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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Dr Silver:

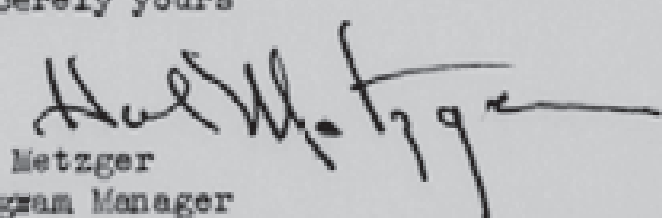
During your absence from the city recently, I called your secretary and explained a new program idea. I'm taking this opportunity of presenting the idea in writing and asking your cooperation.

The National Broadcasting Company, over its Managed, Owned, and Operated Stations, and not the Network, is desirous of introducing daily prayers of one-minute duration to be broadcast at the opening of our activities at 5 AM and at the closing hour of 2 AM. The participants would embrace the clergy of the Protestant, Jewish, and Catholic faiths, and the name of the priest, rabbi, or pastor, and his congregation would be mentioned. The theme of the prayers, as suggested by our New York Office, would be that God's help and protection be implored for speedy victory, a durable peace and the safe return of our beloved ones from the fronts. The prayers would be recorded in advance here at the studios daily with the exception of Saturday and Sunday between 2:30 and 3 PM and participants can call my office for recording appointments. We would like to have at least two or more of the Hebrew faith per week. Participants would come to our WTAM studios prepared to record at least six one-minute prayers and to leave carbon copies of these prayers so that we can forward them to our New York Office, which I believe plans to publish many of these in book form in the near future. The plan, if successful, will continue for the duration.

We have received a favorable response from the Catholic Diocese and the Federated Church Council and trust this will find favor in your sight. Obviously I look to you and your office for approval, coordination, and assistance among the Rabbis in the Greater Cleveland area.

We would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible.

Sincerely yours

  
Hal Metzger  
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July 7, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Our Executive Director, Mr. I. Rozowsky, reported at a recent meeting of the Board of Directors about his visit to you several weeks ago.

It was with much satisfaction that we learned of your friendly attitude toward our work in behalf of our afflicted brethren overseas.

Your interest gives us the courage to carry on in our noble task, and we hope that it will continue to be our inspiration to further endeavors.

We wish you success in your mission for the great cause of the Jewish people, and remain,

Very sincerely yours,

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The Temple  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

I have returned from my recent journey and brought back satisfactory results for the benefit of our countrymen overseas. I take the liberty of saying that one of my accomplishments during my trip is my memorable visit to you.

In my old home, Lithuania, the name of Dr. Silver was spoken with unusual pride. It is no small privilege for our Jewish community in Lithuania to have one of its sons reach the highest stage of Jewish leadership in America. I am indeed grateful that fate has bestowed upon me the pleasure of meeting you personally and I was gratified to recognize in your person a sympathizer for our cause.

As I write to you now, the fate of Lithuania is being sealed. The country is being freed from Nazi barbarism. We are about to face the bitter truth of what remained of the once flourishing Jewish community.

Our Federation is already taking steps to obtain all available information from there as soon as the opportunity arises. We are mobilizing our efforts here to bring the necessary aid to those whom fate will have spared out of misery and ruin. We shall keep you informed on the progress of our work.

Enclosed please find receipt for \$50.00 which you so kindly contributed toward our Relief Fund. Please accept our sincere thanks and appreciation for same.

In the hope that you will encourage us by your interest in our endeavor to help our Lithuanian Jews, and in the hope that light and fame will once more return to the Lithuanian unforgettable Jewish community, we remain

Most sincerely yours,

I. Rozowsky  
Executive Director

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9801 Euclid Avenue  
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July 21, 1944.

Dear Rabbi:

The Cleveland Army Navy Committee, local agency of the Jewish Welfare Board, has been charged with the responsibility and has undertaken to arrange religious services at Crile General Hospital for the members of the staff and patients. This is one of the most important responsibilities in behalf of servicemen which our community has been called upon to assume, and the Jewish Welfare Board is turning to you for cooperation in this effort.

Col. Robert Harden, commanding officer at Crile General Hospital, has designated Rabbi Armond E. Cohen as the Jewish chaplain for the hospital. It is desirable to formulate religious plans for the hospital, and for this reason we invite you to a meeting on Monday, July 31, 1944, at 12:45 P.M. (not a luncheon) at my office on the fifth floor of the Bing Furniture Co., 514 Prospect Ave. This is an important work in which your help and counsel are necessary.

I hope that you will find it possible to attend this meeting.

Sincerely yours,

*Louis S. Bing*  
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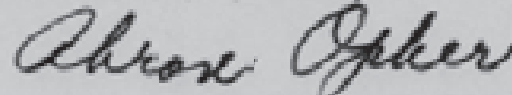
Dear Colleague:

In view of the critical nature of the time, it seems important that representative leaders of the Catholic, Jewish and Protestant faiths should cooperate more and more closely in approaching the major political issues that have arisen and will arise in America and the world. Accordingly, a Conference was held on July 27th in New York which was attended by leaders of the three faiths. This conference adopted the enclosed statement prepared by Professor Diston Pope of the Yale Rabbinical School, Father R. A. McGowan of the National Catholic Welfare Conference and the writer.

It was decided at the Conference that this statement should be issued to the public over the signatures of twenty-five leaders of each of the three faiths.

I am sending you this statement with the courteous request that you sign it and return it to this office at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely yours,



Rabbi Ahron Opher  
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August 11, 1944

Dear Friend:

It gives me pleasure to inform you that at the last meeting of the Cleveland Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board you were reelected to membership on the committee for the 1944-45 season.

Attached herewith is a list of the membership and officers of the committee for the new year. As you are aware, the Cleveland Army and Navy Committee is carrying forward an active program of community service in behalf of men and women in the armed forces who are either located in Cleveland, or are residents of Cleveland but serving at distant points.

Ours is an important war-time job, and with your cooperation we look forward to a most successful season of work.

Sincerely yours,

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August 28, 1944.

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


Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that your name is to be included in our compilation for 1944 of WHO'S IMPORTANT IN RELIGION, which records the careers of Religious Leaders, Educators and Church Officials.

Please fill in and return the enclosed brief questionnaire. If time permits, I shall be glad to mail you a proof of your edited biography prior to publication.

There is, of course, no obligation of any kind.

Faithfully yours,

  
Robert Tilton,  
Associate Editor.

P.S. You may also send us one of your photographs.

*Sent  
10-25-44*

Dear Sir:

"You just can't disregard it, they'll need a new start in life when they get back — many of them will have to be re-raised into their rightful bracket in society — through particularized rehabilitation! Thus spoke the Rev. Glenn T. Settle before an overflow audience of Legionnaires and guests on September 16, 1944; and that is the reason that it is essential for us to establish a rehabilitation Service Home as soon as it may be done.

In order to raise the funds needed for the purpose a mammoth Spiritual Musical Festival has been planned for Sunday, December 17, 1944 at Public Auditorium, for which two patron tickets are enclosed with the hope that you would purchase them as a contribution and for the genuine enjoyment the several radio and stage artists will render you at the Festival.

Possibly you have been bombarded with appeals of a similar nature since the war has been going on and are probably fed up with letters of this kind as a result, but we do not believe your name would have been so kindly suggested as being willing to assist in a worthy community undertaking were it not so that this ~~x~~ is not a promotional scheme for individual gain.

No commissions and no salaries are being paid to any of the persons so kindly assisting on the program and your purchase of the enclosed Festival tickets will be a direct aid to thousands of returning service men through the establishment of a permanent rehabilitation headquarters.

Approved Sept. 6, 1944, Cuyahoga County Council, American Legion.

Very sincerely yours,

Herbert J. Saggs, Chairman  
Service Home Committee.



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September 7, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

Your recent move of joining the ranks of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance, was met with much joy and pride by both our leaders and likewise the thousands of members throughout all the United States.

We surely do appreciate the importance of this pleasant event to our mutual cause, the Zionist Movement, as well as the 'Golem' problems with which we are confronted and in which we are with heart and soul so deeply interested at the present chaotic times.

Another member is another soldier, another leader is another general for our ranks, especially when the leader is so highly gifted with a clear vision, a master tongue and with magnitude of wisdom and diplomacy.

Permit me therefore, to convey to you the greetings of the entire District #4 of Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore, Norfolk, Richmond, etc., with our usual Jewish traditional 'Shalom'.

I also have the pleasure of informing you that at our last meeting it was suggested and decided to celebrate this event in the month of November, in the most proper manner, with you as our guest of honor, and we do hope that it will meet with your approval. I want to assure you that our District #4 will spare no effort to make this evening a memorable one in the hearts of our membership as well as in your own, in the spirit of Zionist Activity.

With full measure of confidence of your approval at your earliest convenience, and with best wishes for a speedy Allied Victory and the Liberation of Eretz Israel.

I remain,  
Respectfully yours,

*B. Friedman*

B. Friedman, Chairman District #4  
Jewish National Workers' Alliance

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ROBERT GORDIS, Ph.D., Rabbi

Sept. 8th, 1944

Dear Doctor Silver:

Three years ago you were good enough to read my book "The Jew Faces A New World" and give it high words of commendation, for which I am deeply grateful. I have now written a small book of approximately, eighty pages, not geared to the contemporary scene! It is a modern translation of Ecclesiastes, with a popular introduction on the book and the man. The translation appeared recently in the "Menorah Journal."

While I know how busy you are, especially at this time of the year, I am making bold to ask whether you will be good enough to read the text in page proof, which will arrive from the printer very shortly. I hesitate less to make this request, because I feel that in a sense it may prove a welcome diversion from the cares of today.

If the material seems worthwhile to you, I should then be very grateful for a statement that we might use in bringing the book to the attention of prospective readers.

It goes without saying, that whatever your opinion may be, I shall be very grateful to you, if you would consent to read the text.

With many thanks and personal greetings on the New Year,  
I am

Sincerely yours,

*Robert Gordis*

ROBERT GORDIS

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

JACQUES TORCZYNER

551 Fifth Ave.

New York 17, N. Y.

September 15, 1944

Dear Rabbi Silver:

May I present to you my best wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year. May I take this opportunity to congratulate you for the outstanding work ~~work~~ and accomplishments which you have done for Zionism during the past year as chairman of the Emergency Council.

The Zionist membership at large is devoted to your leadership, and I wish to assure you that you can count on our devoted cooperation any time you call for it.

I remain

Sincerely yours,

  
Jacques Torczyner

Rabbi A. H. Silver  
19610 Shaker Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

September 19, 1944

Dr. Robert Gordis  
Temple Beth El  
121-16 Boulevard  
Rockaway Park, L.I.

My dear Dr. Gordis:

I shall of course be very happy to read  
your Ecclesiastes.

With all good wishes for a very happy new  
year, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

October 3, 1944

Mr. Alfred Cahen, President  
The World Publishing Company  
2231 West 110th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Cahen:

Thank you for your letter of October 2. I agree with you that the YIVO should be receiving much greater assistance than it has. I do not know whether it will be possible to put it on the list of the Welfare Fund outside of the Contingency Fund. I have written to Rabbi Armond Cohen, Chairman of the Contingency Fund, suggesting that you and he meet and talk the matter over. I am quite sure that you will hear from him in the near future. I stand ready to do all I can.

With best wishes for a happy new year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

October 3, 1944

Rabbi Armond E. Cohen  
Cleveland Jewish Center  
1117 E. 105th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Armond:

I am enclosing herewith a letter from Mr. Alfred Cahen, which is self-explanatory. I have suggested to Mr. Cahen that he have a talk with you. YIVO is, of course, deserving of much larger assistance than it has been receiving from Cleveland. As to whether it can be put on the Welfare Fund list outside the Contingency Fund is another matter. I hope that you will be able to work out something with him. Please get in touch with Mr. Cahen.

With all good wishes to you and yours for a very happy new year, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:EK  
Enc.



The  
**ASSOCIATED INDUSTRIES of CLEVELAND**

1615 N B C Building

October 3, 1944

VETERAN RE-EMPLOYMENT CONFERENCE

Mrs. FRANCES P. BOLTON, member of Congress for the 22nd Ohio District, will be the luncheon speaker at the all-day Veteran Re-employment Conference in the Hotel Statler on October 11th, arrangements for which have just been completed by the Association.

It is extremely fortunate that we are to have the benefit of the facts which will be presented by Mrs. Bolton. She has but recently returned from an inspection tour of the camps and hospitals and battle fields of Europe. She knows how our soldiers on the front feel and think and her address will be of inestimable value to those who will help effect the smooth return of veterans to civilian life.

COL. PAUL H. GRIFFITH, Chief, Veterans Personnel Division, Selective Service System, will open the Conference at 10:30 A.M., at which time he will speak on the subject of "The Veterans' Rights under the Selective Training and Service Act".

Mr. JAMES A. WHITE, Vice Chairman of the Industrial Commission of Ohio and Mr. JAMES H. DAVIS, chief of the Commission's legal department, will follow Col. Griffith with a discussion of the impact of the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act upon the employment of partially disabled veterans.

CAPT. MAX GOLDENBERG of Grile Hospital, will open the afternoon session at 2:00 o'clock with a discussion of the "Army Reconditioning Program".

GENERAL WILLIAM L. MARLIN, Manager of the Veterans' Administration, will close the session with an address on the subject "Assistance Available to Veterans under the Veteran Administration Program".

The importance of the subject matter to be discussed warrants your attendance and that of your Personnel and Production Executives as well as Foremen, all of whom will be responsible for the administration of your veteran re-employment policies. Opportunity will be given after each address for questions from the floor. There will be no registration fee for the Conference sessions.

Please return the enclosed reservation card, indicating the number of representatives from your company who will be present at the Conference and at the Luncheon, so that adequate arrangements for service can be made. You may pay for luncheon tickets at the door or have them charged to your company as you desire. Luncheon tickets will be \$1.75 including tax. Tables seat ten.

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October 4, 1944

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

In view of your interest in Zionism,  
you might like to read the enclosed private memorandum  
I have written on the Middle East. I would like to  
have your frank reaction.

WRHS  




Sincerely yours,

*Raymond L. Buell*

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# TRAFFIC NEWS

FROM: BUREAU OF PUBLIC RELATIONS  
CLEVELAND POLICE DEPT.

GEO. J. MATOWITZ  
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Dear Pastor:

Will you kindly read this message to your congregation on Safety Sunday, Oct. 8th. Your cooperation will help reduce accidents. The Cleveland Police Department.

OCTOBER 9TH TO 14TH IS PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WEEK. THE CLEVELAND POLICE DEPARTMENT REQUESTS EVERYONE TO DO THEIR PART IN PREVENTING TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

MOTORISTS ARE REQUESTED TO USE GREATER CARE --- AND TO DRIVE AT REDUCED SPEED. THE PERSON ON FOOT IS URGED TO TAKE TIME TO WALK SAFELY.

October 8, 1944

Dr. Oscar Thomas Olson  
Epworth-Euclid Methodist Church  
1919 E. 107th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Olson:

The Temple, its officers and members join me in extending to you and through you to the members of the Epworth-Euclid Methodist Church our warmest fraternal greetings on the occasion of the 25th anniversary of your great institution which has been a source of spiritual strengthening and guidance to the entire community. The friendly association of The Temple and Epworth date back many years when Epworth was on 55th and Prospect and The Temple was on 55th and Central. Both our physical and our spiritual neighborliness have continued uninterruptedly since then. We pray that our Heavenly Father may prosper your work and bless it abundantly throughout the oncoming years.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

# *Wendell Willkie* Zionist Leader Pays Tribute to Willkie

By Associated Press.

CLEVELAND, October 9. — Wendell Willkie was "the symbol of great generosity of heart and worldwide encompassing sympathy," Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, national chairman of the American Zionist Emergency Council, said today in a telegram to the 1940 Republican presidential nominee's widow.

"He was a noble human being. A great American and an inspiring citizen of the world," said Dr. Silver. "In an age when the hearts of men were growing smaller and their visions narrower, Mr. Willkie remained the symbol of great generosity of heart and a worldwide encompassing sympathy. He championed the cause of all minorities and more especially the Jewish minority which more than any other group had suffered so grievously.

"He defended the rights of all peoples and also the right of the Jewish people to rebuild its national life in Palestine, for all of which he will long be remembered by grateful hearts with profound gratitude."

Webster Groves 19, Mo.  
10/10/44

Dear Robbie: -

I read your delightful tribute to Wendell Willkie in the newspapers here.

I had a delightful correspondence with Mr. Willkie which culminated in his contributing several books to this Foundation.

I am planning to make a memorial to Mr. Willkie with these books and the tributes of a number of prominent Americans. Among these are Upton Chase, H. V. Kaltenborn, Cedric Foster, Gabriel Heatter, Walter

Vincent John Vandercok,  
and a few others. I want  
to include yourself in this  
memorial. Will you write  
your tribute on your station  
ery - sign it personally for  
this project? When these  
tributes are in I will have  
a delightful memorial.

I hope you will co-  
operate to the extent sug-  
gested.

I may mention that  
in one of the books contributed  
to this Foundation by Faith  
Baldwin, she wrote a short  
"Creed," which was in the



precise words written  
somewhere by yourself.

Faith Baldwin has  
contributed a book of every-  
thing still in print!

Would you like to con-  
tribute some token?

Hoping that you will  
co-operate in the Wendell  
Willkie tribute, I am.

Very cordially  
H. L. Schroeder.

I am adding several  
Catholic names to my  
Advisory Council, and  
would like a name like

your own on it. Then all  
the faiths will be repre-  
sented.

Would you object  
if I added your name  
to that list?

Thank you for your  
kind consideration.

Sincerely yours  
H. L. Schroeder

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Oct. 18, 1944

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
The Temple,  
Ansel and 105th st.,  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I have been thinking a lot of our talk yesterday in Sterling Graham's office, and I have since obtained a copy of the text of the Martin Sweeney speech over WHK on the evening of Oct. 4th. I said in the meeting that if the broadcast were as you gentlemen described it I felt the Plain Dealer editorially ought to smack Sweeney down.

But after reading the text, and conscious of the difficulty of proving that he delivered it exactly as it is written, I am very dubious as to the wisdom of attacking him. I am inclined to believe that most of the poison in the speech was, as Sterling Graham said yesterday, in the inflection and manner of delivery. The only point on which you could get him in the text, provided he delivered the text as written, was his statement and reiteration thereof that the problem was to "save a Christian America from Communist control".

Of course, as you and I look at it, Communism is not a religion but a social philosophy. It is neither Christian nor Jewish. It is neither Mohammedan nor Buddhist. On the other hand, a lot of people who mean no harm at all but who have been brought up as devout Christians, often speak of the desirability of making America a Christian country and do not have in mind any anti-Semitic feeling at all. They merely mean that they want to have America live according to the principles of one whom they believe to have been the greatest ethical teacher who ever lived.

Now I don't think for one minute that that is what Sweeney had in mind. I think what he had in mind was the rankest kind of anti-Semitism. But on the record I submit it would be pretty hard to make such a charge stick in print.

After a good deal of thought I have concluded the

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best way to handle this is to see that he does not do it again  
over the air. Knowing Martin L. Sweeney as well as I do  
I think that if I had had a chance to edit this speech before  
it was delivered I could have smelled, if you will, the way in  
which he would insinuate intolerance into the words. And I  
propose that hereafter all his broadcasts which come our way  
are going to be more carefully scrutinized with this in mind.

Sincerely yours,

PB-A

*Paul Bellamy*



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October 11, 1944

Mr. Raymond L. Buell  
Time, Inc.  
Time & Life Building  
Rockefeller Center  
New York 20, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Buell:

Permit me to thank you for your thoughtfulness and courtesy in sending me your memorandum on the Middle East. My dear friend, Mr. Emanuel Neumann, who has frequently spoken to me about your interest in all the problems which touch the Middle East, had shown me your memorandum some time ago, which I read with the keenest of interest.

Your approach is certainly one of great thoughtfulness and fairness, and it reveals a close acquaintance with the manifold problems involved. With many of your conclusions, I am in complete accord. Concerning some of the others, I should like to have an opportunity to explore them with you a little further. It is difficult through the medium of a letter to do that. I wonder whether it would not be possible for us to meet for an hour or so at lunch or at some other convenient time? I come to New York frequently. It would give me great pleasure indeed to make your acquaintance and to discuss a subject which is of great interest to both of us.

Again thanking you for your kindness in sending me your memorandum, and with all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX



October 11, 1944

Mr. Paul Bellamy, Editor  
Cleveland Plain Dealer  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Bellamy:

Thank you so much for your kind letter of October 10. I agree with you that it would be wiser to watch Sweeney's utterances over the air in the future rather than to castigate him editorially now for the speech which he made.

It was a great pleasure for me to have had the pleasant chat with you the other day. My friends and I are very pleased that we had an opportunity to talk over the entire situation with you.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BX

**The Epworth-Euclid Methodist Church**

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Ansel Road and East 105th Street  
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver,

A thousand thanks to you for your very gracious note. It arrived Sunday morning. I availed myself of the privilege of reading it to my congregation. Our people were deeply moved by your expression of fraternal regard.

We have had a happy week in our Anniversary occasion, and one of the loveliest aspects of it is to think of the friendship that exists between the Temple and Epworth-Euclid.

I am enclosing a copy of the current issue of our "Outlook."

Yours sincerely,

*Oscar Thomas Olson*

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## THE EPWORTH-EUCLID OUTLOOK



### THE METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

#### Intermediate Fellowship

Intermediate Fellowship will meet at 3:30 p.m. in the Harmony Class Room. Marilyn Kerr and Anne Rush will lead the devotions. George Johnson, a British student at the School of Medicine, Western Reserve University, will speak on war-time conditions in his country.

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#### Epworth League

All youth of high school age are cordially invited to supper and recreation hour at 5:30 p.m. in the dining room. William Hassell and Robert Fisher are in charge of the recreation, and Mrs. Wm. A. Dewald and Mrs. Walter Gardner will prepare the supper. At the 6:30 League meeting in the Upper Room class room the topic of discussion will be, "What makes a good Epworth League?" David Peterson, president, will lead the discussion.

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#### Explorers

The Explorers will meet at 6:15 in the young people's room. "Should an International Police Force Be Established?" is the topic of a debate to be presented at this Sunday's meeting by George Springer and Dudley Kimpton, members of the Case debate team. Come and learn both sides of the question. Miss Norine Wines will lead the meeting.

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#### Carson Class

"Jesus' Understanding of Man" will be the topic for discussion for Oct. 15. The text is to be found in Matthew 12:9-21. Miss Helen McKenzie will lead the worship; Tom and Ila Farrell will furnish the music.

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#### Explorers-Carson Hike

Members of the Explorers and Carson Class will have a conducted nature hike, rain or shine, at Strawberry Lane, Saturday, Oct. 14, starting from the shelter house. Drivers will call you regarding transportation. Food will be provided. The tour will start at 4 p.m. and supper will be served at 6 p.m.

#### Harmony Class Party

Thursday, Oct. 19, is the date for the fall session of "Harmony University" in the recreation room of the church. You may expect very little education, plenty of fun and frolic in this refresher course. Come and bring a prospect.

Fear has defeated more men than actual trouble has.

### CHURCH NIGHT, WEDNESDAY, OCT. 16

6:10 P. M. Dinner, served by Units 1 and 15. L. E. Allerton and G. H. Pimbley, leaders.

7:00 P. M. Worship period, led by Dr. Olson.

7:30 P. M. Dr. John Bruere, Minister, Calvary Presbyterian Church, speaking on "Post-War Planning for the Church."

Make reservations for dinner, GARfield 1201, by Tuesday p.m.

#### Red Cross Centers

##### Need More Workers

Some of us turned up at Red Cross the other night expecting to put in our two hours and whip up 50 or 75 or almost 100 of the very easy four-by-four dressings. Imagine our surprise to be confronted with simply mammoth pieces of gauze which pulled angrily at the south corner as you were cautiously adjusting the north, and vice versa. They proved to be four-by-eights, or something equally out-size. Strangely enough we managed to make up towards 40 each, which wasn't bad—considering...

Every so often at the Red Cross centers special calls come in for dressings other than run-of-mine. It makes for variety, and sometimes we enjoy knowing we are working for Crile Hospital where our boys are coming home to be made whole again.

Won't you put in an hour or two a week at this important work which is far from done? There is now a center at Moreland School in Shaker Heights, open one evening a week as well as the usual daytime hours. Two or three Cleveland Heights centers are also open, and Prospect School in East Cleveland is conveniently located. Consult your telephone book.—B. L. C.

#### First Guild Meeting

##### Scheduled Next Friday

The first meeting of the year for the Business and Professional Women's Guild is to be a dinner meeting at the church on Friday, Oct. 20 at 6:15.

Mrs. Warren D. Troutman will speak on "Our New Relations with Latin America." All members and friends are invited. Please let Elizabeth Schlagetter have your reservation before Wednesday, Oct. 18. Call her at Cedar 4445.

Some... special political and economic groups want to win complete victory for themselves regardless of the consequences for others and for the nation... by and large they represent a serious menace to the unity of the nation, to the war effort and to the lives and futures of American fighting men.—Charles E. Wilson, executive vice-chairman of the War Production Board, formerly president of the General Electric Company.

Jesus Christ is the answer to the crisis of this distraught generation.

#### Service Addresses

Pfc. Robert W. Mason, 35317358  
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Sgt. Robert A. Snyder, 35053050  
144th Finance Disb, Section  
Camp Shanks, N. Y.

A/S Jack L. Taylor, 35535606  
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Capt. Lee H. Wagner, 0-424585  
Officers' Student Tng. Detachment  
A.A.F.I.S. (IT)  
Bryan Field  
Bryan, Tex.

#### Gives Blood Donation While on Furlough

Do you know that one of the last things one of our service men did before going overseas was to give a blood donation to the Red Cross?

This young man was home on furlough for those few precious days before going to a port of embarkation. He already had been a donor of more than a gallon of blood, some of it after going into service. And so he made his appointment at 1227 Prospect avenue, went down and gave his pint, and then—off to the wars!

Please report your blood donation, as soon as you have made one, to Mrs. H. G. Harvey, Longacre 8378, 3260 Braemar road, Shaker Heights.

#### Conference Women Elect

Cleveland women elected to office for the 1945 term by the Women's Society for Christian Service of the North-East Ohio Conference are Mrs. H. F. Brandt, president; Mrs. R. L. Mesks, vice president; Mrs. M. H. Preslan, corresponding secretary, and Miss Audrey Wright, secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild.

A good word is an easy obligation; but not to speak ill requires only our silence, which costs us nothing.—Tillotson.

Every life has its actual blanks, which the ideal must fill up, or which else remains bare and profitless forever.—Julia Ward Howe.

A life spent worthily should be measured by deeds, not years.—Sheridar.

#### Rabbi Silver Sends

##### Anniversary Greeting

The following letter, written by Abba Hillel Silver, Rabbi of The Temple at East 105th street and Ansel road was read by Dr. Olson at the morning service Sunday as Epworth-Euclid Church entered its 25th Anniversary Week:

"Dr. Oscar Thomas Olson  
Epworth-Euclid Methodist Church  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Olson:

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Most cordially yours,

Abba Hillel Silver."

#### Board of Education Meets

The Church Board of Education is asked to meet at the church on Tuesday evening, Oct. 31.—Walter N. Lacy, chairman.

#### For the Children

##### The Reason

Rabbits and squirrels  
Are furry and fat,  
And all of the chickens  
Have feathers, and that

Is why when it's raining  
They need not stay in  
The way children do, who have  
Only their skin.

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October 19, 1944

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
American Zionist Emergency Council  
The Temple  
East 105th Street at Ansel Road  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

I much appreciate your letter relative to my Foreign Policy Memorandum No. 4. I want very much to talk to you about the situation. I am tied up on other matters pretty intensively until after the election, working a good deal at my home in the country. But I would be grateful if you would let me know in advance if you will be in New York in December and whether you might then have lunch with me.

I am anxious to get your reaction to statements recently made by Roosevelt and Dewey as to the Jewish Commonwealth. In my opinion the Governor made a bad slip when he said that the Jewish Commonwealth had been promised in the Balfour Declaration.

Again with thanks for your letter.

I am

Sincerely yours,

*Raymond L. Buell*  
Raymond L. Buell



October 24, 1944

Mr. William Dinwoodie  
The Cleveland News  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Dinwoodie:

In connection with the conversation which I had with you over the telephone yesterday morning I thought you might be interested in the enclosed copy of a letter which I wrote to the Honorable Nathaniel L. Goldstein, Attorney General of the State of New York, on October 20 in reply to a letter which he wrote to me requesting me to address a Dewey meeting in Madison Square Garden on November 24.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

ARS:BK  
Enc.



# Junior Mizrachi Women

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The Temple

East 105th Street at Ansel Road  
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Dear Dr. Silver:

The Junior Mizrachi Women's Organization of America, a part of the religious Zionist movement, will hold their 5th Annual Convention, on Sunday, November 26th, at the Hotel New Yorker, 34th Street and 8th Avenue, New York City.

Our organization, counting an active membership of 5,000, is devoted to the ideal of reconstructing Palestine in the spirit of the Torah and the Jewish traditions. To this end, we erect Children's Houses in Kibbutzim and Kvutzot in Eretz Yisrael.

You, as one of the outstanding leaders in the world Zionist Movement, have through the vigor of your written and spoken word, championed the cause of our people. We feel that a message from you will give us, added strength to continue our important work for the rebuilding of our Homeland.

Will you be good enough to favor us with an early reply and your kind permission to release your statement in its entirety or in part.

May the Lord continue to bless you with strength, wisdom, and health, to go on with your devoted work for our people.

With sincere Zion's greetings, we are,

Very cordially yours,

*Naomi Greenberg*  
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October 30, 1944

My dear Rabbi Silver:

As a guarantor of the Cleveland Metropolitan Opera Seasons, you will be pleased to learn that the season last May established new world's records for attendance and receipts, and that plans are already under way for next spring's Twentieth Season. Although the week-date has not yet been definitely fixed, the regular series of eight performances will be presented during the latter part of April or early part of May, 1945.

Our income for this year's festival amounted to \$221,455.88, resulting in a net profit of \$23,955.56. This sum, of course, has been added to our existing reserve to be held primarily as further protection to our guarantors.

At the present time you are a guarantor in the amount of \$500.00 under the provisions of the Association's uniform underwriting agreement. This agreement will continue in effect for next year's season, unless you choose to terminate it prior to January 1, 1945 by written notice. Naturally, I am hopeful that you will go along with us for the coming season, in which case no action on your part will be necessary at this time.

Christmas Gift Certificates: The management is happy to announce that it is again offering these Gift Certificates for the coming holiday season. Handsomely engraved and individually inscribed as ordered, the Certificates are exchangeable for seats in advance of the public sale and have proved extremely popular as gifts to members of one's family, relatives, friends, employees, etc., since they remind the recipient of the giver at the time of the Opera Season as well as at Christmas. The Association's Executive Office, 721 Bulkley Building, CHERRY 6256, will be happy to supply you with any additional information you might desire.

With warm appreciation of the support you have given our Metropolitan Seasons in the past, and trusting that we may continue to merit your confidence in the future, I am, with kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

*Thomas L. Sidlo*

Chairman

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
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19810 Shaker Boulevard,  
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Dear Sir and Friend:

This is being written to you in the interest of the Negro service men and women in the armed forces from Cleveland, in the belief that you might be willing to assist the undertaking insofar as it might be possible for you to.

We will hold a Spiritual Musical Festival at Public Auditorium December 17, 1944, to raise funds with which to establish a Service Home with Club rooms to carry our share of the huge rehabilitation job that lies ahead after the war is over. The undertaking has the endorsement of the Cuyahoga County Council, The American Legion, the Chamber of Commerce and the Better Business Bureau, and the Negro Ministers of the city.

We would greatly appreciate it if you would permit us to employ the statement: Endorsed by Rabbi Silver, in the letters we are to send to persons we believe would be interested in assisting an undertaking of this nature, a copy of which is here enclosed.

This is not a promotional scheme, and no commissions or salaries are being paid to the persons that are so kindly helping us to forward the program.

Respectfully and sincerely yours,

*Herbert J. Faggs*  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your interest and belief in the necessity for a free vote lead us to ask if you will become a sponsor of this Committee.

Our purpose is to free the ballot for ten million voteless citizens in eight Southern states, not alone because a free ballot is the foundation of a democracy, but because the poll-tax system grants out-size powers to the poll-tax Congressmen who, almost free of ballot-box restraint, form an unrepresentative minority.

Plans for the next campaign are under way. We will be happy if you lend your name to our efforts.

Sincerely yours,

Mrs. Katherine Shryver

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November 3, 1944

Herbert J. Faggs, Adjutant  
The American Legion - Post No. 94  
2319 E. 55th Street  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Faggs:

In reply to your letter of November 1 permit me to state that you may use my name in connection with the Spiritual Musical Festival to be held in the Public Auditorium on December 17.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AMS:BX



November 3, 1944

Mrs. Katherine Shryver, Executive Secretary  
National Committee to Abolish the Poll Tax  
127 B. Street, Southeast  
Washington 3, D.C.

My dear Mrs. Shryver:

In reply to your letter of November, I  
shall be pleased to serve as a sponsor of your  
committee.



Very sincerely yours,



AHS:BX

November 5, 1944

Mr. B. Friedman, Chairman District #4  
Jewish National Workers' Alliance  
717 Spruce Street  
Philadelphia, Pa.

My dear Mr. Friedman:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter. I have been traveling about a great deal and my correspondence has lagged.

I wish I could accept your gracious invitation to attend a meeting November arranged under the auspices of the Jewish National Workers' Alliance. It would have given my great pleasure indeed to attend this meeting, particularly as it would be in the nature of a celebration of my joining the ranks of the Alliance. Unfortunately my work has been so heavy and my commitments are so many that I cannot, in justice to myself and my health take on any additional out of town engagements. I am sure that you will understand. The months of November and December will be particularly crowded ones for me as I shall have to be in Washington a good deal of the time in connection with our Palestine Resolutions.

Please convey to your members my profound appreciation for their thoughtfulness, and the hope that I may be able to be with them at some future time.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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November 9, 1944

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Will you join a representative group of Americans in rescuing from starvation and bitter suffering the brave people of an allied nation?

After three years of unceasing struggle against the Nazi invaders - a struggle so heroic it has stirred the whole world - the Yugoslav people under Marshall Tito are today liberating their homeland. Free at last from the Nazi terror the people of the liberated areas need our help in fighting off hunger, cold, disease. If help does not reach them soon, tens of thousands of men, women and children will die this winter.

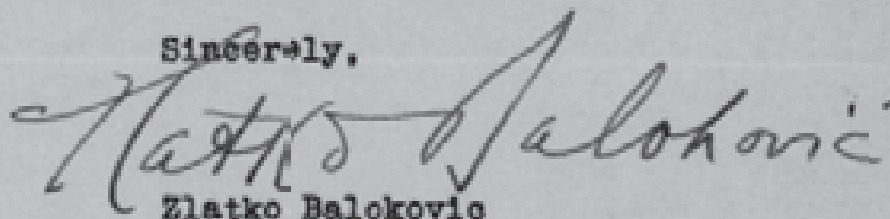
Quick action has been made possible. A relief ship is to be dispatched here by the Yugoslav Government to carry back desperately needed food, clothing and medical supplies. The Yugoslav Government has appealed to us to fill this ship. It is not often in these days of dreadful universal suffering that we have the chance to help so directly, so effectively, and so immediately.

These people who appeal to us are our friends - friends who have earned our keenest admiration for their inspiring courage in fighting their enemy and ours.

An American Committee is being formed to collect clothing, food and medicines. The prestige of your name would help us win a generous response from the American public. Our appeal has the approval of the President's War Relief Control Board and will in no way conflict with the National War Fund Campaign.

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Sincerely,



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November 10, 1944

The Hon. Frank J. Lausche  
Mayor of Cleveland  
City Hall  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mayor Lausche:

May I join your host of friends  
in extending to you my heartiest felicitations  
upon your election as Governor of Ohio. May  
the coming years be very fruitful and happy  
ones for you.

Most cordially yours,

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November 10, 1944

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
19810 Shaker Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Negro Business Hour has been presented over WHK every Sunday Morning for the past five years. Our Anniversary program is November 20, at which time we will have a forty five minute program and we would like for you to be one of the three minute speakers.

I would suggest that you speak on the subject of (Inter-racial Goodwill).



Please inform us in the next few days if you can accept this invitation.

Very truly yours

*John F. Morning*  
John F. Morning

Jfm:mwo

*The Officers and Board of Directors*  
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November 14, 1944

Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman  
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St. Louis, Mo.

My dear Ferd:

Because I have been traveling about a great deal, I have neglected to send you my good wishes on the occasion of your fifteenth anniversary with Temple Israel. These belated greetings, however, are nonetheless heartfelt and sincere. You have served with distinction and high devotion the cause of your Temple, your community and your people, and I pray that the oncoming years may bring you an even increased measure of achievement in all those fields of human endeavor to which you have dedicated the fine gifts of your heart and mind.

Mrs. Silver joins me in sending you and Mrs. Isserman our warmest good wishes.

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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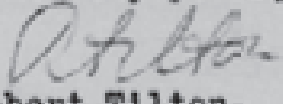
Dear Rabbi Silver:

Your biography has been edited and is now submitted to you prior to publication in WHO'S IMPORTANT IN RELIGION, which records the careers of Religious Leaders, Educators and Church Officials.

Please go over this sketch carefully, making any corrections or changes you desire, and then return the proof to me with your personal signature of approval.

Should you like to own a copy of the forthcoming volume, containing your biography, a reservation card is enclosed for your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

  
Robert Tilton,  
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17 November 1944

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

In reply to the enclosed letter, Professor Leo Shapiro of the Department of Intercultural Relations of the Anti Defamation League suggested that I lay certain problems I encounter, as the member of the staff especially responsible for questions affecting the Jewish group, before you. Letters similar to this one are being addressed to Professor Horace Kallen and Dr. A. L. Sachar and to Rabbis Solomon Goldman of Chicago and Joshua Liebman of Boston.

The following are types of specific questions upon which the staff asks your advice:

1. When Jews such as Haym Salomon, Samuel Gompers or Justice Brandeis are mentioned in U. S. history texts, should they be identified as Jews? Here is the type of quotation in mind: "No account of the financial difficulties of the colonists, however, would be complete without reference to the generous contributions and the unceasing efforts to raise funds made by such Americans as Robert Morris and Haym Salomon, a Jewish money broker from Philadelphia." In one text Samuel Gompers is referred to as "a remarkable English Jew."

2. In U. S. history, how much and what type material about the contribution of Jews or of the Jewish group should be included?

3. What is the best method in U. S. history of treating the recognition of the contributions of various groups to American life?

4. In the fields of English and American literature, what recognition of intergroup tensions and adjustment should be asked? Is it desirable to make a point of including some Jewish authors on Jewish and non-Jewish themes? Should stories giving an insight into Jewish experience in a gentile world be included? What aspects of modern Jewish experience should occur in these anthologies?



Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

11/17/44

5. In the field of world history:
  - a. How should the crucifixion be treated? How should responsibility for the crucifixion be treated?
  - b. How much dependence upon gospel accounts of the life and death of Jesus is compatible with sound historical treatment? (Four quotations, representing a fair sampling of what has been found on this subject, are enclosed.)
  - c. How much emphasis both in world and U. S. history should be placed upon the racist theories of the Nazis and upon their scientific baselessness? How much emphasis should be placed upon Fascist and Nazi persecution of religious groups, including the Jews?

We are attempting to work out these and similar problems on the basis of cultural or democratic pluralism. What are the implications of this concept as applied to these problems?

Finally, there is the question of the "indirect" vs. the "direct" teaching approach in combatting prejudice. Many teachers say that they get more results by using an indirect attack. They say nothing about differences and little about prejudice. Rather do they organize classes and schools on a democratic, equal rights basis. They "live" tolerance and fair play in all activities and discourage prejudice when it is actually shown. They feel that a direct approach emphasizes the differences we are attempting to relegate to the background. Other, and fewer, teachers use, in addition to an indirect approach, emphasis upon differences and their strengths, the psychological bases of prejudice, its dangers in America, and methods to combat it. As far as textbooks and teaching materials are concerned what approach to the problem of group conflict and prejudice do you feel most effective?

If there are points about the Committee's work upon which you desire more details, I will be glad to supply them. I am enclosing a mimeographed preliminary statement of the Committee's purpose.

I would hesitate to burden you with these matters, but I know you are keenly interested in the improvement of group relations in America. The staff and the Committee will deeply appreciate whatever you have to say.

Sincerely,

*A. F. Citron*

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November 19, 1944

The Temple  
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Attention: Activities Director

Dear Sir:

Our Park School boys have organized two basketball teams composed of boys aged respectively fourteen and fifteen and a so-called junior team composed of boys aged eleven and twelve.

These two teams play at the Cleveland Jewish Center on Sunday afternoons from 3:00 to 5:00 p. m. and we are working out a schedule of inter-school games in which we would like to have you participate.

If your boys are interested in playing a basketball game with either of our two teams, we should appreciate your getting in touch with Rabbi Jack J. Cohen at the Center at Gl. 7577.

Looking forward to a pleasant association in this venture.

Sincerely yours,

*Saul G. Stillman*  
Saul G. Stillman  
Athletic Club Director

SS:cc

November 20, 1944

Mr. John F. Morning  
Board of Education  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Mr. Morning:

Permit me to thank you for your kind letter of November 10. I should very much like to participate in your Anniversary program on November 26, but unfortunately I shall be out of the city on that day.

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

Most cordially yours,

AHS:EK

November 20, 1944

Miss Naomi Greenberg, National President  
Junior Mizrahi Women  
1135 Broadway  
New York, N.Y.

My dear Miss Greenberg:

Will you not convey to the delegates who will attend your 5th Annual Convention my warmest greetings and good wishes. I know of the fine work which the Junior Mizrahi Women's Organization has been doing, and I hope that your good work will prosper. The religious forces of Jewry organized under the banner of Mizrahi have been a bulwark of strength both to our movement and to national rebirth in Eretz Yisrael. It is out of our enduring religious loyalties that our national movement has drawn its strength and inspiration throughout the years. I share with you the prayerful hope that the near future will witness the consummation and fulfillment of the ancient hope of our people.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

# Temple Israel

Saint Louis

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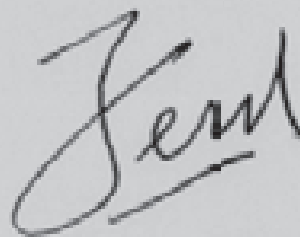
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The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Abba Hillel:

The pleasure of my fifteenth anniversary  
service at Temple Israel was increased by your  
very friendly and generous message of congratulations.  
I am grateful to you.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,



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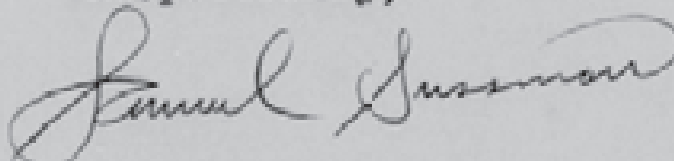
Dear Dr. Silver:

Enclosed I am sending you the current issue of "The Jewish School and Democracy," a magazine which you may have seen before. It is sent to several hundred schools throughout the United States and is used by a few hundred teachers. I would like to get your permission to quote from your book, "The Democratic Impulse in Jewish History," which I find has valuable material which should be made available to our Jewish teachers, and which would indeed be helpful in presenting personalities and events in Jewish history in a more meaningful and effective manner.

I do hope to get a favorable reply from you.

With Zion's greetings, I am

Respectfully,



SAMUEL SUSSMAN

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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
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Dear Rabbi Silver,

On Wednesday, December 27th, there will be held in Washington an important Conference of lecturers on international topics and lecture bureau managers. This Conference, under the auspices of the American Platform Guild, is being arranged in cooperation with the State Department. There is a growing belief that the platform should be given a greater place in the dissemination of news, and should have first-hand information on matters of public policy, etc.

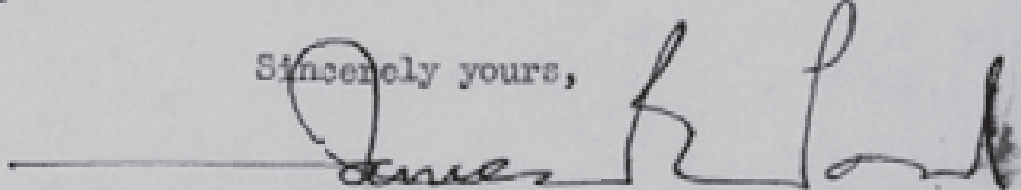
This Conference will be held in the State Department Building and will be limited to 125 people. High ranking officials of the State Department will talk to us, and there will be open discussion periods.

We would very much like to have you one of the group to be present on this occasion which we feel will be an important one.

Will you please let me know very promptly if it will be possible for you to accept our invitation. It is going to be difficult to hold the attendance to the limits of the meeting room.

There will be a morning and afternoon session and a luncheon. This has all been arranged so that it is not necessary for people attending this Conference to remain in Washington overnight unless they wish to do so.

Sincerely yours,

  
Executive Secretary

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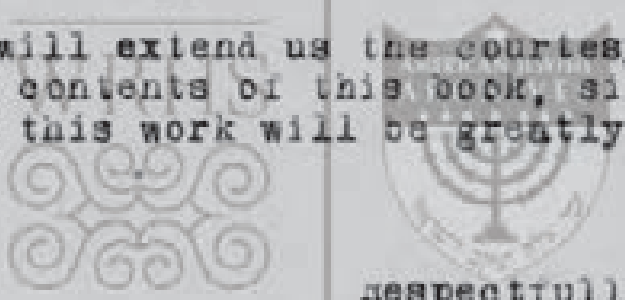
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Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
East 106th St. at Angel Rd.  
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Dear Rabbi Silver:

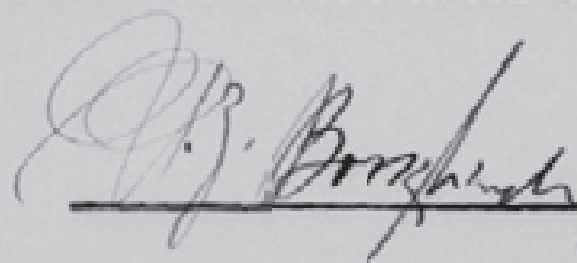
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December 14, 1944

Mr. James B. Pond, Executive Secretary  
The American Platform Guild  
2 West 45th Street  
New York 19, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Pond:

Thank you for your kind letter of December 8 inviting me to attend a conference under the auspices of the American Platform Guild in cooperation with the State Department on Wednesday, December 27th. I shall make every effort to attend.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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December 14 '44

Rabbi Silver,  
The Temple,  
246 East 105 St.  
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Rabbi Silver:

Thank you so much for your willingness to be a member of one of the panels in the series, "Young America Thinks", which originate in the High School auditoriums of the city and suburbs.

We believe that the program is making a valuable contribution toward vitalizing the study of current problems for young people.

I hope it will be possible for you to participate in the forum which will be held in the John Hay High School on Wednesday, December 20, at 8 o'clock in the evening. This will be a night school group, which of course, includes all ages, from sixteen years on up.

The topic is "What is to be done with Germany after the war is over?"

Dr. William E. Wickenden will be the other member of the panel.

Again, I do appreciate your interest, and hope that we will have the pleasure of your cooperation at John Hay.

Sincerely,

*Dorothy Fuldheim*

John Hay High School  
2075 East 107 Street  
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Principal, Mr. L. L. Werstler

P.S. Each panel member has six minutes, for formal presentation of the subject, and the rest of the time is taken up with the questions from the students, answers, and further discussion.

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*Rabbi*

December 14, 1944.

My dear colleague and (still) friend,

Enclosed is a clipping which we discussed a fortnight ago.

I wired C.B.S. protesting Lessing Rosenwald's egregious misstatements. The reply I received is wholly unsatisfactory and evasive. It states that Bernard Joseph had spoken before Mr. Rosenwald and consequently the score is even. Undoubtedly you gave this matter your attention long ere this.

With kindest greetings for a joyous Chanukah from house to house,

Earnestly,



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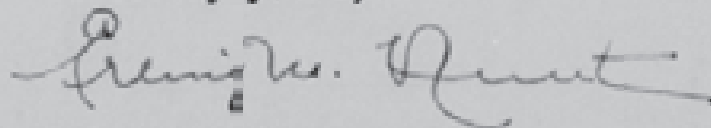
Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

My dear Dr. Silver:

I understand from Mr. Allen King that you are quite willing to have your address to the National Council for the Social Studies on "The Moral and Psychological Basis of a Lasting Peace" published in Social Education, the official journal of the National Council. I have accordingly had the article re-typed by columns in the form in which we forward material to the printer. I shall be grateful if you will go over the copy, which except for the addition of guide headings stands as you wrote it, and return it to us with any changes which may be desirable. I hope that it can be published in our February issue which will be going to press in about ten days.

Several members of the National Council have indicated their desire to have the address published, and I know that many members who were unable to be at Cleveland will be glad to have it made available to them.

Sincerely yours,



Erling M. Hunt  
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December 18th, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

I am very glad indeed it is possible for you to attend the American Platform Conference on International Affairs in Washington on December 27th. It looks as if this Conference were going to be even more important than we had originally anticipated.

Hon. Edward R. Stettinius, Secretary of State, will open the Conference with a personal address of welcome. This will be at 9:30 A.M. It is therefore quite important that every delegate be present by that hour.

The actual Conference will be in Room 474, but you are to report to the main reception desk at the main entrance of the State Department Building on Pennsylvania Avenue. There you will get your proper identification and will be shown to the Conference room.

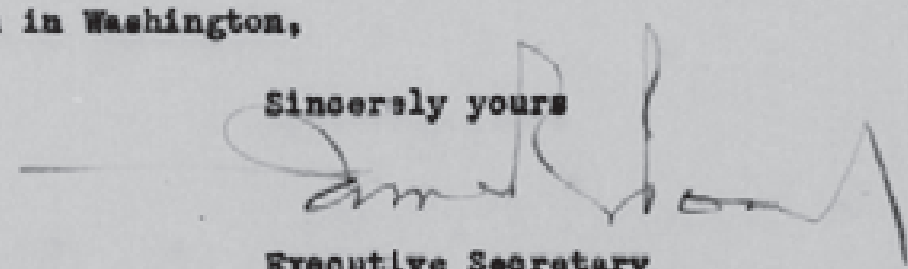
This Conference will not be covered by the press, as it will be off the record and platform people will be able to freely discuss matters with the State Department heads who will make the major addresses of the day.

Will you kindly let us know whether you wish to attend the luncheon at the Hotel Roger Smith. The luncheon charge is \$1.65.

Please also let us know where you will be staying while in Washington in case we have any need to reach you. If traveling by train and not staying anywhere, may we have this information.

Looking forward to seeing you in Washington,

Sincerely yours

  
Executive Secretary

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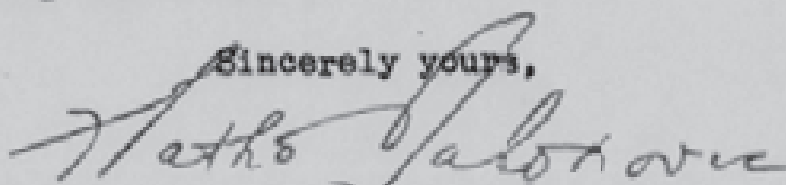
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Thank you for being one of us.

Sincerely yours,



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December 20th, 1944

## TO DELEGATES TO AMERICAN PLATFORM CONFERENCE

We are enclosing herewith your credential card to the American Platform Guild Conference on International Affairs at Washington next Wednesday, December 27th, 1944.

This card will facilitate your identifying yourself when you call at the information desk at the main entrance of the State Department Building.

Please bear in mind the morning session opens at 9:30 and we wish all delegates to be prompt.

We sincerely hope that those attending the Washington Conference, who have not already planned to attend the New York Convention, December 28 and 29, will arrange their plans so as to also attend the New York meetings.

AMERICAN PLATFORM GUILD.

# TIME

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December 22, 1944

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

Dear Dr. Silver:

When you talked some time ago with Frances Schweitzer, TIME's Public Relations Representative in Cleveland, I believe that in the course of the conversation about TIME, LIFE and FORTUNE you discussed the Preview of FORTUNE.

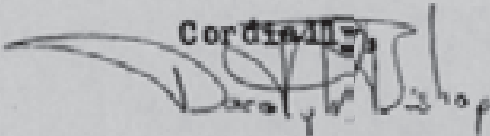
This is just a note to say that I'll be sending you the service regularly during the coming months. Your January Preview has already gone out, but because I think you may have missed it, I am attaching a belated copy of the December Preview.

As you already know, this service brings with it the privilege of requesting advance tearsheets of those articles you feel may prove helpful in your work. There is, of course, no charge for the Preview, and no strings attached to it--but naturally the service is rather restricted. We hold it for a few men and women who, like yourself, feel that they have a real need for some of FORTUNE's material.

I'll look forward to hearing from you whenever you see articles that interest you. And I think that with rare exceptions we'll be able to fill whatever requests you may care to make. Since our tearsheets are limited, all requests must naturally be filled on a first-come first-served basis.

Be sure to call on Miss Schweitzer whenever you have any special comments on the job that TIME, LIFE and FORTUNE are doing these days. Let her know, too, if ever we might be of some further help to you.

Cordially,

  
Dorothy W. Bishop  
Bureau of Special Services

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December 26, 1944

Dr. Samuel Sussman, Principal  
Har Zion Hebrew School  
54th Street  
Philadelphia, 31, Pa.

My dear Sussman:

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

You have my permission to quote from my book, "The Democratic Impulse in Jewish History."

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX

Sentinel

December 26, 1944

Permit me to join your host of friends in sending you my greetings on the occasion of your 35th birthday. The Jewish Press renders a great service to our people when it disseminates vital information concerning all that is transpiring in the Jewish world, and by giving wise and constructive interpretations of all that transpires. The Sentinel has through the years sought to fulfill this mission.

I wish you increased service and usefulness to our common cause in all the upcoming years.

Very cordially yours,



December 27, 1944

Mr. Erling M. Hunt, Editor  
Social Education  
204 Fayerweather Hall  
Columbia University  
New York 27, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Hunt:

I am returning herewith my manuscript, "The Moral and Psychological Basis of a Lasting Peace." I am very happy that the address will be made available to the members of your organization.

I enjoyed my meeting with your group greatly. With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours.

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM . AMERICAN PLATFORM CONFERENCE  
ON INTERNATIONAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS . WASHINGTON, D. C.

Wednesday, December 27, 1944

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All Conferences in State Department Building.

Morning Session. . . . . 9:30 -12:30  
Topic: Dumbarton Oaks Proposals

Luncheon. . . . . 12:30 - 2:30  
Roger Smith Hotel. Those desiring to attend  
should give advance indication of intention.  
The luncheon charge will be moderate.

Afternoon Session. . . . . 2:30 - 5:30  
Foreign Economic Problems

Opening Message from

EDWARD R. STETTINIUS, Secretary of State

Addresses followed by Discussion

DR. LEO PASVOLSKY

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This First American Platform Conference, limited to 100 outstanding platform people, is arranged in cooperation with the U. S. State Department by the American Platform Guild, 2 West 45th Street, New York 19, N. Y. Speakers scheduled subject to change.

Following the Washington Conference, the Guild will hold its Third Annual Convention at the Town Hall Club, New York, on December 28 and 29. Those attending the Washington Conference are invited to be present also at the Convention in New York.

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### DEC. 28, Thursday

Registration at 11 A.M. Opening Luncheon of the Convention. Annual Business Meeting and Election of Directors. Informal Celebrity Program in afternoon. No formal Affair planned for the evening, but various activities in New York will be arranged.

### DEC. 29, Friday

Sectional Meetings in Morning. Group Lunches in Private Rooms in Town Hall Club. General Business Meeting and Open Discussion of Platform Affairs in Afternoon. Celebrity Banquet at Night.

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Registration and Inquiries about the Convention should be sent to

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Dr. Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver:

Again I want to thank you most cordially for your book, "Messianic Speculations" which you sent me, which proved to be of unusual help to me. What a pity that I did not come across this truly scientific classic work before! It would have spared me a great many troubles and painful research. The only thing I find to be a gross exaggeration in your book is your generous inscription concerning my humble work.

Now I wonder whether you don't think that you now have to include in the second volume of your work *Yizhak Ibn Gikat* as one of those *Mechashvei Kizim*. In case you missed my note in the *Hadoar* #16 of 1943, I wish you would look through the attached clipping. The main reason Prof. Louis Ginzberg is not inclined to accept Gikat as a Messianic Speculator is because he is generally mevatel those Speculators and does not believe that they were taken seriously by the community. This does not hold ground as far as Gikat is concerned, because his "speculation" is part of a prayer to be found in the "*Mahzor Unicum Hizzunim*". S. Ch. Cook most vigorously accepts my view in an article published lately in the Jerusalem weekly "*Bamishor*" and Louis Ginzberg himself admitted to me that my argument is a strong one.

On the other hand, with regard to Samuel Usque, author of the Portuguese book, "*Nechamath Yisroel*", of whom you told me that you included him in your second volume - which is regrettably still in mss. resting in your desk - I am not so certain whether you could classify him as a speculator. I dealt with that man in an article in the "*Bitzeron*" last year, pointing out that Spinoza, Uriel Acosta and Samuel Usque could really be considered as the unconscious forerunners of Jewish Nationalism or secular Judaism. It is true that Usque followed Abarbanel almost 50 years later with the publication of his book similar to Abarbanel's Trilogy, but Usque speaks to us in dramatic dialogue, stressing so-to-speak the "political" potentialities and aspirations inevitably leading to Israel's redemption in the Holy Land. So, we would be unfair to him in labelling him as a speculator while in reality he is a dreamer and thinker much nearer to "modern" Jewish hopes of the 17th and 18th centuries.

(P.T.O.)



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I wonder whether you possess some of my other books, for instance the Diwan of Leo de Modena, Diwan of Immanuel Francis, Diwan of Salomon De Piera, the Italian Diwan, etc. If you don't, please let me know. I shall somehow ferret out for you a copy of each.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Dr. S. Bernstein*  
Dr. S. Bernstein

P.S. Szulwas' book, "Rome and Jerusalem" is now available at the Jewish book stores - such as Solomon Rabinowitz Book Store

28 Canal Street  
New York City



*Dr.*



## The Cleveland Press

December 28, 1944

Dr. A. H. Silver,  
The Temple,  
E. 105th Street and Ansel Road,  
Cleveland, O.

Dear Dr. Silver,

Please accept my deep appreciation of your kind holiday remembrance. I am inclined to think I shall feel very regal when I decorate my old carcass with the lovely garment you have sent.

With best wishes for the New Year,

Very sincerely,

*Frank Stewart*

# HARVARD UNIVERSITY



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December 30, 1944

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Harvard University Press has just printed President Lowell's baccalaureate sermons that he preached over the years to the Senior classes at Commencement time.

A friend of Mr. Lowell has put some copies of this book at my disposal to be sent to friends - particularly to some of our Harvard preachers who knew his interest in the college chapel.

I am asking the Harvard Press to send you one of these copies. It is interesting to notice that they are sermons, rather than addresses. Mr. Lowell was very jealous for that half hour and gave a lot of care to his part in it.

Sincerely yours,



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## "RELIGION IN THE NEWS"

by

WALTER W. VAN KIRK

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Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek, in a radio message to the Churches of China, likened the ethics of Jesus to the democratic principles which the Chinese people are seeking to incorporate in their national life. He recalled that fifteen or twenty years ago, when there was a ~~strong~~ <sup>strong</sup> trend toward stamping out religion in China, he had undertaken a study of the Christian faith and had become convinced, as he put it, that "Jesus was not only the Savior of mankind but also the leader of a social religious revolution." The revolutionary force that Jesus gave to the world," said the Generalissimo, "is not unlike that which has inspired our Three People's Principles." This emphasis of Chiang Kai Shek on the revolutionary quality of the Christian faith may shock some people who have come to regard Christianity as a formal set of ecclesiastical rules which are to be meticulously observed with the view to insuring one's entry into the Kingdom of Heaven. It must be confessed that the routine worship of Christians very often suggests little, if anything, of the spirit or the outlooks of a revolutionary dynamism. But here is the head of the Chinese state reminding his fellow Christians that the gospel of Jesus is a revolutionary gospel. That gospel is revolutionary in the sense that the Christian religion is the foe of injustice and of tyranny and of exploitation. Whether or not Christianity may be equated with a particular theory of government may be questioned. The Generalissimo is convinced, however, that democracy is a form of government that, more than any other, reflects the spirit of the New Testament. Certainly there will be no disposition amongst American Christians to quarrel with that point of view. A totalitarianism that dwarfs the dignity of humans and that looks upon men, women and children as the pawns of state policy or of empire cannot be squared with the principles of Christianity as these principles are understood by the overwhelming majority of Christians throughout the world. It is just as well that the Generalissimo pointed to the revolutionary aspects of the Christian faith. It is a revolutionary faith. But it is a faith that disowns the customary techniques of revolutionary violence. Its sword is not the sword of steel nor are its weapons the weapons of wholesale destruction. Its sword is the sword of love, of reconciliation, of charity, of goodness, of long suffering, of forgiveness. If it should ever happen that men in high places began wielding that sword we would witness a revolutionary upset on a global scale, the like of which this world has never seen.

Pope Pius, in his already famous Christmas Message of 1944 did two things. In the first place he went farther than any Pope has yet gone in support of an

international organization to maintain the peace of the world. The Pontiff sees this organization invested by common consent with "supreme power to whose office it would also pertain to consider in its germinal state any threat of isolated or collective aggression." "No one," said Pope Pius, "could hail this development with greater joy than he who has long upheld the principle that the idea of war as an apt and proportionate means of solving international conflicts is now out of date." But the Pope lays down one condition to his endorsement of an international organization to restrain aggression. That condition is that the organization shall be truly representative of all peoples, victors, vanquished and neutrals. It is conceded "that any people, to whose government - or perhaps even partially to themselves - the responsibility for the war is attributed, should have for a time to undergo the rigors of security measures until the bonds of mutual trust, violently broken, shall be gradually welded together again." Such a development was said by the Pope to be quite understandable from a human point of view, and, in all probability, inevitable. Nevertheless, and that word "nevertheless" is the key to this part of the Pope's Christmas Message - "Nevertheless even these peoples," said the Pontiff, "must have a well-founded hope - commensurate to their effective collaboration in the world of reconstruction - of being able, together with other states with equal consideration and with the same rights, to be associated with the great community of nations." To put it quite plainly this means that the Pope does not want to see established an international organization that will take on the character of a power alliance of the victorious nations for the purpose of keeping the vanquished nations in a state of perpetual bondage. That's what the Roman Catholic Bishops in the United States said some weeks ago. That's what the Protestant Churches of this and other countries have been saying. "One thing we know," said the Pope, "that the moment will come, perhaps sooner than the people think, when both sides realize that, all things considered, there is only one way out of the meshes in which war and hate have wrapped the world, namely, a return to the solidarity too long forgotten, a solidarity not restricted to these or those people, but universal, founded on the intimate connecting of their destiny and rights which belong equally to both." I'm glad the Pope said that. I could only wish that these words might find their way into the thinking of the statesmen who will give shape to the world of tomorrow. There's more common sense in this part of the Pope's Christmas Message than I have seen forthcoming from the utterances of the world's political leaders, without exception.

In the second place, the Pope's Message exalted democracy as a way of life. The Pontiff observed that war tortured peoples are becoming in every way more aggressive in their opposition to "the concentration of dictatorial power that cannot be censured or touched." He declared that the tendency toward democracy is capturing the peoples of the world and winning a large measure of consent and support from those who hope to play a more efficient part in the destinies of individuals and of society. But the Pope is interested in something more than the framework of democracy. He gave it as his conviction that a sound democracy would resolutely turn its back - and here I use his words - on "such corruption as gives to the state legislature an unchecked and unlimited power and, moreover, makes of the democratic regime, notwithstanding an outward show to the contrary, purely and simply a form of absolutism."

Set over against the sordid quest for political power and prestige which is now under way in many parts of the world, the Pope's Message is a clarion call

to men of goodwill to rally to the standard of international decency and morality. Listen to these words and be thankful that they can be uttered and have been uttered in the world of secular madness: "Blessed be the Lord! But from the mournful groans of sorrow, from the very depths of the heart rending anguish of oppressed individuals and countries, there arises an aura of hope. To an ever increasing number of noble souls there comes the thought, the will ever clearer and stronger, to make of this world, this universal upheaval, a starting point for a new era of far-reaching renovation, the complete reorganization of the world."

Christians of all faiths will say 'Amen' to that. But if these things are to be, if there is to be renovation and reconstruction, there is not a moment to be lost. The war will be won. Of that there can be no doubt. But will the peace be won? The answer to that question is for the moment shrouded in doubt. The talk today is of alliances, of power politics, of spheres of influence. But the peace can be won if those who believe in the things of the spirit will lift their voices above the din of national greed and selfishness.

The American Zionist Emergency Council is being reorganized. There has been a break in the ranks of the Council occasioned by differences of opinion on strategy with respect to the Palestine resolution put before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on December 11. The two co-chairmen of the Council have resigned, Dr. Abba Silver of Cleveland and Dr. Stephen S. Wise of New York. It will be recalled that the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, on advice of the State Department, deferred action on the Palestinian resolution which urged free entry of Jews into Palestine. It is reported that Rabbi Wise and Silver have disagreed as to the wisdom of pressing now for action on Palestine by the Senate. In addition to calling for free entry of Jews into Palestine, the resolution which was urged upon the Senate Committee by Rabbi Silver called for the ultimate establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine. Dr. Silver, in giving the reasons for his resignation explained that his decision was "irrevocable" and stated that "my policies do not appear to have the support of a sufficient majority of the membership of the Council as now constituted to warrant my continuing in office."

An American churchman, Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, has just returned to the United States from Europe. Dr. Warnshuis was the first American civilian to be admitted into Switzerland in more than two years. While in London, Paris and Geneva he counselled with church leaders in regard to the overseas relief and reconstruction plans of the American Protestant Churches. If what Dr. Warnshuis reports is true, we are likely to see a wholly new church in Europe in the years ahead. Before the war the churches of the Continent existed on the outer rim of community life. They were concerned, in a narrow and theological sense, with the cure of souls and with life beyond the grave. Now, according to Dr. Warnshuis, these churches are turning more and more toward the problems of the social order. It will be of interest to our American churches to learn that plans are under way to meet the postwar needs of the European Christian community on an interdenominational basis. Already national committees representing the various non-Roman churches have been set up in Belgium, in France and England. These national committees will review the needs of their respective churches without regard to denominational labels. Then the World Council of Churches will supervise the

work of relief and reconstruction, again without regard to denominational considerations. The result of all this is likely to be a vast development in the field of inter-church cooperation and Christian unity.



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STATEMENT ON CHRISTMAS OBSERVANCE IN THE SCHOOLS

The Synagogue Council of America is in receipt of numerous requests from many parts of the country for a general statement in reference to the observance of Christmas in the public schools. In response to these requests, the following statement is issued for the guidance of Rabbis and community leaders who may be faced with the problem.

The Synagogue Council of America recognizes the division of church and state as a basic principle of the American way of life. The public schools are rightfully considered to be in the sphere of government. While responsible in a measure for the development of moral and ethical qualities in their pupils, public schools should never participate in sectarian teaching.

In many instances it is not difficult to draw the line between what may rightfully be taught or properly observed in the public schools and what should be totally barred. The use of Christmas symbols, songs, playlets, and the like, provides some of the most difficult problems in determining what is acceptable and what is objectionable in school practices. The difficulty arises from the fact that Christmas has been traditionally considered a national holiday, as well as a religious holiday of Christmas. We cannot ask the public school authorities to exclude from the schools all reference to the spirit which permeates the atmosphere of America at the Christmas season. To offset the influence of the environment, it is clearly the obligation of Jewish parents and Jewish religious and educational institutions to explain to Jewish children that most of their neighbors accept certain theological concepts which Jews do not share. Schools are obligated not to teach or inculcate any of these doctrines which would disturb the right of parents to bring up their children in their own faith.

It is impossible to define precisely the border line between acceptable and objectionable Christmas observance in public schools. The possibilities for breaching the line by mere interpretation are many and varied. Each instance is so dependent upon the circumstances that only persons of high learning and true devotion can issue a correct verdict in each instance. Such persons should be guided by good judgment, tact and discretion.

The questions that are involved in Christmas observance require so much knowledge of theology and of religious custom that sometimes it is difficult even for Rabbis to arrive at sound conclusions in all instances. Those who are not equipped with the training, experience and authority of the Rabbis should not depend upon their own judgments in dealing with such problems. Rabbis should accept the obligation to determine when Christmas observances in schools attended by children of their congregation infringe upon the principle of separation of Church and state, even though protesting against such infractions and asking remedy, involves the relationship between Jews and their neighbors.

It is advisable that any complaints received by the Rabbi be thoroughly investigated and discussed with local civic protective agencies, where such exist under the aegis of the Jewish community, before any publicity is given to such complaints. However, when the information has been obtained and verified, it shall be the prerogative of Rabbis to decide whether the situation warrants an attempt to rectify it. The readiness of the school authorities to introduce illustrations of Jewish ceremonies and ceremonials into the schools, such as the lighting of the Chanukah Candles, should indicate to some extent whether there is a desire for Christian indoctrination.

Whenever it is found advisable to protest to the schools on account of over-zealous Christmas observance, public controversy should be avoided, if possible. Notoriety given to such matters evokes wholesale misconceptions and misunderstandings. The Rabbi and his co-workers should assure themselves that approach to the school authorities will be on a basis of private inquiry and consultation. These interviews and communications are "privileged" and not to be dragged into the open, lest the entire community be plunged into needless disturbance.

If the elimination of objectionable materials cannot be achieved without publicizing the matter, documented evidence should be prepared in advance of the exposure. If there is to be any publicity, it must be planned and purposeful. It should be a measure of last resort to be used only after other corrective efforts have failed.

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## A Tribute to Franklin Delano Roosevelt

“GENTLEMEN, I am not familiar with your individual party politics. I have endless faith in America and in whatever government might be elected. But I would be beneath contempt, and without even an inkling of the meaning of gratitude, should I fail to express to you, and to all other men, American or British, with whom I come in contact, my admiration, friendship and undying affection for Franklin D. Roosevelt.

“His foresighted vision in a blind world, his patience and his courage, his chivalry and his ability, have endeared him forever to the people of these islands. I do not hesitate to say that when this war is over, and no matter what course the internal politics of my country or yours will take, there will be erected on the highest spot of the British Isles a monument to the man who led his people to stand with freedom in its darkest moment. That monument will be to Franklin D. Roosevelt, a great president, whom I only wish, gentlemen, I could call MY president.”

*Winston Churchill to American Correspondents*



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L'Union OSE (ORGANISATIO SANITARIS EBRAICA), Union de Sociétés pour la Protection de la Santé des Populations Juives et Oeuvre Juive de Secours aux enfants a été fondée en 1912.

Cette Union s'était posé pour but d'organiser la protection sanitaire des collectivités juives dont les conditions de vie, d'alimentation, d'habitation exigeaient une action systématique d'assistance dans tous les domaines de la santé. Guidée par ces principes, l'OSE fut amenée tout naturellement à concentrer la plus grande partie de ses efforts sur l'aide à l'enfance, plus spécialement exposée et sensible. C'est ainsi que durant les années précédant la guerre, les trois quarts des institutions de l'OSE étaient consacrées exclusivement à la santé physique et morale des enfants et des adolescents.

Depuis 1933, le siège de la Direction Centrale de l'UNION OSE se trouvait en France. A la suite des événements postérieurs à 1939, la délégation permanente de l'OSE à Genève a assumé les fonctions de la Direction Centrale. Cette Direction est composée de trois membres : le Dr. B. Tschlanoff, vice-président de l'Union OSE, MM. L. Gurvic et le Dr. J. Weill.

Jusqu'aux hostilités actuelles, l'OSE entretenait des branches d'activité en Pologne, Lithuanie, Lettonie, Roumanie, Hongrie, Allemagne, France et Angleterre. Des Comités d'Aide et de Propagande fonctionnaient en outre aux Etats-Unis d'Amérique, au Canada, en Australie, en Afrique du Sud et au Mexique. Elle possédait alors 250 Organisations locales et comptait environ 70.000 adhérents.

Au moment de son plein épanouissement, 600 institutions fonctionnaient sous la surveillance des Directions OSE dans différents pays, notamment en Europe Orientale, où la densité des populations juives était la plus forte et leur standard de vie le plus bas.

Par l'organisation d'un réseau de centres d'assistance médico-sociale, l'Union OSE s'efforçait d'assurer une éducation physique et morale de l'enfance aussi normale que possible malgré les conditions défavorables.

C'est ainsi que furent fondés dans ces pays des "Gouttes de lait", des Pouponnières, Ecoles maternelles, Crèches, Jardins d'Enfants, Colonies et Cantines scolaires, Homes et Foyers d'enfants, Colonies de vacances, Consultations médicales, Polycliniques, quelques Hôpitaux, Sanatoria et Préventoria.



Au fur et à mesure que les événements politiques poussaient la misère juive vers l'Ouest, la situation des masses juives déracinées obligeait l'OSE à ouvrir de nouvelles institutions dans les pays occidentaux.

L'Evolution de la guerre et notamment la situation créée par l'occupation des pays de l'Europe orientale et Centrale entraîna la fermeture d'un grand nombre de ces établissements et mettait fin en général à l'activité de l'OSE dans beaucoup de pays (Allemagne, Lithuanie, Lettonie). Dans d'autres pays, comme par exemple au début en Pologne, puis en Hongrie, en Roumanie, en France, les Institutions de l'OSE ont été incorporées dans la nouvelle organisation représentative des populations juives, créées soit par les puissances occupantes elles-mêmes, soit sous leur influence.

Les circonstances ne permettent pas de résumer à l'heure actuelle le travail qui a pu être continué en Europe Orientale et Centrale par les Sociétés OSE ou les organisations qu'on leurs a substituées, malgré l'entrave apportée à une activité régulière.

En FRANCE, l'OSE a considérablement développé son activité depuis la guerre. Avant les hostilités, elle avait consacré ses efforts à l'assistance aux enfants abandonnés provenant de l'Europe centrale. 5 homes furent ouverts dans la région parisienne hébergeant plusieurs centaines d'enfants qui fréquentaient les écoles et étaient familiarisés avec les travaux manuels dans les ateliers fonctionnant à l'intérieur des Homes.

En 1939, l'OSE prépara des centres d'évacuation pour les enfants de la zone parisienne.

C'est à partir de ce noyau de Maisons d'Enfants qu'une Oeuvre considérable d'assistance aux enfants prit son essor et devint peu à peu l'organisation centrale d'assistance et de protection de l'enfance et de l'adolescence israélite, victimes de la persécution. Vingt homes ouvrirent leurs portes, donnant asile, dispensant l'instruction générale et l'artisanale à plus de 2.000 enfants. La presque totalité des enfants réfugiés, parmi lesquels se trouvent un grand nombre d'enfants abandonnés comptant par milliers est entièrement à la charge de la Direction, qui, après la fusion de toutes les Organisations Israélites de France, a représenté et géré l'activité et les intérêts de l'OSE française dans le cadre de l'Union Générale des Israélites de France.

Les enfants qui n'ont pas été placés dans les homes sont répartis dans les familles privées et pris à charge par l'OSE. En dehors de ceux-là, 2.500 enfants environ demeurés auprès de leurs parents sont surveillés et assistés par elle.

En dehors de cette branche d'activité, un réseau serré d'assistance sociale étendu à de nombreux départements contribue utilement à la protection sanitaire des familles nécessiteuses. Il englobe toutes les activités nécessaires pour la lutte contre la maladie, et à la prophylaxie. D'une manière générale, la Direction Santé (OSE Française) assume auprès des Israélites nécessiteux les fonctions d'un service d'hygiène sociale.

En dehors de son action d'assistance, l'OSE a poursuivi, malgré des difficultés presque insurmontables et en collaboration étroite avec les grandes organisations internationales d'entraide sa politique d'évacuation d'enfants des foyers de persécutions européens dans des pays d'outre-mer. Grâce à ses efforts persévérants, il fut possible de faire émigrer en 1941 et 1942 plusieurs centaines d'enfants en Amérique et d'obtenir en 1943 les possibilités d'émigration aux Etats Unis, au Canada, au Mexique, à St. Domingue pour 5000 enfants. L'occupation totale de la France vint arrêter brutalement cette activité, surprenant 500 enfants à Marseille au moment où ils s'appêtaient à quitter la France pour l'Amérique du Nord.

En 1944, les méthodes de travail en France ont dû être changées par suite de l'augmentation des persécutions et les entraves mises à l'activité de l'UGIF. Pour sauver les enfants, il fallut dissocier tous les homes et organiser un placement familial à la campagne de tous les enfants abandonnés et menacés de déportation. Plus de 5000 enfants seuls étaient mis en sécurité grâce à ces mesures, et pris à charge par l'OSE. Il fallut aussi adapter aux nouvelles conditions tout le travail d'assistance. Le nombre de ces enfants seuls de parents déportés augmentait de mois en mois.

En SUISSE, l'OSE poursuit deux branches essentielles d'activité. D'une part elle assume les fonctions de la Direction Centrale, entretient la liaison avec ses comités d'Outre-Mer et développe aussi, à partir de la Suisse un travail d'assistance aux populations juives de certains pays occupés et un travail préparatoire pour l'émigration collective d'enfants. D'autre part elle collabore, sans avoir d'activité propre, dans le cadre du Verband Schweizerischer Jüdischer Flüchtlingshilfen pour les adultes, et dans celui du Schweizer Hilfswerk für Emigrantenkinder pour les enfants, à la solution de certains problèmes d'aide aux réfugiés en Suisse.

C'est d'après ces principes que furent réalisées en Suisse différentes actions de secours parmi lesquelles il y a lieu de citer les suivantes:

1°) Envoi de médicaments et fortifiants en Pologne, Roumanie, Slovaquie, Bohême, Croatie, France, Italie et Grèce d'une manière presque ininterrompue depuis 1940 à ce jour par l'intermédiaire du Comité International de la Croix-Rouge.

2°) Contact suivi avec les organisations internationales d'entraide et certaines administrations compétentes en vue de préparatifs de l'émigration collective d'enfants et de cadres techniques tels que médecins, infirmières, assistantes sociales etc...

3°) Création d'un Comité d'Action de Secours aux Enfants auprès de l'Union OSE ayant pour but de coordonner les tentatives de sauvetage, d'émigration, ou de rétablissement de l'enfance juive en Europe, victime de la guerre. Ce Comité est composé comme suit: Le Dr. N. TSCHLENOFF (Genève), président - M. Georges Bloch (Zurich), Monsieur Armand BRUNSCHWIG (Genève), Monsieur Paul DREYFUS de GUNSBURG (Bâle) vice-présidents: MM. L. GURVIC et Dr. J. WEILL, membres de l'exécutif - Monsieur Paul M. BLUM (La Chaux-de-Fonds), Silvain S. GUGGENHEIM (Zurich) Professeur L. HERSCH (Genève), Adolphe NEUMAN (Genève), Professeur Edgard MILHAUD (Genève), Professeur MINKOWSKI (Zurich), Dr. Samuel SCHREPS (Genève), Henri de TOLNDO (Genève) Professeur J. ABELIN (Berne)



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Ce Comité comprend trois Sous-Commissions: celle d'ASSISTANCE ET D'ORGANISATION SOCIALE qui traite des questions de documentation et d'étude des problèmes d'assistance d'après-guerre, de l'instruction de cadres appropriés et des formes d'assistance à l'enfance juive réfugiée en Suisse et dans d'autres pays; celle de la DÉFENSE de la PERSONNALITÉ DE L'ENFANT qui poursuit la constitution d'un Fichier Central des Enfants abandonnés et de la reconstitution physique, juridique et morale de la personnalité de l'enfant; celle de l'EMIGRATION qui traite de tous les préparatifs, liaisons et pourparlers préparant l'émigration et le regroupement familial.

4°) Dans son travail de collaboration avec les Œuvres Suisses, l'O.S.E. s'intéresse au fonctionnement des homes d'enfants réfugiés, à l'assistance aux adolescents, à l'aide supplémentaire médicale dans les camps, au perfectionnement technique des cadres parmi les réfugiés en vue de leurs activités ultérieures dans différents pays.

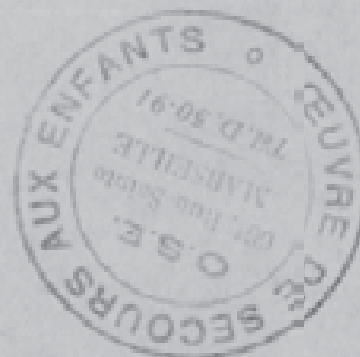


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January 3, 1945

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver  
The Temple  
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver:

The Cleveland Army and Navy Committee of the Jewish Welfare Board is responsible for the provision of adequate religious activities in behalf of the Jewish patients and personnel at the Crile General Hospital. This program includes not only the usual religious services but the special matter of regular visiting to the bedsides of patients by ordained rabbis. Rabbi Armond Cohen has been designated by the Cleveland Army and Navy Committee as the civilian chaplain at Crile General Hospital. Rabbi Cohen has assumed the responsibility for organizing such special religious functions and services as may be required at the hospital.

I wish to advise you that Mr. Jay M. Halle has been appointed chairman of a committee to arrange for regular hospital visiting by rabbis in the community. The Army and Navy Committee invites your participation in this program and hopes that you will find it possible to visit the Hospital one afternoon each week for the purpose of rendering spiritual counsel to patients who are located here.

Within the next few days you will hear directly from Mr. Halle concerning the schedule which is being set up for this visiting program. Mr. Halle will also discuss arrangements with you concerning the operation of this plan. We very much appreciate your interest in this work and thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

*Louis S. Bing, Jr.*  
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SYNAGOGUE COUNCIL OF AMERICA, 607 West 161st St, New York 32, N.Y.

January 4, 1945

MEMORANDUM

TO: Rabbi Samuel Belkin  
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Since the Kingston incident occurred, we have been in receipt of requests from many Rabbis and community leaders in many parts of the country for a statement on the observance of Christmas in schools. It was also recommended at a recent meeting of representatives of the American Jewish Congress, American Jewish Committee, B'Nai B'Rith and the Synagogue Council of America that such a statement be issued by the Synagogue Council for the guidance of Rabbis and community leaders in handling this problem when it arises.

At the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the Synagogue Council of America, the enclosed proposed draft was submitted and it was decided that it be sent to the heads of our constituencies and to a number of other outstanding religious leaders in Israel for their suggestions and corrections before any action is taken on it.

I am therefore sending you this draft with the cordial request that you suggest any corrections, emendations or additions you may see fit to make and return them to me at your convenience.

AQ:fs  
enc.

Rabbi Ahron Opher

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY  
SYRACUSE 10, NEW YORK

Jan. 4, 1945

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,

Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

A Committee of eight American philosophers are now finishing up a three-volume course in philosophy for the U. S. Armed Forces Institute as well as for civilian use. Your publishers have granted us the privilege of reprinting some pages from your RELIGION IN A CHANGING WORLD.

Now our publishers, the Macmillan Co., have just asked us for brief biographies of the authors in our book of readings. We are so hard pressed for time that I venture to ask if you would help us by putting down some familiar facts: the essential and important facts about yourself, as a kind of 75-word autobiography. The pattern below includes some items we should like.

Would you do this for us VERY SOON, perhaps today or tomorrow?

VERY GRATEFULLY YOURS,

*R. F. Piper*  
R. F. Piper  
Acting Chairman

1. Year of birth.
2. Outstanding achievements.
3. Chief books, with dates.
4. Present occupation.

\*\*\*I beg of your not to let  
modesty impede your pen.\*\*\*

January 8, 1945

Dr. Raymond F. Piper  
Syracuse University  
Syracuse, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Piper:

I am enclosing herewith the brief  
autobiography which you requested.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

AHS:BX  
Enc.



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*The Board of Directors  
of  
The Standard Oil Company  
An Ohio Corporation*

*cordially invites you to be present  
at a Radio Broadcast given in  
commemoration of the*

*Seventy-fifth Anniversary of its Founding  
Cleveland Public Auditorium*

*at seven-forty o'clock  
on Wednesday, January tenth  
Nineteen hundred and forty-five*

The favor of an early  
reply is requested

A list of the distinguished artists  
participating will be found within

*Reception and Buffet*  
*immediately following the Broadcast*  
*Ball Room, Hotel Cleveland*

*Please reply*

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*The first hour of the concert will be broadcast through important outlets of the four major networks and will be followed, after a brief intermission, by the concluding hour of the program. Therefore, it will not be possible to admit anyone to the Auditorium after 7:40 P.M.*

January 15, 1945

The Honorable Arthur H. Vandenberg  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C.

My dear Senator Vandenberg:

I read your great statement before the Senate. It is one of the most penetrating presentations of what our foreign policy should be that I have read. Your constructive recommendation to sign a treaty now to demilitarize Germany and Japan as the essential preliminary step for the building of a permanent world organization is one of the most helpful ideas which has as yet been suggested. More power to you!

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

AHS:BK

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January 18, 1945

Dear Colleague:

When the President's inauguration has taken place, the whole world will be looking forward to his long-awaited conference with Mr. Churchill and Mr. Stalin which is expected in the very near future. The Jewish people has a twofold concern with the decisions of this conference, since the status of the Holy Land and the fate of our European brethren will probably be among the crucial matters to be discussed. As Americans and as Jews we look to this historic occasion with great anxiety and fervent hope.

In accordance with the established practice in Israel and in connection with this momentous event, we call upon you to offer special prayer in your Sabbath morning service on January 27th for the health and safety of the President and for the success of his mission.

May we also suggest that you devote your sermon on that day to the general theme of the responsibility of the United Nations to hold inviolate the pledges made to the Jews and to all oppressed peoples of the world.

Yours in the service of God,

*Herbert S. Goldstein*  
Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, Pres.  
Synagogue Council of America

*Ahron Opher*  
Rabbi Ahron Opher, Director  
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26th January, 1945.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver,  
c/o World Jewish Congress,  
1834 Broadway,  
NEW YORK 23,  
U.S.A.

Dear Rabbi Silver,

We have pleasure in enclosing a copy of the current issue of Jewish Affairs, the monthly publication of the S.A. Jewish Board of Deputies, and we would like to draw your attention to page three of this issue. The article is a summary of a speech you delivered about May of last year at a Conference on "Jewish Social Welfare Workers of the U.S.A." We took this over because we thought that your balanced and realistic approach would be helpful for S.A. Readers.

Yours faithfully,

*Annela Lay.*

for GENERAL SECRETARY.

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## Portrait of America Exhibition and Competition

THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART  
UNIVERSITY CENTER STATION CLEVELAND 6, OHIO

January 26, 1945

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Rev. and Mrs. Abba E. Silver  
19810 Shaker Boulevard  
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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Silver:

Because of your leadership in the cultural and public life of this city, Artists for Victory would be honored to have you serve on the Board of Sponsors of a most important exhibition of living American art, to be displayed to the public, beginning on March 16th, at the Cleveland Museum of Art. Cleveland is the third stop on the exhibition's national tour, following its initial showing at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City. (A private preview, to which we hope to have the privilege of welcoming you, will take place Thursday night, March 15th, from eight to eleven o'clock.)

Naturally, such sponsorship would imply no financial obligation whatsoever on your part---merely an indication of your approval of this new and trail-blazing enterprise, which will serve, it is hoped, to further popular appreciation of the finest art of our own time and country.

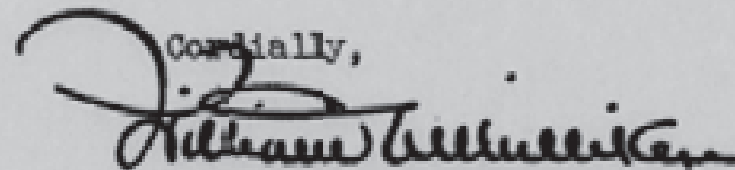
The exhibition of one hundred and fifty paintings which will be displayed at the Cleveland Museum was selected by a jury of artists from among five thousand canvases submitted from every state in the Union to the Pepsi-Cola Competition for American Artists.

Another jury of artists and art experts selected the prize winners, which, in conjunction with fourteen more paintings just purchased by the industrial patron, become the nucleus of a collection of living American art which will ultimately be presented to the public.

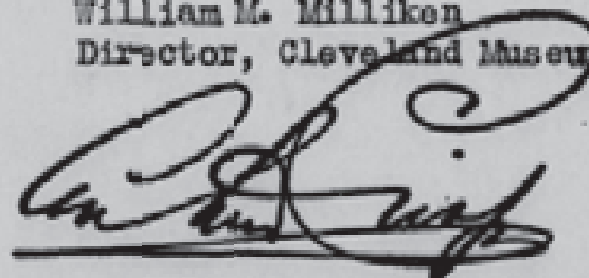
The democratic basis upon which this project is being run by the industrial patron has been hailed as a great forward step in the world of art, through which Industry serves as a channel for the benefit of art, artists and the public.

Will you join other distinguished citizens in sponsoring this project?

Cordially,



William M. Milliken  
Director, Cleveland Museum of Art



Arthur Crisp  
President, Artists for Victory

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January 29, 1945

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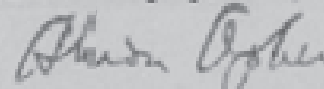
Dear Rabbi Silver:

On January 4th, we sent you a draft of the proposed statement on the observance of Christmas in Public Schools to be issued by the Synagogue Council of America and asked for your comments and suggestions. This statement was prepared at the request of many Rabbis and lay leaders and in consultation with the NCRAC, as a result of the Kingston incident.

We are most anxious to have your opinion of that statement before it is submitted to the Council for adoption.

Will you be good enough to look over this statement and send us your comments at your earliest convenience? If you have misplaced the copy of the draft we sent you, please advise us and we shall be glad to send you another copy.

Sincerely yours,



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Rabbi Ahron Opher