about two weeks, proved to be a stimulating procedure, bringing to light certain unfulfilled needs and duplications of effort, and revealing a general desire for some means of exchanging ideas and working cooperatively.
- (2) The survey revealed that the conference plan would in no way encroach upon the work of the Coordinating Committee or any other existing group. On the other hand, such agencies as the Coordinating Committee, the Committee for Catholic Refugees, and the Protestant group welcomed the idea as a complementary function to the work they were doing.
- (3) The help of the settlements in planning the conference and its program was found to be especially valuable because of their long, first-hand experience in the adjustment of foreign-born groups, and in the handling of other community problems.
- (4) A Conference Call, accompanied by a printed registration card, was sent out to a carefully compiled list of people actually engaged in or responsible for programs of refugee work in the various groups. This list included about 600 names, of whom 300 registered, representing 119 organizations.
- (5) The Conference itself occupied a full day, and was divided into four sessions on: Economic Adjustment and Guidance; Educational Activities; The Emigre Child; Social Adjustment. The Conference day was preceded by a public meeting for the presentation of general problems, and followed by a public luncheon designed to arouse greater interest and a deeper sense of responsibility among board members of organizations and other public-spirited citizens.
- (6) Chairmen and speakers at the Conference sessions were selected for actual knowledge of subject matter regardless of prominence; the speakers for the opening and closing public sessions were chosen for knowledge plus prominence.
- (7) The Conference was truly representative in its sponsorship, including Catholic, Protestant, Jewish and non-sectarian organizations such as settlements, schools, etc., and consequently drew a truly representative participation. All-inclusive sponsorship and participation is a vital point to be kept in mind wherever a community-wide approach to the refugee situation is to be attempted.

(8) A Committee on Conference Findings and Recommendations was appointed at the beginning to report particularly on the feasibility of cooperative effort as revealed during the discussions. This Committee's report formed the basis of the closing luncheon meeting, and led to the launching of a permanent organization.

(9) Publicity policies: the press was invited to both the opening and closing meetings, but the Conference sessions themselves were held privately to permit of free discussion, and prepared releases were given out at the conclusion of these sessions. The press accepted this arrangement, and good newspaper coverage resulted. The final luncheon meeting was broadcast in its entirety through WQXR.

(10) Emphasis was placed on the value and desirability of face-to-face exchange of methods and experiences on the part of those engaged in specific tasks, and many workers who had up until then been overwhelmed in some special phase of refugee work commented that the Conference had for the first time enabled them to see the task of adjustment in its entirety.

(11) In publicity releases special prominence was given to figures from the Immigration and Naturalization Service of the U.S. Department of Labor showing that, in spite of the recent refugees, more people have left the United States than have entered it since the beginning of the Hitler regime. These figures served as a refutation of false charges of a refugee "inundation", and fully justified us in saying that the Conference was called to deal with the nature of the refugee problem rather than with its size.

(12) Another point of emphasis was that the plight of the refugees presents not a racial or a sectarian problem, but a problem of Americanism, and should therefore appeal to the social consciousness of all who cherish American traditions.

(13) As an answer to economic and employment fears aroused by the coming of the refugees, speakers pointed not only to their relatively small number, but also to the fact that many refugees have brought with them special trades and industrial skills which have actually created employment for Americans.

(14) With regard to the duration of the refugee problem, the participants in the Conference were particularly impressed with Clarence E. Pickett's statement that not only America but all nations, by reason of present world conditions, must reconcile themselves to a long period during which mass movements of populations will be a problem. Mr. Pickett said that governments and private agencies should gauge their work on the basis of at least a five year period.

(15) Financing: The total cost of the Conference was met by individual contributions to the Good Neighbor Committee. No registration fee was charged, nor were participating agencies assessed.

Permanent Program Growing out of the New York Conference

The most gratifying result of the Conference was the enthusiastically expressed desire to continue efforts toward better teamwork among participating agencies. This desire was crystallized in the report of the Committee on Conference Findings and Recommendations, and this challenge for further service was accepted by the Good Neighbor Committee at a meeting held within a few days after the adjournment of the Conference. A Committee on Organization is now engaged in the setting-up of a permanent organization, and the following statement of purposes has been proposed for consideration:

With the 119 agencies represented in the recent Conference as the nucleus of its constituency, with contacts ready to be used in other cities, and with Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt ready to accept the Honorary Chairmanship of a sponsoring body, the Good Neighbor Committee on the Emigre and the Community would attempt

- (a) to organize sub-committees and conference groups on specific tasks, and in other ways to encourage personal cooperation and the continuous interchange of experience and methods among people dealing with refugees in their adjustment to American life;
- (b) to stimulate broader and better informed interest in the refugee as a potential asset to the American community among civic, educational, religious, social and industrial groups, and to encourage inter-denominational, community-wide conferences on the subject in other cities;
- (c) to initiate or participate in constructive action with respect to legislation and governmental administrative policies bearing upon refugee immigration and correlative problems;
- (d) to serve as a non-sectarian disseminating agency for the spread of honest information concerning refugee immigration through the press, speakers, radio, periodicals, and the publicity facilities of constituent organizations.

June 17th, 1939

[1939]

FILMS FOR DEMOCRACY
342 Madison Avenue
New York City.

STATEMENT OF AIMS, METHODS AND NEEDS

Progressives in every field now recognize that to safeguard and extend American Democracy is the paramount issue of the post-Munich period.

Films For Democracy, a non-profit membership organization, has been organized to produce motion pictures which dramatize the vital social and economic problems of today from the progressive point of view. Written, acted and directed by the best film people of Hollywood, these pictures will contain all the drama, comedy and adventure which appeal so strongly to movie-goers. Through these familiar cinema forms, new pride and new love for American democratic institutions and civil liberties will be awakened, and at the same time, the films will be thoroughly entertaining.

WHY MOTION PICTURES?

Most Americans cannot readily be reached by reading material, radio programs or theatre presentations that would re-awaken them to Democracy as a fighting faith --- but the 85,000,000 Americans who go to the movies can and must be reached by a new type of socially conscious motion picture entertainment. Films For Democracy will re-affirm and popularize in dramatic form the principles of democratic government and thereby combat the dangerous spread of intolerance and reaction.

NEW TIMES - NEW AUDIENCES

Supported actively by forward-looking forces throughout the nation, Films For Democracy will reach their public and earn a warm response. Those who know best this country's moral climate are convinced that in cities and small towns all over the United States there are large numbers of movie-goers who will, because of the changing spirit of the times, welcome socially-conscious new films which interpret current reality from the standpoint of the plain people, rather than the unreal attitudes of Hollywood.

Leading Hollywood scenarists, directors and actors, as well as outstanding leaders in the fields of education, civic and social work, literature, theatre and organized labor, are sponsors of our organization. They are deeply interested in our program, and have expressed their readiness to do all they can to make our organization successful.

One of the immediate objectives of Films For Democracy is to raise a self-perpetuating fund of \$250,000 for the production of the first three films. The box office receipts from these pictures will go into a revolving fund to ensure continuous production of more films on a self-supporting basis.

Simultaneous with its production program, Films For Democracy has embarked upon a mass membership campaign, planning to enroll one million members who pledge themselves "to see and to recommend to others progressive motion pictures generally, and Films For Democracy in particular."

MASS MEMBERSHIP THE PRIME REQUISITE

The campaign for members is being conducted by direct mail solicitation, meetings, radio programs and paid advertising. The monthly News Letter published by Films For Democracy presents social analyses of significant new films released by film companies,

and educates the membership to look for and demand progressive social content in motion pictures.

Excellent opportunities for developing this educational campaign and membership activity have been offered us by such organizations as the Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A., church groups, and labor unions totalling millions. Printed material for discussion groups must be made available at once in large quantities. A committee of ten leading educators especially interested in visual education has been formed to supervise outlines and discussion material on significant new films and topics related to motion pictures.

We are convinced that the money required for the actual production of films can be obtained with comparatively little difficulty once a substantial membership base has been built through educational pioneering. We need funds immediately to build our membership.

THE NEED FOR QUICK ACTION

Funds are also necessary to prepare the first scenario for production as quickly as possible. Only four effective months are left until the summer to capitalize on what has already been accomplished in popularizing Films For Democracy.

A membership of at least half a million must be built up by June, so that the summer may be spent concentrating upon the production of the first feature film. It is most urgent that assistance be extended to us now, when so many doors have been opened to us; when widespread publicity is appearing, while popular interest in Films For Democracy runs high.

So enormous is the field, so ripe is the time, that the enrollment of a membership of one million in the course of the year, is within the realm of possibility and can be achieved at an estimated cost of \$25,000 --- if the work is begun immediately, without any lag or slackening of tempo, after our highly successful beginnings.

The outlook for the success of Films For Democracy is so excellent that we do not regard this \$25,000 as a donation, but rather as an unsecured loan, until the organization is firmly established.

With the solid backing of mass membership, our first film production can and will be successful in a financial sense, so that every objective pre-requisite exists for repaying the sum advanced.

To delay any assistance that might be given at a later date, will only jeopardize the immediate development of the organization. Films For Democracy has proved to be a challenging and effective slogan around which people can be rallied. It strikes the imagination of people of various shades of political thinking who in common have a deep concern over the danger of the very real and very active reactionary forces now at work in this country.

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THE REFUGEE PHYSICIAN IN AMERICA -
A MEDICAL REFUGEE SETTLEMENT PLAN

The continuous influx of refugee physicians into our large American cities has created a situation that is threatening to become acute, unless a solution is found. Indeed, in those cities where the ratio of practicing physicians to the population is already excessive, it has become a vital problem.

In the difficult economic state in which the medical profession in general, and Jewish doctors in particular, find themselves at present, this stream of refugee physicians will not only aggravate the financial difficulties of the entire profession, but will produce considerable antagonism on the part of the non-Jewish and the Jewish medical group as well. As a matter of fact, repercussions of this feeling are beginning to be heard already, as evidenced by the recent legislation which the profession has attempted to put through for licensing these refugees and establishing additional pre-requisites for their admission into the profession.

On the whole, the general attitude towards the refugee group is neither favorable nor hopeful, and unless some drastic action is taken soon, the outcome of it all will be a sad thing to contemplate. Once the general public comes to realize that even Jewish doctors are antagonistic towards these refugee physicians, the attitude of the general public itself would certainly not be a favorable one. Such reactions might lead to dangerous consequences.

It is evident that a Medical Refugee Settlement Plan must be created to meet this situation. This plan must be handled on a national scale, with a view to creating real values out of the existing calamity, diverting this calamity to such channels as will benefit this country, - this haven of refuge - as well as the refugees themselves.

It has been definitely established that the country at large, particularly in the interior, is in serious need of medical services. There are vast areas where no medical care whatever is available, - rural districts where medical aid cannot be obtained even when an emergency arises. Thus far nothing has been done on any considerable scale to meet this need. On the other hand, the refugee physicians are eager to find places for settlement and should be placed where their services will be most needed and properly evaluated. It would seem possible, therefore, that the settlement of refugee physicians in such sections of the country can accomplish the double purpose of benefiting the refugee physicians themselves and at the same time prove a real boon to the people of the country at large.

It is my plan, therefore, that a national survey be made at once to ascertain the exact locations where medical services are needed, and to learn all about the circumstances prevailing in those locations. It is my suggestion further, that a bond issue be floated, or the means obtained through various national Jewish organizations, for the purpose of creating a fund which would offer loans to refugee physicians, to enable them to settle in these rural sections, to open offices, install equipment, etc. These loans are to be repaid in installments over long periods of time. Such assistance, however, would be extended on the basis of legal contracts whereby the recipients would obligate themselves to remain in the selected districts for a definite number of years. Details for operating such plan would be worked out for each particular state, the hospitals in the larger cities cooperating by directing the medical refugees who apply to them for aid to turn to the Committee handling the details of this Medical Refugee Settlement Plan. Thus, all forms and details of this plan would be handled uniformly.

In a talk given by the writer to a large number of refugee physicians, these points were discussed and opinions from the audience solicited. The plan received an overwhelmingly enthusiastic response from everyone present. Each physician offered to go to any part of the country, in accordance with the plan.

It is evident that if the refugees are to be helped on a scale commensurate with the vastness of the problem, such help must not be marred by any unfavorable or antagonistic attitude on the part of the Jewish physicians in particular, and the lay population in general, and that such plan as the one outlined above - with whatever modifications may be found necessary - must be established without delay.

While the details of the Medical Refugee Settlement Plan are being worked out, the hospitals in the large cities, where the influx of such refugees is a daily phenomenon, could be requested to make it possible for them to prepare themselves for the necessary examinations, and to familiarize themselves with the methods and procedures prevailing in the practice of the American physician.

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January 5, 1939.

BORIS FINGERHOOD, Superintendent
Israel Zion Hospital,
Brooklyn, N.Y.

COPY

21150 Brantley Road
Cleveland

Dear Rabbi Silver:

This morning I heard Dr. Bird of the Church of the Covenant preach a deeply moving sermon on the subject "Wild Storms of Hatred" which I wish hosts of our fellow citizens might hear, and hearing heed! For the background of his sermon he used passages from the first Epistles of John, and especially the words "whoever hateth his brother is a murderer." There is naturally much in St. John that is different from the tradition so precious to my Jewish friends. But as I reread him to-night, in the atmosphere of the terrible times which we are forced to witness, I am deeply surprised not by the differences but by the precious heritage of our common spiritual traditions.

I for one am loathe to yield to the belief that all the cruel details reported by the press can be true. My memory of the propaganda to which we gave you credence too readily during the war makes me hesitate to accept everything published as true. We do not need more than the horrible official utterances and the legal enactments of the Nazi regime to give us ample evidence of the "Wild Storms of Hatred" abroad in the world. And I am convinced that all of us, Catholic and Protestant confessors, Jew and Gentile who still believe in the sanctity of personality and the rights of men are equally the victims of the "storms".

We are so beset with the pressure of the daily round of immediate duty, that we fail to give voice often enough to the faith that is within us. But I am moved to send you this bit of a message by the words which I heard this morning. If the love of brother men, of which St. John writes, is not to prevail, there can be no hope for mankind and we in our own blessed cause of freedom shall need ever to bear that in mind and heart. I am sure that the mass of our fellow citizens are eager for the sort of spiritual leadership which you and such associates of yours as Dr. Bird can and do give. May you not weary in your ministry to us all!

Ever sincerely,

(Signed) W. G. Leutner